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Dragons deployed — **80**

Gotcha!



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Lt. Col. Richard Miller, 334th Training Squadron commander, is serenaded by Staff Sgt. Bethany Anderson, Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station, Colo., during the Tops in Blue show Nov. 1 at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum in Biloxi. More photos, Pages 14-15.

Initial timeline set for building 1,067 base homes

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

An initial timeline is in place for construction of 1,067 new housing units at Keesler.

The \$287.8 million contract was awarded Sept. 22. The target date for completion is April 22, 2010.

Michael Watson, Air Education and Training Command housing program manager, gave a briefing on the project at Keesler Oct. 31.

The largest military housing construction program in Air Force history, has five phases.

The neighborhoods, number of units, grades assigned, anticipated start dates and expected early delivery dates are:

Thrower Park — 236 units for junior enlisted members (E1-6), March 2007, June 2008.

Northwest Falcon Park — 138 units for junior enlisted members, July 2007,

September 2008.

Bay Ridge Phase 1 (Maltby Hall and Shadowlawn) — 206 units for senior noncommissioned officers (E7-8), company grade officers, field grade officers and senior officers; October 2007, January 2009.

East and West Falcon Parks — 352 units for junior enlisted members, April 2008, September 2009.

Bay Ridge Phase 2 — 135 units for chief master sergeants, company grade officers, field grade officers, senior officers and general officers; December 2008, January 2010.

The contract provides a variety of enhancements for residents.

Floor plans for the single family and duplex units meet or exceed the Air Force's benchmark square footage standards. All have three or

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This week in the Triangle

Space environment, 10 a.m. today, weather training complex.

Communications-computer systems operations, 10 a.m. today, Thomson Hall.

Computer networking cryptographic systems, 10 a.m. today, Bryan Hall.

Radio communications, 10 a.m. Monday, Thomson Hall.

Personnel, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wolfe Hall.

Computer networking cryptographic systems, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Bryan Hall.

Airfield systems, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jones Hall.



October honor flight

Student numbers

Total students — 3,459

Non-prior service — 2,078

Temporary duty — 1,259

Joint service — 100

Combat controllers — 22

Non-prior service arrivals — 156

Guard, Reserve — 753

International — 33

Fiscal 2007 graduates — 1,860

Total since 1942 — 2,236,232

Remember to thank veterans for keeping America free

By Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso

81st Training Wing commander

Veterans Day — a time for reflection, a day for honoring and remembering.

Our great nation was born on the ideals of life, liberty and justice. Throughout our history, men and women from towns across every state have answered the call to protect the basic principles that have made this country great.

It's because of these everyday heroes that we celebrate Veterans Day.

President John Kennedy once said, "A nation reveals itself not only by the men it produces, but also by the men it honors, the men it remembers."

This weekend, we honor those men and women whose personal sacrifices have preserved our nation through both the best and the toughest of times. They embody everything that has made this country great.

Veterans Day was first observed as Armistice Day in 1919 to commemorate the

end of World War I. Thirty-five years later, in 1954, President Dwight Eisenhower issued a proclamation in which Nov. 11 was officially designated as a national holiday to honor all veterans.

Our country has a long history of honoring veterans, and today we find our nation has a new generation of veterans. This day is for them as much as it is for those who served during all other times in our country's rich history.

Like the challenges that faced our veterans in the past, today's global war on terrorism is a struggle for freedom and liberty, and the words Thomas Paine wrote during the Revolutionary War — "These are the times that try men's souls" — are as relevant today as they were more than 200 years ago.

Saturday, we salute our veterans for their unwavering patriotism, courage and belief in the power of freedom. Thank you for your service to our country and for keeping America free.

Performance feedback: Are you performing it correctly, Keesler?

By Lt. Col. Mack Breeland

Inspector general

Among the responsibilities of the inspector general is the education of personnel on the role of the IG office and individual rights.

My three-person staff and I brief Keesler leaders from the 81st Training Wing to squadron level one-on-one. We provide the same information to others in settings that include newcomers' orientation, first term airman center classes, noncommissioned officer and senior NCO professional development seminars, and squadron commanders' calls.

Our education role also includes sharing information on any trends or problems. A negative trend we identified recently deals with performance feedback.

We found several cases where feedback required by Air Force Instruction 36-2406, Officer and Enlisted Evaluation Systems, was-

n't validated by documentation or wasn't done at all.

Those cases were referred to squadron commanders for action.

It should be noted here that performance feedback isn't the sole responsibility of raters. Those being rated have a significant role in ensuring feedback is done. The absence of feedback alone doesn't invalidate subsequent performance reports.

As Keesler prepares for an operational readiness inspection next spring, it's important to be aware that performance feedback requirements are high-interest items for inspectors. Some other bases have experienced difficulty meeting these requirements.

For a successful ORI here, everyone must do their part to ensure feedback is being done properly, documented thoroughly and placed in personal information files.

Drinking + driving = deadly duo.

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 equal opportunity — 377-2759
 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



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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

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a best business practice,
a competitive and asymmetric
advantage.

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



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TRAINING AND EDUCATION

From Keesler to Kuwait Mobile training team teaches Soldiers about global command and control

Air Force Print News
and Keesler News staff

Airmen operating the global command and control system in Southwest Asia are providing combatant commanders a visual map of service members on the battlefield via satellite.

"Basically, you can view everything in the (area of responsibility)," said Staff Sgt. Michael Harvell, an instructor for the system. "You could actually see the entire world, but you wouldn't want to do that — it would be too much information."

Sergeant Harvell and Master Sgt. Steven Foley, instructor supervisor, made up the two-member team from the 333rd Training Squadron that trained service members and civilians on the global command and control system.

The two instructors deployed to Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, Aug. 21 and returned to Keesler last month.

To teach the courses, they brought along six equipment cases weighing more than 1,400 pounds filled with servers, laptop computers, cables, routers, switches and hubs.

Back at Keesler, the mobile training team includes military, Department of Defense and contractors who teach courses in residence, at the squadron's detachment in Washington, D.C., or who travel individually or in pairs to Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, Germany, Japan and South Korea to conduct onsite classes.

"Our GCCS team offers several classes at different proficiency levels, basic up to more advanced mission applications," Sergeant Foley noted. "For instance, the Level 2 administration class taught the Soldiers how to set up a GCCS server enclave from the ground up."

"Our mobile training capability provides opportunities

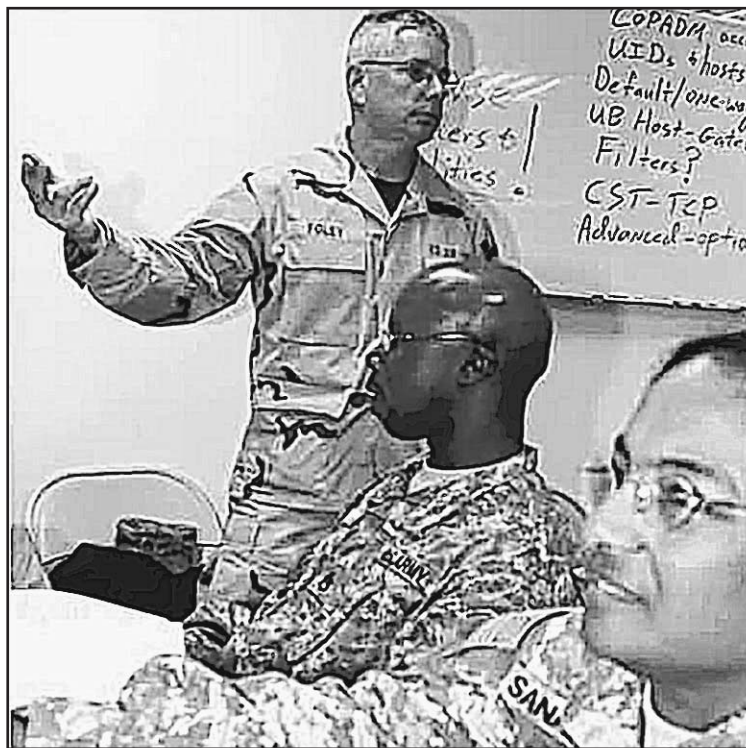


Photo by Army Sgt. Thomas Day

Sergeant Foley guides GCCS students through a lesson at Camp Arifjan.

that other courses don't," explained Morris Kisling, GCCS-J advanced instructor at Keesler.

"We're can keep our finger on the pulse of the real-world mission by being exposed to the frontline system administrators on a routine basis," he continued. "That interaction eliminates discrepancies between the real world and the training environment that on-base courses can't match."

"GCCS will be used by the entire military as their command and control system," Sergeant Harvell said.

"Before we got here, I had mostly taught Air Force and Navy personnel, and before that, I'd only had one Army guy and one Marine in our classes," Sergeant Foley pointed out. "All services need to be on the same sheet of music in the war. We're the good guys and we need to make sure we take care of the good guys."

