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Robbie Tallas, goaltending coach for the San Antonio Rampage hockey team, does a low crawl during a challenge between the Rampage team and Basic Military Training instructors at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland. To find out who won the challenge, turn to PGs 10 & 15.

A call to action –

Three ways to combat sexual assault

By Airman 1st Class Krystal Tomlin
Air Force Public Affairs Agency

While moderating the U.S. Air Force Facebook page recently, I came across a question I found personally difficult to answer. The question was asked by a concerned parent preparing to send a daughter to basic training in light of a widespread sexual assault investigation. She asked, “Will my daughter be safe?”

It’s difficult to reassure parents about their child’s safety knowing the threat of sexual assault exists even beyond basic training. I’ve heard too many stories of service members who have experienced sexual trauma.

There were 3,192 reports of sexual assault in the military during fiscal year 2011, according to an annual report by the Department of Defense. An estimated 86 percent of sexual assaults go unreported, bringing the total to approximately 19,000 sexual assaults per year. Do the math ... that’s two assaults every hour in a population comparable to a single major U.S. city. Of those reporting, approximately 397 were men.

“Sexual assault has no place in this department. It is an affront to the basic American values we defend, and to the good honor of our servicemembers and their families,” said Defense Secretary Leon Panetta to the House and Senate Armed Service Committee April 13.

Top civilian and military leaders are working to define root causes for such widespread atrocities and to provide solutions to correct the problem. Nonprofit organizations, news media and bloggers are holding them accountable. New training was implemented and changes were made in reporting and investigation processes, but there’s still work to be done.

Changing policies and processes is an invaluable component to ensuring the safety of our troops. However, I propose every service member, regardless of rank or position in the chain of command, is duty-bound to perpetuate change toward a military culture free from sexual assault.

The nation is calling on us to end military sexual assault and violence. Are you ready to answer the call? Our weapons will be intellect, self-awareness and social activism. Here are three ways we can all join in the fight:

1. Educate ourselves about elements in society that promote the false notion of femininity being inferior to masculinity. Let’s put our search engines to work and learn about things like gender stereotypes, consent, victim-blaming, sexual objectification, rape culture and the impact they have on society.

We can use what we learn to raise self-awareness, challenge the effect media has on our perception of gender dichotomy and help others see common, harmful messages in pop culture and how



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Leadership at Keesler Air Force Base developed a unique “teal rope” program addressing issues surrounding sexual assault through student involvement. Select Airmen received training and began wearing the teal ropes at Keesler AFB Oct. 15, symbolizing sexual assault awareness and support within the student population.

certain comments or jokes contribute to the damages.

2. Volunteer at the base Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office. There’s always a need for advocates, especially in deployed locations, to provide immediate support to men and women who have

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Special Victims’ Counsel eligibility expanded to include unprofessional relationships

By Tech. Sgt. Beth Anschutz
AETC Public Affairs

The new Special Victims’ Counsel Program starting Air Force-wide Jan. 28 will be expanded to Basic Military trainees and Technical Training students who have been involved in unprofessional relationships of a physical and sexual nature.

The SVC pilot program is designed to provide support to victims of sexual assault throughout the military justice process by providing independent legal representation designed for victims’ distinctive needs.

“The Special Victims’ Counsel is a very important addition to the system of support we already have in place to help victims of sexual assault,” said Gen.

Edward A. Rice Jr., commander, Air Education and Training Command. “It is an indication of how seriously we take the crime of sexual assault and how committed we are to addressing the needs of our Airmen who are victims of this offense.”

The Special Victims’ Counsel program

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NEWS IN BRIEF

JBSA ANNUAL AWARDS COMMITTEE AUDITIONS

The Joint Base San Antonio annual awards committee will host auditions for emcees and national anthem singers Jan. 25, 3:30 p.m., in the Robert D. Gaylor NCO Academy auditorium at JBSA-Lackland.

Auditions are open to service members of all military branches.

For additional information, contact Senior Master Sgt. Craig Ferguson, 802nd Force Support Squadron, at 210-671-3722 or Master Sgt. Michael Harris, Air Force Personnel Operations Agency, at 210-565-3673.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH LUNCHEON

The annual Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland African American Heritage Month luncheon is Feb. 13, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Gateway Club.

The guest speaker is Lt. Gen. Ronnie D. Hawkins, Jr., director, Defense Information Systems Agency, Fort Meade, Md.

For ticket information, call Teresa Hall at 210-925-0283 or Master Sgt. Christopher Gradel at 210-671-4906.

RESEARCH STUDY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for a U.S. Air Force Surgeon General research study.

The study's goal is to establish a normative database using a brain MRI of active-duty personnel, ages 26 to 50, with a doctorate-level education. The database will be used as a comparison to MRI findings in U-2 pilots and altitude chamber technicians.

The study entails completion of a short medical questionnaire followed by an MRI scan without contrast performed by the 59th Medical Wing. Temporarily deployed expenses will be covered for out-of-town continental United States members.

For additional information, contact Project Managers Amanda Gisch or Deborah Geramita at 210-292-0476.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

The opening ceremony for Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland African American Heritage Month activities is Feb. 1, 3 p.m., in the Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center auditorium.

The guest speaker is retired Lt. Col. Ralph "Rick" Sinkfield, president of the San Antonio chapter of Tuskegee Airmen.

For details, contact Master Sgt. Chamara Cantrell at 210-292-2758.

Agency brings real intel to aerial combat exercise

By Wayne Amann

Air Force ISR Agency Public Affairs

For the first time in 38 years, realistic intelligence will be an integral part of the Air Force's signature aerial combat training exercise.

The Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, via its 526th Intelligence Squadron, will be a key player at Red Flag 13-3, Feb. 25 to March 15, at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

This marks the agency's debut providing real-time intel to Red Flag participants at the Nevada Test and Training Range. The NTTR is the largest contiguous air and ground space available for peacetime military operations in the free world, where testing, training and tactics development are conducted.

"(Since Red Flag was established in 1975) intelligence had to be faked, or what we call white carded," said Maj. Christopher Keown, director of operations at the 526th IS at Nellis AFB. "In the old days you would literally write down the event or intelligence action on a white card and hand it to an analyst."

The agency and the Air Force Warfare Center (weapons school) at Nellis are teaming to produce a realistic environment that replaces the need to pass white cards.

"With the Air Force ISR Agency represented at Red Flag planning, it allows us to produce scenarios that properly represent the enemy and ensure realistic intelligence can be collected and passed to Red Flag participants," Keown said.

The impetus behind the agency's Red Flag involvement was the vision of Air Force ISR Agency Commander Maj. Gen. Robert P. Otto.

"Shortly after taking command in July 2011, he researched the needs of the intelligence community," said Maj. Shawn McPherson, Air Force ISR Agency chief, Multi-INT Airborne Capabilities. "He then designated the 526th IS as a focal point for

achieving a Red Flag-like experience for ISR professionals and a place to explore the feasibility of ISR operational Tactics Development and Evaluation."

