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Elk injures motorcyclist

Wildlife collisions have decreased in recent years but still the second leading cause of accidents

By Don Branum

Air Force Academy Public Affairs

A motorcyclist was injured when an elk collided with his vehicle on North Gate Boulevard west of Stadium Boulevard June 29 at approximately 7:30 a.m.

Casey Green, an equipment manager with the Air Force Academy Athletics Department, was treated at Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs and released.

Dr. Brian Mihlbachler, a natural resource planner with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service who works with the 10th Civil Engineer Squadron's Natural Resources flight, said some accidents with wildlife are unavoidable, recalling a close call of his own.

"I ride a motorcycle every day," he said. "I was scanning ahead and along the roadside because I could see deer ahead, (when) another deer came out of the forest behind me and ran diagonally across my path about five feet in front of my bike going 45 mph. I didn't even have time to down-shift or brake."

The number of collisions has decreased in recent years Dr. Mihlbachler said. Natural Resources recorded 237 vehicle-animal collisions from 2001 to 2010, compared to 401 from 1991 to 2000.

However, wildlife-vehicle collisions are still the second-leading cause of accidents at the Academy, and most of them are preventable. said Lt. Col. Jennifer Stokes, the Academy's chief of safety. Inattentive driving, such as speeding or talking on a cellphone while driving, may be a factor in many of these accidents. The Colorado Department of Transportation has several tips for driving safely in areas frequented by wildlife. Drivers should stay alert, especially at dawn and dusk, which are the most active times of the day for deer and elk. Upon spotting one animal, a driver should stay alert for others. After dark, he should keep an eye out for the shining of deer eyes reflecting vehicles' headlights. "The most important thing drivers can do ... is slow down," said former Colorado State Patrol chief Mark Trostel in a 2006 CSP press release. "At night time, don't overdrive your lights: speeding diminishes the reaction time from when See Motorcycle Page 3

MEGAN DAVIS

Fireworks explode over the Air Force Academy's Falcon Stadium during the Independence Day fireworks show July 4. The event was open to the public and featured a variety of displays and activities. See Page 6 for complete coverage.



Now, THAT is mentoring

Commentary by Lt. Col Tom Angelo 31st Force Support Squadron

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AVIANO AIR BASE, Italy (AFNS) — About 10 years ago, after enlightening me with, no doubt, another gem of wisdom that went over my head, the colonel said to me, "Now, that's mentoring!" Years later, I'm beginning to understand what mentoring really is and that we can easily miss it, even when it's right in front of us.

We often seek mentoring from the wrong sources; we don't always recognize its value, and we sometimes discount its merit when it doesn't have immediate application. There are a few common mistakes I've seen and done that perhaps you, or your Airmen can avoid. Here are five of my "lessons learned."

1. Seek mentorship from more than one person and along many dimensions. Perspectives from different mentors can inspire and spark innovation. Mentors from various backgrounds bring different ideas and approaches based on their life experiences and with several mentors you'll expand your personal growth beyond just "the job." Mentors can assist you across many dimensions and help you set and achieve goals in your professional, spiritual, physical, or academic life. No one mentor needs to fill all roles; freeing yourself from this idea allows you to seek short-term mentorship from a variety of sources. "Situational mentoring" is a great way to get just-in-time advice for the short-term challenges we all face.

2. Don't try so hard that you end up with the wrong mentors, like ones who feel they need to mentor you only because they outrank you, or the boss who you feel has to be your mentor because of his position. Rank or position are not always the best measures of success — blasphemy, I know. Instead, look for those who you feel are most competent for the advice or counsel you need. Although you should keep an open mind to those who offer mentorship, try not to feel obligated to receive guidance from someone when it's just not a good match. A skilled mentor should feel when there's not a good connection, too.

3. The right mentors are not always who you think. For example, peer mentorship can often be the most honest, though toughest to receive at times. In 2007, a fellow squadron commander slyly did this to me. Although at the time I saw it as him just touting his unit's success, he was really mentoring me to improve my game. Similarly, those junior to you can often teach you as much as your peers or seniors, as they can provide feedback for how your leadership is being received.

Reverse mentoring can also help senior members learn skill sets from more junior Airmen, such as information technology or different approaches to learning. Don't be bounded by pay structures, either: enlisted Airmen, civilians, and officers can certainly benefit from mentorship regardless of the uniform or attire we wear. It is critical to seek mentorship from within and outside your functional community--or even outside the Department of Defense or government environment.

