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## Cake cutting committee



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Preparing to cut the cake marking the Air Force's 59th birthday Monday at Welch Auditorium are, from left, Brig. Gen. Richard Moss, 403rd (Reserve) Wing commander; retired Chief Master Sgt. Adrien Augustine; Air National Guard Senior Airman Jake Gard, 81st Training Wing Public Affairs; Staff Sgt. Shelby McKay, 403rd Wing; 1st Lt. Naomi Henigin, 336th Training Squadron; Carol Emling, 81st Transportation Squadron; Airman Veronica Torres, 81st Dental Squadron; and Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso, 81st TRW commander. For more coverage of Keesler's celebration, see Pages 9, 18 and 19.

## Emphasis on safety pays off

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Keesler's vigilance at work, travel and play paid off in a big way during Operation Safe Summer.

The base had no fatalities during the period between Memorial Day and Labor Day, a time when vacations, recreational activities and summer heat traditionally contribute to higher accident rates.

Previously called the 101 Critical Days of Summer, it's a time when the Air Force places special emphasis on situational awareness and operational risk management.

"Even though Keesler was deeply involved in hurricane recovery operations both on and off base, we didn't sustain any fatalities or life-threatening injuries," said Lt. Col. Dave Poage, 81st Training

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## This week in the Triangle

Air traffic control radar, 10 a.m. today, Cody Hall.

Aviation resource management, 10 a.m. today, Cody Hall.

Computer maintenance, 10 a.m. today, Bryan Hall.

Communications-computer systems control, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Thomson Hall.

Financial management and comptroller, 9 a.m. Wednesday, Allee Hall.

Information management, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Thomson Hall.



August honor flight

### Student numbers

Total students — 3,569

Non-prior service — 2,123

Temporary duty — 1,328

Joint service — 101

Combat controllers — 17

Non-prior service arrivals — 106

Guard, Reserve — 797

International — 58

Fiscal 2006 graduates — 25,039

Total since 1942 — 2,233,100

# COMMENTARY

## Air Force: Image of freedom, democracy in today's world

By Marine Corps Gen. Peter Pace

Chairman, Joints Chiefs of Staff

WASHINGTON — This year marks the 59th anniversary of the establishment of the Air Force.

Dating back to the early years as the Aeronautical Division of the Army Signal Corps, visionary Airmen risked their lives in the quest for dominance of the air. Due to the vision of aviation pioneers then, the Air Force now stands above all challengers as the world's premier air and space force.

Our Airmen have risen to the challenges of the post 9/11 era and will continue to serve our nation with distinction. Whether it's a

## Core values: Air Force's clear roadmap to correctness

By Col. William Huff

81st Medical Support Squadron commander

In a letter to his grandson, Thomas Jefferson exposed a weighty vulnerability in all of us.

An excerpt of the letter reads, "My Dear Grandson: Your situation, thrown at such a distance from us, and alone, cannot but give me great anxieties for you.

"Thrown on a wide world among entire strangers, without a friend or guardian to advise, so young too and with so little experience of mankind, your dangers are great, and still your safety must rest on yourself. A determination never to do what is wrong, imprudence, and bad humor, will go far toward securing to you safety in the world.

"An acquaintance with various sorts of bad company from time to time will assure that you are as worthless to society as they. It will be your good fortune to associate with characters of high standing so that you may use their influence to avoid temptations and difficulties. This mode of deciding will tend more to correctness than any reasoning powers that you possess and cause you never to doubt which of two courses would be in character for you and lead to the prudent selection and steady pursuit of what is right for you and your country."

Although these words were written 200 years ago, their truth and wisdom are as valid today as then.

Unlike Mr. Jefferson's grandson, we have a

C-17 on the ground in Baghdad, a Predator in the skies over Afghanistan, an orbiting satellite or the support personnel who make the mission successful, the Air Force is the image of freedom and democracy throughout the world.

To every member of the Air Force, thank you for your steadfast dedication and commitment to defending the United States. To echo the words of Gen. Curtis Lemay, "If we maintain our love of freedom and superior global air power, the future of the U.S. looks good."

On behalf of the Joint Chiefs, the men and women of the armed forces and a grateful nation, I'd like to wish the Air Force a happy birthday!

course of action to lead all of us through distance from family and home. The Air Force core values provide us a clear roadmap towards correctness and the right path to travel. Integrity, service before self and excellence in all we do are powerful words that bind all of us to a thread of common decency.

The Air Force also provides a ready-made environment by supplying a cadre of sound leadership through peers and the chain of command. A myriad of mentors and senior advisors are readily available to consult with and guide us in the realms of integrity and personal reputation.

This infrastructure of support and assistance is available to anyone, anywhere at any time. In the end, however, as Mr. Jefferson emphasized, our safety and our prudence rest only with ourselves. We must choose wisely.

As public servants and supporters of liberty around the world, we're charged to perform at the highest standard of career skills and personal habits for our profession and our country. The privileged opportunity to join the world's finest military was a personal choice each of us made.

On the other hand, we have no choice in our responsibility to live a quality life and associate with companions of fine character. Embrace this mandate of integrity, service before self and excellence in all we do as exposure to positive influence, an assurance of well being and a journey to the riches of success in all life's activities.

## ACTION LINE ... 377-4357

By Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso

81st Training Wing commander

First, try to work concerns through the proper chain of command. When you've exhausted this recourse, turn to the commander's action line for assistance.

We welcome any suggestions to help make this a more valuable and useful tool. You may call the commander's action line at 377-4357, write to Commander's Action Line, 81 TRW/PA, Keesler AFB, MS 39534-2603, e-mail 81 TRW Commander's Action Line (on-base) or commanders.line@keesler.af.mil (off-base). For a personal response, include your name, address and phone number.

Items of general interest may appear in this column.

For your convenience, below is a list of key customer service phone numbers at Keesler:

Base locator — 377-2890

Base operator — 377-1110

Base taxi (official use) — 377-2430

Career assistance adviser — 377-3697

Central medical appointments — 1-800-700-8603

Child development center — 377-2211

Civil engineering — 377-5561

Civilian personnel — 377-2268

Military personnel flight — 377-2276

Keesler Federal Credit Union — 385-5500

Emergencies — 911

Family campground — 594-0543

Airmen and family readiness center — 377-2179

Finance — 377-4212

81st Communications Squadron help desk — 377-0066

Housing — 377-9741

Identification cards — 377-3203

Inspector general — 377-3010

Legal assistance — 377-3510

Library — 377-2181

Lodging (reservations) — 377-9986

Medical center information — 377-6550

Military pay — 377-7272

Pass and registration — 377-3893

Pharmacy (refill call-in) — 377-6360

Satellite pharmacy — 377-9791

Public affairs — 377-2783

Red Cross — 377-3030

Sexual assault prevention and response team — 377-8635

Law enforcement desk — 377-3040

Shoppette, Class Six — 432-2367

Telephone trouble — 377-2130

Traffic management (outbound) — 377-2446

Traffic management (Inbound) — 377-7813

Visitor center — 377-2595

Youth center — 377-4116

## Students at risk

**Comment** — Shuttle buses with flashing stop lights are no longer being used to move technical training students around the base because of the mileage on them.

The buses without these lights are passed by other vehicles when they're stopped to pick up or drop off students. We're putting the students at risk by putting the mileage on some shuttle buses ahead of safety.

**Response** — While there's no requirement to have swing-out stop signs on our buses, the entire fleet is equipped with emergency flashers.

Our bus drivers are required to use their emergency flashers when they stop to pick up or drop off passengers. Likewise, motorists are required to stop for stopped buses with flashers going.

If you see violations of either of these rules of the road, call the law enforcement desk, 377-3040.

Drinking + driving  
= deadly duo.



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## STAY ALERT. STAY ALIVE. HURRICANE AWARENESS

Phone numbers and Web sites  
for information and accountability

for Keesler members:

### Keesler Accountability Team

1-800-673-9356

### Air Force Personnel Center

1-800-435-9941

<http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/ndw>

### 81st Civil Engineer Squadron readiness

377-3811 or DSN 597-3811

### Mississippi Emergency Management Agency

<http://www.msema.org>

### National Weather Service

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov>

### Keesler Public Web site

<http://www.keesler.af.mil>

## Keesler's 2006 safety goals

Make safety ...

a core value,

a best business practice,  
a competitive and asymmetric  
advantage.

Make every employee ...  
feel safe at work and home.



If you've had too much to drink,  
call Airmen Against Drunk Driving,  
377-7283,

10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Thursdays  
before down Fridays,  
working Fridays and Saturdays.



To start, stop,  
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377-4130.



# TRAINING AND EDUCATION



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Cecilio Ricardo Jr. Master Sgt. Jim Clifton, left, and Tech. Sgt. Gene Lappe, search for land navigation points during training at Camp Shelby.



Photo by Kemberly Groue Army 1st Lt. Simon Huntley, left, listens as contract interpreter Kadhim Al-Sari, Basrah, Iraq, explains to contractor Heza Yousify, Baghdad, Iraq, why he's been stopped at the base's entry control point. The theater immersion training scenario teaches the military how to operate at a forward operating base.

## Mississippi's steamy climate adds training realism

By Staff Sgt. Jeremy Larlee

Air Force Print News

Located about an hour north of Biloxi, Camp Shelby has weather that could make the devil sweat.

The harsh weather ratchets up the realism of the training that some Air Force people receive before deploying to locations like Iraq and Afghanistan. The camp is one location where Airmen are trained by the Army in combat survival skills before they deploy to fill in-lieu-of taskings.

The taskings are for Army positions being filled by Air Force and Navy people. The month-long training helps prepare Airmen to interact with the Army at the deployed location. Weapon and convoy training are some of the topics the class covers. "It is a very professional training operation, and we are very impressed with what they do," said Maj. Gen. Michael Gould, 2nd Air Force commander. "It's important that the proper training is provided for our Airmen as they go to conduct

some of these non-traditional missions that are outside their core competencies."

Second Air Force serves as liaison to the Army for the training, and General Gould has visited Southwest Asia to see first-hand the missions Air Force people are filling.