In 2012, Otto characterized Nellis AFB as, "the center of the universe for tactics, and prepping pilots for the fight."

Agency leaders agree bringing ISR operations to Nellis AFB is a key breakthrough not only for the agency, but for combat operations and training.

"The ability of ISR and combat forces to integrate in a collocated environment provides the best opportunity to prepare for tomorrow's fight," said Lt. Col. Christopher Reiz, 526th IS commander. "(Our) squadron expands the all-in commitment of the agency and allows cross-cue education and training between ISR and flying communities."

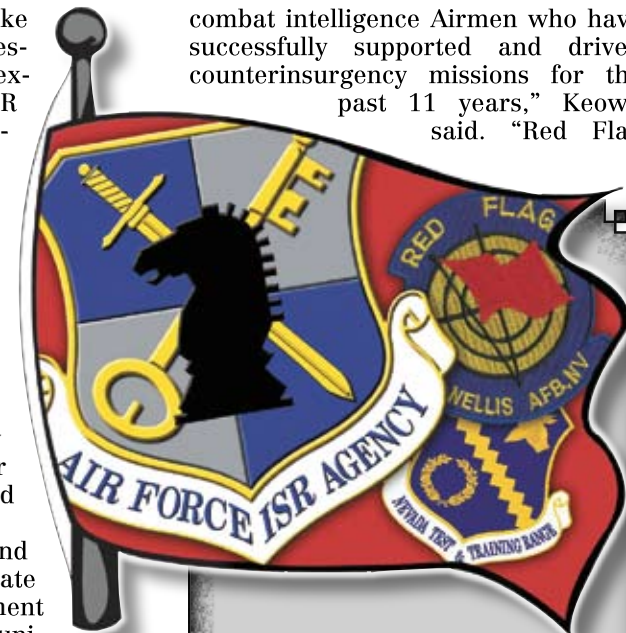
Cross-cueing is putting multiple ISR aircraft with varying capabilities in the same location, collecting against the same targets to refine location and intent.

Spearheaded by Airmen of the 526th IS, the agency's preparation focus includes: scenario development, designed to produce a realistic operating environment for ISR to collect against; operative forces scripting, which mimics enemy communication techniques and procedures; implementing an ISR package commander position, which applies lessons learned from previous years; standing up a distinct ISR Shot Validation meeting, which determines successes and failures; ISR Familiarization Day, which prepares its forces for the next fight.

The anticipated takeaways by agency Airmen at Red Flag will be significant and they're ready for the challenge.

"The agency is armed with the best

combat intelligence Airmen who have successfully supported and driven counterinsurgency missions for the past 11 years," Keown said. "Red Flag



Graphic illustration
by George Serna

The Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency will debut real intel during the aerial combat exercise Red Flag 13-3, Feb. 25 to March 15, at the Nevada Test and Training Range, Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

provides a high-threat environment they have not experienced. They'll have to use their intelligence capabilities to the max."

There's also a tangible long-term benefit.

"This training will be crucial in ensuring that regardless of the ISR professional's background, they'll be able to hit the ground running from day one on any deployment," McPherson said.

Other Red Flag participants and event organizers see their new ISR partners raising the exercise bar.

"You fight with what and who you train with," Keown said. "They're excited with the effort the agency is placing in Red Flag. It's taken the training to the next level and is playing an integral part in setting the new base-line for Red Flag exercises."

Even downrange

AF captain makes healthy living a way of life

By Capt. Tristan Hinderliter
451st Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

Six days a week, her iPhone alarm – a soothing instrumental melody – goes off at 4:10 a.m.

She puts on her PT uniform, stops by her office to check e-mail, then drives across base to the outdoor CrossFit pad, where, this time of year, it is cold and dark.

That's how Capt. Lesley Lilly, 451st Expeditionary Force Support Flight commander and a volunteer CrossFit coach, has spent the past month. For two months before that, she attended the 5 a.m. class as an athlete, then she stepped up as a coach when the previous coaches redeployed home.

Lilly, deployed to Kandahar from Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, has been doing CrossFit for about a year, but fitness and health education is nothing new to her. She



Photos by Master Sgt. Russell Martin
Capt. Lesley Lilly, 451st Expeditionary Force Support Flight commander and a volunteer CrossFit coach at Kandahar Airfield, performs an overhead squat during the 5 a.m. CrossFit class she coaches.



Capt. Lesley Lilly, 451st Expeditionary Force Support Flight commander and a volunteer CrossFit coach at Kandahar Airfield, shows an athlete proper form on overhead squats during the 5 a.m. CrossFit class. Lilly, deployed here from Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, coaches a 5 a.m. class six days a week. One of the most rewarding things about coaching is watching people develop and improve, she said.

got her bachelor's degree in Community Health Education from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, and during college she had an internship at a non-profit organization, Church Health Center in Memphis, Tenn., where she taught classes on health and fitness.

She's currently working on her master's degree in Health and Kinesiology from the University of Texas at San Antonio.

"A key philosophy I live by is, 'your health is your greatest wealth,'" Lilly said. "You can't buy good health in the sense that you can go out and buy a nice home. You have to invest in good choices to really be healthy throughout your life."

The CrossFit workouts consist of a warm-up routine, stretching, a skill such as a particular lifting movement and the Workout of the Day,

or "WOD" in the parlance of the athletes.

Most workouts include strength training movements such as snatches, deadlifts, hang cleans, push jerks or squats. There are kettle-bell swings, handstand push-ups, sprints and box jumps. There are exercises with names like burpees, thrusters, kipping pull-ups, double-unders and the Sumo Deadlift High Pull.

"CrossFit is really good in developing well-rounded athletes because it incorporates so many different types of physical activity," Lilly said. "The workouts are intended to be constantly varied, high-intensity, functional movements."

Lilly is one of two coaches for the 5 a.m. class. The other is Joey Wisniewski, a General Dynamics contractor who is a mechanic on the Stryker armored combat vehicle.

Wisniewski, from Renton,

Wash., has been at Kandahar since June 2011 and has been a CrossFit coach here for the past two months, including the past month with Lilly.

"Lesley is very positive, encouraging and always brings everybody up," Wisniewski said. "She's a really hard worker, and I appreciate her positive feedback and motivation to all the athletes."

When she returns home to Texas, she hopes to get her CrossFit Level 1 certification and to be able to coach part time, Lilly said.

"Coaching here has been a great experience," Lilly said. "Trying to figure out what you need to do individually to improve as an athlete is very different than observing someone else's form and technique and trying to articulate to them how they should improve."

One of the most rewarding things about coaching is

watching people develop and improve, Lilly said.

"When you see an athlete that couldn't do a certain exercise a month ago and now you see them able to do that because you are giving them the instruction they need, that's been really rewarding," Lilly said.

Her passion for fitness, it seems, is matched only by her enthusiasm for nutrition.

"When you're thinking about nutrition, it's so important to incorporate it with physical activity," Lilly said. "They really do work hand in hand."