4. Realize that mentorship can be both continuous and discrete. Mentees often see mentorship only in small doses at regular intervals, such as documented feedback sessions, on the golf course, or in barstool conversations at the club (which can be part of it). Mentorship can be something we're subconsciously feeling or receiving — something in which we are immersed — that we don't need to think of, just like we don't think to breathe or blink.

Mentorship can happen on a daily, or frequent basis when a supervisor is filling a mentor role as well. I've had several bosses who've asked me to look over their shoulders when typing emails to their bosses, who've jokingly — but seriously — called me out on slacking on my professional military education or who've handed me a set of decisional slides to read through. Those small doses happen pretty quietly from day to day but speak in loud volumes when considered together; what seems accidental is really deliberate when you're being mentored by someone who really cares about your development.



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Nellis pilot in F-16C mishap identified

NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. (AFNS) — Air Force officials identified on July 1 the pilot involved in an aircraft mishap near Caliente, Nev., June 28 as Capt. Eric Ziegler, 30.

Ziegler, a 2003 graduate of the Air Force Academy, was an operational test and evaluation instructor pilot with the 422nd Test and Evaluation Squadron here.

Brig. Gen. Terrence O'Shaughnessy, commander of the 57th Wing, announced June 30 that search and rescue teams had found conclusive evidence that Captain Ziegler did not survive when his F-16C Fighting Falcon crashed during a combat training exercise.

The mishap occurred on Bureau of Land Management property approximately 20 miles west of Caliente while the aircraft was operating in military airspace managed by the Nevada Test and Training Range.



Capt. Eric Ziegler, 30, was a 2003 graduate of the Academy.

A native of West Fargo, N.D., Captain Ziegler was a 1999 graduate of West Fargo High School. He earned a master's degree in 2010. He was an experienced pilot with more than 1,200 flight hours, primarily in the F-16, with operational assignments at Kunsan Air Base, Korea, Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany, and Nellis AFB. During those assignments, he flew more than 300 combat hours on three deployments.

His decorations include four Air Medals and an Aerial Achievement Medal. Ziegler also had re-

cently been selected to attend the U.S. Air Force Weapons School.

"Words can't express how much we'll miss Eric," said Lt. Col. Ryan Suttlemyre, the 422nd TES commander. "He was a special friend, a phenomenal husband and father and a terrific aviator and officer. Our hearts go out to his family during this difficult time."

Ziegler's family has requested privacy but said the following in a prepared family statement:

"Eric was a man of character and faith who deeply loved his family as well as flying. His sense of humor, spontaneity, faith, zest for life, love of family and country are the hallmarks of his personality. He was a true son of the United States."

An investigation into the accident began almost immediately. The accident investigation board will focus on collecting and protecting evidence from the scene and gathering and analyzing relevant data to determine the accident's cause, General O'Shauhnessy said.

"The safety of the local community and our Airmen is my top priority," he added.

More information will be posted at **www.nellis. af.mil**, the Nellis Air Force Base official website, as it becomes available.

<u>Motorcycle</u>

From Page 1

an animal first appears in your headlights." Drivers who encounter an animal already in the road should brake, not swerve, as animals may take off in a different direction without warning.

The Academy's deer population numbers around 250, while the elk herd comprises about 35 animals, Dr. Mihlbachler said. Other animals that can pose a risk to motorcyclists or other drivers include foxes, coyotes, wild turkeys, bobcats, black bears and mountain lions.

The hazard doesn't end at the installation fence, though. Since 2009, 29 animal-vehicle collisions have occurred on Interstate 25 and other roads near the Academy, said CDOT spokesman Bob Wilson.

"When it comes to local wildlife hazards, I don't think the Academy is all that unique," Dr. Mihlbachler said. "There's a lot of habitat and wildlife in the Palmer Lake, Monument and Black Forest areas, and drivers should have their 'radar' up at all times when driving in these areas."

(*Ethan Davis from the Academy's Safety Directorate contributed to this report.*)



MIKE KAPLAN

Animals regularly interact with traffic on base.





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Academy finishes strong in UAS competition

Teamwork, preparation earn cadets fourth-place finish in Unmanned Aerial Systems competition

By David Edwards Academy Spirit Staff Writer

The Air Force Academy finished fourth at the Student Unmanned Aerial Systems competition in Patuxent River, Md., in late June.

Consisting of three phases — journal/report, oral briefing and mission performance — the competition was being held for the ninth time.