The GCCS works with the

Blue Force Tracker to help commanders remain continuously aware of where their troops and valuable assets are on the battlefield.

BFT is essentially the forward element of the system, allowing GCCS operators to manage from a distance. Vehicles in Iraq and Afghanistan are equipped with BFT. The GCCS allows the military to track valuable assets, provide emergency communication and guide search and rescue forces to quickly locate, identify and communicate with service members at risk.

"If you were in charge of running a war," Sergeant Harvell said, "you would want the latest and greatest information as to where your assets are on the battlefield. This gives you that."

Army Spc. Chris Jones, 40th Public Affairs Detachment, Camp Arifjan, and Susan Griggs, Keesler News staff, contributed to this report.

Academic showcase



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Patti Holloway, left, assistant dean at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, answers questions from Senior Airman Joshua Hewitt, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, about taking courses to complete his Community College of the Air Force associate degree. MGCCC and the other three colleges represented on base — Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, University of Southern Mississippi and William Carey University — joined with the base education office to host an open house, Oct. 31 at McBride Library.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

HAZMAT training

Hazardous waste management training is 8-11 a.m. Nov. 30 in the Wolfe Hall Auditorium.

For more information, call or e-mail Thomas Minton, hazardous waste manager, 377-3004, thomas.minton@keesler.af.mil.

Student parade

A student parade is 3:30 p.m. Nov. 30 on the parade grounds.

For more information, Staff Sgt. Deanna Attaway, 377-2103.

Medical training

Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — The Air Force is taking applications from active-

Instructor bound for OTS



Staff Sgt. Luke Bever, a computer, networking and cryptographic instructor in the 338th Training Squadron, has been selected to attend Officer Training School. He's spent 3 1/2 of his 7 1/2 years in the Air Force at Keesler. He has a bachelor's degree in management/computer information systems from Park University. He becomes a navigator after he completes OTS.

duty enlisted Airmen for physician assistant Phase I training classes beginning in January, April and August 2008.

The selection board convenes at the Air Force Personnel Center on March 27. Completed applications must

arrive at HQ AFPC/DPAMW, 550 C Street West, Suite 27, Randolph AFB TX 78150-4729 by Jan. 26.

For more information, contact local military personnel flights, education offices or the AFPC Web site.

USM courses

American studies and administration of justice undergraduate courses are available at the University of Southern Mississippi-Keesler Center.

For more information, visit Room 208, old Cody Hall, call Christopher Burkett, 377-2309, or go to <http://www.usm.edu.gulfcoast>.

Supply classes

To schedule a general supply class, call 377-2270.

CCAF online

Visit the Air Force Virtual Education Center, <https://www.my.af.mil/afvecprod>, to create MyAFVEC accounts to access online customer service tools.

With the tools, people can request Community College of the Air Force transcripts, track receipt of civilian transcripts, view degree progress reports and check if a course counts toward a CCAF degree.

Tuition aid change

Tuition assistance pays only for reimbursable class fees.

Place the fee amount in the appropriate box of the course information screen at the Air Force Virtual Education Center's site when applying.

For more information, call 377-2323 or 2171.

NEWS AND FEATURES

Base development chief is top community planner

AETC award recognizes post-Katrina performance

By Master Sgt. Roger Drinnon

Keesler Public Affairs

Don Kinman, base development chief for the 81st Civil Engineering Squadron, has been named Air Education and Training Command's outstanding individual community planner for 2006.

"This is really a (81st Training) Wing award," said Mr. Kinman. "The community planning process involves not only members of the civil engineering community, but essentially, the entire wing is



Mr. Kinman

integrated into the process.

"The small steps I've taken to develop the framework for Keesler's overall future development have only been the initial sparks in a truly team effort that the entire wing has embraced," he added.

The award recognizes the community planner "who has exhibited and demonstrated superior performance in executing the duties of an Air Force community planner."

In the award nomination, Mr. Kinman was described as a key visionary in the long-range community planning at Keesler in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

His planning duties included current assessments and future projections in areas such as land and facility use, post-Katrina restoration planning, and the overall planning of several multimillion-dollar military construction and operations and maintenance programs.

Mr. Kinman has been an Air Force civil engineer for 28 years. He has worked at Keesler nearly 18 years and has served as the base development chief for about nine years.

Today's observance targets camaraderie

By 2nd Lt. Nick Plante

Keesler News staff

Keesler's military and civilian personnel participate in Wingman Day activities today.

The annual observance includes physical activity, discussions and gatherings designed to bring people together and reinforce a culture where Airmen take care of Airmen.

Capt. Charles Murchie, 81st Training Wing project officer, said units determine the type and time of some kind of physical activity.

The original plan for a wing-wide 1.5-mile run/walk has been dropped in favor of the unit approach.

"It wasn't practical to have everyone running at the same time," the captain said.

Units also meet at locations designated by their Wingman Day representatives to discuss

emotional, physical, spiritual and safety well-being. Other unit gatherings, such as potluck lunches or cookouts, are planned to draw people together.

The 81st TRW Wing staff plans to accomplish the run/walk at 8:30 a.m., with discussions at 10 and a potluck lunch at noon.

"It's an awesome concept and an opportunity that invigorates the ability to conquer day-to-day challenges," said Tech. Sgt. Quardrick Brumfield, 81st TRW staff representative. "It's a chance to interact with and get to know each other, as well as the qualities among each other."



IN THE NEWS

CFC tops \$219,000

Keesler's Combined Federal Campaign added \$48,678 as of Nov. 2 for a four-week total of \$219,567.

That's 182 percent of the base's goal of \$120,536.

The campaign runs through Nov. 21.

For more information, call Lt. Col. George Budz, project officer, 377-3230; Capt. Albert Searfass, 377-2284; 1st Lt. Ernest Stewart, 377-1836; or your unit representative.

Formal retreat today

The monthly formal retreat ceremony is 5 p.m. today in front of 81st Training Wing headquarters.

The ceremony is conducted by the 81st Medical Group.

Open season for civilian benefits

An open season for the Federal Employees Health Benefits, Federal Flexible Spending Account and the new Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance runs through Dec. 11.

For more information, visit the BEST Web site at <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil>; click on Civilian Employees, then on Benefits and Entitlements.

Family days, duty days clarified

Air Education and Training Command has designated Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 as "family days."

The 81st Training Wing has designated Dec. 29, a compressed work schedule day off, as a duty day for military members to comply with Air Force Instruction 36-3003, which limits consecutive non-duty days to four days.

Dec. 29 remains a CWS day for 81st TRW civilians.

Veterans Day events

Keesler participates in three Veterans Day events:

Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso, 81st Training Wing commander, speaks at American Legion Post 33's ceremony, 11 a.m. Friday at the Biloxi Small Craft Harbor, corner of Highway 90 and Main Street. A reception follows at 131 Lameuse St., the ceremony location in case of rain. For more information, call 374-9774 or 806-4519.

General Capasso is also scheduled to attend American Legion Post 119's ceremony, 11 a.m. Saturday at the old train depot west of Hancock Bank on 14th Street in Gulfport. The honor guard performs a 21-gun salute.

Keesler's Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit drill team, Keesler Riders Association motorcyclists, state flag team and 403rd Wing mascot Lil' Bill participate in the seventh annual Gulf Coast Veterans Day Parade, 11 a.m. Saturday in Biloxi. For more information, call Capt. Bridgette Kennedy, 377-7343.

Scope Warrior dining-in Tuesday

The Scope Warrior dining-in is 6-10 p.m. Tuesday at Hangar 5.

For more information, call 377-4802 or 1189.

Off-limits establishments

Off-limits establishments for military members are the Blue Note Lounge, Boulevard Nightclub and Henry Beck Park (except during daylight hours or official events) in Biloxi; Carver Village, Bunksmall Apartments and H&H Hideaway in Pascagoula, and Toni's Lounge in Moss Point.

\$12.4 million project aims to save energy at Keesler

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Keesler's crusade to reduce energy consumption has been bolstered by a \$12.4 million energy savings performance contract.

Outdated heating systems in older facilities are being replaced with more efficient units under the contract.

Work on the contract began in March and should be completed in February, according to Master Sgt. Julien Glantz, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, who's responsible for quality assurance on the project.

"The steam plant in Building 4101 provided distributed steam for space heating and domestic hot water generation to 13 buildings, but the steam distribution system included many more facilities," he pointed out. "However, over the past several years, many buildings served by the steam plant were demolished and replaced with new buildings that have their own dedicated boilers."

Sergeant Glantz said several steam-powered absorption chillers used for chilled water generation have been replaced with electricity-driven chillers.

"This steam load reduction contributed toward the very low steam production efficiency at the plant," he added.