The overall principle to keep in mind, Lilly said, is that food is fuel.

"What you eat fuels your body throughout the day," Lilly said. "So you want to focus on eating a lot of natural, healthy fresh fruits and vegetables, lean meats such as poultry and fish or lean cuts of red meat. Fuel your body for success."

When she's not teaching CrossFit or picking out healthy food at the dining facility, Lilly leads 20 Airmen in the 451st EFSF. The flight is responsible for Manpower, Personnel and Services functions for the 451st Air Expeditionary Wing.

Lilly said one of the highlights of her deployment so far was arranging activities as part of a "12 Days of Christmas" campaign.

"It was very rewarding to be able to provide a venue for our Airmen to enjoy the holidays while they were deployed and away from their families," she said.

Despite a very demanding work schedule, Lilly said she tries to get at least seven hours of sleep a night in order to have the energy to keep up her workout routine. After all, 4:10 a.m., comes early.

Tax center available to assist military taxpayers

By Capt. Trent Bradford
502nd MSG/JA

The Lackland Tax Center will be providing free tax preparation and e-filing, beginning Jan. 30 for both federal and state income tax returns for active duty, reserve, National Guard, retired military, and dependents.

Tax returns can only be completed with the taxpayer(s) present. Come in person, and if filing jointly, bring your spouse.

In order for returns to be completed, all relevant tax documents, which may include last year's tax return, an official photo I.D. and a Social Security card for each taxpayer and dependent must be presented.

New Internal Revenue Service policy states that all tax returns must be completed in one appointment; follow-ups cannot be scheduled for missing documents or spouses' signatures. Also, due to IRS rules, the center will not be allowed to process some of the more complex tax returns.

Please note that a few necessary tax documents may not be available until on or after the Tax Center's opening day. Travel/Miscellaneous W-2s will not be available until January 31. Important tax documents from non-Defense Department sources, such as Mortgage Interest 1098s and 1099-INTs or 1099-DIVs from personal banks may be released later.

The Tax Center will be open Monday through Thursday for appoint-

ments. Only those filing basic 1040 EZ returns may be seen on a walk-in basis from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The Tax Center will be located in Room 41 in the basement of the 37th Training Wing headquarters, Building 2484, located at 1701 Kenly Ave., across the street from the Gateway Club and adjacent to the parade field. Qualified individuals may call the Tax Center at 671-1001 to schedule appointments.

Military-specific tips:

For those deploying, it may be helpful to designate someone to represent you on a federal tax matter. To do this, fill out and sign IRS Form 2848, Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative, and provide it to the person who will file your taxes. Forms can be downloaded at <http://www.irs.gov>.

For U.S. armed forces personnel serving in a combat zone, the IRS automatically extends the deadline for filing tax returns, paying taxes, filing a claim for a refund, and taking other actions related to federal income tax.

Members may apply for a deferral of taxes owed if they can show that their ability to pay taxes was adversely affected by their military service.

Members who prefer to self-prepare and e-file taxes may do so at <http://www.militaryonesource.com/>.

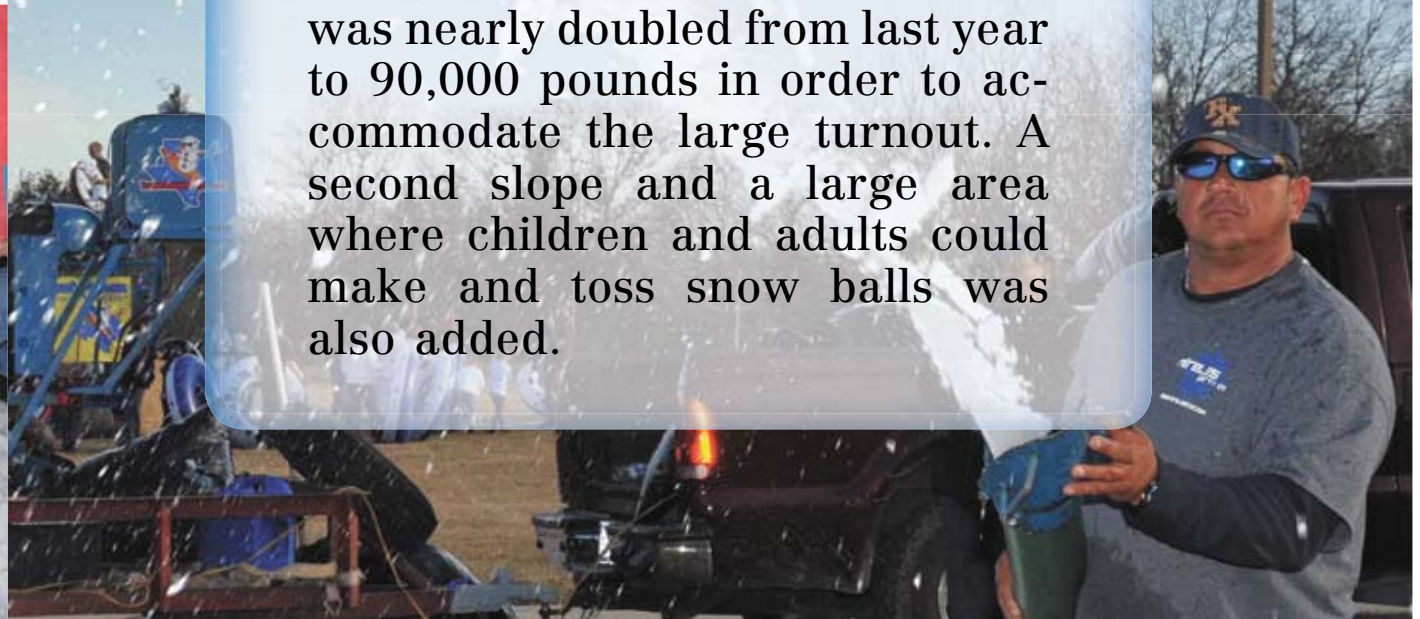




Slipping, sliding down 'snow' cools off Lacklanders

Tara Corder and her son, 3-year-old Hunter, are among the first to enjoy a ride down one of the snow slopes created for JBSA-Lackland's Snow Day. Hunter's dad is Staff Sgt. Kevin Corder who works at the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center.

About 1,000 Airmen and family members enjoyed slipping and sliding down two snow slopes created for this year's Snow Day at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland's amphitheater, Jan. 18. The amount of ice to make the snow was nearly doubled from last year to 90,000 pounds in order to accommodate the large turnout. A second slope and a large area where children and adults could make and toss snow balls was also added.



Staff Sgt. Brandi Aiken, 343rd Training Squadron, acquaints her daughter, 2-year-old Addison, with the white, fluffly "snow" in the play area during JBSA-Lackland's Snow Day.

Jimmy Garcia spreads "snow" made from 90,000 pounds of ice on one of two snow slopes created for this year's Snow Day at JBSA-Lackland's amphitheater, Jan. 18.