Army Col. John Hadjis, commander of the 3rd Brigade, 87th Division, which is in charge of training, said the Air Force's assistance allows Soldiers to be sent to other vital locations and gives people a break who have deployed several times.

Army Sgt. 1st Class Delbert Taylor, a combat skills instructor, tries to share the experience he's gained through multiple deployments.

"Our training has not changed," he said. "We have maintained one standard, so that when everybody deploys, they have the same level of readiness and the same quality of training."

Tech. Sgt. Tracey Johnson, deployed from Misawa Air Base, Japan, said even though the training is rough, it's very helpful. She deployed a few years ago and wishes she had gotten the training then. She took part in convoys and said

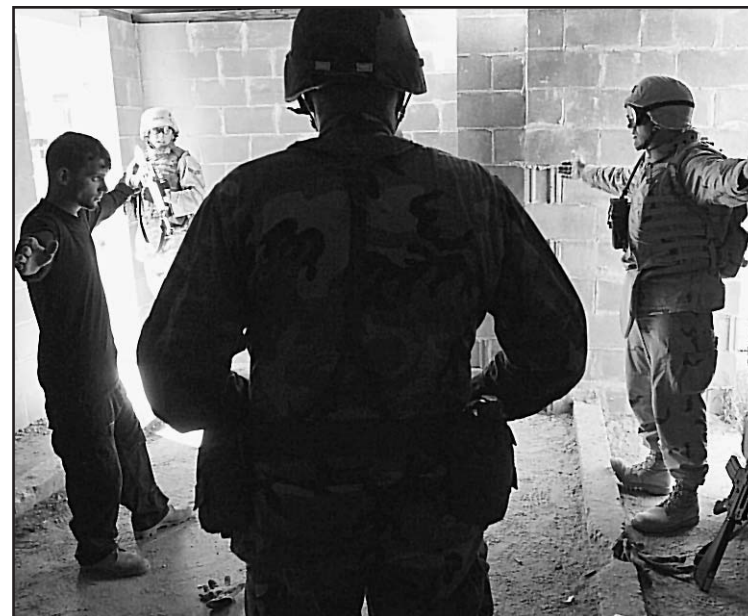


Photo by Master Sgt. Scott Wagers Senior Airman Jeremy Hofstetter, second from left, and Capt. John Clark, right, prepare to conduct a search of a "suspect" while Army Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Criddle, foreground, offers instruction and evaluation during a course on urban warfare.

it was stressful because she wasn't fully trained. She said future students need to prepare for a different kind of training than they are used to receiving.

"Understand, we are dealing with a different service and they have a different way of doing things," she said.

General Gould said the

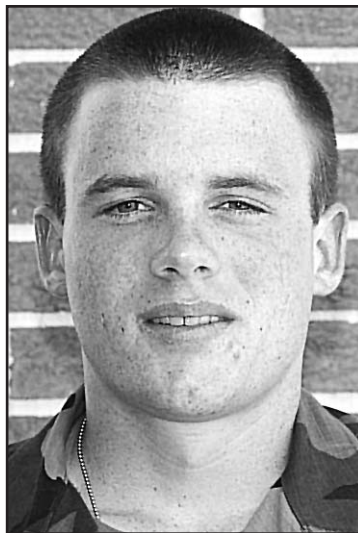
training is tough, but Air Force people can succeed if they come to train with the right attitude.

"Come to the training with the mindset that you are going to learn the skills that are going to help you survive, operate and return home safely," he said.



Photo by Kemberly Groue An improvised explosive device goes off during convoy training, causing smoke to fill the air and forcing troops to react.





Airman Derek DeBoer, left, and Airmen 1st Class Kyle Barber and Paul Donohoe received perfect scores on the seven-block, 37-day electronic principles course in the 332nd Training Squadron. Airman DeBoer, from Marysville, Wash.; Airman Barber, from Peoria, Ill., and Airman Donohoe, from Metamora, Ill., continue their training at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

## Mad Dogs honor top dogs



Photo by Staff Sgt. Sandra Labiche

Lt. Col. Steven Ramsay, left, 332nd TRS commander, congratulates Airman 1st Class Shearson Nurse, who designed the winning entry in the Mad Dogs mural contest. Airman Nurse graduated from the electronic principles course Sept. 6 and is continuing his training at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

### At retreat

**All personnel in uniform** who aren't in formation should stand and face the flag, or in the direction of the music if the flag is not visible, and salute. Hold the salute until the last note of the music is played.

**All military personnel in civilian clothes** should face the flag or the sound of the music if the flag is not visible, and stand at attention with the right hand over the heart.

**All vehicles in motion** should come to a stop at the first note of the music, and the occupants should sit quietly until the music ends.

# TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

## Senior rater policy

The Air Force has a new policy for senior noncommissioned officers regarding senior rater endorsements.

Effective with senior master sergeant enlisted performance reports closing out on or after Aug. 1, 2007, and master sergeant EPRs closing out on or after Oct. 1, 2007, completion of Senior NCO Academy (correspondence or in-residence) and a Community College of the Air Force degree are required for senior rater endorsement.

To schedule an appointment with a counselor or to enroll in the correspondence course, call the education office, 377-2323.

## Pitsenbarger Awards

Oct. 5 at 4 p.m. is the dead-

line for Community College of the Air Force fall graduates to apply for four \$500 Pitsenbarger Awards sponsored by the Aerospace Education Foundation.

The awards, presented at the fall commencement ceremony, are presented to top Air Force enlisted members graduating from CCAF who are pursuing a bachelor's degree. Prior winners aren't eligible.

Applications are available at the education office, Room 212, old Cody Hall, or at <http://www.aef.org/aid/pit.asp>.

For more information, call 377-2323 or 2171.

## Virtual assistant class

Tuesday is the deadline for active-duty military spouses of any service assigned to Keesler to apply for an Octo-

ber course to help them learn how to be "virtual assistants."

The course is Oct. 3 and 5, with an evening "spouse with a mouse" session Oct. 4 for the spouse and military member.

Self-employed virtual assistants provide offsite business support services. Assignments are sent through e-mail, phone, fax, mail, diskette transfer, and real-time online messaging.

Lana Smith from the airman and family readiness center is the certified instructor.

The online application is at [http://www.msvas.com/application\\_keesler.htm](http://www.msvas.com/application_keesler.htm).

For more information, call Ms. Smith, 377-2179 or 8593.

## Drill downs, parades

Drill down competitions are every other month on the drill pad, and student parades

in alternate months on the parade grounds.

**Parades** — 7 p.m. today, 6 p.m. Nov. 16.

**Drill downs** — 7 a.m. Oct. 20.

For more information, call Staff Sgts. Kwame Felton, 377-9527, for drill downs and Deanna Attaway, 377-2103, for parades.

## AFOSI training

The Air Force Office of Special Investigations is filling Reserve individual mobilization augmentee and technical sergeant special agent slots.

For more information, call 1-240-857-0866 or DSN 857-0866.

## CCAF scholarships

The Keesler Chiefs Group provides three \$150 scholar-

ships twice a year to airmen basic through technical sergeants pursuing their first Community College of the Air Force degree.

Sept. 29 is the deadline to submit an application and an essay titled "The Value of Education to an Airman/NCO" to the education office or a chiefs group member.

For more information, call Chief Master Sgts. E.J. Williams, 377-2315, or Donald Seaton, 377-5203.

## Weapons training

Weapons training is conducted by 81st Security Forces Squadron officials at Camp Keller in Woolmarket.

For more information, call Staff Sgt. Barry Hardy, 377-3354.



# NEWS AND FEATURES

## Freedom isn't free



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Duane Geiken, 2nd Air Force, takes a look at a book display at McBride Library commemorating Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day Friday.

## MICAP milestone 403rd Wing recognizes suppliers' support

By Senior Airman Jake Gard

Keesler News staff

The 403rd Wing paid tribute Sept. 14 to the 81st Supply Squadron for its support of the Reserve unit's aircraft.

Brig. Gen. Richard Moss, commander, thanked the squadron for reaching the milestone of keeping all of the reservists' C-130J aircraft fully mission-capable for an entire duty day. None of the aircraft were grounded for a lack of parts Sept. 13.

"It's a tremendous accomplishment, especially with the new weapons system," said General Moss. "I think I've only seen this once before, and I've been a wing commander since 1992."

Gene Cousin, 81st SUPS technician, said having no aircraft grounded for an entire duty day due to a parts issue is "a hard-to-reach goal. For that day, all problems were resolved."

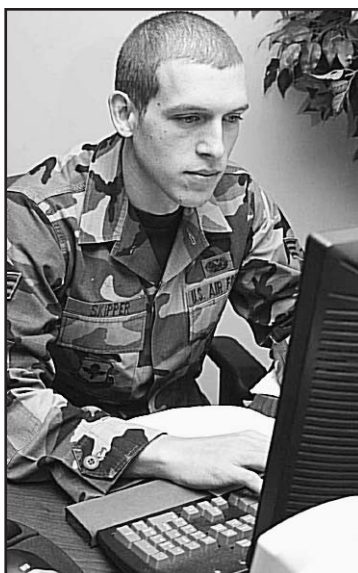


Photo by Kemberly Groue  
Airman Skipper orders parts for the 403rd Wing's C-130J aircraft Monday.

The squadron works with other bases, supply depots and commercial suppliers to acquire the parts needed to keep aircraft flying.

A mission-capable supply

problem, or MICAP, is an everyday occurrence, according to Mr. Cousin. Last month, the 81st SUPS had 67 such incidents.

"The supply squadron chases parts every day," said Mr. Cousin. "We might go across the world to acquire the parts needed to get the aircraft flying again."

When maintenance needs a part for the aircraft, it contacts the 81st SUPS. After an on-base check, the squadron contacts the depot to see if the part is available. The MICAP Automated Sourcing System is used to locate the part.

"Some days we might get one MICAP," said Senior Airman Brandon Skipper. "Other times we might get seven."

"It's really a team effort among the staff," said Maj. Steven Foss, 81st SUPS commander. "It takes a lot of coordination. It's a high-priority requisition of parts needed to get the aircraft in the air."