Completion timetable

Today — Wolfe and Allee halls, Building 4301 fabrication shops and 81st Training Wing headquarters (tentative).

Nov. 20 — Keesler NCO Academy, Airman Leadership School and Dolan Hall.

Mid-December — Hangars 2, 3 and 4.

Dec. 27 — McClellan Hall.

This project provides individual steam or hot water boilers in 12 buildings served by the steam plant that aren't scheduled for demolition within the next two years.

"There was a major steam leak in the distribution system two weeks ago, which caused the steam plant to be shut down," Sergeant Glantz explained. "The steam demand was too low to justify restarting the plant, so the decision was made not to restart the plant. There are only four hangers left on the steam distribution system that could use the steam."

The Keesler upgrade is being driven by the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the first national energy plan in more than a decade. It established aggressive federal energy savings goals and reauthorized the ESPC program.

Housing,

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four bedrooms and two stories, except for handicap-accessible units, and include a garage.

Single-family detached units are planned for field grade officers and chief master sergeants. Duplexes house other enlisted members and company grade officers.

Homes have two-year warranties, four-foot covered entries, large trash enclosures, flagpole holders, name plates, photocell-lighted house numbers and garage door openers.

Neighborhoods include totlots, playgrounds, basketball and volleyball courts, picnic shelters, lighted hiking and biking paths, enhanced street lighting, more off-street parking and brick entrance signs with raised lettering. Neighborhood entrances feature 300 feet of impasse fencing on each side.

A minimum of 18 feet above sea level is the standard

A minimum of 18 feet above sea level is the standard for finished floor elevations.

for finished floor elevations. Existing natural gas, water, storm and sewer utilities are replaced, but usable infrastructure for electrical, cable and communications services are retained where possible.

Large trees, particularly live oaks and magnolias, are preserved whenever possible. Green space is optimized for future site amenities, such as community centers and swimming pools.

Construction of a camp for construction workers in Harrison Court begins in December and is completed in April.

Keesler gains 2 new chiefs

The Air Force selected two Keesler senior master sergeants for promotion to chief master sergeant.

They are:

81st Mission Support Squadron — Damian Ors-lene.

81st Medical Support Squadron — Robin Erman.

Overall, 417 senior master sergeants were selected for promotion to the Air Force's highest enlisted rank.

The selection rate was 16.85 percent Air Force-wide.

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.

Verifying deployment credit

For information on verifying deployment credit, call the Air Force Personnel Center's field activities office, DSN 665-2671 or commercial 1-210-565-2671.

Civilian employment information

Air Force Personnel Center

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Civilian appropriated fund employees and prospective applicants can get answers to questions about employment opportunities, benefits and entitlements online at the Air Force's Customer Service Center.

A database at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/cst> includes hundreds of questions and answers. For online inquiries, users who don't find an answer to their specific question can submit a query through the "Ask-A-Question" tab at the top of the page.

Adoption leave of absence

Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Airmen adopting children now may be authorized up to 21 days of non-chargeable leave per calendar year.

For more information, contact your commander's support staff or call the Air Force Contact Center, 1-800-616-3775, option 1, 2, or DSN 665-5000.

Civilian career information

Air Force civilians can access the virtual Civilian Career Brief through the AFPC secure Web site, <https://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afpcsecure/default.asp>.

Once on the AFPC secure Web site, select "Civ Career Brief" from the button menu.

New CCB users need to establish an account.

Transforming travel processing

81st Comptroller Squadron

The Defense Travel System is an electronic travel order and settlement voucher producing system that's transforming the Defense Department's current processes into a single, streamlined, paperless system.

With DTS, travelers can input travel authorizations, review and pick available flights, make hotel and rental car reservations, electronically fill out travel vouchers, pay Government Travel Card accounts and receive direct deposit reimbursements in about one week.

For more information or training needs, call your unit DTS representative or visit <http://www.dtstravelcenter.dod.mil/>

E-mailing deployed troops

Stars and Stripes features "Messages of Support" for deployed service members from family and friends free of charge.

E-mail no more than 60 words to messages@estripes.com.

Virtual outprocessing

Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — All Airmen undergoing permanent change-of-station moves, retirements or separations are now required to use the virtual outprocessing application available through the virtual military personnel flight.

For more information, contact the military personnel flight.

Tour length changes target PCS budget deficit

Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — In an effort to meet budget mandates, Air Force leaders have directed several assignment related initiatives to reduce the permanent change-of-station budget deficit.

The new guidelines include changes to assignment availability Code 50 maximum stabilized tours, the standard time on station for certain members transferring between stateside bases and officers departing for professional military education, overseas assignment curtailments, funded joint-spouse assignments, as well as the officer time-in-area policy.

Members serving in a Code 50 designated stabilized tour have their tour

automatically extended 12 months beyond the current expiration date. The extension is in addition to any voluntary extension the member may have already entered. Career enlisted aviators and rated officers in flying positions are exempt. Members with a projected PCS based on the previous Code 50 rules may apply for cancellation.

Enlisted members and officers in the support, judge advocate, chaplain and medical career fields, as well as most rated staff positions are subject to a 48-month time-on-station minimum before being considered for a PCS between stateside bases unless mission requirements dictate otherwise.

Officers selected for PME must

have 24 months TOS prior to departure. Exceptions to this policy must be thoroughly justified and waivers must be requested by a general officer, colonel wing commander or their equivalents.

Members serving in overseas assignments serve their full tour length. Waivers are only granted for mission requirements and must be requested by a general officer, colonel wing commander or their equivalents. However, there are exemptions to this requirement such as officers rotating to and from commander's billets and humanitarian reassignments.

Funded joint-spouse assignments, except those from one overseas location to another, require 24 months

TOS. Members are allowed to volunteer for permissive PCS if they have 12 months TOS and the members travel concurrently; however, PCS entitlements must be waived, and the member must agree to incur all PCS related costs.

The Washington, D.C., tour review and officer time in area policy for San Antonio and Colorado are suspended until further notice. This policy required review of all assignments resulting in a permanent change of station or assignment between bases in the same local area, or a return PCS to the same location or area within a two-year period.

For more information, visit the Air Force Personnel Center Web site.

Fewer moves for officers benefit professional development, families

By Staff Sgt. C. Todd Lopez

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — Some officers now could spend as many as four years at a duty station before getting a new assignment.

Air Force officials are looking for ways to reduce the number of permanent change-of-station moves for officers, particularly for those in the United States.

By extending the average assignment length for an officer from three years to four years, Air Force officials believe they can reduce the number of yearly officer PCS moves.

Any moves occurring before four years primarily would be for professional development reasons only, said Lt. Gen. Roger Brady, deputy chief of staff for manpower and personnel.

“We don’t necessarily want to move people around as quickly as we may have in the past, if there is not a developmental reason for that,” he said. “And there is a lot of development that can take place in your first few years of service, wherever you are.”

The general said that for many young officers, lieutenants in particular, the greatest professional development comes from gaining expertise and experience at one stable location.

For higher-ranking officers, professional development comes from attending schools or by taking a command position. Real professional development, the general said, doesn’t come from simply moving to a new assignment.

“We have always been a force that wanted to develop people, and part of developing people is to give them different opportunities,” he said. “But if you are not careful, you can confuse movement with development. So what we

are looking at are policies that might create moves that are not necessarily related to development.”

General Brady also said fewer moves for officers puts less stress on their families by allowing children to stay in a single school for a longer time and by allowing spouses to find more stable careers.

While the change to PCS policy mostly affects officers inside the continental United States, it also affects officers stationed overseas, especially those assigned to European bases.

“We find that some of our traditional overseas assignments ... are perhaps as stable as (in the continental United States,) and so it begs the question as to whether or not you really need to have that disparity in how you manage units,” he said.

Manning overseas units at higher levels increases PCS moves and the costs associated with them. Air Force officials now are more amenable to extending officers who want to stay longer at an overseas tour and look closer than they have in the past at officers who want to shorten their overseas tours, General Brady said.

Another reason for limiting officer moves is recouping the cost of the moves and applying that funding in other places.

“We have budgetary issues in a lot of areas: fighting the global war on terror, high ops tempo, aging aircraft fleets and growing manpower costs,” the general said.

General Brady said more effective management of officer moves better helps their professional development, and also frees up funding so it can be applied to winning the war on terrorism and to recapitalizing aging Air Force aircraft.



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Bobcat operator Billy Poley, left, and chainsaw operator Lee Johnson remove pine trees in Oak Park housing area Nov. 1. They work for The Tree Service, Saucier.

Katrina continues assault on base's trees

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

More than 14 months after Hurricane Katrina, Keesler's trees are still feeling the punch from the storm's mighty winds.

Trees continue to be removed throughout the base and its housing areas, according to Jim Aalbertsberg, a construction manager in the project management office for the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron.