Photos by Alan Boedeker

BMT HONORS

Congratulations to the following 66 Airmen for being selected as honor graduates among the 661 Air Force basic military trainees who graduated Jan 18:

320th Training Squadron*Flight 091*

Andrew Birmingham

Flight 092

Amanda Cartwright

Carly Thompson

321st Training Squadron*Flight 093*

Brandon Kowatch

Nathanael Lock

Kowan Mcfalls

Aum Patel

Flight 094

Aaron Apacible

Victor George II

Joe Jenness

Zachary Pearson

322nd Training Squadron*Flight 097*

Christopher Bonilla

Kyler Carman

Lionel Mccall
Colt Poe
William Shultz
Corey Wood
Flight 098
Ever Hernandez
Renan Jorge

323rd Training Squadron*Flight 101*

Curtis Cox

Matthew Feist

Kenneth Hagen

Cody Marple

Fernando Morillo

Jacob Rievel

Kevin Riker

Shane Roberts

Justin Sprinkel

Christopher Wells

Flight 102

Geneva Barner

Leah Holm

Alexandria Slade

Amber York

326th Training Squadron*Flight 089*

Anthony Burger

Seth McCarty

Richard Ostman
Sean Pozehl
Cody Purcell
Ryan Sheppard
David Truesdell
Flight 090

Brian Bernstein

Tristan Pudwell

Paul Rickards

Flight 095

Paul Herrin

Dakota Maxfield

Jeffery Niles

Flight 096

Breanne Balk

Nadia Cruz

Kaitlin Fulton

Natalie Gales

Samantha Matthews

Devan Roberts

Carolyn Taylor

Candace Washington

331st Training Squadron*Flight 099*

Nicholas Fries

Nikolaus Klenovits

Zachary Legrand

Matthew Lillis

Bradley Moore

Thomas Vinson

Flight 100

Carl Anderson

Matthew Clary

Micah Dame

Robert James

Christopher Leeson

Robert Wilkerson

Top BMT Airman

Alexandria Slade,

323rd TRS, Flight 102

Most Physically Fit*Male Airmen*

Kyle Rollins,

321st TRS, Flight 094

Zachary Pearson,

321st TRS, Flight 094

Eric Sowinski,

326th TRS, Flight 090

Andy Vu,

321st TRS, Flight 094

Female Airmen

Alexandria Slade,

323rd TRS, Flight 102

Carolyn Taylor,

326th TRS, Flight 096

Melanie Bova,

326th TRS, Flight 096

Myiah Castillejo,
326th TRS, *Flight 096*
Male Flights

331st TRS, Flight 099

321st TRS, Flight 094

326th TRS, Flight 089

323rd TRS, Flight 101

326th TRS, Flight 090

321st TRS, Flight 093

326th TRS, Flight 095

Female Flights

326th TRS, Flight 096

320th TRS, Flight 092

323rd TRS, Flight 102

Top Academic Flights

323rd TRS, Flight 101

326th TRS, Flight 090

321st TRS, Flight 094

321st TRS, Flight 093

331st TRS, Flight 099

326th TRS, Flight 089

331st TRS, Flight 100

326th TRS, Flight 096

326th TRS, Flight 095

322nd TRS, Flight 097

323rd TRS, Flight 102

322nd TRS, Flight 098

320th TRS, Flight 091

320th TRS, Flight 092

CALL from PG02

been assaulted or raped. This type of work isn't for everybody, so if you feel you aren't a good fit, you can find other ways to help like organizing an awareness event.

3. Speak up when we hear jokes or comments that are sexist, hateful or demeaning toward people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or gender nonconforming. Tolerating these comments may unintentionally normalize a frame of mind that is consistent with rape and sexual assault. Most people aren't rapists, but we can't assume everybody within earshot understands we don't really mean what we say. These jokes can also give somebody experiencing harassment or assault the impression that their unit will be unsupportive.

Believing the unit will be apologetic to the perpetrator, question a survivor's masculinity or use sexuality as "proof" that it must have been consensual may prevent somebody from seeking help. We have to make it clear from the beginning that we'll be supportive.

I'm honored to work with men and women who uphold the ethical code citizens expect from our military. It's unfortunate a few bad seeds have infiltrated the military, but we don't have to give them room to grow. It's in our hands. This is not a mission for the faint of heart, but we are the U.S. military. Am I right?

Information from an American Forces Press Service news release was used in this commentary.

VICTIMS from PG02

entitles Air Force victims of sexual assault to legal counsel. It also entitles some categories of dependents as well as sister service members who report being sexually assaulted by an Airman.

"In addition to the covered sexual assault offenses, entry-level Airmen who have been involved in an unprofessional relationship of a physical and sexual nature with instructors or staff from Basic Military Training or Technical School will also be entitled to SVC services," said Lt. Col. Andrea R-Ferrulli, Air Education and Training Command Judge Advocate office.

Entry-level Airmen are generally those who have been in continuous active service for 180 days or less, according to Air Force instruction.

"Sexual assault victims will now have a lawyer to provide advocacy and advice throughout the investigatory and trial process, which can be difficult and



intimidating at times," R-Ferrulli said.

Last year, sexual assault statistics showed 29 percent of victims who filed a report to have a sexual assault investigated changed their minds before the trial convened and instead indicated they were no longer interested in cooperating with the prosecution.

According to officials, this may indicate the Airmen had grown fatigued at the lengthy, sometimes confusing process involved in prosecuting a sexual assault.

"By building and sustaining resiliency among sexual assault victims and empowering them to fully participate in the justice process the program will strengthen the military justice system," R-Ferrulli said.

Any eligible victim, whether making a restricted or un-restricted report of sexual assault, may obtain an SVC through the Sexual Assault Response Coordinator, who starts the referral process. The SVC program office will assign an SVC.

There are currently 60 military attorneys trained on how to effectively represent victims of sexual assault. Each Special Victims' Counsel is an experienced litigator with courts-martial experience who was hand-selected by the Judge Advocate General of the Air Force. They represent only the victim of sexual assault with complete attorney-client confidentiality.

For more information on the SVC program, call the Lackland Sexual Assault Hotline at 210-671-7272, or 802nd MSG/JA office at 210-671-3362.



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Casey Wellman, a center with the San Antonio Rampage hockey team, pulls himself over the "Pole Over" obstacle along with a military training instructor from the 331st Training Squadron during a challenge between the team and MTIs at JBSA-Lackland.

Rampage runs riot through obstacle course challenge

By Jose T. Garza III
Sports Editor

The San Antonio Rampage left the hockey sticks at home to take on a different physical challenge, competing against 25 basic military training instructors from the 737th Training Group in a 12-course, obstacle challenge at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland.

The Jan. 15 match was the second contest between the hockey team and the military in as many years.

Previously, the Rampage took on Air Force Special Operations trainees

from the 342nd Training Squadron at the Warhawk Fitness Center just over a year ago.

This year, the hockey players thought they could best BMT instructors, not realizing the difficulty of the obstacle course.