Utah State University brought home the overall championship as well as top honors in each of the three phases. The three teams ahead of the Academy took advantage of a resource unavailable to cadets, said Daniel Pack, the UAS research director at the Academy: they "had 'extended' assistance from their graduate students."

Despite the competitive disadvantage, there was a lot to like about the fourth-place result.

"I was very proud of the team members in their interactions with them," Dr. Pack said. "The USAFA team was often surrounded by competitors and other competition participants (who) were drawn to the team by the uniforms and the trailer."

In the mission performance phase of the competition, the Academy team found two of four targets and finished within the allotted 40 minutes. The team did best in the journal phase, garnering second place. Cadets were also among the six teams in the finals of the oral briefing event.

This year's competitors were 2nd Lt. Russ Wilson, 2nd Lt. Andrew Sainsbury, Cadet 1st Class John Welch, Cadet 1st Class Tristan Latchu and Cadet 2nd Class Wolf Thielmann.

Cadet Latchu attributed the favorable outcome to all the planning and adjusting the Academy team had done in advance of the competition.

"Some teams were building their airframes the day before their scheduled flight, while others chose to make major design modifications the night before," he said. "By all rights, we performed our last test flight May 18, by which time we had created checklists and rehearsed the preflight, in-flight and postflight processes and procedures very thoroughly."

He had also collaborated on programming the target-recognition software, and he said that "once we created the final iteration of the program, there was not much to do in the way of preparation."

There were some glitches and missteps at the competition, but the team's ability to overcome them was on display, Cadet Thielmann said.

"Teamwork was an absolutely critical part of the competition," he said. "The team needed to work together

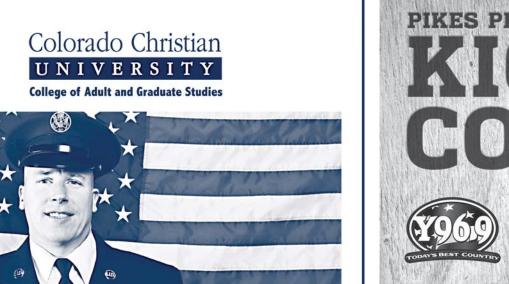


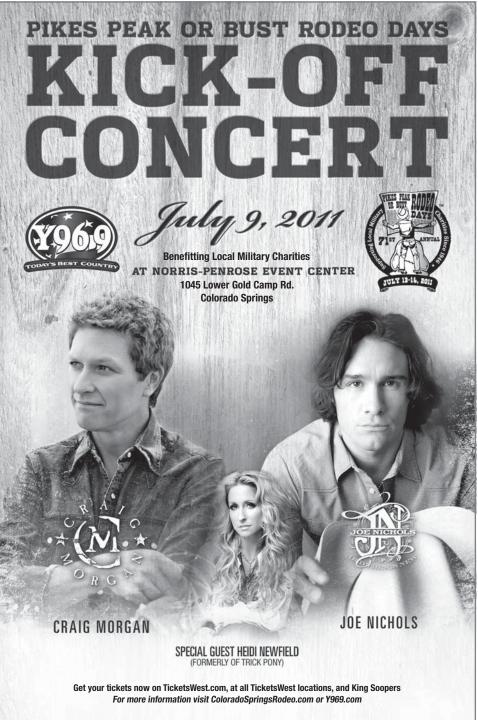
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The Academy's Unmanned Aerial Systems team and their faculty advisers with the remotely piloted aircraft they designed and built for the student UAS competition in Patuxent River, Md.

smoothly in order to decrease any wasted time on the ground, and in order to make on-the-fly adjustments while we scanned for targets on the ground." dets felt about being aced out by a school from a neighboring state. But with the victory this year, Utah State became the first repeat winner of the UAS completion. The school's first triumph came in 2009.

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Officials revise short-tour credit policy

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Beginning July 1, Airmen will no longer receive short tour credit for overseas temporary duty assignments of 181 consecutive days. This change initially was announced in a memorandum signed by Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz in April.

In June 2003, a temporary exception to policy was approved to award short-tour credit to Airmen who deployed to hostile environments for at least 181 consecutive days after 9/11. This exception was initiated since traditional AEF deployments at the time were 120 days. A similar exception was made for Airmen deploying in support of Desert Storm in the early 1990s.

The decision to terminate the current short-tour credit exception to policy is largely based on the number of Airmen who now deploy for longer periods of time. Additionally, with transportation delays and mandatory overlap with successors, the vast majority of Airmen deployed for 179 days remained in the area of responsibility just long enough to reach the 181-day threshold.

