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Dragons deployed
— 117



All but 10 of the 160 Sandhill Landing housing units are townhouses. The others are single-level handicapped-accessible homes.

Photo by Kemberly Groue

Keesler gains Sandhill Landing homes

By Susan Griggs
Keesler News staff

Keesler's post-Katrina housing shortage is going to lessen with the acquisition of 160 homes formerly occupied by families assigned to Naval Station-Pascagoula.

"Keesler is taking over Sandhill Landing Oct. 1," said Michael Reese, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron military housing chief. "A memorandum of understanding between the Air Force and Navy was signed earlier this month."

Sandhill Landing, built less than three years ago, is just

north of Interstate 10 on Highway 57 in Vancleave, about 22 miles from the base.

After the Base Realignment and Closure Committee closed Naval Station-Pascagoula, the housing came under the administration of the Naval Construction Battalion Center in Gulfport.

After Hurricane Katrina, only 641 of 1,820 Keesler's housing units remained habitable. The first of 1,028 new homes being built should be ready next spring, but Sandhill Landing is a welcome addition to the base's military

family housing inventory.

All but 10 of the 160 units are townhouses, and the others are single-level handicapped-accessible homes.

Twenty-six units are for senior enlisted members, and 134 are for junior enlisted members. Floor plans are the same, with size the only difference.

Four-bedroom homes include six 1,802-square-foot senior units and 60 1,610-square-foot junior units.

Three-bedroom homes include 20 1,536-square-foot senior units and 74 1,342-square-foot junior units.

The city of Gautier provides law enforcement and fire protection, and a maintenance contract will be in place like other base housing areas.

Several Keesler families are already at home in Sandhill Landing.

After living in lodging without a kitchen for nearly six weeks, Tech. Sgt. Judy Khamphan moved into Sandhill Landing as her family continued to wait on delivery of their household goods.

"The house is a lot better

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This week in the Triangle

- Airfield management, 10 a.m. today, Cody Hall.
- Communications-computer systems operations, 10 a.m today, Thomson Hall.
- Command post, 10 a.m. today, Bryan Hall.
- Radio communication, 10 a.m. Friday, Thomson Hall.
- Ground radio communications, 10 a.m. Monday, Jones Hall.
- Aerospace control and warning systems operator, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Bryan Hall.
- Aviation resource management, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Cody Hall.
- Computer networking cryptographic system, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Bryan Hall.
- Personnel, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wolfe Hall.
- Information management, 10 a.m. Wednesday, Thomson Hall.



Student numbers

- Total students — 2,934
- Non-prior service — 1,730
- Temporary duty — 1,067
- Joint service — 86
- Combat controllers — 17
- Medical — 34
- Non-prior service arrivals — 127
- Guard, Reserve — 657
- International — 47
- FY07 graduates — 24,374
- Total since 1942 — 2,262,904

COMMENTARY

When we're not on time, we adversely affect mission

By Lt. Col. Kimberley Ramos

336th Training Squadron commander

Richard Cecil, a leading clergyman of the 18th and 19th centuries, once said, "If I have made an appointment with you, I owe you punctuality; I have no right to throw away your time."

From the same time period, education reformer, equal rights activist and abolitionist Horace Mann claimed, "Unfaithfulness in the keeping of an appointment is an act of clear dishonesty. You may as well borrow a person's money as his time."

Throughout the Air Force day, we're constantly faced with opportunities that directly enhance mission effectiveness. Perhaps one of the simplest and most overlooked is punctuality. Arriving on time contributes to mission success every day. Whether it's showing up for duty on time or making it to appointments on time, we're all part of a team and what we do affects that team. Our core values should guide our actions at all times.

The timely accomplishment of tasks is very important. We rely on teamwork to accomplish our mission. When one member of the team is late, he can cause delays that make the entire mission suffer.

I asked instructor Tech. Sgt. Michael Dignan for his take on punctuality as an important standard. He offered two examples from his experiences.

"As an instructor, my unit depends on me to start on time every morning I'm scheduled to teach class," he said. "If I was late for class, all of my students would have nothing to do while I was absent. They would lose valuable class time and miss out on critical training, impacting the mission of the training group or some other instructor would have to drop what they are doing to teach in my place."

In some cases, being prepared for duty can be the difference between life and death, especially when serving in high-threat areas.

Sergeant Dignan, who was deployed to Saudi Arabia to serve as a third country national escort, stressed the importance of being on time while he was there.