Jared Gomes, Rampage center, said the "Weaver" stood out as the toughest. Challengers wove their bodies through horizontal beams while climbing up, against gravity. He compared the Weaver to rock climbing while doing pull-ups and chin-ups at the same time.

"I was pretty sore and tired after that one for sure," Gomes said. "Thankfully

there weren't a lot of (other) grueling challenges after that."

Gomes' teammate Dov Grumet-Morris, goaltender, said going through the different obstacles during the competition didn't faze him too much.

"I don't know if we went at the pace that the trainees go at, but it was challenging," Grumet-Morris said. "We can do these challenges, but if we had to do them a couple of times a day then it would be difficult."

Staff Sgt. Natalie Lopez, a basic military training instructor with the 319th Training Squadron, was impressed with the Rampage stepping up to the obsta-

cle course challenge.

"We were wondering about their cardiovascular system, but they kept up with us," Lopez said. "There were a few times that they had to catch their breath, but overall, they did well."

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Greenwood, 323rd Training Squadron commander, said the Rampage experienced what constitutes as a day in the life of an Airman.

"They get to see what our young Airmen go through to become heroes for America," Greenwood said.

See RAMPAGE PG15



The "Weaver" is considered challenging to complete and Charles Weber, head coach for the San Antonio Rampage, grimaces broadly, expressing his extreme effort at getting past the first four rungs of the obstacle.



Nolan Yonkman, a defenseman with the San Antonio Rampage hockey team, scales a wall at the Basic Military Training obstacle course during a challenge between the team and military instructors at JBSA-Lackland. Along with testing the hockey players' skills and stamina, the challenge gave team members and Air Force instructors a chance to bond and share common experiences.



John Lee, a defenseman with the San Antonio Rampage hockey team, low crawls during a challenge between the team players and staff, and Basic Military Training instructors.

RAMPAGE from PG10

Greenwood described the Rampage players as heroes in their own right. He said hockey players can influence young people in a positive direction toward team work, discipline and achieving goals bigger than themselves.

He also felt the face-off was an opportunity for players and instructors to bond.

"To have them come out and witness what we do, giving them the opportunity to run our course was really cool," Greenwood said. "I think the hockey

players had fun, and I know the instructors had fun with them."

Grumet-Morris said hockey players usually don't go through running exercises, but the obstacle course helped them assess their upper and lower body strength.

"As an athlete, you are always trying to increase your power and your core strength during the offseason," he said.

Gomes agreed.

"In terms of balance and coordination, it's not something that we are used to," he said.

"You're sore after the obstacle challenge, but it doesn't feel like the same type of soreness you would feel if you were working out with weights."

Grumet-Morris said it was a pleasure to compete against the instructors. He said that he can relate to them.

"When you're involved in any form of professional athletics, you dedicate your life and make sacrifices to achieve that goal and strive to achieve new goals," Grumet-Morris said.

"You sacrifice things from a family and social perspective.

"I believe there is a common bond

with what we've gone through since we were young, prepping to be hockey players.

He explained that like athletes, the instructors who have been in the military for 10 to 15 years as well as the recruits, sacrifice their time, their energy and sometimes their bodies for the greater good of our country and our citizens.

"They sacrifice personally, professionally, and socially to achieve their goals," Grumet-Morris said. "There is a common bond and that's why these events are fun to do."

SCRA:

What servicemembers need to know

By Bernard Glavy,
502nd MSG/JA

Although original legislation dates back to the Civil War and was later embodied in the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act, or the SSCRA of 1940; the basic intent of those previous laws – allowing military personnel to give full attention to their military duties – remains true today.

In 2003, President George W. Bush signed into law H.R. 100, known as the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act or SCRA, completely rewriting the SSCRA of 1940, and expanding many of the previous law's civil protections.

Today's law applies to all military members, including regular forces, and reserve and National Guard on Title 10 active duty orders, as well as their dependents.

SCRA provides an array of benefits and protections including reducing interest to six percent for debt incurred prior to entry into Title 10 active duty, staying civil proceedings, removing statutes of limitations, terminating certain leases, and enhanced requirements before eviction and foreclosure can occur.

Financial benefits

Servicemembers may be entitled to six percent interest on financial obligations entered into before the start of Title 10 active duty. This benefit applies to credit card, loan, or mortgage obligations.

The law prohibits lenders from accelerating the principal amount owed, and forgives – not defers – the excess interest payments that would have been due under the higher rate. In other words, servicemembers are not subsequently liable for the excess interest at some time in the future, such as when they leave active duty.

Generally, the reduced interest rate is effective only during the period of Title 10 active duty. Reduced interest on mortgage obligations may extend for one year following release from Title 10 active duty. The reduced rate is not available for refinancing or credit card balance increases accrued while on Title 10 active duty. It is also not available for federally guaranteed student loan obligations.

Although servicemembers must notify creditors about their entry on Title 10 active duty, the burden is on the creditor to show that the servicemember's ability to pay the obligation is not materially impacted by military service.

Protections begin the first day of an active duty period and may extend from 30 days up to one year after members are released. Protections are not automatic. Servicemembers must provide creditors with written notice and a copy of military orders.

Legal proceedings protections

It is important to recognize that the SCRA does not excuse servicemembers from civil obligations. Instead, it serves to ensure that servicemembers are not disadvantaged in civil matters because of their commitment to our nation.

The SCRA does not apply to criminal proceedings. Members involved in civil court and administrative proceedings may request a delay or stay of the proceedings. Those whose military service prevents them from participating in a proceeding on a required date must file a written request for a stay with the judge.

The request must include a date in the future when the servicemember will be available to participate and a commander's written confirmation that duty prevents the member's appearance and that leave is not authorized for the servicemember.

After receiving the required information, the judge must grant a minimum 90-day delay for the member. Additional requests for delays are within the discretion of the judge and based on continued, material effect of military duty on the servicemember's ability to participate in the litigation. A stay may be necessary in a variety of civil proceedings including divorce, child paternity, support and custody, and foreclosure.

A member who experiences a default judgment while on Title 10 active duty, or within 60 days after release, may request the court reopen the case and set aside judgment. The request must be made within 90 days from the date of release and the member must show the court how active duty



materially affected his or her ability to defend against the action and what meritorious defenses apply to the case.

Statutes of limitation, lessee protection

SCRA removes statutes of limitation during the period of Title 10 military service. This protection applies whether the underlying cause of action accrued prior to or during the period of service.

Recent amendments now permit servicemembers to terminate motor vehicle leases signed before or during Title 10 active duty under certain strict conditions. Generally, the SCRA protects members for pre-service leases or reserve or guard members who, after entering into a lease, are called to active duty for 180 days or more.

Protections are limited to certain situations such as after entering the lease the member either receives military orders for a permanent change of station from the continental U.S. to overseas, or is deployed for 180 days or more.

Servicemembers must provide written notice to the lessor along with a copy of the appropriate military orders, and must return the vehicle to the lessor within 15 days after giving notice. The lease termination date is the date the vehicle is surrendered.