"Fallen and damaged trees have been taken down ever since the storm subsided," Mr. Aalbertsberg pointed out. "Immediately after the storm, military crews began removing trees that were identified as an immediate danger or safety hazard. Then contractors took over the removal of damaged trees.

"Now we're encountering trees, particularly pines, that have suffered residual effects," he added.

The "stress and flex" caused by Katrina's high winds caused internal damage that eventually kills the trees. Also, stressed trees secrete chemical substances called pheromones that attract pine bark beetles that burrow into the wood and cut off nourishment.

About 400 dead and dying pines are being taken down in the Oak Park housing area. An estimated 300 trees on the main base and about 350 scattered through base housing areas are on the removal list.

"About 95 percent are pine trees," Mr. Aalbertsberg noted.

Keesler is in the process of replacing about 600 of the 3,800 of the trees previously lost as part of a \$4.9 million landscaping project. Replacing other trees is planned through future landscaping work and new housing construction.

Base officials spell out plan for Oak Park area

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

A recent town hall meeting provided about 50 residents of the neighborhood adjoining Oak Park military family housing with an update on Keesler's immediate and long-range plans for the area.

Oak Park was slammed by Hurricane Katrina's storm surge from Biloxi's Back Bay, destroying many homes and flooding others. High winds toppled trees that crushed many residences.

Homes won't be rebuilt

Damaged Keesler homes won't be rebuilt, and demolition is under way to remove those still standing and associated utilities, according to Lt. Col. Ray Mottley, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron commander, who conducted the meeting.

Keesler lost six acres in Oak Park due to new Federal Emergency Management Agency flood contours.

The base plans to incorporate its Oak Park property into the main base, primarily because of force protection requirements and expansion at Keesler Medical Center immediately to the south.

Fence going up

Construction of an eight-foot-high metal fence begins soon and should be finished by March, Colonel Mottley said. Plans call for a 50- to 75-foot green space buffer between the fence and the property line.

Parts of St. George, Tremont and Concord Circles and St. Andrews Fairway are being demolished to reduce storm runoff and maintenance costs. Fire hydrants and street lights remain in place.

Turnarounds are planned for Kensington Drive and Concord Circle, with streets to be widened if necessary.

The medical center's central energy plant, about 160 feet from the Oak Park border, is being relocated to protect vital equipment from



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Asa Vice, an equipment operator for DNG Contractors, uses an excavator to demolish homes in Oak Park Nov. 1.

flooding in the future. New landscaping is planned along this portion of the perimeter fence.

Colonel Mottley said a temporary gate supports inbound construction traffic for the next two to four years, while 16 new projects totaling more than \$540 million are under way. Efforts are being made to divert construction traffic from residential streets.

A temporary storage area

for materials to support Keesler's \$287.8 million housing construction program over the next four years is being located in Oak Park's southwest corner.

After Katrina recovery projects are completed, base officials plan to use the Oak Park property for recreational purposes, child care facility expansion and recreational vehicle storage.

8th Air Force becomes Cyberspace Command

By Staff Sgt. C. Todd Lopez

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — During a media conference here Nov. 2, Secretary of the Air Force Michael Wynne said the 8th Air Force would become the new Air Force Cyberspace Command.

“I am announcing the steps the Air Force is taking towards establishing an Air Force Cyberspace Command,” the secretary said. “The new Cyberspace Command is designated as the 8th Air Force ... under the leadership of Lt. Gen. Robert “Bob” Elder Jr. He will develop the force by reaching across all Air Force commands to draw appropriate leaders and appropriate personnel.”

Secretary Wynne said the 67th Network Warfare Wing, now under 8th Air Force, and other elements already within 8th Air Force would provide “the center of mass” for the nascent Cyberspace Command.

The secretary also said Air Combat Command, Air Force Space Command and Air Force Materiel Command are working to develop the new Cyberspace Command, while Air Force personnel specialists are working to develop educational plans and career paths for Airmen that work within the new command.

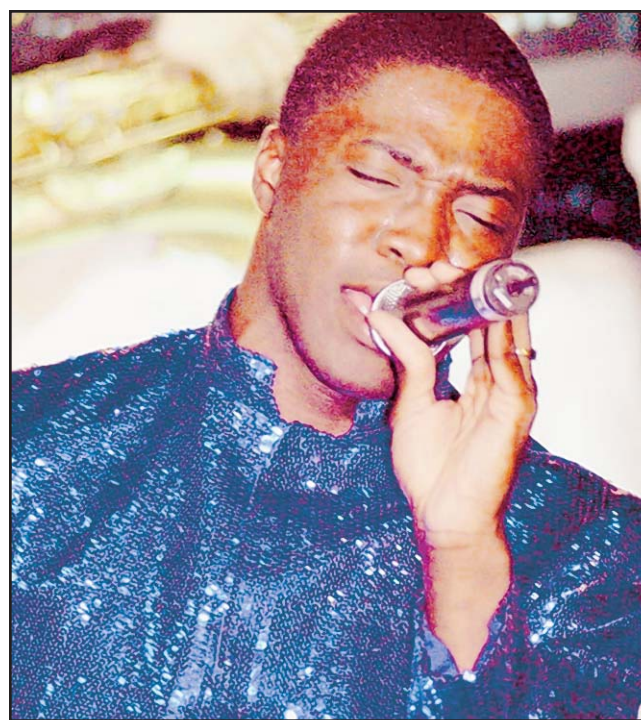
“The aim is to develop a major command that stands alongside Air Force Space Command and Air Combat Command as the provider of forces that the president, combatant commanders and the American people can rely on for preserving the freedom of access and commerce, in air, space and now cyberspace,” Secretary Wynne said.

Air Force leaders begin detailed planning for the new Cyberspace Command Nov. 16 at the Cyber Summit. During the summit, Air Force leaders chart a way ahead for the Air Force’s role in cyberspace, also called the cyber domain.

Tops in Blue brings musical magic to South Mississippi



Left, Staff Sgt. Brian Granger, formerly the non-commissioned officer in charge of the 81st Communications Squadron Web team, is Tops in Blue's technical director. Above, he and his wife Lori's 2-year-old daughter, Katie, listens as Senior Airman Jennifer Woolfolk sings "In My Daughter's Eyes." She's from Ramstein Air Base, Germany.



Airman 1st Class Geoffrey Stirrup, Tinker AFB, Okla., sings Luther Vandross' "Dance with My Father."

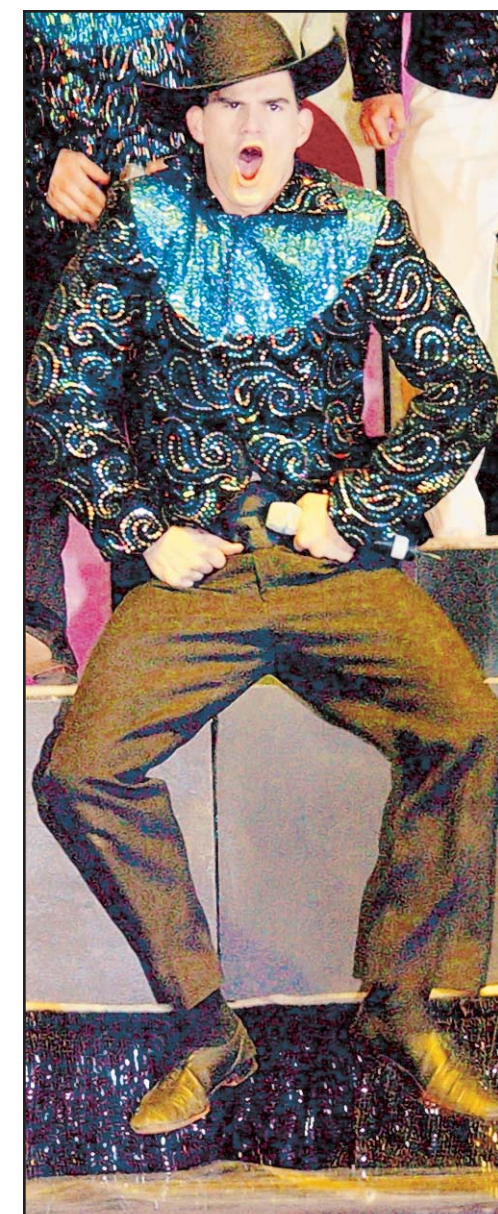


Airman 1st Class Rebecca Donnegan, 336th Training Squadron, gets a kiss from Senior Airman Robert Kalert, Dover Air Force Base, Del., as he serenades her with Rod Stewart's "Have I Told You Lately That I Love You?" She was one of the nonprior service technical training students in the audience at the Mississippi Coast

Coliseum in Biloxi for Tops in Blue's Nov. 1 performance. The 35-member team of active-duty Airmen serve a one-year tour as the Air Force's musical ambassadors. They give more than 100 performances during its 2006 tour in the United States and foreign locations, including shows for deployed troops in Southwest Asia.