"The shifts were 12 hours and very demanding, which took its toll on you by the end of each shift," he recalled. "Being relieved was the one thing each TCN escort looked forward to each day. Had I been late, it would have caused my peers to work beyond their shift, causing fatigue. We all know what happens when people become fatigued, so this could have resulted in undue risk to my peers because I didn't take my punctuality seriously."

Remember, punctuality is important to the Air Force mission and our core values. Everything we do affects the team. Being on time is important to mission effectiveness and safety.

ACTION LINE ... 377-4357

By Brig. Gen. Paul Capasso

81st Training Wing commander

You're encouraged to work your concerns through your chain of command or to contact an appropriate helping agent. For matters left unresolved, call 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, 81st TRW/PA, Keesler AFB, MS 39534-2603, e-mail 81st 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 — 377-3844
Pharmacy (refill call-in) — 376-1000
Satellite pharmacy — 377-9791
Public affairs — 377-2783
Red Cross — 377-0732
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

Retreat: Is it just me or ...

By Perry Jenifer

Keesler News editor

Is it just me or is there a temporary epidemic of deafness among motorists and pedestrians at 4 p.m.?

How else to explain the persistent movement of traffic and people from the first note of retreat through the last note of the national anthem?

OK, so 'tis the season on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Translation: Hot and humid. Vehicle windows are rolled up. Air conditioners are turned up.

Weak excuse. The public address system penetrates glass, plastic and metal as if they were fish net.

Even so, it's not unusual to be passed by other motorists while at a dead stop ... not along the curb, mind you, but in the middle of the street.

It's even harder to figure out what's going on with people on foot. Surely the sound of their feet striking the sidewalk or ground isn't drowned out by the PA system.

Yet, on a recent afternoon, a motorist passes a jogger moments before the opening bars of retreat blare over the PA system. Stopping and shifting into "Park," he glances into the rearview mirror, concerned that he could be rear-ended by an inattentive driver. He's relieved to

see an empty street behind him.

Then, some movement off the roadway 20 yards to the rear catches his eye. It's the jogger shifting from "Pause" to "Full stride." Seconds later, he sprints by. The notes "Oh say can you see ..." have barely cleared the PA system.

Who among us can't spare 3-4 minutes at day's end to show respect for "the land of the free and the home of the brave"? If that refrain doesn't touch you, how about the thought of all the Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines — past, present and future — without whom there'd be no "land of the free"?



WHO'S YOUR WINGMAN?

THERE ARE SOME THINGS IN LIFE THAT JUST WEREN'T MEANT TO BE HANDLED ALONE ...

IF YOU NEED A WINGMAN THE BASE CHAPLAIN, THE LIFE SKILLS COUNSELORS, AND THE PEOPLE AT 1-800-SUICIDE (784-2433) ARE READY TO HELP.

ONE SUICIDE IS ONE TOO MANY



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Phone numbers and Web sites
for information and accountability
for Keesler members:

Personnel 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>

**Create a family checklist,
review it often,
make changes as needed
and activate it at the first sign
of a hurricane threat.**



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run more efficiently?

Is time being wasted
where you work?

Do you have an idea
to save money
or streamline your job?

If so, we want to know.
Contact the 81st Training Wing
Air Force Smart Operations
for the 21st Century Office
(AFSO21).

Capt. Scott Lamont,
377-4341



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at Keesler,
call
377-3901.

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sexual
assaults
to
377-7278.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION

'In-lieu-of' taskings

10,000+ Airmen get combat skills training

2nd Air Force and Keesler News staff

In the past 14 months, more than 10,000 Airmen have attended Army ground combat skills training to prepare for deployments in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and Horn of Africa.

Airmen need the training for assignments to support Soldiers on deployment by undertaking duties outside their normal Air Force specialties.

"Our goal is to take care of our people as our Air Force mission requirements continue to evolve," said Maj. Gen. Michael Gould, 2nd Air Force commander. "We want to ensure Airmen can perform safely and effectively in combat alongside our sister services while maintaining their Air Force identity."

Performing nontraditional missions

Commonly referred to as "in-lieu-of" or ILO taskings, Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers and Marines from a cross-section of all military specialties are performing nontraditional missions as temporary augmentees.

In June 2006, Second Air Force was tasked by Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. T. Michael Moseley to oversee, manage and refine the ILO training pipeline. Before that time, ILO training and equipping issues were confined within functional communities, resulting in significant inefficiencies and shortfalls.