Under certain prescribed situations, leases and rental agreements for real estate entered into before or during active military service may be terminated without penalty. This protection

applies when a member is called to Title 10 active duty or deployed for at least 90 days, or receives military orders for permanent change of station.

A written notice and a copy of the orders must be provided to the lessor. By law, in most cases, members will remain liable for one additional amount of monthly rent after providing proper notice. The law does not excuse the payment of any rent in arrears.

Eviction, or foreclosure protection

The SCRA also provides protection to servicemembers facing evictions or foreclosures. In most circumstances, the SCRA requires all landlords, in all states to obtain a court order before evicting servicemembers or their dependents during periods of Title 10 active duty.

Landlords who violate the SCRA protections face criminal charges.

A court order is also necessary in foreclosure situations when servicemembers breach the terms of their real estate mortgages. According to the SCRA, the sale, foreclosure, or seizure of the property for breach of an obligation absent a court order is not valid if made during or within nine months after the period of the members' military service.

Cell phone contracts

Cell phone contracts may be suspended or cancelled if a member is deployed overseas for 90 days or longer, or given orders for a permanent change of station and the new location does not support services.

Members may keep their cell numbers, if relocation is for three years or less, and the member re-subscribes with the carrier within 90 days of returning to the service location. This expanded cancellation provision is limited to cell phones.

Before initiating any of the SCRA's benefits and protections or waiving any protections, servicemembers are encouraged to consult with a legal assistance attorney. Appointments are available Monday through Friday by calling the 802nd Mission Support Group/Judge Advocate office at 210-671-3361.

Summit focuses on impact of military medicine in San Antonio

By 59th Medical Wing Public Affairs

Senior leaders from the San Antonio Military Health System showcased the multifaceted evolution of military medicine in the region while engaging with local, regional, and national contractors attending the Military Medical Contracting Industry Summit in San Antonio Jan. 15-17.

The event focused on the strategic importance of military medicine in San Antonio, and its impact on the development and growth of health care in the community.

Maj. Gen. Byron C. Hepburn, director of the SAMHS, and Army Maj. Gen. Ted Wong, deputy director of the SAMHS, who briefed the audience during the summit, stressed the positive relationship between quality military health care and the medical contracting community.

SAMHS officials said this was the first time San Antonio has had the opportunity to bring all local major military medical units together in this type of forum to explain the diverse military medical missions, and to highlight the complexity of SAMHS contracting requirements.

"The summit allows contractors and potential contractors to understand the



Photo by Staff Sgt. Corey Hook

Maj. Gen. Byron C. Hepburn, director of the San Antonio Military Health System addresses an audience of local, regional and national contractors during the Military Medical Contracting Industry Summit Jan. 15 in San Antonio. The event focused on the strategic importance of military medicine in San Antonio, and its impact on the development and growth of health care in the community. Hepburn is also commander of the 59th Medical Wing, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland.

evolving missions and requirements within SAMHS as well as our other military medical organizations throughout Joint Base San Antonio," said Army Col. Mary Garr, SAMHS chief operating officer. "It also allows contractors to better understand intricacies within contract-

ing offices throughout Joint Base San Antonio today."

The event reflects the strong collaboration between the nation's military and the city's business community. Military medicine contributes almost \$3 billion annually to the local community, ac-

ording to the 2011 San Antonio Health & Bioscience Economic Impact Statement.

"The San Antonio Military Health Care System mission cannot execute without the support of our contractors," said Hepburn, who also commands the Air Force's 59th Medical Wing at JBSA-Lackland.

"The contractors are proud professionals, many with prior military experience around the nation. They are valued members of our team with expertise that we leverage for research, education and training, and our day to day mission," Hepburn said.

"They are key players for the SAMHS mission across the spectrum of our operations," he added.

"Our patient population and the focus of what we are doing is changing, but we are going to ensure we continue to provide quality medical services to as many beneficiaries as we can, while sustaining the readiness and life-saving skills of all of our medical providers in peacetime and when deployed," said Wong, who is also the Brooke Army Medical Center commander.

"We would not be effective as an organization without the support of our civilian community partners," he said.

10 Tips *Get Ahead of the Winter Freeze*
It's not too early to begin preparing for the heating season. Check these 10 tips off your list and get ahead of the winter freeze.

- Our furnace has been inspected and serviced by a qualified professional during the last 12 months. (A furnace should be serviced at least once a year.)
- Our chimneys and vents have been cleaned and inspected by a qualified professional. I have checked for creosote build-up. (Not clearing your chimney is the leading cause of chimney fires from built up creosote. This service needs to be done at least once a year.)
- Our wood for our fireplace or wood stove is dry, seasoned wood.
- Our fireplace screen is metal or heat-tempered glass, in good condition and secure in its position in front of the fireplace.
- We have a covered metal container ready to use to dispose cooled ashes. (The ash container should be kept at least 10 feet from the home and any nearby buildings.)
- Our children know to stay at least 3 feet away from the fireplace, wood/pellet stove, oil stove or other space heaters.
- Our portable space heaters have an automatic shut-off.
- Our portable space heaters will be plugged directly into an outlet (not an extension cord) and placed at least three feet from anything that can burn, like bedding, paper, walls, and even people. (Place notes throughout your home to remind you to turn-off portable heaters when you leave a room or go to bed.)
- We have tested our smoke alarms and made sure they are working. (You need a smoke alarm on every level of the home, inside each bedroom and outside each sleeping area. For the best protection, the smoke alarms should be interconnected so when one sounds, they all sound.)
- We have tested our carbon monoxide alarms and made sure they are working. (Carbon monoxide alarms should be located outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.)

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in feet above sea level

STAGE II

CURRENT LEVEL

654.7'

Normal - above 660'

Stage I - 660'

Stage II - 650'

Stage III - 642'

Stage IV - 640.5'

Stage V - 637'

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Winter Check list

1. Weather – check the night before and add time for changes such as fog or other precipitation
2. Check your vehicle – antifreeze, deice washer fluid, tire pressure and tread
3. Deice all window surfaces and side view mirrors
4. Slow down, increase following distance, and watch for ice
5. Heating – purchase heaters certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory, use per guidance
6. Carbon Monoxide – Check/purchase detectors, particularly if your heating system burns fuel

Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Safety Office

What's Happening

Family Support Events

JAN. 25

BMT SPOUSES, PARENTS SEMINAR

The Air Force Basic Military Training spouse and parents seminar begins at noon in the BMT Reception Center, Bldg. 7246.

The seminar provides information on the Air Force and its benefits to family members of graduating Airmen.

For more information, call 800-973-7630 or 210-671-4057.

JAN. 28

FAMILY READINESS BRIEFING

A mandatory family readiness briefing for personnel who are deploying is from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. The briefing is for personnel who are deploying longer than 30 days, or who are going on remote assignments.

For more information on the mandatory briefing, call 210-671-3722.