"The standard Air Force deployment is now 179 days," said Col. Ken Sersun, chief of the Military Force Policy Division on the Air Staff. "Granting short-tour credit based on 181 days deployment has become inconsistent with the shorttour credit earned by our Airmen who deploy for 365 days."

The following guidelines apply under the new policy:

• Airmen who were previously awarded short-tour credit under the temporary 181-day policy will keep their short-tour credit

• Airmen who arrived in the area of responsibility prior to July 1, 2011, and serve at least 181 days consecutively in a hostile fire or imminent danger pay area will receive short tour credit under the previous criteria

• Airmen who arrive in the AOR on or after July 1, 2011, will not receive short-tour credit under the temporary 181-day policy

· Airmen will be awarded shorttour credit based on TDY service stipulated in AFI 36-2110, Assignments

Since the exception to policy went into effect in 2003, 16,795 Airmen have deployed more than once on 179-day taskings. Since 9/11, more than 52,000 Airmen have deployed for 181 to 200 days. The number of 179-day taskings also has grown significantly since January 2006 from about 6,500 taskings to about 16,600 taskings.

For additional information visit the AFPC personnel services website at http://gum.afpc.randolph. af.mil or call the Total Force Service Center toll-free at (800) 525-0102 or DSN 665-5000.

Chief of staff announces 2011 'Vector'

By Staff Sgt. J. Paul Croxon Defense Media Activity-Air Force

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — The Air Force's senior military officer released his vision for the future in the CSAF Vector 2011, which highlights the service's unique contributions to national security and also provides updates and the way ahead on the Air Force's priorities.

"A year ago I presented a vision for our Air Force," Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz said. "That same vision remains: I see our Air Force rising, strong and capable -an Air Force consistently and reliably delivering Global Vigilance, Reach and Power for America -- in what is likely to be a very challenging future.

"We made a lot of progress last year, but there is still much to accomplish," he said. "This Vector provides an update of where we have been and where we still need to go

as the world's greatest Air Force."

In his Vector, Schwartz discusses the strategic environment and challenges facing today's Air Force, to include budget pressures.

"In the coming years, our nation and our Air Force will face a budget environment unlike anything we have encountered in decades," he said. "As elected officials consider what to do about the growing federal debt, pressure will mount to reduce defense spending.

"The Air Force will play a role in the solution, but not by retrenching or continuing business as usual on a reduced scale," he said. "My pledge for the coming year is to strengthen unit readiness and avoid a creeping hollow force that provides only the illusion of Global Vigilance, Reach, and Power. "Yet, even as we operate aging systems, many Air Force capabilities require modernization to help us shape and respond to a very challenging future," the general said. "We must make difficult choices to balance near-term operational readiness with longer term needs, and fit all of that into a more affordable package."

The first step to achieving that balance is to reaffirm the Air Force's commitment to its Airmen and its mission, Schwartz said.

"We take pride in having a diverse, highly trained and educated force, and will continue to devote the necessary time and resources to develop Airmen who are prepared, individually and collectively, to solve the challenges of the future," he said.

The Vector also highlights the Air



Force's unique contributions to national security, which the general said Airmen must understand, appreciate and be able to articulate. "While we con-

duct many mis-

sions, there are four unique Air Force contributions that define us: gaining control of air, space and cyberspace; holding targets at risk around the world; providing responsive intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; and rapidly transporting people and equipment across the globe," Schwartz said. "We carry out each of these unique, advanced capabilities through an unmatched global command and control network.

"Collectively, they not only distinguish our Air Force as the preeminent air and space power, they also bolster the United States ' reputation as the world's most responsive and capable strategic actor," he said. "The nature of the rapidly changing security environment demands that we focus on sustaining these enduring contributions."





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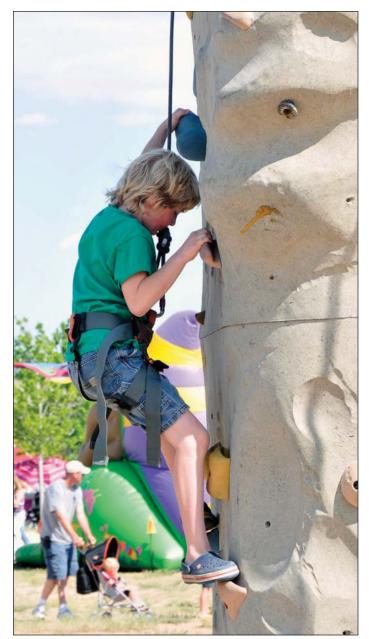
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BELOW: A visitor to the Air Force Academy's 2011 Fourth of July celebration tests his rock-climbing skills on a rock wall. The Academy partnered with the city of Colorado Springs to host the event, which drew more than 20,000 people.