## IN THE NEWS

### Hazardous waste collected today

The semi-annual household hazardous waste collection day is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in front of the recycling center.

Acceptable items include paints, solvents, lawn care chemicals, household cleaning and maintenance products, pool chemicals, craft supplies, automotive products, batteries, thermometers, lead solder and fluorescent lights.

Items that aren't accepted include radioactive waste, needles, syringes, medical waste, "white goods" such as stoves and refrigerators, ammunition, explosives, containers larger than five gallons or waste generated by any business or base work area.

For more information, call 377-3004.

### Voting assistance

"Responsibility Has No Borders — Vote!" is the 2006-07 Department of Defense voting slogan.

Unit voting representatives are available to assist with voting issues, absentee registration and ballot requests.

Air Force members can also use the self-service resources listed at <http://www.fvap.gov>. A link to this site is available in the "links" section of the Keesler home page and the Air Force voting assistance Web site.

For more information, call Maj. Aaron Albers, base voting assistance officer, 377-9181.

### Salute to Military Oct. 17

The 28th annual Salute to the Military is Oct. 17 at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum in Biloxi.

The 6 p.m. cocktail hour is followed by dinner at 7:30.

The guest speaker is Adm. Edmund Giambastiani Jr., vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Music is provided by the Air Force Reserve Band.

Tickets for the event, sponsored by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce, are \$40 for uniformed military and \$50 for civilians. Reserved tables are \$400 for military and \$500 for civilians.

For tickets or more information, call 377-2783.

### Commissary shopping privileges

Because of Hurricane Katrina's impact, Keesler's Department of Defense civilians and nonappropriated fund and Army and Air Force Exchange Service employees may continue to shop at the commissary until Oct. 31.

### Exchange holiday catalog

Army and Air Force Exchange Service

DALLAS — Authorized exchange customers can get a jump-start on holiday shopping with the new 2006 Exchange Holiday Catalog, which offers more than 900 gift ideas, with many under \$20.

The 2006 Exchange Holiday Supplement is available at all main stores and online at <http://www.aafes.com>.

### Off-limits establishments

Off-limits establishments for military members are:

**Biloxi** — Blue Note Lounge, Boulevard Nightclub and Henry Beck Park. The park is off-limits except during daylight hours or official events.

**Pascagoula** — Carver Village, Bunksmall Apartments and H&H Hideaway.

**Moss Point** — Toni's Lounge.



## Serving up seafood

Laura Steinaway, left, is served a dinner plate by Airman 1st Class Eric Huff, 338th Training Squadron, at the annual Biloxi Seafood Festival last weekend. Fifty-eight 338th TRS members volunteered 230 hours at the event.

Photo by Jerry Taranto

# 4 Keesler children take blue ribbons in poster contest

**By Senior Airman Jake Gard**  
Keesler News staff

Four Keesler children took home blue ribbons from the youth center's poster contest to celebrate the Air Force's 59th birthday.

Judges selected the winners Monday from 51 entries on the theme Happy 59th Birthday, Air Force.

Participants were divided into four age groups: 5 and younger, 6-8, 9-12 and 13 and older.

The results:  
**5 and younger** — first, Austin Prickett, son of Staff Sgt. Melissa Prickett, 81st Medical Support Squadron.

**6-8** — first, Jasmine Davis, granddaughter of retiree Joseph and Gilda Davis Jr.; second, Shelby Boswell, a civilian guest.

**9-12** — first, Emma Murphy, daughter of Tech. Sgt. Melissa Bridges, 335th Training Squadron; second, Bethany Allen, daughter of Maj. Andrew and Kathy Allen, 81st Surgical Operations Squadron; third, Julie Picard, daughter of Glen Picard, 81st Services Division.

**13 and older** — first, Kelly Baczuk, daughter of Maj. Pat Baczuk, 403rd Wing.

## Safety,

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Wing safety chief. "However, we did have 19 reportable mishaps, and nine were industrial or work-related injuries.

"The industrial mishaps indicated complacency in some cases and a lack of situational awareness," the colonel pointed out.

The remaining 10 incidents included two automobile accidents and one motorcycle mishap. None of the incidents

required hospitalization.

Three involved sports or recreational injuries, and the other four fell into the miscellaneous category.

None of Keesler's mishaps during the summer were alcohol-related, according to safety officials.

"Although we consider our Operation Safe Summer campaign a success, we must maintain a key awareness and stay focused in all we do in order to prevent future mishaps," Colonel Poage emphasized.



# PERSONNEL NOTES

**Editor's note:** This column is a service of the Keesler News. Contributors include the Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, and the 81st Mission Support Squadron's military and civilian personnel flights.

## Retirement applications online

### Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Active-duty retirement applications are now processed at the Air Force Contact Center.

Members requesting an action related to retirement can log onto the Personal Services Delivery Transformation Web site and click on "retirement package" at <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil/psd>.

For more information, check the related link for a tutorial on how to retire online.

## Additional voluntary retirements

### Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The Air Force offers additional voluntary retirements to a select group of officers.

As a result of the Fiscal 2006 National Defense Authorization Act, the Force Shaping Program Phase II additional measures offer voluntary retirements to officers with at least eight years total active federal commissioned service and 20 years total active federal military service.

The Air Force waives active-duty service commitments (except aviation continuation pay, judge advocate continuation pay and critical skills retention bonus) and allows officers meeting these criteria to apply for voluntary retirement on Sept. 1 or earlier.

Lieutenant colonels and colonels who are retirement eligible are encouraged to apply for retirement between now and Sept. 1, 2007.

Some force-shaping initiatives are still offered such as the "Blue to Green" option for officers and the waiver for lieutenant colonels and colonels to retire with two years time in grade through 2007. The Air Force also authorizes a temporary program to allow officers to establish a voluntary retirement date up to 15 months in advance.

If not enough volunteers elect to retire under this force-shaping initiative, a selective early retirement board could convene in 2007.

## Emergency data cards

A recent law requires Airmen to designate one immediate family member as the person authorized to direct disposition of their remains should they become a casualty.

The designation becomes part of the member's record of emergency data. Most Airmen add the information to their virtual RED by following the instructions in the virtual military personnel flight.

Deployed personnel contact their personnel support for contingency operations team to update their records.

For more information, call the Air Force Contact Center, 1-800-616-3775.

## Self-service for civilians

### Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — My Biz provides civilian employees access and the ability to update information about themselves. My Workplace gives military and civilian managers access to information on their staff.

For more information, contact your local civilian personnel flight or visit [http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil/main\\_content.asp?prods3=2469&prods2=264&prods1=44](http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil/main_content.asp?prods3=2469&prods2=264&prods1=44).

# Court-martialed medic faces confinement, then dismissal

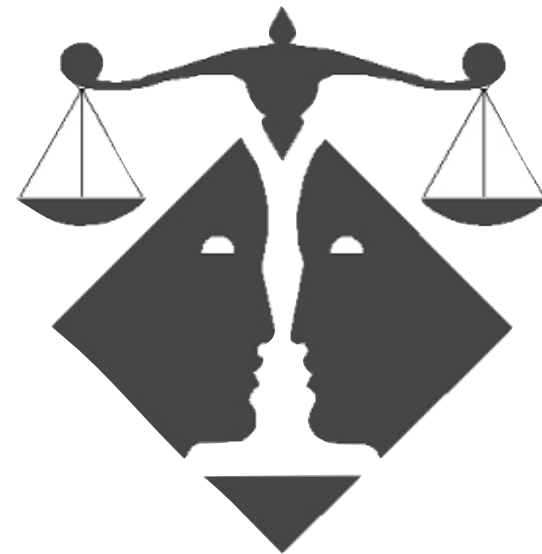
Legal office and Keesler News staff

A captain in the 81st Medical Operations Squadron was court-martialed in August for engaging in sexual relationships with two Airmen who were his patients.

Additional allegations that he failed to obey his superior officer's order to halt contact with a female Airman, that he committed adultery and that he committed an indecent act were dismissed.

The captain was sentenced to 75 days confinement and dismissal from the Air Force.

Ted Jordan, legal office, and Perry Jenifer, Keesler News editor, contributed to this report.



## MILITARY JUSTICE

### Alcohol leads to Articles 15

Legal office and Keesler News staff

Four technical training students received Articles 15 in August for alcohol-related offenses.

Two of the students are airmen basic in the 332nd Training Squadron.

One 332nd TRS student forfeited \$636 pay per month for two months and was sent to correctional custody for 30 days for driving under the influence. The other received the same punishment for underage drinking, but the forfeiture of pay was suspended pending successful completion of the suspension period.

An airman in the 336th TRS was reduced to airman basic and forfeited \$636 pay per month for two months for underage drinking. The reduction in rank was suspended pending successful completion of the suspension period.

An airman basic in the 335th TRS forfeited \$500 pay and was sent to correctional custody for 30 days for underage drinking, and possessing and consuming alcohol in a dormitory area while in Phase IV status.

Ted Jordan, legal office, and Perry Jenifer, Keesler News editor, contributed to this report.

### DUIs, underage drinking up in August

81st Security Forces Squadron and Keesler News staff

August saw a spike in incidents of driving under the influence and underage drinking at Keesler, according to 81st Security Forces Squadron officials.

Nine DUIs were recorded last month, matching April and June for the one-month high this year. Six of the

drinking drivers were civilians and one each was from the Air Force, Army and Marine Corps.

The August DUIs bring the total for the year to date to 55.

February remains the month with the lowest number of DUIs, three.

Six underage drinking incidents in August were the most recorded since February, the

year's high month with eight.

All 36 people caught drinking under the legal age of 21 so far this year are technical training students.

At the other end of the monthly scale, no underage drinking incidents were recorded in May.

Tech. Sgt. James Kirk, 81st SFS, and Perry Jenifer, Keesler News editor, contributed to this report.

**Don't drink and drive**

**— call Airmen Against Drunk Driving,**

**377-7283.**



# Fit to fight

## Developing regular exercise routine key to success

By Senior Airman Jake Gard

Keesler News Staff

Physical fitness training is essential for Airmen to remain fit to fight.