RETURN, REUNION SEMINAR

A return and reunion seminar, required for all Airmen returning from deployment, is from 2:30-3 p.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center.

Airman resiliency training helps service members reintegrate into home life and provides resources to deal with associated stressors. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

For details, call 210-671-3722.

JAN. 28-FEB. 1

5-DAY TRANSITION ASSISTANCE

A five-day transition assistance program for separating or retiring military personnel is from 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at the Airman and Family Readiness Center.

Pre-separation briefing attendance and a completed Department of Defense Form 2648 are prerequisites for the seminar.

For details, call 210-671-3722.

Monthly Meetings

ENLISTED SPOUSES' CLUB

The Lackland Enlisted Spouses' Club meets every third Tuesday of the month at the Balfour Beatty Community Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.lacklandesc.org.

OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB

The Lackland Officers' Spouses' Club meets monthly. For dates and times, or more information, visit www.lacklandesc.org.

MILITARY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

The Military Council of Catholic Women meets the first Friday of the month, 9:30 a.m., at Freedom Chapel. For information, call 210-671-4208.

On the web <http://www.lacklandfss.com>

JAN. 29

AMVET REPRESENTATIVE

An American Veterans national service officer is available by appointment only to help with disability claims from 8 a.m. to noon at the Airman and Family Readiness Center.

For details, call 773-354-6131.

JAN. 30

AWANA CLUBS MEETING

Awana Clubs, a Bible-based children and youth ministry offering games and challenges, meets from 6-8 p.m. at Freedom Chapel.

For more information, contact Freedom Chapel at 210-671-4208.

KEY SPOUSE MEETING

A key spouse meeting is from noon to 1 p.m. in the Airman and Family Readiness Center.

For additional information, call 210-671-3722.

JAN. 31

BMT SPOUSES, PARENTS SEMINAR

The Air Force Basic Military Training spouse and parents seminar begins at 1 p.m. in the BMT Reception Center, Bldg. 7246.

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FEB. 1

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FEB. 4

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FEB. 5

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LOCAL BRIEFS

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Give Parents a Break/Parents Night Out is Jan. 25, 7-11 p.m., at the Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Youth Center, Bldg. 8420, and the Lackland Child Development Center, Bldg. 8206.

For details, call the Youth Center at 210-671-2388 for ages 5-12 or the Lackland CDC at 210-671-3675 for ages 6 weeks to 5 years.

AAPIHA LUMPIA FRY FUNDRAISER

A lumpia fry fundraiser by the Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Asian-American Pacific Islander Heritage Association is Jan. 31, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Freedom Chapel.

Tickets are \$5 for five lumpia. For more information, call 210-925-1714 or 210-671-2841.

AAHC ANNUAL GOSPEL FEST

The Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland African American Heritage Committee's annual gospel fest is Feb. 9, 6 p.m., at the Gateway Chapel.

The program is free and open to the public.

For details, contact Shirley Jones at 210-671-1750 or Tech. Sgt. Anna Ricks at 210-671-7699 or email anna.ricks@yahoo.com.

THRIFT SHOP SEEKS PART-TIME CASHIER

The Lackland Thrift Shop is accepting applications for a part-time cashier.

Strong people skills, cash register knowledge and basic math skills are required for the position. Applicants must also pass a local background check.

Applications are available on the Lackland Officers' Spouses' Club website at <http://www.lacklandosc.org>. To apply, submit an application, cover letter, resume and three references by mail to: LOSC, P.O. Box 27491, San Antonio, TX 78227.

LOSC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Lackland Officers' Spouses' Club scholarship applications are available online at the LOSC website. High school students or spouses of military officers and enlisted personnel permanently assigned to JBSA-Lackland are eligible.

The application submission deadline is March 1, 2013. To download the application, visit

<http://www.lacklandosc.org>.

GOSPEL CHOIR NEEDS SINGERS

The Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland African American Heritage Committee needs singers of all ages for its 2013 gospel choir. The choir will perform Feb. 9 at the Gateway Chapel.

Active duty or retired military members from any branch, civilians and dependents are eligible to participate.

Rehearsals, at Gateway Chapel, are Jan. 25, 5:30-7 p.m.; Feb. 4, 5:30-6:45 p.m.; and Feb. 8, 5:30-7 p.m.

For additional information, contact Shirley Jones at 210-671-1750 or Tech. Sgt. Anna Ricks at 210-671-7699 or email anna.ricks@yahoo.com.

FAMILY NIGHT OUT AT USO

The Wilford Hall Auxiliary will sponsor a Family Night Out, Feb. 19, 6-8:30 p.m., at the USO, 203 West Market Street, downtown San Antonio.

The USO will provide pizza and soft drinks for the event, limited to the first 200 guests. Email reservations to servicewha@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

A Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Family Housing community-wide yard sale is March 2, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sign up is not required, and housing residents may set up at their individual homes.

For additional information, email Claudia Moreno at CMoreno@bbcgrp.com or call 210-674-9366.

DROP-IN DENTAL SCREENINGS

The Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Pediatric Dental Department will offer dental screenings for children of active-duty members and retirees Feb. 12, 8 to 10:30 a.m., at the Dunn Dental Clinic. No appointment is necessary.

Children under 13 years of age will receive a dental screening exam, an assessment of the child's dental condition, and appropriate treatment recommendations or alternatives.

Parents should bring a copy of the child's treatment plan or referral letter from their private dentist.

For additional information, call 210-671-9836.

DENTAL PROGRAM SCREENING PATIENTS

Dunn Dental Clinic is currently screening patients for dental care

limited to surgical treatment of gum diseases and defects.

All eligible Department of Defense beneficiary categories will be screened for potential treatment as teaching cases, including dependents of active-duty members and retirees.

Patients who have been informed by a general dentist that they require extensive periodontal therapy, such as advanced gum treatment or gum surgery, are eligible for evaluation. Routine dental cleanings are not accepted.

To schedule an appointment, call 210-671-9364 or have your dentist email the periodontics department at aegdperio@gmail.com.

BOOK SIGNING SCHEDULED

Dr. Oliver L. Johnson Jr., author of "Jesus Christ and the Rapture," will hold a book signing March 30, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the main base exchange.

TALESPINNER SUBMISSION DEADLINE

To submit items for local community briefs, email tale.spinner@us.af.mil.

The submission deadline is noon Friday the week prior to publication.

CHAPEL SERVICES

Christian

Catholic

Monday-Friday:

Freedom Chapel

Daily Eucharist, 11:30 a.m.

Saturday:

Freedom Chapel

Eucharist, 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation after Eucharist

Sunday:

Freedom Chapel

Religious Ed., 9 a.m.

Eucharist, 11 a.m.

Orthodox

Reader's Service

Sunday:

Airmen Memorial Chapel

(Classroom)

8 a.m.-10 a.m.

Protestant

Saturday:

Gateway Chapel

Seventh-Day Adventist

Service, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Sunday:

Airmen Memorial Chapel

Liturgical Service, 8 a.m.