Fun on the Fourth

Academy holds Independence Day bash

PHOTOS BY MEGAN DAVIS

Thomas Wilson conducts a Colorado Springs Philharmonic performance in Falcon Stadium July 4, while in the background, basic cadets get some welcome down time from Basic Cadet Training. Wilson, the philharmonic's associate conductor, began studying piano at age 4 and later learned trumpet, percussion, string bass and voice.

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By Don Branum

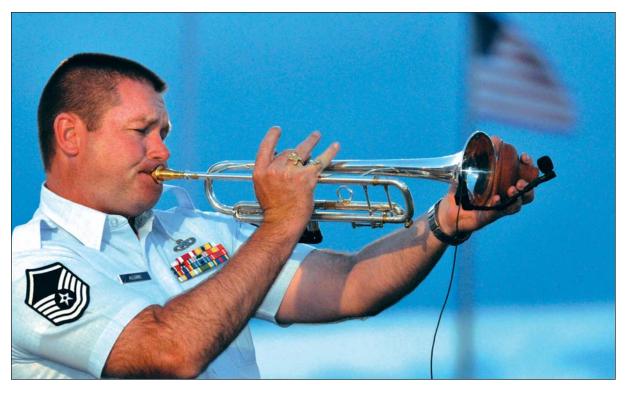
Academy Spirit staff

The Air Force Academy partnered with the city of Colorado Springs to hold a birthday party for the nation Monday.

More than 20,000 people attended the Fourth of July celebration, which featured a nearly 30-minute fireworks show as well as performances by the Colorado Springs Philharmonic and the Air Force Academy Band.

Other attractions at the event included a car show, static displays of military hardware, a rock climbing wall and inflatable attractions.

For more photos of the event, visit the Academy's website at **www.usafa.af.mil/photos**.



Master Sgt. Tim Allums performs at the Air Force Academy's Independence Day celebration. Allums is a trumpet player with the Air Force Academy Band and a native of Beaumont, Texas.



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Robert Lansing loses his balance on a makeshift raft as other members of his flight watch during a Society of American Military Engineers camp a the Air Force Acad emy June 25. SAME camps introduce high schoolers to engineering principles using a "build first, design later" strategy. Robert is a native of Menands, N.Y.



BILL EVANS

Engineering camp inspires students

By Don Branum Academy Spirit staff

ing? Get them to build a water balloon-launching catapult.

The Air Force Academy and the Society of American Military Engineers held their 12th-annual engineering and construction camp in Jacks ticipants, 16-year-old Sarah Kim, traveled from Seoul, South Korea, to partici-Valley June 24-30, using exercises such as building concrete beams, water pate. balloon launchers and an event called "how to trap a bear" to get a group of 72 teens interested in pursuing an engineering career.

Retired Army Lt. Col. Scott Prosuch, a Colorado Springs resident and chairman of SAME's Engineering and Construction Camps Committee, partnered with the Academy's Civil Engineering Department in 1999 to create a program similar to the Academy's existing Field Engineering Readiness Laboratory.

"We took a subset of that program, because we only have the kids for one week, and we built a hands-on engineering curriculum around that," Prosuch said.

The SAME camp borrows on FERL's "build first, design later" theme, curriculum-based activity." said Capt. Adam Strecker, a DFCE instructor and officer in charge of this year's camp.

"For FERL, everything you learn about the design of a concrete beam is to keep students and their mentors connected after the camp ends.

applies toward your senior-year courses," Strecker said. "If you don't see the application of it first, you have a harder time understanding the details mentors sign up, they not only have these kids for the week they're at later. Seeing it firsthand out here helps students relate. The SAME camp takes camp, but we ask them to maintain that relationship long-term. It's How do you get middle- and high-school students interested in engineer- the same approach: hands-on activities allow them to see what engineers' work amazing how well it works." ends up looking like in the field."

SAME camps attract students from around the world. One of this year's par-

"My chemistry teacher recommended it to me, so I decided to apply for it," said Sarah, who had not previously been to Colorado.

Maggie Boylan, also 16, flew from Smithfield, Va., to attend the camp. "I looked at the website and activities, and it seemed like a lot of fun," she said.