A backdrop of love in many languages set the stage for this year's theme, "What's Love?"



Airman Kalert kicks up his heels during a country and western selection.



Senior Airman Adam Will, Dover AFB, is one of the nine instrumentalists on the Tops in Blue team.

Photos by Kemberly Groue

Harris' 36-year career in art, labor relations, training draws to close

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Bill Harris, multimedia manager for the 81st Communications Squadron, retires Dec. 1 with more than 36 years of federal service.

His multifaceted career included positions in multimedia and graphic arts, technical training, course development and labor relations.

Mr. Harris, a Connecticut native, studied art for three years at the Vesper George School of Art in Boston before enlisting in the Air Force in 1969.

His first assignment was at Keesler as an illustrator before he moved to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, to create and produce artwork for command briefings depicting the 8th Air Force posture in Southeast Asia.

After a brief break in federal service after he was honorably discharged in 1973, Mr. Harris was hired as an illustrator at Keesler and was eventually promoted to supervisory illustrator over television graphics at Wall Studio.

When an A-76 study transferred multimedia services to a contractor in 1985, he retrained as a technical training instructor for Strategic Air Command's digital information network maintenance course.

In 1990, Mr. Harris was one of four Air force instructors who developed three training courses for the new communications modular control equipment.

He was certified as a master instructor and promoted to training specialist before being sent to Litton Industries in California for five months to gain first-hand knowledge on equipment configuration and operation.

During a three-month temporary assignment to Germany, he validated courses while conducting initial training in support of Operations Desert



Mr. Harris

Storm and Desert Shield.

Mr. Harris taught the MCE resident courses at Keesler until 1996, when he became the primary quality assurance evaluator for the base's multimedia contract. He was appointed multimedia manager in 2004.

Recognized as an advocate for Keesler's civilians, Mr. Harris served as chief steward, vice president and president of National Federation of Federal Employees Local 943 from 1979-85.

He also served as steward, vice president and president of American Federation of Government Employees Local 2670 from 1997-2004.

Mr. Harris, a federal mediator for the alternate dispute resolution process, represented employees in grievances, merit system protection hearings, equal employment opportunity cases and other formal complaint procedures.

He was also instrumental in the negotiation and implementation of Keesler's compressed work schedule, negotiated grievance procedures and alternate dispute resolution process.

A member of the Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut, Mr. Harris has been actively involved in Keesler's Native American observances.

He and his wife, Kathie, have one son, Bill Jr., and two grandchildren.



HOLIDAY NOTES

Home Away program

Home Away From Home is a chapel program for non-prior service Airmen to spend Thanksgiving with active-duty, civilian and retiree families.

Families host two or more Airmen for the holiday meal.

For more information or to sign up, visit the Fishbowl in the Levitow Training Support Facility or the Triangle and Larcher chapels, e-mail at winston.jones@keesler.af.mil or call 377-2520 or 2331.

Student sign-up forms are available from their charge of quarters and the Fishbowl.

Fall festival

An ecumenical fall festival is 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 18 at the Triangle Chapel annex.

Free crafts, food, games, space walk and prizes are planned.

For more information call 377-2520.

Thanksgiving service

The annual ecumenical Thanksgiving service is 4 p.m. Nov. 19 at Triangle Chapel.

The service is followed by a dessert social.

For more information call 377-2520.

Thanksgiving dining

Commanders, chiefs and first sergeants are invited to serve the Thanksgiving meal, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 23 at Live Oak and Magnolia dining facilities.

To participate, call the food service office, 377-2200.

**Arrive alive —
don't drink
and drive.**

KEESLER NOTES

Spouse conference

A conference for spouses is 8:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Tuesday in Mathies Hall at the Keesler NCO Academy.

Topics include building community, dealing with deployment, global war on terror and its impact on the Air Force, decorating dilemma and housing strategies.

Principal speakers are Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso, 81st Training Wing commander, and Sherry Box, a professional decorator.

A continental breakfast and lunch are provided.

The conference is co-hosted by the 81st TRW and airman and family readiness center.

To register by the Friday deadline, call 377-2179.

Humvee on display

The CNN Humvee is on display today at the Triangle mini-mall.

Housing closure

The housing office is closed 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 16 for a unit function.

Heart Link

The next Heart Link session is 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 16.

To register, call the airman and family readiness center, 377-2179.

Retirement seminars

These civilian retirement planning seminars are in the Wolfe Hall auditorium:

Monday and Tuesday— 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for employees covered by the Civil Service Retirement System and CSRS-Offset.

Wednesday and Nov. 16— 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. for employees covered by the Federal Employees Retirement System.

Reservations are taken from those who've attended previously until all seats are filled. Others are considered as space is available on the seminar dates.

To register, call Jemina Ballard, 377-3142.

Chapel position

The information on the position of Protestant singles program coordinator, call Master Sgt. Ernest Shreck, 377-4859.

Keesler's recycling contest continues through Wednesday

A squadron recycling contest continues through Wednesday, which is America Recycles Day.

Squadron members may drop off aluminum cans and white paper at the recycling center, Building 4004, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily, according to Richard Guillen, pollution prevention manager.

The squadron that weighs in the most items receives an award.

Audiology open

Audiology and hearing aid services are available at the audiology clinic.

For appointments, call 1-800-700-8603.

New CPO hours

The civilian personnel office now serves customers and returns phone calls from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. work days.

Priority is given to employees with appointments.

To make an appointment for matters related to labor, training and employee management services, call 377-3142, and for staffing and classification matters, call 377-2268.

Switchboard issues

The telephone switchboard is a contract operation monitored by the 81st Communication Squadron.

Formal complaints or comments based on operator response time, type of assistance, operator courtesy, accuracy and speed, require a customer complaint record. Forward CCRs to 81CS/SCMP or e-mail to thomas.favalora@keesler.af.mil.

For more information, call 377-4778.

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.

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>.

Mail delivery

Office mail must be picked up and mailed at Room C8, Building 0901, 708 Fisher Street between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday and working Fridays.

The deadline for same-day mail and Federal Express is 1:30 p.m.

For more information call 377-4060 or 3292.

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.

Military rental

Force One Rental, 211 Larcher Blvd., Building 4818, offers truck and trailer rentals, package shipping and name tag engraving.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays.

Trash, recyclables

Monday and Thursday are garbage pickup days in East and West Falcon Park, with Monday as the recycling day.

Tuesday and Friday are garbage pickup days in Bay Ridge, Shadowlawn and Pinehaven housing areas, with Tuesday as the recycling day.

Items must be at the curb by 6 a.m.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Willie Fairley, 377-5822.

SPORTS AND RECREATION



Photo by Michael Howard

From left, Mike, Hannah and Andrew listen to Munyon's instructions during the tournament.

Keesler karate kids kick up honors

Keesler martial artists racked up top honors at the Mississippi Title Belt Karate Classic, Oct. 28 in Vicksburg.

Michael Munyon, taekwondo instructor at the youth center, and three students competed in a variety of martial arts events including forms, sparring and weapons.

"It was an open martial arts tournament, which means that any karate art could compete," said Munyon, noncommissioned officer in charge of information and industrial security for the 81st Security Forces Squadron.

"Taekwondo is a Korean version of the Japanese art of karate. Arts like kung-fu, kenpo, judo and a few others don't fall under the karate umbrella.

"Since it was open to any art, I felt it would be a great experience for my students to

Classes for kids

Mini-Munyon — ages 3-5, 5-5:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, \$50 month.

Taekwondo — ages 6 and older, 6-7 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, \$35 members, \$40 nonmembers.

For more information, call the youth center, 377-4116.

see how other martial arts train and compete," he added.

Keesler winners:

Hannah VanSlyke — first place in patterns (won-hyo) and sparring. She's the 8-year-old daughter of Jeff and Susan VanSlyke, 81st Medical Support Squadron. She competed as a green belt, but was given her blue stripe after competing.

Mike Howard — first in patterns (do-san) and sparring. The 9-year-old son of Michael and Shannon Howard, chapel, competed as a yellow belt green stripe.

Andrew Lutz — first in patterns (dan-gun) and second in sparring. Andrew, 8, competed as a yellow belt. He's the son of retiree Ed and Ok Sun Lutz.

Munyon — third place in black belt patterns (yon-gae).

"The U.S. International Taekwondo Federation in Mississippi is making a statement — you host a tournament and we'll take your trophies," Munyon pointed out. "These kids did a great job for their first tournament, especially at a karate tournament."

Walker Howard and Susan Griggs, Keesler News staff, contributed to this report.

SCORES AND MORE

Bowling

Gaude Lanes — re-opens Dec. 4, including 11th Frame Cafe.

Fitness centers

Aerobics — openings for certified instructors. For more information, call 377-8380.

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. 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.