Freedom Chapel

Contemporary Service,

9:30 a.m.

Gospel Service,

12:30 p.m.

Children's Church provided

Religious Ed., 11 a.m.

Wednesday and Thursday:

Bible Study, 6 p.m.

Protestant family Sunday school, a one-hour youth and adult Christian Bible study, every Sunday at Freedom Chapel, 11 a.m. For details—contact Freedom Chapel at 671-4208.

Sunday:

Hope Chapel

The Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter Day Saints, 8-10 a.m.

Islamic

Friday:

Global Ministry Center,

Bldg. 7452

Jummah Prayer,

12:45-1:45 p.m.

Sunday:

Religious Ed., 9-11 a.m.

Jewish

Friday:

Airmen Memorial Chapel

Sabbath Eve Service, 4 p.m.

Sunday:

Religious Ed., 12:30 p.m.

Wicca

1st Tuesday of each month:

Freedom Chapel

Room 8, San Antonio Military

Open Circle, 6 p.m.

Sunday:

Arnold Hall, Bldg. 5506

12:30-2:30 p.m.

Buddhist

Sunday:

BMT Reception Center

Bldg. 7246, 2nd Floor

10 a.m. to noon.

Eckankar

Every first, third,

fifth Saturday:

Gateway Chapel

12:30-1:30 p.m.

Baha'i

Every first, third,

fifth Sunday:

Gateway Chapel

11 a.m.-noon

Church of Christ

Sunday:

BMT Reception Center,

Bldg. 7246, 2nd Floor

7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

Christian Science

Sunday:

BMT Processing Center,

Bldg. 5725, 1st Floor

7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

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KEY FAMILY SUPPORT RESOURCES

Air Force Aid Society	671-3722
Airman & Family Readiness Center	671-3722
Airman's Attic	671-1780
Base Post Office	671-1058
Bowling Center	671-2271
DEERS	800-538-9552
Exceptional Family Member Program	671-3722
Family Child Care	671-3376
Legal Office	671-3362
Library	671-3610
Medical Appointment Line	916-9900
MPF ID Cards	671-6006
Outdoor Recreation	925-5532
TRICARE Info	800-444-5445
Thrift Shop	671-3608

Enlisted Spouses' Club	http://www.lacklandesc.org
Force Support Squadron	http://www.lacklandfss.com
Lackland ISD	http://www.lacklandisd.net
Officers' Spouses' Club	http://www.lacklandosc.org
JBSA Public website	http://www.jbsa.af.mil
My Air Force Life	http://www.MyAirForceLife.com

For more details, contact Freedom Chapel - 671-4208 • Gateway Chapel - 671-2911 • Hope Chapel - 671-2941

Memorial service planned for 'Charter Chief' Kendrick

By Robert Goetz

Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph Public Affairs

A longtime member of the Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph community who made history when he was a part of the Air Force's inaugural class of chief master sergeants died Jan. 14 at the age of 93.

Retired Chief Master Sgt. Guy Rex Kendrick Jr., assigned to Randolph Air Force Base when he was promoted as one of 625 "charter chiefs" in 1959, will be remembered during a memorial service planned for 1:40 p.m. Feb. 2 at the Plaza on the River Senior Living Community in Kerrville, Texas, where he spent the last years of his life.

"We are very sorry for the Air Force's loss, but thankful for his service to our nation and for the example he set for all of us who follow in his footsteps," Chief Master Sgt. Jose LugoSantiago, JBSA and 502nd Air Base Wing command chief master sergeant, said.

Kendrick, who began his Army Air Corps career as

a BT-9 crew chief at Randolph in 1939, was honored for his contributions to the base and the Air Force Dec. 5, 2008, when the enlisted club was named for him. His death came just 38 days after the passing of retired Col. Ralph Parr, the legendary fighter pilot for whom the JBSA-Randolph officers club was named that same December day.

Robert Crawford, Air Education and Training Command curator, recalled Kendrick as a "very humble and very positive man – and sharp as a tack."

"I never saw him without a smile on his face," he said. "That is my overwhelming memory of him."

Crawford said he accompanied Kendrick on a road trip to Barksdale Air Force Base, La., in 2009, when the pioneer chief master sergeant and other charter chiefs were honored on the 50th anniversary of their promotion to the E-9 rank.

"He thoroughly enjoyed that," he said. "On the way back, he told me stories about growing up in East Texas and his service to the Air Force."

Kendrick was born in Oakdale, La., but grew up in

Kilgore, Texas, where he graduated from high school and attended Kilgore Junior College before enlisting in the Army Air Corps.

He served in the European Theater as a B-17 crew chief and inspector during World War II and transitioned to jet aircraft maintenance in 1949, working on the F-84 Thunderjet. Kendrick flew in, worked on or inspected more than 30 different airframes throughout his career, which ended when he retired in 1965.

Kendrick was also a member of the Air Force's first group of senior master sergeants in 1958.

Kendrick was preceded in death by his wife of 46 years, Joy, their son, Ronald Wayne Kendrick, and grandson, Kevin Shay Kendrick. He married Joyce Kunkel in 1991 and they were together until her death in 2003.

He is survived by his daughter, Sharon Kendrick Hurley; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorial donations may be sent to Peterson Hospice in Kerrville.

Air Force implements civilian hiring freeze

By Staff Sgt. David Salantri

Air Force Public Affairs Agency

Air Force senior leaders directed a force-wide hiring freeze, among other workforce actions in a memorandum sent to senior commanders Jan. 16.

The actions are part of the Air Force's efforts to pursue reversible or recoverable steps to avoid impacts to core readiness caused by the looming possibility of sequestration and budgetary shortfalls.

Civilian pay makes up a large share of the Air Force's operating budget. With budgetary uncertainty and a projected fiscal year 2013 \$1.8 billion shortfall in the Air Force funding for overseas contingency operations, Air Force leadership is taking these immediate actions to reduce the force's expenditure rate.

The temporary hiring freeze applies to all positions that are open to applicants outside the Air Force for permanent, temporary and term vacancies in all appropriations, according to the memo. Reassignments and promotions within the current workforce will continue because they do not affect the current force size.

The memo, issued by Lt. Gen. Darrell Jones, deputy chief of staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C., states hiring actions al-



ready in progress where a selection was made and an entry on duty date already established will continue, and set EODs may remain. External hiring actions where a job offer has not been made will be withdrawn. Exemptions from previous hiring controls do not carry over.

Additionally, commanders are directed to immediately release temporary employees, and not renew term employees. All temporary and term employees, to include reemployed annuitants that are not considered mission critical, should be separated in accordance with already

established procedures.

More specific guidance on actions related to the civilian workforce hiring freeze and management of temporary and term employees is being developed and will be distributed through command channels as soon as details are available.

"These are uncharted waters concerning the federal budget and the effect it will have on the Air Force," Jones said in the memo. "It is imperative we work closely together to balance mission needs and minimize impacts to our dedicated civilian employees and their families."

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