The SAME camp does not go into the same level of detail as FERL, however, in part due to the time constraint, Strecker said.

fun activity, but we try to focus more on the fun aspect for high school kids to keep them engaged. There's more problem solving and creativity as opposed to

Cadets and experts from military and civilian engineering fields lead and mentor the students through the six-day camp. Prosuch said one of the camp's goals

2007 camp.

The total registration fee to attend a SAME camp is \$550. Students must pay half the total fee, or \$275. Students must be U.S. citizens on a high school track that will provide a basis for attending an accredited engineering college or university and must have an expressed intent to pursue a degree in architecture, engineering or a related field, according to the SAME Engineering and Construction Camps website, http:// samecamps.org.

Additionally, to attend the Academy camp, students must provide some proof of an expressed interest in applying to a service academy or "We try and touch on engineering topics more broadly," he said. "FERL is a ROTC program. Sarah said she's still exploring her options. Maggie said she plans to apply to the Air Force Academy.

Students who have attended a camp may apply for SAME college scholarships that pay \$1,250 per year for up to four years, as long as the students continue to maintain the scholarship requirements, Mr. Prosuch said. Students who attend a service academy do not receive the scholarships.

"This isn't just a 'do it and let the kids go' (event)," Prosuch said. "When

Captain Strecker, a native of Littleton, Colo., was a mentor for the



Alex Pressier attempts to steer C Flight's raft after it fell apart in the water during the SAME camp. Alex is a native of Fort Worth, Texas.

Leaders and Mentors

- A Flight: Cadet 1st Class Morgan Grohol, Julianna
- Wilson and Eduardo Martinez
- **B Flight:** Cadet 1st Class Steven Conradi, Amy Martin and Erich Flessner

C Flight: Cadet 1st Class Kurt DeRussy, Ashley Alguire and 2nd Lt. Thomas Bowen

- D Flight: Cadet 1st Class Martin Madsen, Briana Noonan and 1st Lt. Patrick Bacue
- **E Flight:** Cadet 1st Class Richard Boyle, Colleen Curry
- and 2nd Lt. Eduardo Nieto F Flight: Coast Guard Academy Cadet Alexa Ward,
- Capt. Jeremy Kinne and Alex Kirchhoff

Basic Cadet Training marches onward



PHOTOS BY SARAH CHAMBERS

Basic cadets assigned to Jaguars Flight practice their marching skills on the Terrazzo at the Air Force Academy July 1. The basics are scheduled to march to Jacks Valley for the second phase of Basic Cadet Training Sunday.

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Women's Open gets started

Lt. Gen. Mike Gould, Air Force Academy superintendent, talks with professional golfer Vicky Hurst during his visit to the Broadmoor Country Club Wednesday. General Gould participated in opening ceremonies for day three of the LPGA's U.S. Women's Open, which concludes on Sunday.

BILL EVANS

Nine Air Force hockey players earn academic all-conference honors

Nine Air Force hockey players were named to the 2011 Atlantic Hockey Association all-academic team, as announced by the AHA league office.

The nine selections tie as the fourth most in school history. A total of 175 student-athletes earned academic all-AHA honors, a new league record.

The nine Falcons honored on the team were senior forward Jacques Lamoureux (3.49 grade point average in 2010-11 in management), junior goalie Stephen Caple (3.41 GPA in civil engineering), junior defenseman Scott Mathis (3.73 GPA in management), junior forward Paul

Weisgarber (3.85 GPA in management), sophomore goalie David Bosner (3.58 GPA in foreign area studies), freshman forward Jason Fabian (3.01 GPA in management), freshman forward Casey Kleisinger (3.41 GPA in management), freshman defenseman Adam McKenzie (3.81 GPA in aeronautical engineering) and freshman goalie Jason Torf (3.24 GPA in aeronautical engineering).

To qualify for the Atlantic Hockey All-Academic Team an individual must post a 3.0 GPA or higher in all of the academic periods during which his team was actively competing.



Air Force Hockey players prepare to take the ice before a game during the 2010 season.



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Air Force announces women's soccer class of 2015

Nine freshmen join Falcons soccer program in 2011

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The Air Force Academy women's soccer team welcomes nine freshmen to the class of 2015, announced today by head coach Larry Friend.

The class of 2015 arrived for Basic Cadet Training June 23, marking the beginning of the four-year journey to become officers in the Air Force.

"Both the women's soccer staff and the team are excited about our incoming class of freshmen," Friend said. "We have nine players coming from all over the country covering most positions. We expect our new freshmen to contribute to the program immediately. I really respect the courage of these women to take on this challenge at the Air Force Academy. They are doing quite well. I believe their experiences in competitive soccer have prepared them well for the Academy."