Consistently exercising can increase an Airman's health, ensure he's physically capable to perform during deployments and prepare him for the Air Force physical fitness test, which can directly affect career progression.

Keesler's Health and Wellness Center provides instruction for those who wish to begin a regular fitness routine or would like to increase their fitness levels.

"In our classes, I brief that someone should exercise between three to five days a week," said Terri Jordan, fitness program manager. "But that depends on one's fitness levels."

In preparation of the fitness test, individuals should perform cardiovascular exercise for 30-45 minutes per session, three to five days a week, according to Ms. Jordan. Strength training should be performed at a minimum, two to three times a week, with a day of rest in between exercising muscle groups, she added.

"You can do cardio everyday, there's no limit

other than when you get to the point when you know you need a day of rest," said Ms. Jordan. "With those just starting off, I may only recommend two to three days a week depending on their fitness level.

"As far as cardio, I recommend that one day is a distance run, two to three miles. Another day will be interval training. The third day should be your mile-and-a-half test. You're only testing your mile-and-a-half one day a week."

Individuals should set a goal of burning 300-400 calories in each workout session. The key to cardio training is to perform at a target heart rate, according to Ms. Jordan. A heart rate monitor should be used to watch heart rates to maintain that target heart rate to maximize workout results and maintain a pace.

"(Individuals) should progress slowly each week, making small improvements in their programs," said Ms. Jordan. "You should try progression of 10 percent on timed runs each week. If you can only run for 20 minutes, your next session should be 21 minutes. You shouldn't go from a mile and a half one day and then run three miles the next day. Your body's not ready for that yet."

Individuals who wish to use treadmills for cardio training should use an incline of one to two percent

to make the running conditions similar to running outside, according to Ms. Jordan.

"You can run on a treadmill, but it's not the same thing as running outside on a track," she explained. "It's a big difference in what you can do outside and what you can do inside.

"As far as strength training, small 5-pound increments in weight increases should be used to prevent injuries," she added.

For individuals who'd like information about living healthier lifestyles and preparation for fitness tests, the HAWC offers a healthy living workshop, fitness improvement program, and body composition class. All military personnel and family members, civilian employees, and retirees are welcome to participate in these classes at no charge.

"The classes are really good information. It's great to come as a check-up," said Jami Woodham, a dietician at the HAWC. "Everyone can benefit from a little fine tuning. Body composition is all nutrition, whereas fitness improvement and healthy living are nutrition and fitness (education)."

For more information on fitness programs or healthy lifestyles and diets, call 376-3176.

## Hispanic Month events continue

Hispanic Heritage Month events at Keesler:

**Food tasting** — 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today, youth center. Entertainment includes dancing and a performance by the band Mariachi Sol Del Valle of Mobile. For more information, call Maria Ochoa, 377-2211.

**Spanish service** — 2 p.m. Sunday, Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Pass Road, Biloxi. Entire service in Spanish.

**Dia de Familia** — Family day, 1-4 p.m. Oct. 8, marina park. Entertainment includes piñatas, children's karate, dancing, volleyball, basketball and domino tournament. Hispanic and patriotic music. Participants bring their own dish.

**Luncheon** — noon to 1 p.m. Oct. 12, El Rancho Restaurant, Pass Road, Biloxi. Cost: \$10. Menu is chicken or steak fajitas or salad selected at time of reservation. Speaker: Yolanda Johnson of Biloxi. Music by Mariachi Sol Del Valle. For reservations and to make menu choices, call Ms. Ochoa, 377-2211, by Oct. 5.



# Temporary AAFES mini-mart should open early next year

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Army and Air Force Exchange Service customers at Keesler can look forward to a new place to shop in about five more months.

An interim 40,000-square-foot mini-mart expected to cost more than \$5 million should be completed by late January, barring weather, material or equipment delays, according to Danny Schmidt, general manager.

"We'll need several weeks to install equipment and merchandise the store, so we anticipate opening sometime early next year," he said.

Keesler's main exchange was gutted by Hurricane Katrina last year. In the meantime, AAFES shoppers have been able to purchase a limited selection of merchandise at the Triangle mini-mall.

About 30,000 square feet of the temporary facility is devoted to the sales floor.

"About half of the space will be taken up by clothing, shoes, cosmetics and fragrances," Mr. Schmidt explained. "An expanded electronics, music, DVD and video game department takes up about 20 percent of the space, while a fourth

of the floor is set aside for health and beauty care, housewares, dinnerware, kitchenware, pets, sporting goods, stationery, books, magazines, luggage and a tobacco section."

The remaining sales area will have five stand-alone cash registers and a jewelry and customer service counter with two additional cash registers.

"Our interim facility won't have a dedicated customer service or cashier's cage operation, and we won't be able to support any layaway programs," Mr. Schmidt noted. "But AAFES can offer our customers a great option by enrolling in the Military Star card."

Mr. Schmidt stressed the mini-mart is only a temporary fix to accommodate Keesler shoppers until a permanent structure is completed at least two years from now.

"AAFES and the Defense Commissary Agency have been working together to build a new shopping center complex," he pointed out. "That would give AAFES back a 165,000-square-foot store, plus a new commissary with about 96,000 square feet and a pharmacy with drive-through capability."

## Greenery galore



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Jose Refugio of Valley Crest Landscape Development of Atlanta sorts plants in a nursery staging area cleared in the South Pinehaven housing area for trees and plants for a \$4.9 million landscaping project. The program is refurbishing Keesler's hurricane-battered grounds with 190,000 new plants and more than 700 trees. About 300,000 square feet of planting space is being developed in several major areas, including the White Avenue, Meadows Drive and Pass Road Gates, Triangle technical training area, Levitow Training Support Facility, base operations, marina park, Sablich Center, Garrard Hall and the headquarters of the 81st Training Wing, 2nd Air Force and 403rd Wing. The work continues through February.

## Slab scraper



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Equipment operator David Vice from DNG Contractors, Leland, N.C., pulls up the concrete slab for removal after demolition of a hurricane damaged home at 128 Tremont in the Oak Park housing area earlier this month.



# Chapel hosts Jewish congregation for High Holidays services

## Katrina's destruction still impacts synagogue

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

When Congregation Beth Israel's synagogue in Biloxi was gutted by Hurricane Katrina, a nearby Methodist church offered its facility for weekly worship.

When logistical problems cropped up last fall for the congregation, Keesler offered Larcher Chapel for the Jewish High Holidays, an arrangement that's being repeated for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services this year:

**Rosh Hashanah** — 8-10:30 p.m. Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday.

**Yom Kippur** — 6:30-8:30 p.m. Oct. 1, with a welcome by Col. Richard Pierce, 81st Training Wing vice commander; 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5:30-9 p.m. Oct. 2.

### Another faith tradition

"We're delighted to host Congregation Beth Israel's High Holidays services again this year," said Keesler Chaplain (Capt.) Mike Howard. "We're strong believers in and defenders of our Constitution's guaranteed right to freedom of religion, and our staff takes that responsibility very seriously.

"Also, the folks at Beth Israel are our friends and neighbors here on the coast," the chaplain emphasized. "Keesler has been blessed with a fairly rapid recovery after Hurricane Katrina. We have the facilities to host Beth Israel as they celebrate Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and it's a great opportunity for us to learn from another faith tradition."

There are several reasons why Larcher Chapel is ideal for the services for South Mississippi's Jewish community, said Lori Beth Susman, Congregation Beth Israel's ritual committee chairperson and lay leader.

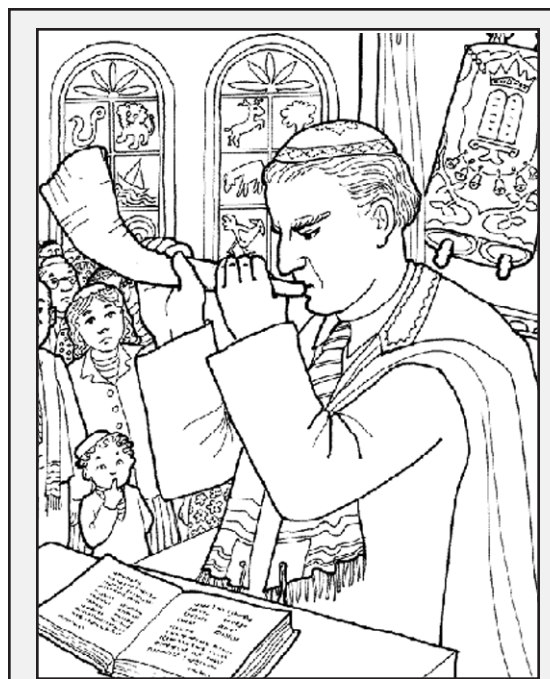
### No driving for service leaders

"Our rabbi and cantor, who lead our services, are 'shomer Shabbos,' which means they follow strict observances," Ms. Susman explained. "The most important is that they don't drive — they only walk — on the Sabbath and the holidays. We needed a place for them to stay close to wherever we held services.

"In the past, there was a motel within walking distance of our synagogue," she continued. "There's no motel or member of our congregation who lives close enough to Beauvoir Methodist Church, where we've been holding our weekly services."

At Keesler, the rabbi and cantor are able to stay in Tyer House and walk back and forth to Larcher Chapel for services.

"We get our biggest crowds for the High



## Time for reflection

Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, begins a 10-day period known as the High Holidays, High Holy Days or Days of Awe. It's a time of penitence and prayer that ends with Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement.

"During this time, we reflect on the past year and look ahead to the new year," said Lori Beth Susman, lay leader for Biloxi's Congregation Beth Israel. "We try to make wrongs right, apologize and plan to do better. We're supposed to work on this all year long, but it's really felt during these 10 days."

Holidays," Ms. Susman pointed out. "Larcher Chapel can accommodate a large number of people in a very non-denominational way."

Last year, one of the Keesler chaplains, Chaplain (Maj.) Kal Dubov, was a rabbi who provided special assistance for the services, but "all of the chapel staff have been very polite and helpful," Ms. Susman commented.

After the final Yom Kippur service, the congregation has a community meal.