Health and wellness center — Register Monday through Nov. 16 for Nov. 20-Jan. 1 "walk your way through the holidays." Participants receive pedometer and log book. Complete the program to receive medal, 11 a.m. Jan. 4 at Crotwell walking track.

Great American Smokeout 5-kilometer run/walk, — 7 a.m. Nov. 16. Refreshments served.

Towel service — at Blake and Dragon fitness centers is discontinued.

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.

Golf lessons — \$25 for 30 minutes.

For more information, call 377-3832 or 348-7589.

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 a boat for up to six people for \$600, including the captain and tackle. Deposit: \$300. Bring your own refreshments. Fishing license isn't required.

Back Bay fishing trip — 7 a.m. to noon Saturday. Cost: \$15 per person. Maximum of six people. Mississippi fishing license required.

Veterans Day special — 10 percent discount on all boat rentals Saturday.

Turkey casting contest — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 16. Winner receives \$50 savings bond and a turkey.

November fishing tournament — weigh in the largest flounder for the month and win \$100 savings bond.

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

Camping package — 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.

Buddy days — bring a friend fishing and receive 10 percent discount on skiff rental.

Tennis

Clinics and league — beginner/intermediate (2.5-3.0) women's clinics 9 a.m. Mondays, Jefferson Davis Junior College on Debuys Road. League play begins in February.

For more information, call Shannon Howard, 239-5827.

Youth center

Classes — taekwondo, 5-5:45 p.m. for ages 3-5 and 6-7 p.m. for ages 6 and older, Mondays and Wednesdays. For members, \$35 per month; for non-members, \$40.

For more information, call 377-4116.



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ONE SUICIDE IS ONE TOO MANY

Walking and jogging have become popular means of exercising and, for some, becoming healthier.

As with any form of exercise, there are certain risks involved.

The main risk to walkers and joggers at Keesler is vehicles. To protect yourself:

Keep to the sidewalks wherever possible, provided you don't interfere with other pedestrian traffic.

Avoid using roadways with heavy vehicular traffic. Motorists using congested roads are often preoccupied with other cars and aren't alert for pedestrians.

Move against the flow of traffic, staying as far to the left as possible when using roadways. This allows you time to spot oncoming cars and get off the road if necessary.

Use single file when jogging with others on the road.

Anticipate danger. A motorist, unlike a person afoot, can't stop on a dime. Check traffic before crossing the streets at night or between intersections.

Wear light-colored clothing, especially in the early morning, at dusk or at night.

Don't use headphones, headsets, earphones or any other item (except hearing aids to improve hearing) which could interfere with normal hearing while jogging. Headphones are permitted on the circular running tracks.

Don't walk or jog on Ploesti Drive. Keep to the right on "Interstate 81," the base's paved track.

DIGEST

HONORS

Quarterly awards, July-September

81st Training Wing

Airman — Airman 1st Class Hung Gia Nguyen, 81st Transportation Squadron.

Noncommissioned officer — Staff Sgt. Susan Tennant, 81st Mission Support Squadron.

Senior NCO — Master Sgt. Ronnie Tabor, 81st Medical Support Squadron.

Entry level civilian — Jack Dupree, 81st Communications Squadron.

Intermediate level civilian — John Cobb, 336th Training Squadron.

Senior level civilian — Maria Bargas, 81st Civil Engineering Squadron.

Student honor roll

332nd Training Squadron

Electronic principles — Airmen Basic Randy Agee, Michael Brothwell, Amanda Bullock, Brandon Cook, Nathan Fenton, Reginald Green, Daylin Heer, Michael Lanning, Prtrifk Latta, Dustin Lee, Sarah Lundy, Steele Myrick, Kyle Nessel, William Pitts, Julio Rosa, Keenan Roop, Drew Sermon and Ronald Smith; Airmen Glory Bilang and Cesar Fernandez; Airmen 1st Class Ricky Flynn, Joseph Gustitos, Steven Guy, Matthew Hensley, Joseph Jones, Evan Owens, Brian Patterson, Evan Pollino, Daniel Rodriguez and David Stewart; Senior Airmen Bradford Lang and Oliver Thompson; Staff Sgts. Roderick Celestine, Delhano Chouteau, Shawn Cox and Philip Nelson; Tech. Sgt. Douglas Snider.

334th TRS

Aerospace control and warning systems — Staff Sgt. Rick Stamm.

Air traffic control operations flight — Airmen Basic Kia Bologna, Jennifer Clark, Joshua Eales, Rickeesia Moore and Austin Steenport; Airman Dustin Mallow; Airmen 1st Class Lanell Andona, Kody Fry, Richard London, Corrine Mudge and Daniel Vincent; Senior Airmen Jeremy Benton, Justin Coker and Christopher Cordero; Staff Sgts. Harley Bobay, Kristopher Caulifield, Danny Dumlaio and John Montgomery; Tech. Sgt. Jonathan Gilbert.

Command post apprentice course — Airman Basic Blair Travers; Airmen 1st Class Albert Birdsall, Lindsey Hicks and Magan Starr; Senior Airman Kimberly Goshorn; Staff Sgts. Sara Gaddis and Dale Edwards; Tech Sgts. Dennis Guidice, David Krebs, Brian Lewis, Troy Templeton and Bruce Valk; Master

Sgts. Christopher Bohannon and David Wilburn.

335th TRS

Comptroller training flight — Airmen Basic Thomas Butler, Lucas Everett, Joseph Forcucci, Tiffany Mandrell, Amanda Milheiser, Michelyn Odonnell, Ashley Pickel and Raquel Smith; Airmen Ryan Armes, Edward Cimmino, Jade Pina, Eric Smith and Sara Warner; Airmen 1st Class Julia Guthrie, Ma Riollette Hidalgo, Kyle Reece, Sarah Robertson and Jillian Thompson; Senior Airmen Sandra Hughes, Holmes Martin, Mark Pittel and Tanishia Skeith; Staff Sgts. Michael Foss, Ruby Salvino and Aleha Will; Tech. Sgt. Christopher Coron; Master Sgt. Jody Lambert.

Weather training flight — Airmen Basic Lyndsey Bennett, Ryan Harris and Kyle Quirk; Navy Airmen Recruits Erik Jackson and David Mullis; Airmen 1st Class Jarod Bjork, Nicholas Haskins, Raymond Mitchell, Anthony Profeta and Joshua Thorn; Senior Airman Robert Baker; Marine Sgt. Hermann Kruppa; Tech. Sgts. Tammy Wallace; Master Sgt. Johnny Parsons.

336th TRS

Communications-computer systems training flight — Airmen Basic Brandon Bunce, Seth Runyon and Michael Shihrer; Airman Aaron Zeichner; Airmen 1st Class Ryan Kauanui and Mike Schuldt; Senior Airmen Kenneth Elwood, Michael John, Kellie Kovar, Daniel Moore, Steven Timlin and Jack Wrobel; Staff Sgts. Aaron Brewer, Nickolas Case, Michael Green, Jason Hetzel, Scott Hopper, Adam Smith and Kevin Strattan; 1st Lt. Shadreck Chadza.

Communications and information training flight — Airmen Basic Nathaniel Pearson and Timothy Stencil; Airmen 1st Class James Chrisley, Michael Henderson, Timothy O'Connor, Kyle Sais and Joshua Stoltz; Senior Airmen Jared Friesen, Eric Gottfried, Remigio Isla, Adrana Matthews and Daniel Turillo; Staff Sgts. Adam Bruce, Frederick Dacanay, Dennis Maldonado, Jeffrey Morter and Han Wang; Tech Sgt. Sebastian Calderon.

338th TRS

Radar systems flight — Airmen Matthew Ford, Daniel O'Brien and Robert Wayland; Airmen 1st Class Jason Bishop, Kent Hadler and Shane Miller; Senior Airman Carlton Fike; Staff Sgts. Nelson Copeland and Ray Parrish.

HOLIDAY HOURS

Veterans Day

Editor's note: Hours for these base facilities reflect changes in observance of the Veterans Day federal holiday, which falls on Saturday and is celebrated Friday this year. Any exchange facilities not listed are closed.

Keesler News — closed Friday and Saturday.

Inns of Keesler — open 24 hours.

Car wash — open 24 hours.

Fam camp — open 24 hours.

Mini-mart — open 24 hours.

Magnolia Dining Facility — 7:30-9 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Live Oak Dining Facility — 7:30-9 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Azalea Dining Facility — closed.

Blake Fitness Center — 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Vandenberg Community Center — noon to 6 p.m.

Half Time Café — closed.

Bay Breeze Golf Course — 7 a.m. to dusk.

Outdoor recreation — 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Arts and crafts center — closed.

Auto hobby shop — closed.

Katrina Kantina — closed.

McBride Library — closed.

Dragon and Triangle fitness centers — closed.