The class of 2015 represents players from seven states, including two from Colorado and Utah.

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Tory Gullo Height/Position: 5-7, Defender

Hometown: River Forest, Ill. High School: Oak Park River Forest

Hallie Koeppen

Height/Position: 5-10, Goalkeeper Hometown: Eagle, Idaho Previous School: Boise State High School: Eagle

Kelsey Orvin

Height/Position: 5-6, Defender Hometown: Summerville, S.C. High School: Pinewood Prep.

Casey Philbin

Height/Position: 5-6, Defender Hometown: Herndon, Va. High School: Bishop O'Connell

Paige Saxton-Getty

Height/Position: 5-8, Defender Hometown: Temecula, Calif. High School: Chaparral

Hannah Schwartz

Height/Position: 5-8, Goalkeeper Hometown: Longmont, Colo. High School: Longmont

Felicia Sturgeon

Height/Position: 5-4, Midfielder Hometown: Bountiful, Utah High School: Bountiful

Kylie Williamson

Height/Position: 5-8, Defender Hometown: Colorado Springs, Colo. High School: Air Academy



MIKE KAPLAN

Air Force women's soccer players huddle before a game against CSU-Pueblo Aug. 20, 2010. The Falcons won that game, their 2010 season opener, 3-0. Nine new players have joined the team for the 2011 season.





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For more information, call the ITT office at 333-3348.

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.

Santa Fe Trail closure

A portion of the Santa Fe Trail will be closed weekdays but remain open weekends until Oct. 30 while repairs are made to the Tri-Intersection Bridge on South Gate Boulevard.



Cadet Chapel BUDDHIST Sundays: 10 a.m. Thursdays: 6:20 p.m.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP

Family Advocacy offerings

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

Anger Management: Held Tuesdays, July 19 through Aug. 9, from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Learn how to manage your anger and how to better relate to others using simple, innovative techniques.

Common Sense Parenting: Held Thursdays, Aug. 4 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.

1-2-3 Magic Parenting: Held Aug. 10 and 17 from 9 to 11 a.m. This class offers parents of children ages 2-12 easyto-follow steps for disciplining children without arguing, yelling or spanking. This is a two-session course.

Get a little 'wild' with AFA Band

The Air Force Academy Band's Wild Blue Country ensemble will perform at Limbach Park in Monument July 27 from 7-9 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.

Other upcoming Air Force Academy Band events include a performance of the national anthem by Blue Steel at Coors Field in Denver July 2 at 6:10 p.m. and a Stellar Brass concert featuring Dr. Joseph Galema at the Cadet Chapel on July 14 at 2:30 p.m.

For more information, visit the Academy Band's events page at www. usafacademyband.af.mil/events.

PPoBR scholarships

Families of servicemembers killed in action while in a designated combat zone may apply for Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo Parade scholarships by Tuesday.

For more information or to apply, contact Brian Binn at 575-4325 or by email at brian@cscc.org.

Fducation Fair

The base education office will hold an education fair Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Community Center breezeway.

Representatives from several colleges and universities will present information about their educational programs, suited to meet the needs of both traditional and non-traditional students.

affect the water quality, please call Maj. Chet Bryant or Senior Airman Skyler Arnold at 333-4825.

Readiness Center events

Disabled American Veterans medical records review - Monday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Individuals within 180 days of retirement or separation can have the DAV review their medical records. Preregistration required. Call for an individual appointment.

Resume-writing workshop – Wednesday, 9 a.m. to noon. Learn to write an effective resume that will open the door to your next career opportunity. Learn different resume formats, how to best highlight your qualifications/ experience, targeting your resume to specific jobs, and more.

Smooth Move – Thursday, 3-4 p.m. One-stop shop for relocation information, "Know Before You Go." Spouses are encouraged to attend. Great specific information about your destination base, allowances, Plan My Move, HHG shipment/claims, and more.

Changes in fishing access

Fishing access to the Kettle Lakes has recently changed as a result of the installation of new airfield security gates. Fishermen must now park south or east of Kettle Lake No. 1 and walk in to the lakes.

The new gate at the end of Road 840 (north of the Pass and Registration Center) will temporarily remain open through July 15 to allow access to the handicap fishing pier at Kettle Lake No. 3. However, after that date the gate will be permanently closed, and mobility-impaired fishermen will be required to have an electronic gate card to access the handicap pier through Gate K-1, at the intersection of Airfield Drive and South Gate Boulevard.