"We fast during Yom Kippur, so by this time the service is over, it's been more than 24 hours since we've eaten, so everyone is really hungry," Ms. Susman said. "With Larcher Chapel's kitchen and dining area, we're able to set up tables and provide a small meal for our congregation to 'break-the-fast,' a long-standing holiday tradition.

The services are open to people of other faiths. Those attending the services without regular access enter the base through the White Avenue Gate.

For more information, call Ms. Susman, 861-8379, or Chaplain Howard, 377-4859 or 228-239-5828 (cell).

# KEESLER NOTES

## Fingerprinting process

The 81st Security Forces Squadron no longer accepts walk-ins for fingerprints.

For appointments, call 377-4660 or 5404.

## TeamKid

TeamKid, a chapel program for children, meets 4-5:30 p.m. Sundays in the Triangle Chapel Annex.

For more information, call 377-2520.

## Chapel positions

The chapel has vacancies starting Oct. 1 for a Protestant religious education coordinator and music directors and musicians for Protestant and Catholic worship services.

Work statements are available 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. working Fridays at the Triangle Chapel on Ploesti Drive.

Resumes and sealed bids are accepted at Triangle Chapel until 5 p.m. Monday.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Ken Harp or Tech. Sgt. Ernie Shreck, 377-4859.

## Bazaar vendors

The Keesler Spouses Club is still accepting vendors for its bazaar, scheduled for Oct. 20-21 in Hangar 5.

For more information, visit the Keesler Thrift Shop or club's Web site, <http://www.keeslerspousesclub.com>, or call Tammie Searfass, 273-4324.

## Club giveaway

Two H3 Hummers are given away as part of the annual Air Force Club membership drive through Nov. 30.

One winner comes from new members who sign up, and one is from those who were members as of Aug. 31.

To sign up, visit the Katrina Kantina in the marina park, or call 1-888-871-5608 and mention card code 5TH7.

## Patients sought

The pediatric dentistry clinic is looking for patients for the advanced education in general dentistry residency.

Patients should be between 4-10-year-old dependents of active duty or military retirees and not enrolled in the dental insurance plan. They're re-

## Toyland temptation



Photo by Kemberly Groue-

Cooper Norton, 5, admires an action toy at the opening of Toyland Saturday on the back side of the Four Seasons store on Meadows Drive. His parents, Capt. Joe and Lori Williams, 2nd Air Force, bought the toy for him.

quired to be available for treatment on Thursday mornings.

For more information or to make a screening appointment, call 376-5164.

## Victim advocates

The sexual assault prevention and response office is seeking applications for victim advocates.

This voluntary additional duty is open to active-duty or Department of Defense civilians of any grade, rank, age, race or gender.

Selection is based on the application, commander's statement of understanding, background check, personal interview and training.

Training is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 4, 5, 11 and 12.

Submit completed applications to the office by Sept. 7.

For more information, call 377-8635 or 7278.

## PT uniform wear

In organized physical training, any combination of the

PT gear is worn as a set and not mixed with civilian clothes.

At other times any combination can be worn with civilian clothes.

Commanders or equivalents determine which PT events are "organized."

For more information, call Master Sgt. Jay McKenzie, 377-1091.

## Honor guard

The Keesler Honor Guard has openings for officers and senior non-commissioned officers to serve on the Brass Team.

Brass Team members supplement the rotational honor guard and perform details in Mississippi and Louisiana.

For more information, call 377-1986 or visit <https://www.mil.keesler.af.mil/honor/index.htm>.

## Thrift shop

The thrift shop in the former Chapel One building is open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, with consignments accepted from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays.



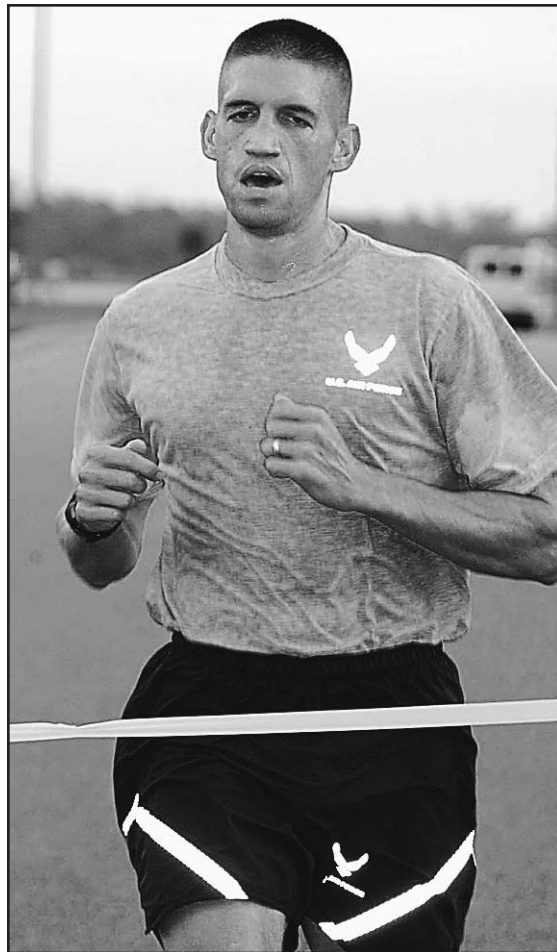
# SPORTS AND RECREATION



Christopher Ross, 81st Communications Squadron, goes over a log on the obstacle course Monday.

Photos by Kemberly Groue

## Mission supporters win birthday sports title



Gorline, chapel, reaches the finish line as the male and overall winner of the 5.9-K run/walk.



Perez, 81st TRSS, approaches the finish line at the end of the 5.9-K run/walk that kicked off the day's events. Her time of 29 minutes, 52 seconds was the fastest among the female runners who participated in the event.

**By Senior Airman Jake Gard**  
Keesler News staff

The 81st Mission Support Group was awarded the Traveling Dragon Trophy for its performance during the Air Force's 59th birthday sporting events Monday.

The 81st MSG finished first among the units, receiving 81 points for the performance of its members in the six events: 5.9-kilometer run/walk, hot shot contest, home run derby, modified confidence course challenge, longest drive and closest to the pin.

The 81st Training Group came in second, with 67 points. Second Air Force earned 27 points to finish third.

Point totals for the other participating units weren't available.

Individual top finishers:  
**5.9-k run/walk** — Men: first, Jeremy Gorline, 81st Training Wing Chapel, 23 minutes, 10 seconds; second, Justin Delorit, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, 25:36; third, Jason Jenkins, 81st CES, 26:11.

Women: first, Kimberly Perez, 81st Training Support Squadron, 29:52; second, Zarai Alvarez, 81st Medical Support Squadron, 31:32; third, Naomi Henigin, 336th Training Squadron, 31:48.

**Hot shot contest** — Dale King, 81st TRSS, scored 28 points shooting from five designated "hot spots" on the Blake Fitness Center basketball court.

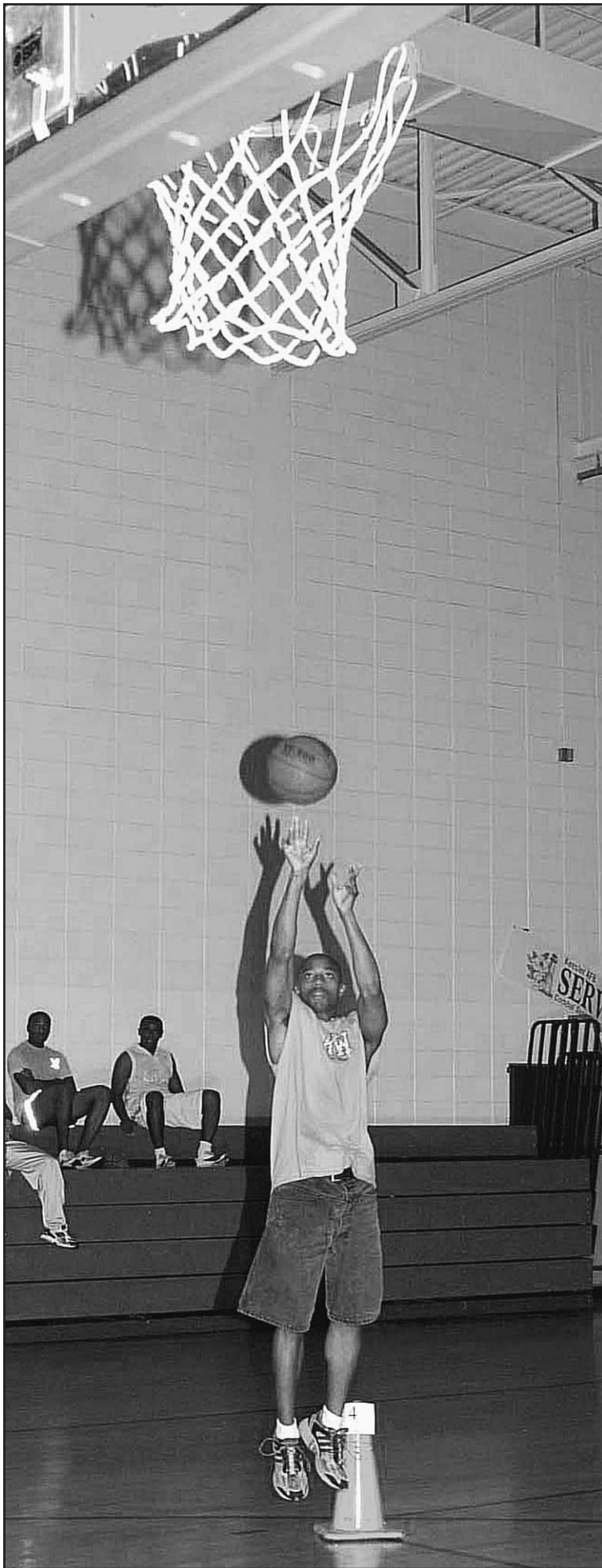
**Home run derby** — first, Ray Forcier, 2nd Air Force, 5.