Two types of training are involved — combat skills training and specialized training. The length of training varies between 28 and 90 days. Combat skills training gives Airmen the ability to move, shoot, communicate and survive in hostile "outside-the-wire" environments, while specialized training provides additional skills that aren't traditional Air Force tasks.

Keeping senior leaders in the loop

Second Air Force set out to ensure senior leaders in each functional community have an opportunity to influence ILO training.

An ILO training and equipment review board was established to evaluate training requirements for each of 32 mission sets such as civil engineering detachments, Red Horse, detainee operations, area security forces, military working dogs, combat support hospitals, cargo transfer, explosive ordnance disposal, weapons intelligence teams, provincial reconstruction teams and transition teams.

The TERB works to eliminate training inherent to their Air Force and tasked Air Force specialty codes and modify training based on inputs from down-range commanders. These determinations are then approved and validated by the various career field's functional leadership at the Air Staff.

The 602nd Training Group (Provisional) was established in April to provide positive com-



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Urban warfare tactics, such as those used in this scenario at Camp Shelby in August 2006, are part of combat skills training for Airmen.

mand and control for Airmen at the nine primary "power projection platforms," or PPPs, where Airmen are trained — Camp Shelby; Ft. Hood and Ft. Bliss, Texas; Ft. Lewis, Wash.; Ft. McCoy, Wis.; Ft. Dix, N.J., Ft. Riley, Kan.; Ft. Sill, Okla. and Ft. Bragg, N.C.

The locations are specific to certain career fields similar to the Air Force's Center of Excellence concept and often the 602nd TRG (P) may relocate during their deployment to the PPP. The 602nd TRG (P) detachment personnel are themselves on an AEF deployment during their support of ILO airmen.

Throughout this training pipeline and deployment, feedback is gathered at strategic points, enabling inefficiencies in the process to be identified and resolved.

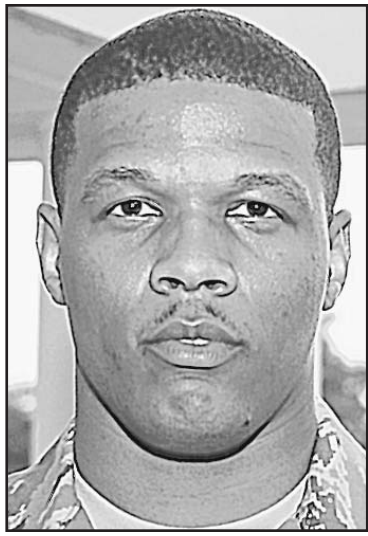
In the past year, complaints by airmen have transitioned from serious issues such as food service, the quality of their living quarters and professional relationships with their Army counterparts at the training locations to more "quality of life" issues such as Internet access and gym facilities. Second Air Force sees this as a good indicator of the significant impact that 2nd Air Force has made in the training arena in the past 14 months.

Second Air Force continues to address all issues raised by Airmen in training and the No. 1 concern is making sure they are properly equipped and trained to deploy to the combat zone.

Capt. Jeffery Becker, 2nd Air Force, and Susan Griggs, Keesler News staff, contributed to this report.

Perfect student

Staff Sgt. Michael Hartson completed the information management course in the 336th Training Squadron with a perfect score on all four block exams. He's been at Keesler for two of his six years in the Air Force and is the client support administrator for the 81st Communications Squadron.



50 more commissions available in nursing

Air Force Print News

SAN ANTONIO — An Air Force supplemental board is scheduled for October to select 50 additional candidates due to a shortfall in the number of qualified applicants for the Nurse Enlisted Commissioning Program.

Program officials are looking to fill those slots for the spring 2008 start date with Airmen who want to complete their bachelor's degree in nursing in two years or less.

The new program awards up to \$15,000 in scholarship money to those who qualify.

Airmen thinking about applying for the program should complete most or all of their prerequisite nursing classes before submitting an application, said Bruce Houseman, an education counselor with the 62nd Mission Sup-

port Squadron at McChord Air Force Base, Wash.

"The course will cover upper division classes, and it will be very intense for the person going through the program," Mr. Houseman said. "They'll be going to school full time — even in the summer."

Airmen must advise Air Force Personnel Center officials of their intent to apply by Sept. 24, submit transcripts for an academic evaluation by Oct. 5, and submit their completed application by Oct. 15 to AFPC/DPAMW, 550 C Street West, Suite 27, Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4729

Airmen who successfully complete the nurse training program are commissioned as second lieutenants.