Only people with a military ID,

Academy fishing permit and a handicap-parking permit will be issued a gate card. To initiate a request for access, disabled fishermen must call Natural Resources at 333-3308 for further details.

Retiree Appreciation Day

The Academy is hosting a Colorado Springs Front Range Retiree Appreciation Day July 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Arnold Hall Ballroom.

The fair will feature guest speakers, an information/vendor fair, Tricare information, as well as free continental breakfast and lunch/appetizer spread.

For more information contact Tech. Sgt. Kelly Links at 333-5432.

Outdoor Adventure

Family Overnight Rafting Trip, July 14-15. All the rafting gear, sleeping bags and pads, two lunches, one dinner, one breakfast cooked in the great outdoors and all transportation. \$165/adult, \$140/kids under 14. Call 333-2940 to sign up.

Outdoor Adventure

All bike trips include support, transportation for people and bikes and an experienced guide. Call 333-2940 for more information.

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

Advanced Mountain Cycling Monarch Crest Trail - July 10, 7 a.m. \$49. 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 Monday, August 1 and attend a pre-trip meeting Friday, August 26.



Traditional: Sundays, 9 a.m. Contemporary: Sundays, 11.a.m.

CATHOLIC WORSHIP

Mass: Sundays, 10-11 a.m.; Mondays, 5:45-6:15 a.m.; Tuesdays-Thursdays, 7-7:30 p.m. **Confession and Adoration:** Wednesdays, 6-7 p.m. Holy Days of Obligation: 7 p.m.

JEWISH WORSHIP Shabbath: 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.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP Evangelical: Sunday, 10:15 a.m. Gospel: Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend and explore the next step in their education. For more information, call the education office at 333-4821.

Water quality report

The 10th Aerospace Medicine Squadron's Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight has published the 2011 Consumer Confidence Report. This water quality report for 2010 summarizes information regarding drinking water sources used (i.e., rivers, lakes, reservoirs, or aquifers), any detected contaminants, compliance and educational information.

According to the report, all sampling during 2010 was within federal and state limits and the Academy maintains high-quality water. To obtain a full copy of the report or for public participation opportunities that may

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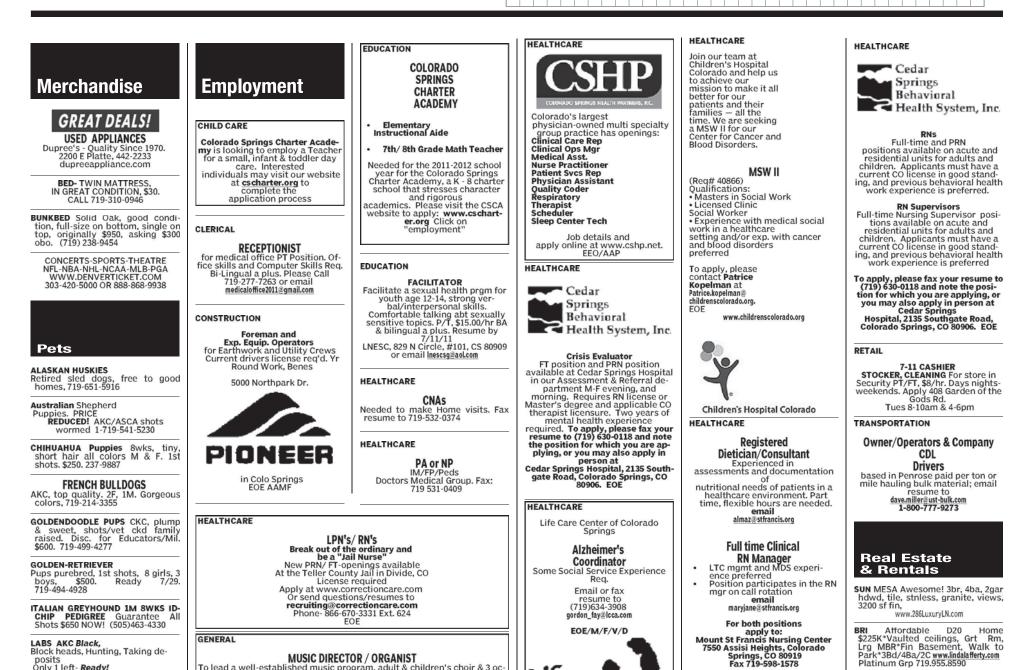
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