**Modified confidence course challenge** — first, 81st Security Forces Squadron, completing three obstacles in 4 minutes, 3 seconds with no penalties. The obstacles were the low crawl, balance beam/monkey bars and up-and-over. Team members were Brian Patterson, Benjamin Collins, Kacy Castro and Nicholas Whitney.

**Longest drive** — Jerry McGarity, 81st TRSS. Length of winning drive not available.

**Closest to pin** — first, Sal Salosa, 81st CES. Distance of his winning putt from hole not available.





Derrick James, 81st CES, launches a shot from three-point range during the hot shot competition at Blake Fitness Center.



Forcier, 2nd Air Force, hits one of his five homers during the home run derby.



Mark Williams, 81st Transportation Squadron, takes a cut in the longest drive event at Bay Breeze Golf Course.



The Traveling Dragon Trophy was presented to the 81st MSG at Welch Auditorium Monday. The mission supporters won the trophy by outscoring all other participating units in the six athletic events held during the base celebration of the Air Force's 59th birthday. Their total of 81 points was 14 more than scored by the 81st Training Group.



# Academy lifter wins world title

**Air Force Print News**

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — An Air Force Academy cadet took first place in the 275-pound weight class at the Junior World Powerlifting Championships in Sofia, Bulgaria, Sept. 9.

Michael Tuchscherer beat the second-place lifter in his weight class by almost 190 total pounds.

The six-foot cadet from Corydon, Ind., performed a 770-pound squat, a 585-pound bench press and dead-lifted 750 pounds, for a 2,105-pound total.

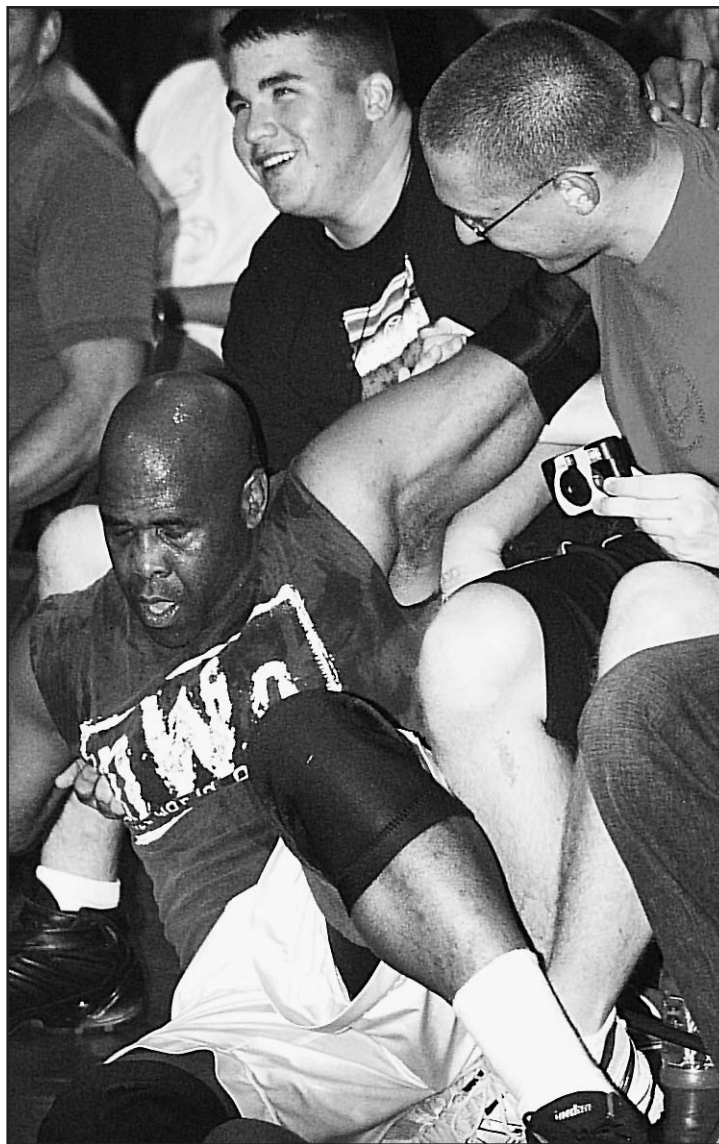
Tuchscherer was recognized as one of the top three lifters, a “Champion of Champions,” along with Jewgenij Kondraschow of Germany and Lukasz Toczykowski of Poland.

The United States team finished second in the team competition behind Poland. Twenty-one nations had teams at the championship.

## Nice catch

International Championship Wrestling's Virgil lands at the feet of Steven Mason, left, and Jeffrey Silvis, 338th Training Squadron, Friday night at Blake Fitness Center. Doink the Clown tossed Virgil from the ring. ICW wrestlers lunched with technical training students Sept. 14, signed autographs in the Triangle mini-mall Friday afternoon, then put on six matches that night.

Photo by Kemberly Groue



## SCORES AND MORE

### Bowling

**Gaude Lanes** — tentatively scheduled to reopen Nov. 30, including 11th Frame Cafe.

### Fitness centers

**Blake Fitness Center** — open 4:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays; 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. non-working Fridays; 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

**Dragon Fitness Center** — open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. workdays. Basketball court is open. Free classes in aerobics, kickboxing, yoga and spin cycling. Parent/child fitness room open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays. Parental supervision required.

For more information, call 377-2907.

**Triangle Fitness Center** — open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays and weekends; closed holidays.

For more information, call 377-3056.

**Towel service** — at Blake and Dragon fitness centers is discontinued. Customers furnish their own towels.

For more information, call 377-8380 or 7858.

### Golf

**Bay Breeze Golf Course and driving range** — open 7 a.m. to dusk daily. No greens fees. Electric carts \$10 for 18 holes, \$5 for nine holes. Pull carts, \$2. Club rental: \$5 for 18 holes, \$3 for nine holes. Driving range opens 7 a.m. daily. Bucket of 30 balls costs \$2.

**Local course support** — St. Andrews, Gulf Hills and Great Southern Club courses offer reciprocal playing privileges to current members of Bay Breeze.

Bay Breeze members are required to show identifica-

tion to verify their names are on the membership roster. Once their membership is verified, members pay only the golf cart fee for a round of golf.

For more information, call 348-7569.

### Outdoor recreation

**Deep sea fishing** — reserve boat for up to six people for \$600, including the captain and tackle. Bring your own refreshments. Fishing license isn't required.

**September fishing tournament** — weigh in the heaviest alligator for the month and win \$100 savings bond.

**Disk golf** — fairway, multi-purpose, putt and approach disks for rent or sale.

**Camping package available** — includes sleeping bags, lanterns, camp stove and tent.

**Pontoon boat training** — required before rental.

For more information, call 377-3160.

**Marina park pavilions** — to reserve, call 377-3160.

### Pools

**Main pool** — closed.

**Triangle pool** — open daily except Mondays. Lap swimming, 11 a.m. to noon. Recreational swimming, noon to 7 p.m..

### Youth center

**Classes** — taekwondo, 6-7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesday for ages 6 and older. For members, \$35 per month; for non-members, \$40. Register for gymnastics, karate.

For more information, call 377-4116.



# DIGEST

## GRADUATIONS

### Airman Leadership School Class 06-E

**81st Civil Engineer Squadron** — Senior Airmen David Fields and Joshua Hewitt.

**81st Medical Operations Squadron** — Senior Airmen Jessica Aglibut, James Bowden and Cy Perkins; Staff Sgt. Brandy Mays (class commander and distinguished graduate).

**81st Medical Support Squadron** — Senior Airman Zarai Alvarez.

**81st Mission Support Squadron** — Senior Airman Ashanta Conway.

**81st Security Forces Squadron** — Senior Airman Antonio Evans.

**81st Surgical Operations Squadron** — Staff Sgt. Shantra Nuehring (class first sergeant, John Levitow Award).

**81st Training Support Squadron** — Senior Airman Matthew Falanga (academic award).

**81st Transportation Squadron** — Senior Airman Aaron Post.

**85th Engineering Installation Squadron** — Senior Airman John Ballard (leadership award) and Joshua Cartwright.

**335th Training Squadron** — Senior Airman Julia Barnes.

### First Term Airmen Center Class 06-19

**81st Aerospace Medicine Squadron** — Airmen 1st Class Katelynn Gray and Daniel Sims.

**81st Medical Support Squadron** — Airmen Basic Sung Kwon and Krystal Vincent; Airman Lowell Spiga; Airmen 1st Class Robert Barros III, Norites Bittig, Candice Cimbball, Diana Macie, Antoinette Marrow, Kimberly Pidbirny-Montoya, Jessica San Mateo and Jamie Turbessi.