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

TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

Special duty briefing

An Air Education and Training Command briefing on special duty assignment opportunities is 9 a.m. Sept. 18 in Welch Auditorium.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Kelle Turner, 377-3697.

Parking lot closure

The parking lot on the southeast side of the Keesler NCO Academy is closed Monday for drill practice and evaluations.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Lisa Arnold, 377-2740.

Pitsenbarger awards

The deadline for fall Community College of the Air Force graduates to apply for the \$500 Pitsenbarger Award is Sept. 20.

The award is sponsored by the Air Force Association and the Aerospace Education Foundation.

Applications are available in 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.

Parades, drill down

Student parades are 6 p.m. Sept. 20 and Nov. 15, and a drill down is 8 a.m. Oct. 19.

For more information on parades, call Staff Sgt. Kwame Felton, 377-3245, and on drill downs, call Tech. Sgt. Steven Joyce, 377-2737.

Online training

The Keesler Web site offers training on the Uniform Code of Military Justice,

mobility legal requirements, heat stress, fraternization and the Law of Armed Conflict.

Individuals enrolled in professional military education or Air Command and Staff College who anticipate needing to test while deployed should contact the education office.

For more information, visit <http://www.va.gov>.

ACSC, AWC seminar

Air Command and Staff College or Air War College study groups offer interaction and accountability for the courses.

Seminars can begin anytime during the year and are open to eligible military and civilian personnel.

For more information, call 377-2323 or e-mail 81mss.

education@keesler.af.mil.

Training grants

Military spouses and veterans are eligible for dislocated worker training grants under the Workforce Investment Act.

Categories that fall under the WIA definition of dislocated worker are honorably discharged veterans (given priority over non-veterans), military spouses who make permanent change-of-station moves with a military member, spouses of honorably discharged military members and surviving spouses of veterans and military members.

For more information, call 377-2179.

CCAF online

Visit the Air Force Virtual Education Center, <https://www>

[.my.af.mil/afvecprod](https://www.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.

Student TMO

Short sheet briefings at the technical training traffic management office are 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

Briefings are held in Room 213, Levitow Training Support Facility in the Triangle.

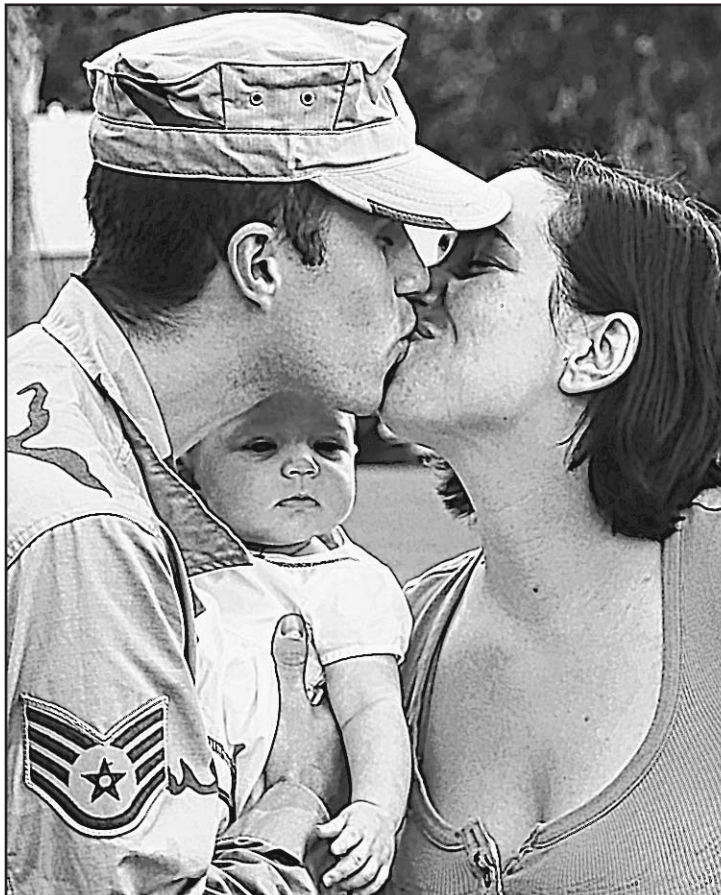
For more information, call 377-3147 or visit Room 211, Levitow Training Support Facility.