Information, ticket and trip office — closed.

Youth center — closed.

Child development center — closed.

Family child care — closed.

Gaudé Lanes — closed.

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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 Chapel9 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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Veterinary clinic — closed.

Mini-mall — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Furniture store — closed Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Class Six — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Service station — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. gas.

Military clothing sales — 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, closed Saturday.

Katrina Hot Dogs and Pizza — closed Friday and Saturday.

Seattle's Best Coffee — closed Friday and Saturday.

Mobile units — closed Friday and Saturday.

Subway — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

General Nutrition Center — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Beauty shop — noon to 5 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

Barber shop — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Laundry and dry cleaning — closed Friday and Saturday.

At Ease Apparel — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Force One Rental — closed Friday and Saturday.

Enterprise Car Rental — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

CLASSES

Airman Leadership School

Class 07-1 — today through Dec. 14.

Class 07-2 — Jan. 8-Feb. 15.

Class 07-3 — Feb. 21-March 29.

Class 07-4 — April 16-May 23.

Class 07-5 — June 5-July 12.

Class 07-6 — Aug. 3-Sept. 12.

Class 07-7 — Sept. 18-Oct. 26.

Keesler NCO Academy

Class 07-1 — today through Dec. 14.

Class 07-2 — Jan. 9-Feb. 16.

Class 07-3 — Feb. 27-April 5.

Class 07-4 — April 17-May 24.

Class 07-5 — May 30-July 10.

Class 07-6 — Aug. 2-Sept. 11.

Class 07-7 — Sept. 18-Oct. 26.

Arts and crafts center

Weekend toast to the holidays — 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. working Fridays. Free treats, craft demonstrations, create gifts and decorations.

Fall display — throughout November. Photos put on coffee mugs, \$6.50.

Beginning pottery — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. \$40 including five pounds of clay and firing for three pieces.

Advanced pottery — take the next step on the potter's wheel. Call for details.

Mini mold pouring — 5 p.m. today. \$15 including first firing. For youth 13 and older.

Turkey cooking tips — Nov. 16. Learn from the experts; call for time.

Cooking class — 11 a.m. Nov. 18. Holiday treats; call for details.

Kids crafting class — 10 a.m. Nov. 18. \$10. Thanksgiving table treat. Children 7 and under need parent's involvement.

Beginners woodworking — 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday. \$25. Earn safety certification and get operator's card for future shop use.

Advanced intarsia — 10 a.m. Nov. 18. \$20; new project each month.

Advanced matting — \$25. Beginners framing a prerequisite. For more information, call 377-2821.

Made in the wood shop contest — make project in the wood shop through November and be eligible to win a prize; no entry fee. Four age categories; 16 and older.

Framing — one class, four sessions, 5:30-7:30 p.m. today, Nov. 16 and 30. \$60. Sign up in multicraft shop.

Engraving shop — wide selection of awards and plaques; custom items for going-away and holiday gifts.

24-hour coin-operated car wash — features foamy brush wash, high pressure rinse, wax system, towelettes and Armorall, and a vacuum station.

Vehicle resale lot — on Tingle Street, immediately north of the 81st Security Forces Squadron building on Larcher Boulevard. Previously owned vehicles for sale. To place vehicle on lot, bring registration, license and proof of insurance to multicraft shop in the arts and crafts center. \$5 two weeks; \$10 month.

Beginner auto care classes for groups — call for details.

Winterize your vehicle — check antifreeze and pick up a free checklist.

Oil collection site — for privately-owned vehicles.

Closed — 1 Friday, Nov. 23 and 24.

Family advocacy

Anger management — 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays. For more information call 377-6216, 376-3458 or e-mail susan.pyles@keesler.af.mil.

Friends for life — for couples 4-5:30 p.m. Nov. 28, Dec. 5 and 12, Keesler Medical Center life skills enhancement center conference room, Suite 1-D. To register call 376-3457 or e-mail paula.tracy@keesler.af.mil.

Dads 101 — for expectant dads 3:30-5:30 p.m. Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and 14, Keesler Medical Center life skills enhancement center conference room, Suite 1-D. To register, call 376-3457 or e-mail paula.tracy@keesler.af.mil.

1-2-3 Magic — parenting class; to register call 376-3457.

McBride Library

Orientations — 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

Gale Group reference data base — for use in library. For more information, call 377-3760.

Tours — For information, call 377-2827.

TRANSITIONS

Workshops, briefings

Veterans benefits briefing — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 16 and Dec. 14, Room 122, old Cody Hall. To pre-register, call Ron Bublik, 377-8592 or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

Transition assistance program workshop — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Wednesday and Dec. 11-13, Room 122, old Cody Hall. To pre-register, call Ron Bublik, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

Palace Chase briefings — 10 a.m. first two working Fridays of the month, Room 203, Garrard Hall. For more information, call Master Sgt. Joseph Walker, 377-2116.

Computer use

Government computers — commanders may authorize their use for preparation of personal resumes by people separating or retiring from the service on an "as available" basis as long as use doesn't adversely affect the mission.

Transition employment opportunities public folder — go to e-mail "public folders" and click on "transition employment opportunities" for job opportunities for active duty and family members. For more information, call 377-8592 or 8593.

Employment opportunities

Gulf Coast Job Fair — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Edgewater Mall, Biloxi. More than 85 companies are represented. For a list of participants, visit <http://www.jobfairs.ms.gov>.

Reserve opportunities — for members separating from active duty interested in the Air Force Reserve or the Palace Chase programs, call Master Sgt. Joseph Walker, 377-7116, for an appointment. His office is in Room 229, old Cody Hall.

Opportunities for medics — the Air Force Reserve needs flight surgeons, doctors, dentists and nurses. Some opportunities are available with the 403rd Aeromedical Staging Squadron at Keesler. Eligible members enjoy many military benefits of being in the military and earn retirement credit, while serving two days per month of inactive training and two weeks of active duty training each year. Some members may be eligible for signing bonus or loan repayment. For more information call Tech. Sgt. George Adams, health professions recruiter, 377-7655 or e-mail george.adams@keesler.af.mil.

Junior ROTC — immediate employment opportunities for retired or retiring Air Force officers and noncommissioned offi-

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DINING HALL MENUS

Today

Lunch — herbed baked chicken, cornbread, stuffed cabbage rolls, fried catfish, blackeyed peas with rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, baked sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, peas, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, chicken and wild rice soup, chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef sandwich.

Dinner — roast pork loin, cornbread, jaegerschnitzel veal, glazed cornish hen, potato halves, orange rice, gravy, carrots, pinto beans, corn combo, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, chicken and wild rice soup, chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef sandwich.

Friday

Lunch — Mexican baked chicken, Swiss steak, stuffed peppers, macaroni and cheese, rice, gravy, corn on the cob, beans, peas and carrots, pasta salad, three-bean salad, clam chowder, garden vegetable soup, frontier chicken chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

Dinner — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian sausage, garlic toast, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli polonaise, cauliflower, Italian baked beans, corn O'Brien, pasta salad, three-bean salad, clam chowder, garden vegetable soup, frontier chicken chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

Veterans Day

Lunch — cream of broccoli soup, fruit medley, roast turkey, barbecue ribs, french fried shrimp, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, fried potatoes, bread dressing, carrots, Mexican corn, broccoli, holiday candies, buffalo wings.

Dinner — fish almondine, stir-fry chicken with broccoli, pork chops, rissole potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, calico corn, club spinach, fried okra, fruit medley, kidney bean salad, bean soup, chicken gumbo, chili and buffalo wings.

Sunday

Lunch — tuna and noodles, sauerbraten, chicken breast filet parmesan, au gratin potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower combo, peas, fried cabbage, tomato salad, jellied spring salad, vegetable beef soup, Italian wedding soup, frontier chicken chili and cheese pizza.

Dinner — ginger barbecue chicken, fried shrimp, spinach lasagna, orange rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, black-eyed peas, lima beans, corn O'Brien, tomato salad, jellied spring salad, vegetable beef soup, Italian wedding soup, frontier chicken chili and cheese pizza.

Monday

Lunch — Swiss steak, baked chicken, cornbread, Italian sausage, peppers and onions, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli Polonaise, carrots, cottage cheese salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumplings soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

Dinner — turkey, cornbread, ham, raisin sauce, fish and fries, mashed potatoes, cornbread dressing, gravy, succotash, tempura vegetables, green beans, garden cottage cheese salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

Tuesday

Lunch — onion lemon baked fish, pork schnitzel steak, beef and spaghetti, garlic toast, baked and mashed potatoes, gravy, pinto beans, spinach, stewed tomatoes, spinach salad, waldorf salad, white chicken chili, seven-bean with ham soup, chicken noodle soup and steak and cheese subs and tacos.