**81st Mission Support Squadron** — Airman 1st Class Theodore Meczywor.

**81st Security Forces Squadron** — Airman 1st Class Caleb Foy.

**81st Transportation Squadron** — Airman Basic Sean Weber.

### Keesler NCO Academy Class 06-6

**81st Civil Engineer Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Michael Lormand.

**81st Communications Squadron** — Tech. Sgts. William Byrd and James Thacker II.

**81st Comptroller Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Carrie Tilton.

**81st Medical Operations Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Brian Shaw.

**81st Operations Support Flight** — Tech. Sgt. DeShaun Johnson.

**81st Supply Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Dean Daugherty.

**81st Surgical Operations Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. George Koehler Jr.

**81st Training Wing** — Tech. Sgts. Quardrick Brumfield and Nathan Goeke (distinguished graduate).

**332nd Training Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. David Warren Jr.

**334th TRS** — Tech. Sgt. Matthew Calvert.

**335th TRS** — Tech. Sgts. Rafael Kaup and Philip Mann.

**336th TRS** — Tech. Sgts. Melinda Fletcher, Bryan Henry and Carrieann Pogue (John Levitow Award).

**338th TRS** — Tech. Sgts. Dennis Brown and Jon Portillo.

**366th TRS Detachment 6** — Tech. Sgt. Brian Morris (distinguished graduate).

## HONORS

### Student honor roll

#### 332nd Training Squadron

**Electronic principles** — Airmen Basic Brittany Achor, Michael Algieri, Andrew Banks, Christopher Battle, James Biggs, Cassandra Bumpus, Justin Cureton, Geordan Eddy, Michael Gumataotao, Johnny Farmer, Daniel Foster, Bradley Fryar, Dustin Gartner, Eddie Givens, Joshua Graue, Timothy Gruenes, Eric Hall, Jonathaon Harris, Walter Hedelberger, Avery Hines, Thomas Johns, Shadadrian Johnson, Kurt Joob, Michelle Kleffner, Ian Letticken, Max Mayeda, Jeremy McConathy, Joseph Morton, Robert Nielsen, James Pardue, Shawnten Ray, Michael Roinick, Jason Saucedo, Antonio Shelton, Ryan Shonka, Matthew Strobe, Spencer Tietz, Brian VanWinkle, Ashley Vines, Omar Warnell, Christopher Wilkerson, Raymond Wilson and Scott Zumwalt; Airmen Alexander Amstutz, Jeremiah Butcher, William Campbell, Nicholas Cardigis, Melissa Carver, Michael Falcon, Lloyd Harrington, Jonathan Heylman, Tyler Hooper, Justin Johnson, Demetrius Mapp, Brenden Osborn, Christopher Price, Daniel Reitz, James Sterling and Larmar Watson; Airmen 1st Class Faiyaad Alam, Paul Barber, Christopher Boatwright, Andrew Boisclair, Susana Barroso, Sean Guyeski, James Hayhurst, Brettany Heath, Antonio Leach, Gursharan Mahal, Ian McAlister, Jeffrey McElhinny, Michael Merz, Codey Newcomb, David Reid, Jacob Schwen, Vicki Smith, Brendan Spencer, Ryan Tingler, Thomas Walsh, Harvey Wargo, Stephon Westfall, Anthony Whitehead, Matthew Whittington and Chad Wood; Senior Airmen Brandon Benefield, Steven Henderson and Steven Smith; Staff Sgts. Lee Bugay, Delhano Chouteau, Joel Cook, Steven McLaughlin, Lee Settlemyer, Jhosef Tallybarrios and Jonathan Wilson; Chief Master Sgt. Jae Jeon; Joseph McCloskey.

#### 334th TRS

**Aerospace control and warning systems** — Airmen Basic Corey Laird and Reginald Williams; Airman Vinh Nguyen; Staff Sgts. Robert Hale and John Moore.

**Air traffic control operations training flight** — Airmen Basic Brett Corriveau, Cody Marcus, Chaz Morrell, Nat Perez, Kyle Posey, Andrew Ramkissoon and Jeremy Smith; Airman Brian Redman; Airmen 1st Class Jamie Calcasola, Clay Ford, Jessica James, Cody Marcus, Titus Weimers and Daniel Young; Senior Airman Zachary Blades; Staff Sgts. Shane Broome and Matthew Rumsey; Tech. Sgt. Charles Perry; Senior Master Sgt. Warawute Pratomsaowanee.

**Aviation resource management apprentice course** — Airmen Basic Deshontay Lewis, Jennifer Hawkins, LaTasha Huber, Andrew Mohr, Scott Rios and Clayton Williams; Airman Arlichia Richardson; Airmen 1st Class Ellen Henry and Biquianna Rivas; Staff Sgt. Edward Kennedy; Master Sgt. Dogan Ergin; Maj. Sadasivam Ramaswami.

#### 335th TRS

**Comptroller training flight** — Airmen Basic Lani Burkhardt, Christopher Cravotta, Kristin Cunningham, Eddy Diaz, Karla Kincaid-DePena, Melina Levesque, Raymond Wolowicz, Abigail Wright, Airmen Sean Campbell, Cassandra Nutter and Ryan Schlabach; Airmen 1st Class Brandon Bednarski, Kayla Boykin, Jessica Chiles, Julie Flowers and Mark Simpson, Senior Airmen Charlotte Baker, Terrence Pride, Terence Robbins, Sharon Salvador, David Tallman and Latesha Taylor; Staff Sgts. Cindy Anderson-Hollins, John Cody, Michael George, Cheryl Johnson, Bethany Lanski, Raul Ramos-Zayas, Jennifer Restey, William Simmons, Michael Tucker and Dennis White; Tech. Sgt. Lawrence Little; Master Sgt. Matthew Massengale.

**Personnel apprentice course** — Airmen Basic Stephanie Garcia and Angela Roseland; Airman Zachary Gooch; Senior Airmen Marcus Gaines and Philip Finney; Staff Sgts. Steven Deyne and Shelly Shaw; Master Sgt. Carolyn Oliver.

**Weather training flight** — Airman Basic Jameel Lemon; Airman Brandi Brown; Airmen 1st Class Craig Arsenault, James Fey, Amy Libera, Kevin Market and Danielle Talmadge; Navy Airmen Juan Arredondo, Leya Katz and Jessica Lubis; Senior Airman Robert Baker; Marine Sgt. Johnny Parsons; Tech. Sgts. Charles Horton and Steven Montgomery.

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## SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

### 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays

Minutes after hour	Bus stop
:00	:30 332nd TRS, Building 6957
:01	:31 338th TRS, Building 6965
:02	:32 Welch Auditorium
:04	:34 AAFES Furniture Store
:06	:36 Jones/Bryan/Hewes Hall at gazebo
:08	:38 Thomson Hall
:09	:39 New Cody Hall
:11	:41 Supply, civil engineering
:12	:42 Rental store
:13	:43 Shaw House
:14	:44 Old base exchange
:15	:45 McBride Library
:16	:46 Credit union, Blake Fitness Center
:17	:47 Medical center, Tyer House
:18	:48 Sablich Center
:19	:49 Dental clinic
:20	:50 Allee and Wolfe Halls
:21	:51 Base operations
:22	:52 Hangar 4

### Technical training route

#### 5:10-5:37 a.m. weekdays

Minutes after hour	Bus stop
:10	Building 5025
:12	Building 5022
:14	Shaw House
:16	Muse Manor
:18	Tyer House
:20	TLQ east side 2000 block
:21	TLQ east side of Locker House
:25	332nd TRS
:28	Welch Auditorium
:33	Thomson/Dolan/Cody Halls
:34	McClellan Hall
:36	Allee/Wolfe Halls
:37	Stennis Hall/Weather

### Prior-service students lodged off-base

Call 377-2432 for transportation needs. Traffic in the local area impacts base taxi times.

**Editor's note: Duty passengers have priority over "space available" riders. Schedule may be impacted by increased official operations or severe weather. Those who are physically challenged, have excess baggage, medical appointments at off-base hospitals or clinics or unable to ride the base shuttle, call 377-2432 for the base taxi. For more information, call 377-2430. Until further notice, weekend shuttle service isn't available. Taxi service is available on an "as needed" basis.**

## COAST AREA TRANSIT

**Keesler Express** — runs between the Triangle and Edgewater Mall. Bus service begins from the base, 5:50-8:30 p.m. work days, 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. down Fridays and Saturdays, and 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Sundays.

The route is limited to specific pickup and dropoff points:

#### Minutes after hour, bus stop

:30	Hercules Street bus stop
:32	Welch Auditorium
:45	Pass Road Wal-Mart
:54	Arrive Edgewater Mall
:00	Depart Edgewater Mall
:09	Pass Road Wal-Mart
:22	Welch Auditorium
:24	Hercules Street bus stop

The regular adult fare is \$1. An unlimited one-day pass is \$5 and one-month pass is \$45.

For more information, call 896-8080.

## CHAPEL SERVICES

Editor's note: For more information, call 377-2520.

### Roman Catholic

#### Sunday Mass

Triangle Chapel .....9 a.m.

#### Daily Mass

Triangle Chapel.....11:15 a.m.

### Protestant

#### Sunday worship

Larcher Chapel traditional service.....8:30 a.m.

Triangle Chapel contemporary worship service...10:30 a.m.

Triangle Chapel gospel service.....Noon

### Islamic

**Building 2003** — prayer five times daily; Salaat ul-Jumma congregational prayer, noon Friday.

For more information, call 377-2520 or 0327.

### Latter-Day Saints

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints** — student group service, 2 p.m. Sundays, Triangle Chapel. For more information, call 396-5274 or 1-661-747-4738.

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## 336th TRS

**Communications-computer systems training flight** — Airmen Basic Nikita Lettunich, Jeffrey Morgan and Matthew Theerman; Airmen James Harris, Jason Smith and Aaron Zeichner; Airmen 1st Class Shawn Kelly, Alexander Knoblock, Richard Pilcher; Senior Airmen Daniel Moore and Todd York; Staff Sgts. Aaron Aldridge, Viet Nguyen, Andrew Porden and Edward Wtulich; Tech. Sgt. Vance Victorino.

**Communications and information training flight** — Airmen Basic Kenneth Anderson, Kanasha Booker, Ashley Bullock, Rebecca Castillo, Stephanie Duvall, Sean Graham, Davon Ham, Denis Hernandez, Douglas Kirkman, Adrienne Lewis, Teri Meyers, Lindsey Reichling, Tyrone Richards, Adrienne Sanders, Jeffery Shaw, Denaya Stapleton, Laneshia Threadgill, Stephanie Wheeler and Ryan Wilson; Airmen 1st Class Kyle Basler, Gregory Benson, Jason Clark, Jose Encarnacion, Rachele Moore, Oleg Samsonov, Joshua Stoltz, Lindy Vasquez and Teresa Verdi; Senior Airmen Jennifer Bell, Tamu Dunston, Eric Gottfried, Willie Holt, Remigio Islaand, Edvonn Taylor and Jennifer Zortman; Staff Sgts. Chad Bullis, Romeo Caintic, Joshua Copeland, Pedro Forero, Stephen Garcia, Joshua Horning, Daniel Jones, James McBride, Linell McKissick, Alice Milton, Brian Robinson, David Severt, Patricia Simmons and Lee Weyers; Tech. Sgts. Sebastian Calderon, Bruce Collins, David Hogue, Dwayne Huffman, Bridget Petru and Jeffrey Westerholm; Master Sgts. Brandon Arenibar and Kristie Billups.