NEWS AND FEATURES

Farewell kiss

Staff Sgt. Nicholas Scott, 81st Medical Support Squadron, kisses his wife, Jessica, while holding their 4-month-old daughter, Norah, Aug. 28. Sergeant Scott and four other 81st Medical Group members departed for a four-month deployment to Southwest Asia. Jessica is a senior airman in the 81st Medical Operations Squadron. Other deploying medics in the group are Maj. Lisa Blythe, 81st MDG; Chief Master Sgt. Leon Hall, 81st Surgical Operations Squadron; and Staff Sgts. Joseph Hudson and Eugene Parrotta, 81st MDSS.

Photo by Steve Pivnick



Tricare's member choice center simplifies mail-order prescriptions

Air Force Print News

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — Registering for the Tricare mail-order pharmacy is now just a quick phone call or click of a mouse away for military families and retirees with the launch of the new Member Choice Center.

With this new service, beneficiaries obtain enrollment assistance and MCC members contact the physician to obtain new prescriptions and forward them to the Tricare mail-order pharmacy for processing. This makes the switch from retail to mail order virtually effortless for beneficiaries.

"We are always looking for ways to improve customer service and add value for Tricare beneficiaries," said Army Maj. Gen. Elder Granger, the deputy director of the Tricare Management Activity. "They wanted a more user-friendly program and the MCC delivers."

Beneficiaries don't have to download forms or wait to have forms mailed. They can go to the "My Benefit" portal on <http://www.tricare.mil> or to <http://www.express-scripts.com/tricare> to complete the registration. There's also the option to call the MCC, 1-877-363-1433, to switch from the retail program to the mail order pharmacy.

When a beneficiary calls the MCC, a patient care advocate from Express Scripts Inc.,

Tricare's pharmacy benefit provider, explains the program and offers to transfer the current prescriptions to the safe and convenient mail-order option. If the beneficiary agrees, Express Scripts Inc. submits a prescription transfer request to the patient's physician.

The mail-order pharmacy can save beneficiaries as much as 66 percent on medications for conditions such as high blood pressure, asthma or diabetes. The beneficiary may receive up to a 90-day supply of most medications for the same amount they would pay for a 30-day supply at a retail pharmacy.

The Department of Defense saves money, too. DOD pays 30 to 40 percent less for prescriptions filled through the mail-order service compared to retail pharmacies. The department's savings could be substantial — \$24 million a year — with just a 1 percent shift of prescriptions from retail to mail order.

"As with all health entitlements, there are things our beneficiaries can do to reduce costs," General Granger said. "The military treatment facility is the most cost-effective option, but that's not always available for some beneficiaries. Mail order is the next best thing. Having prescriptions filled by mail saves them time and money. It also lowers the cost for the entire military health system."

IN THE NEWS

Medical center entrance reopens

The opening of Keesler Medical Center's A-tower entrance has been delayed until Monday.

Gate barrier work impacts traffic

The pop-up force protection barriers at the White Avenue and Meadows Drive gates undergo modification and maintenance, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 14 through Oct. 10.

Master Sgt. Julian Glantz, superintendent of maintenance engineering for the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, said one lane in each direction is closed each day at one of the gates. Work should take about two weeks per gate.

When a barrier is raised for two to three minutes for maintenance, traffic in all four lanes is stopped for safety.

Lane closure information will be posted on marquees to enable motorists to avoid the affected gate.

Work is done by contractors supplied by the 642nd Electronic Systems Squadron, Hanscom Air Force Base, Mass.

For more information, call Sergeant Glantz, 377-2053.

Household hazardous waste day

The semi-annual household hazardous waste collection day is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 20 in front of the recycling center.

Military housing and dormitory residents, base employees and retirees can bring in common hazardous items such as paints and solvents, lawn care chemicals, household cleaning and maintenance products, pool chemicals, craft and hobby supplies, automotive products, batteries, thermometers, lead solder and fluorescent lights for disposal.

Items that aren't accepted include radioactive waste, needles, syringes, medical waste, white goods such as stoves and refrigerators, ammunition, explosive materials or waste generated by businesses or base work areas. Containers more than five gallons aren't accepted.

For more information, call Tom Minton, hazardous waste manager, 377-3004.

Combined Federal Campaign

The Combined Federal Campaign at Keesler is Oct. 3-31. The base's goal is \$107,947.28.

For more information, call or e-mail Capt. Breanne Roeckers, 377-3101, breanne.roeckers@keesler.af.mil, or Master Sgt. David Muns, 376-5608, david.muns@keesler.af.mil.