Dinner — paprika beef, barbecue beef cubes, chicken fajitas, garlic toast, O'Brien potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower, corn on the cob, lima beans, waldorf salad, spinach salad, white chicken chili, seven-bean with ham soup, steak and cheese subs and tacos, chicken noodle soup.

Wednesday

Lunch — fried chicken, cajun baked fish, jalapeno, barbecue ribs, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn on the cob, okra and tomato gumbo, fried cabbage, cole slaw, garden cottage cheese salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, vegetarian chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

Dinner — pita pizzas, jalapeno cornbread, country-style steak, fried chicken, oven-brown potatoes, mashed potatoes, gravy, fried cauliflower, bean combo, cabbage, cole slaw, cottage cheese salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, vegetarian chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

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cers. Those who retired within the past 10 years or are six months from retirement may qualify to be an instructor. To apply or for more information, go to <http://www.foats.af.mil> and select "AFJROTC" or call Jo Alice Talley, toll free 1-866-235-7682, extension 7742; DSN 493-7742, or commercial (334) 953-7742.

Web sites

Executive transition assistance program — <https://www.r.aetc.af.mil/dp/etap>. Online registration dates for 2007 programs are Dec. 5-14 for Feb. 6-9 program at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas; March 5-15 for May 8-11 program at Lackland AFB, Texas; June 5-14 for Aug. 21-24 at Little Rock AFB, Ark.; and Sept. 12-21 for Nov. 27-30, 2007 program at Randolph.

Defense Manpower Data Center — <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dors> or <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/tbb>.

Air Force Blue to Corporate Gray — <http://www.blue.togray.com>.

Air Force Federal Employment Resume and Information — <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/resweb>.

Civilian job certification and licensing requirements for military personnel and veterans — <http://www.dol.gov/dol/vets>.

Department of Veterans Affairs — <http://www.va.gov/efif/index.htm>; for members returning from Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

Southern Region Military and Civilian Job Fair — <http://www.mesc.state.ms.us/jobfair>.

New military spouse career center — <http://www.military.com/spouse>. Extensive job board including jobs from public and private sectors. For more information, call Vince Patton, 703-269-0154, or e-mail at vince@militaryadvantage.com.

Military Connection — online resources database for military family members seeking civilian employment at <http://www.militaryconnection.com>

America's Job Bank — <http://www.ajb.dni.us>.

CLUBS AND CENTERS

Vandenberg Community Center

Thanksgiving dance — 6 p.m. Nov. 24. Dance contest, prizes.

Comics on duty — 8 p.m. Nov. 30. \$3 for show and dance.

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

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

Dance revolution — 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.

Direct TV NFL Sunday Ticket — up to eight games.

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. Sundays. Watch your favorite team on Direct TV.

Taco Tuesdays — 5 p.m., two tacos for \$1 for members, \$2 nonmembers

Wingman Day kickoff — 5 p.m. Wednesday. Wings and things, prizes, giveaways. Free for members, \$3 nonmembers.

Members only after hurricane season party — 5 p.m. Nov. 30. Free Cajun food, tropical music and hurricane drink specials.

November to "re" member — squadrons/divisions can earn up to \$300 in Dragon Dollars by recruiting highest percentage of new or renewed members during the month. For more information, call 377-2219.

Random cash giveaway — once a week between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. \$50 given to a club member; must be present to win.

Catering — let our expert caterer assist you with planning weddings, holidays, birthdays, official functions and other special occasions.

Youth center

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

Boys and Girls Club fine arts and photography contest — through age 18. Entry deadline today. Ten fine-arts categories; two photography categories. Rules available at center.

Give parents a break night — 4-10 p.m. Saturday for youth in kindergarten-grade 6. Sign up by today.

Torch Club — 4:30 p.m. today and 30 for ages 9-12. Leadership programs, activities, community service.

Teen money management workshop — 6 p.m. Tuesday. Door prizes.

Parent advisory meeting — 5 p.m. Wednesday for parents with children involved in youth programs; refreshments served.

Gobble gala dance — 6-10 p.m. Nov. 17, ages 9-17. DJ, dance contest, turkey contest, games. Snack bar available. Free members, \$5 nonmembers.

FitFactor turkey challenge — 2-5 p.m. Nov. 18, ages 6 and older, centered around basketball skills. Winner wins a turkey.

School-age program holiday camp — Nov. 20-22, kindergarten-grade 6. Sign up by Friday.

Congressional award program — 6 p.m. Nov. 21, ages 14-21. Set and achieve personal goals in four areas to become eligible for the Congressional Award Medal.

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.

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

Creative corner — 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Art projects, story telling or poetry writing.

Wacky Wednesday — 5-6 p.m. Board, table game tournaments.

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

Mini Munyons taekwondo class — Mondays and Wednesdays. 5-5:45 p.m. ages 3-5, \$50 month.

Taekwondo class — 6-7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, ages 6 and older. \$35 members, \$40 nonmembers.

Dance — 4:15 p.m. Thursdays, ages 3-5; 5 p.m. ages 6 and older. \$30 members, \$35 nonmembers.

Instructors needed — for youth programs, including those for preschoolers and special classes. For more information, call 377-4116.

Closed — Nov. 23-26.

TICKETS AND TRIPS

Discounted tickets — for many attractions including Busch Gardens, Sea World, Universal Studios and Disney World in Florida. For price list, log on to <https://www.mil.keesler.af.mil/81svs/WhattoDo/ITT/index.htm>.

Information on local and out of state attractions — free brochures with information on Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Georgia.

Tours to New Orleans Saints games in the Superdome — \$60 including ticket. Put your name on waiting list for Nov. 19, Cincinnati Bengals, sign up by Tuesday; Dec. 3, San Francisco 49ers, sign up by Nov. 28; Dec. 17, Washington Redskins, sign up by Dec. 12; Dec. 31, Carolina Panthers, sign up by Dec. 13. All trips depart Vandenberg Community Center 9 a.m., return 6 p.m.

MEETINGS

Editor's note: To list time, place and contact for organization meetings, call 377-3837 or e-mail KN@keesler.af.mil.

Upcoming

Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association luncheon — 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, Fishbowl Student Center, Levittow Training Support Facility. Speaker is Lt. Gen. Michael Peterson, former 81st Training Wing commander, chief of warfighting integration and chief information officer for the secretary of the Air Force. For more information, e-mail carmen.andrews@keesler.af.mil or call 377-2667.

Recurring

African-American Heritage Committee — 3:30 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, Room 109, Taylor Logistics Building. For more information, call Paulette Powell, 377-2270, or Kurt Higgins, 377-1390.

Air Force Sergeants Association — 11:30 a.m. third Tuesday of

the month, Vandenberg Community Center. For more information, call Master Sgt. Scott Sippel, 377-2337.

Air Force Sergeants Association Auxiliary — 6 p.m. third Thursday of the month, youth center, J Street. For more information, call Desarae Chereskin, 341-0988.

Airmen Against Drunk Driving — 3:15 p.m. first Tuesday of the month, Vandenberg Community Center second floor conference room. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Brian Yelton, 377-0167, or e-mail keesler.aadd.officers@keesler.af.mil.

At Eze Toastmasters Club — 11 a.m. Tuesdays, Building 1101 (81st Communications Squadron building) conference room. For more information, call Chief Master Sgt. Don Seaton, 377-5958, or Fred Blache, 377-1048, or visit <http://www.toastmasters.org>.

Keesler Amateur Radio Club — 6:30 p.m. Mondays, Hangar 3, Room 215. Check out the club repeater on 146.79 negative offset. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Justin Meyer, 377-4149 or 324-5806, or e-mail justin.meyer2@keesler.af.mil.

Keesler Christian Home Educators Association — meets 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, September-May, Larcher Chapel. For more information, call Michelle Durkin, 872-9393, or e-mail chellelrm@yahoo.com.

Keesler Spouses Club — meets the second Tuesday of the month. For time and location, call Tammie Searfass, 273-4324, or visit <http://www.KeeslerSpousesClub.com>.

Native American Heritage Committee — for more information, call R.I. Whiteside, 863-0479, or Capt. Elizabeth Tailon, 377-6242.

Retired Enlisted Association Magnolia Chapter 81 — 6:30 p.m. second Thursday of the month, Vandenberg Community Center. For more information, call Larry McKean, 377-3252 or 374-5922.

Rising VI Association — 3:15 p.m. third Wednesday of the month in Room 121, Thompson Hall. For more information, call Staff Sgts. Patrick McKimmie, 377-1513, or James Pope, 377-1305.

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 — 6:30 p.m., Flyboys (PG-13, 139 minutes).

Saturday — 2 p.m., Jackass II (R, 92 minutes); 6:30 p.m., Jet Li's Fearless (PG-13, 103 minutes).

Sunday — 2 p.m., The Guardian (PG-13, 135 minutes).