## 338th TRS

**Computer, network, cryptographic systems course** — Airmen Basic Albert Cabello, John Filleau and Demetrius Johnson; Airman Erik Bowcock; Airmen 1st Class Emanuel Cordero, Timothy Munoz, Christopher Primmer, James Spevack and Ivan Trejo; Senior Airman Malcolm Boston; Staff Sgts. Oliver Bugarin, John Lewis and Timothy Smith.

**Radar systems flight** — Airmen Robert Degrasse, Travis Freeman and Christopher McClanahan; Airmen 1st Class Jason Bishop, Joshua Deamusategui, Sarah Dorris and Brian Housholder; Senior Airman Chris Edwards; Staff Sgt. Ray Parrish.

## CLASSES

### Airman Leadership School

**Class 06-F** — graduation Oct. 27.

### Keesler NCO Academy

**Class 06-7** — graduation Oct. 26.

### Airman and family readiness center

**Basic money management and avoiding predatory loans** — 3 p.m. Tuesday, Room 122, old Cody Hall, taught by Consumer Credit Counseling Service. To register, call 377-2179.

**Financial information and investing** — 3 p.m. Sept. 28, Room 122, old Cody Hall, taught by USAA Education Services. To register, call 377-2179.

### Arts and crafts center

**Weekend toast to Italy** — 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 29; Italian snack, Italian art, view demonstrations and visit facility.

**Artist/craftsman contest** — entry deadline today, judging Saturday. For more information, call 377-2821.

**Photography contest** — entry deadline Sept. 28, judging Sept. 30. For more information, call 377-2821.

**Advanced pottery** — call for details.

**Ceramic painting class** — 10 a.m. Sept. 30, salute to Italy; make bread plate or pasta bowl. For more information, call 377-2821.

**Sewing 101** — 6 p.m. today. \$10. Bring your own machine or try one of ours. Bring one yard of material and matching thread for a pillow; stuffing provided.

**Kids crafting class** — 11 a.m. Saturday. \$10. Complete a pottery project; parents must accompany children 7 and younger.

**Wood shop** — open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays.

**Beginning intarsia** — 10 a.m. Saturday. \$15. Intarsia is the art form of inlaying pieces of wood in decorative pattern.

**Advanced intarsia** — 10 a.m. Sept. 30. \$20.

**Framing** — one class, four sessions, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays. \$60. Sign up in the multi-craft shop.

**Advanced matting** — 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday. \$25.

## CLUBS AND CENTERS

### Vandenberg Community Center

**Back to '50s party** — 8 p.m. today; '50s movies, costume contest, snack specials.

**Eight-ball pool tournament** — 6-9:30 p.m. Mondays.

**Nine-ball pool tournament** — 6-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays.

**Free dance revolution pad** — 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Game night** — 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Karaoke** — 6 p.m. Thursdays.

**Late night dance and DJ** — 6 p.m. to midnight Thursdays before nonworking Fridays, Fridays and Saturdays. \$3.

**Half Time Café** — open for lunch and dinner. Buffet specials 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Wednesdays, Italian, \$5.95; working Fridays, catfish, \$6.50.

### Katrina Kantina

**All ranks invited** — snacks, beverages and music. Open 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays.

**Football Frenzy** — noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. Watch your favorite team on Direct TV.

**Taco Tuesdays** — two tacos for \$1.

**Thirsty Thursday** — 5 p.m. Sept. 28. Cook your own steak or chicken.

**Catering** — for weddings, holidays, birthdays, official functions and other special occasions to celebrate.

### Youth center

**Annual membership** — \$25 for ages 6 and older. Receive discounted prices for programs, classes and sports.

**Before- and after-school care program** — register 5:30-8 a.m. or 3:30-6:15 p.m. Mondays-Fridays.

**Job ready** — 5:30 p.m. today.

**Smart moves** — 4:30 p.m. Monday.

**Goals for growth** — 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

**Creative corner** — 5:30 p.m. Wednesday. Creative art projects.

**Act smart** — 4:30 p.m. Sept. 28.

**Power hour** — 4:30-5:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, ages 9-16.

**Movies and snacks** — 5 p.m. Mondays, ages 9 and older.

**Self-directed activities** — 3-7 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays for ages 9-18. Free for members, 50 cents daily guest fee.

**Movies and snacks** — 5 p.m. Mondays in the new multimedia room, for ages 9 and older.

**TRAIL Keystone Club meeting** — 6 p.m. Tuesdays, ages 13-17. Focus is on outdoor adventures and community service.

**Smart girls** — 5 p.m. Tuesdays, ages 9-16. Girls-only topics.

**Wacky Wednesday** — 5-6 p.m. Tournaments in various board and table games.

**Torch Club** — 4 p.m. Thursdays for ages 9-12. Leadership programs, activities, community service.

**Friday night dances** — 6-10 p.m., ages 9-17. \$2 for members, \$4 nonmembers.

**Teen time** — 6-10 p.m., ages 13-17. Free for members, \$5 for nonmembers.

**Super Saturdays** — 2-5 p.m. for ages 6-12. Free for members, \$5 for nonmembers.

**Gymnastics** — Tuesdays. 5 p.m. ages 3-5, 6 p.m. ages 6 and older. Call for fees.

**Taekwondo** — Mondays and Wednesdays. 5-5:45 p.m. ages 3-5, \$40 per month. 6-7 p.m. ages 6 and older, \$35 members, \$40 nonmembers.

**Dance** — Tuesdays. 4 p.m. ages 3-5, 5 p.m. ages 6 and older. Call for fees.

**Guitar** — lessons for ages 6 and older. Call for times and fee.

## TICKETS AND TRIPS

**Editor's note: Inside Vandenberg Community Center.**

**Tours to New Orleans Saints games in the Superdome** — beginning Monday, \$60 including ticket. Call for schedule.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Movies

**Editor's note: Movies are shown at Welch Auditorium. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children for regular features, and \$2.50 for adults and \$1 for children for matinees. For a recording about current features, call 377-6627.**

**Friday** — 7 p.m., The Descent (R, 99 minutes).

**Saturday** — 2 p.m., Zoom (PG, 88 minutes); 6:30 p.m. Snakes on a Plane (R, 106 minutes).

**Sunday** — 2 p.m., Talladega Nights: The Ballads of Ricky Bobby (PG-13, 110 minutes).

## DINING HALL MENUS

### Today

**Lunch** — orange-spiced pork chops, braised liver with onions, fried fish, rissole potatoes, rice, gravy, broccoli, peas and carrots, wax beans, fruit salad, potato salad, chicken and wild rice soup, chili, buffalo wings and cream of broccoli soup.

**Dinner** — baked chicken, pepper steak, pasta primavera, mashed potatoes, rice, gravy, mixed vegetables, fried okra, green beans, potato salad, fruit salad, cream of broccoli soup, chicken and wild rice soup, chili, buffalo wings and roast beef subs.

### Friday

**Lunch** — seafood newburg, bean and corn pie, roast turkey, cornbread, franconia potatoes, pea and pepper rice, gravy, corn on the cob, stewed tomatoes, mustard greens, pasta salad, three-bean salad, clam chowder, vegetable soup, frontier chicken chili, barbecue pork and burritos.

**Dinner** — corned beef, cornbread, pineapple chicken, Yankee pot roast, potato wedges, simmered potatoes, gravy, fried cabbage, carrots, blackeyed peas, three-bean salad, clam chowder, garden vegetable soup, frontier chicken chili, barbecue pork sandwich and burritos.

### Saturday

**Lunch** — baked chicken, Swedish meatballs, creole shrimp, baked potatoes, rice, gravy, creamed corn, asparagus, steamed squash, fruit salad, kidney bean salad, country bean soup, chicken gumbo, chili and chicken nuggets.

**Dinner** — baked fish, Hungarian goulash, barbecue chicken, potatoes, rice, gravy, stir-fry vegetables, baked beans, creamed corn, fruit salad, kidney bean salad, country bean soup, chicken gumbo, chili and chicken nuggets.

### Sunday

**Lunch** — oven fried fish, spareribs, grilled mustard chicken breast, macaroni and cheese, egg noodles, gravy, peas, sweet potatoes, broccoli combo, jellied spring salad, tomato salad, vegetable beef soup, Italian wedding soup, frontier chicken chili and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — stir-fry beef with broccoli, turkey nuggets, loin strip steak, mushroom and onion sauce, baked potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, corn on the cob, green beans, jellied spring salad, tomato salad, vegetable beef soup, Italian wedding soup, frontier chicken chili and cheese pizza.

### Monday

**Lunch** — beef pot roast, baked stuffed fish, cornbread, pork loin, potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower combo, succotash, green beans, cottage cheese salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone soup, chili with beans, grilled sausage and steak and cheese subs.

**Dinner** — chili macaroni, cornbread, beef canelloni, fried chicken, cottage fries, mashed potatoes, gravy, steamed squash, glazed carrots, peas, cottage cheese salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone soup, chili with beans, grilled sausage and steak and cheese subs.

### Tuesday

**Lunch** — teriyaki chicken, veal parmesan, salmon cakes, garlic toast, filipino rice, parsley buttered potatoes, gravy, fried cabbage, succotash, mixed vegetables, fruit cocktail salad, spinach salad, bean with ham soup, chicken noodle soup, white chicken chili, barbecue beef sloppy joes and roast beef subs.

**Dinner** — country captain chicken, meatloaf, turkey a la king, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, garlic toast, harvard beets, mustard greens, okra tomato gumbo, fruit cocktail salad, spinach salad, bean with ham soup, chicken noodle soup, white chicken chili, barbeque beef sloppy joes and roast beef subs.

### Wednesday

**Lunch** — Mexican baked chicken and pork chops, beef fajitas, jalapeno cornbread, refried beans, corn, gravy, pinto beans, peas and carrots, cole slaw, garden cottage cheese salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, vegetarian chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — lemon-herb chicken, jalapeno corn bread, spareribs, stuffed pork chops, scalloped potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower combo, Mexican corn, tempura vegetables, Mexican coleslaw, frijole salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, vegetarian chili, cheese fishwich and Monte Cristo sandwich.