Publications go online

Air Force News Agency

SAN ANTONIO — Accessing Air Force forms or publications is now easier than ever due to a centralized Web site that began Aug. 24.

The Air Force Departmental Publishing Office, or e-Pubs, officially migrated under the Air Force Public Web program and is now accessible at <http://www.e-publishing.af.mil>. A link to the site is also available on Air Force Link.

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.

Mental health clinic expands counseling services

By Lt. Col. (Dr.) Mark Hinton

81st Medical Operations Squadron

Access to counseling services in Keesler Medical Center's mental health clinic recently expanded with the addition of a civilian psychologist and a new clinical social worker.

The clinic on Ward 1D, is available to assist active-duty military members, retirees and adult family members.

Counseling services provide benefits such as:

Stress is always a factor in

everyday life. Anxiety, depression and anger are only a few examples of common problems experienced by generally healthy people.

Anxiety significantly affects about 40 million American adults age 18 and older in a given year.

Depression affects approximately 19 million adults in the United States. Nearly twice as many women as men are affected by a depressive illness each year. The World Health Organization estimates

major depression is the fourth most important cause worldwide for loss of life-years due to disability. The WHO estimates depression will be the second most important cause for loss of life-years due to disability by 2020.

Services include individual appointments, couples appointments and the following classes and groups:

Relaxation — 9 a.m. Mondays. For anxiety-related disorders, the class meets for four weeks and four different relax-

ation techniques are reviewed.

Anger management techniques — 9 a.m. Tuesdays for four weeks.

Healthy thinking — 2 p.m. Tuesdays. The class meets each week as an introduction to cognitive/behavioral therapy.

Stress management techniques — 10 a.m. Wednesdays for four weeks.

The post-traumatic stress disorder program is a new addition to the clinic's groups. The group meets 1:30 p.m.

Mondays. Active-duty members experiencing difficulties related to traumatic events may wish to be evaluated for this type of specialized care which is hard to find in most communities. The program offers education, evaluation and group treatment conducted by mental-health professionals such as psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers.

Services are available by calling the mental health clinic, 376-0385 or 0386, or by walk-in.

Retirees get red-carpet treatment

By Tech. Sgt. Chuck Marsh

81st Training Wing Public Affairs

Retiree Appreciation Day, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 17 at the youth center, is open to all military retirees, dependents and annuitants.

"This is a great opportunity to let our retirees know we appreciate their service and to give them front-of-the-line service at some of the agencies they use the most," said Capt. Michelle Salgado, planning committee chairman.

The 81st Medical Center offers blood pressure screening, information about Tricare, dermatology, pharmacy, smoking cessation, osteoporosis, dental care and other health-related information.

Information from finance, legal, personnel administration, skills development center, Retired Enlisted Association and other support agencies is available.

Windshield tours to point out locations of key agencies begin at 9 a.m.

Retirees receive front-of-the-line service at legal, finance, the personnel office and the vehicle registration center at the White Avenue Gate.

"This event has been a great success in the past where we've been able to consolidate a lot of services retirees need," said Wanda Tisdale, program plan coordinator and veteran committee member. "Many people travel from fairly long distances, and by ensuring front-line service, we can get these folks taken care of and back on their way as efficiently as possible."

A free lunch buffet is provided.

The event is co-hosted by the retiree activities office and the 81st Training Wing.

For more information, call Captain Salgado, 377-0170, or e-mail michelle.salgado@keesler.af.mil.

Housing,

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By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

"than the ones offered on base," said Sergeant Khamphan, a medical information management craftsman with the 81st Medical Support Squadron. "It's very quiet, houses are joined by a garage area so you don't hear the neighbors and there's a jogging track and small lake.

"There's lots of storage space," continued the 11-year Air Force member, whose family includes her husband, Mike, and 15-year-old son, Sean. "There are basketball and tennis courts and a playground for kids, but no activ-

ity center for teens.

"You can't just drive to the base exchange to pick up stuff or come back to work quickly if you forget something," Sergeant Khamphan added. "But with Keesler taking over ownership from the Navy, we'll be able to get things we need from the self-help store — the Navy didn't have that kind of facility for residents."

Staff Sgt. Neal Dykeman, who works in fire truck maintenance for the 81st Transportation Squadron, arrived at Keesler a month ago and lives in Sandhill Landing with his wife, Amie, and 2 1/2-year-old son, Alexander.

"This is definitely the nicest base housing I've lived in so far," said Sergeant Dykeman, who's been in the Air Force nearly 10 years. "I like the size and layout of the house. We live far enough out

to feel like we're in the middle of nowhere."

Airman Basic Lesley Beard, 45th Airlift Squadron after attending technical training at Keesler, is delighted with the Sandhill Landing home she shares with her husband, Brandon.

"Being a first-term Airman, we were expecting something more like a shack," Airman Beard admitted. "Our home is like a mansion to us — to be given a three-bedroom home was great.

"It's a 20- to 30-minute drive home, depending on the traffic, so it's not bad," she continued. "There's not much to do near our home, but I feel safe knowing that my neighbors are also military."

Families may apply for homes by visiting the family housing office in the back of the former Chapel One adjacent to

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.

WAPS test schedules

Weighted airman promotion system test schedules:

Chief master sergeant — Tuesday through Sept. 14.

Senior master sergeant — Dec. 3-14.

Master and technical sergeant, — Feb. 1 to March 31.

Staff sergeant — May 1 to June 15.

All members should be prepared to test on the first day of the testing cycle.

For more information, contact unit WAPS monitors.

Airline ticket credit process

If an airline ticket was purchased with a government travel card, apply for the airline credit through your travel agent or the airline.

If credit isn't received within 30-45 days, call the Government Card Service Unit to file a dispute. The phone number is on the back of the card.

The bank requires a copy of the credit voucher for the unused ticket or refund. The credit voucher must include the name of the airline, date the ticket was purchased and ticket number.

For more information, go to https://wwwmil.keesler.af.mil/81cpts/FMF/GTCC/GTCC_main.htm or <http://www.saffm.hq.mil/affsc/>.

Force shaping preparations

In preparation for the next officer force shaping board in March, officers are encouraged to check their education levels in the virtual military personnel flight.

To correct errors, e-mail Air Force Institute of Technology's Academic Coding Branch, afit.coding@afit.edu, or send an official transcript from the college or university to AFIT Academic Coding Branch, 2950 Hobson Way, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433-7765.

New option for household goods

SmartWebMove is a new option allowing service members to set up their household goods moves on the internet.

It can be used to set up household goods moves within the continental U.S. Sailors can also use SmartWebMove to arrange shipments overseas.

It can't be used for do-it-yourself moves, shipment of privately-owned vehicles, boats or mobile homes or by first-time movers.

Personnel moving for the first time, call the personal property office, 377-9439 or 3436, to schedule counseling briefings.

For more information, go to <http://www.smartwebmove.navy.mil>. Users need their permanent change-of-station orders, proof of dependents, current power of attorney (if move is being set up by someone other than the service member) and an e-mail address that's in effect until the move date.

Temporary duty and test cycles

If members' temporary duty period begins before the testing cycle starts and extends beyond the end of the testing cycle, they should test at the TDY location if facilities are available and requirements permit.

Testing up to 10 days prior to the announced cycle is authorized for members TDY during the entire testing cycle who can't test at their TDY location.

Members who decline to test early when so directed are ineligible for promotion for the remainder of the current test cycle.

For more information, see Air Force Instruction 36-2605, Air Force Military Personnel Testing System.

17 ways to keep you, ladder on even keel

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, there were 180,000 accidents related to ladders and stools that required visits to hospitals or emergency rooms in 1998.

Most accidents are caused by a loss of balance or a ladder being placed on a slippery surface.

To keep you and your ladder on an even keel:

Choose the proper ladder for the job. Wooden and fiberglass ladders are best for working around electrical sources, although a damp wooden ladder can conduct electricity.

Before climbing a ladder, check it thoroughly to be sure it's safe. Verify the weight capacity. Look for missing, damaged or loose parts.

Be sure working parts move freely, and there are no missing nuts, bolts or rivets. If there's a problem, send the ladder back to the manufacturer or get a new ladder. Repairing a damaged ladder is taking a risk.

Indoors or outside, place the ladder on a firm, solid surface.

Always have someone steady the ladder on windy days or if there's any question about the ladder's stability.

When using an extension ladder outside, place it about one-fourth of the length of the ladder away from the wall. For a quick estimate, place your toes against the ladder feet. Stand erect. Extend your arms straight out. Your hands should reach, but not extend beyond the ladder.

If you use a ladder in front of a door, lock the door and barricade the other side.

Don't climb a ladder if you've been using alcohol, are subject to fainting spells, are using certain medicines or are physically handicapped.

For added stability, tie the



top of the ladder to a support or use special devices available from a hardware store.

To climb or descend, face the ladder and grip the rails — not the rungs — firmly with both hands.

Keep your body between the rails at all times, and never reach or lean too far to the side.

Hold onto the ladder with one hand. If you must use both hands, put one leg around a rung.

If you need to shift to a new position, climb down and reposition the ladder. Don't try to shift the position of the ladder while standing on it.

On a straight or extension ladder, don't climb higher than the third rung from the top. On a stepladder, don't climb higher than the second rung from the top.

Be sure the ladder extends three feet above the edge when climbing onto a roof. This added length is needed to step safely onto the roof. Don't climb the ladder above the roof top.

Wear shoes with slip-resistant soles and be sure the rungs of the ladder are dry.

When moving a metal ladder, lower it to avoid touching a power line. Better yet, never place a ladder where it could slide into power lines. Give them a wide berth.

Think safe thoughts.

Back in business



Photo by Steve Pivnick

Maj. (Dr.) Andrea McMurphy performs an ear examination on “patient” Staff Sgt. Kimberley Mitchell in the newly reopened ear, nose and throat clinic. The clinic began seeing patients Aug. 27 for the first time since Hurricane Katrina swamped the Keesler Medical Center basement, where ENT was and is again located. Patients are seen only on referral by primary care managers. Office hours are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. working Fridays. Major McMurphy, chief of the 81st Surgical Operations Squadron’s otolaryngology element, came to Keesler from Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., at the end of July. Sergeant Mitchell is an ENT technician.



Volunteerism

Keesler Sailors surpassing past award-winning efforts

By Petty Officer 1st Class Allen Wathen

Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit

Sailors at Keesler, recognized in 2006 with a national award for volunteerism, are surpassing those efforts in 2007.

Last year, the Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit earned the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation President's Volunteer Service Award.

The award recognized the command's commitment to strengthening the nation and making a difference in the community.

Although Keesler's Sailors and Marines gave more than 740 hours of volunteer service to surrounding communities in 2006, more than 1,100 volunteer hours have been generated in the first half of 2007 alone.

"Through volunteer service, these Sailors and Marines have gallantly demonstrated the Navy's time-honored core values of honor, courage and commitment," said Cmdr. Dean Sadanaga, CNATTU commander. "Through their service, they've learned how important it is to provide support to the community supporting them."

The President's Volunteer Service Award recognizes individuals, families, and groups that achieve a certain number of volunteer service hours over a 12-month period or cumulative hours earned over the course of a lifetime. Several levels of service are recognized, from youth to group service, and can be anywhere from 50 hours to the lifetime award of 4,000 hours or more.

Community projects supported include the Gulfport Humane Society, Black Creek and Ocean Springs beach clean-ups, Ministries for Rebuilding Downtown Biloxi, Nichols Elementary School "adoption," Wayward School for Teens and Special Olympics.

Following Hurricane Katrina, more than 200 CNATTU staff and students from Keesler were awarded the Humanitarian Service Medal for their efforts in support of disaster relief operations.

Additionally, five Sailors were awarded the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal for their dedicated volunteer service to the community. To be eligible, volunteer service must be of sustained, direct and significant nature, produce tangible results and reflect favorably on the military and Department of Defense.

For more information on the President's Volunteer Service Award, go to <http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/>.

D for directory



Photo by Steve Pivnick

Presley Curlin, a technician with Signs Rising of Memphis, Tenn., prepares an electronic directory for its frame in one of Keesler Medical Center's basement elevator lobbies. A total of six of the devices have been installed in the basement and first-floor elevator lobbies, as well as the lobbies at the clinic and A tower entrances.

Team Keesler takes break at End of Summer Celebration



Photos by Kemberly Groue

Tech. Sgt. Richard Lopez, left, 335th Training Squadron, challenges Master Sgt. Ruby Bordley, 81st Mission Support Squadron, during the cookie licking contest at a picnic Aug. 30 at marina park. Sergeant Bordley won the contest. The picnic marked the end of Keesler's "excellent" Operational Readiness Inspection and the unofficial end of summer.



Senior Airman George Olivo, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, takes a whack at a wrecked car, a stress-relief device at the picnic.



From left, Tech. Sgts. Brian Yelton and Carlos Hurtado, 81st Training Support Squadron; Staff Sgt. Jeremy Christian, 81st Training Group, and Airman Ciaran Druken, 81st Mission Support Group test hand peddling vs. foot peddling in a tricycle race. Sergeant Christian's foot-peddling techniques won the race.



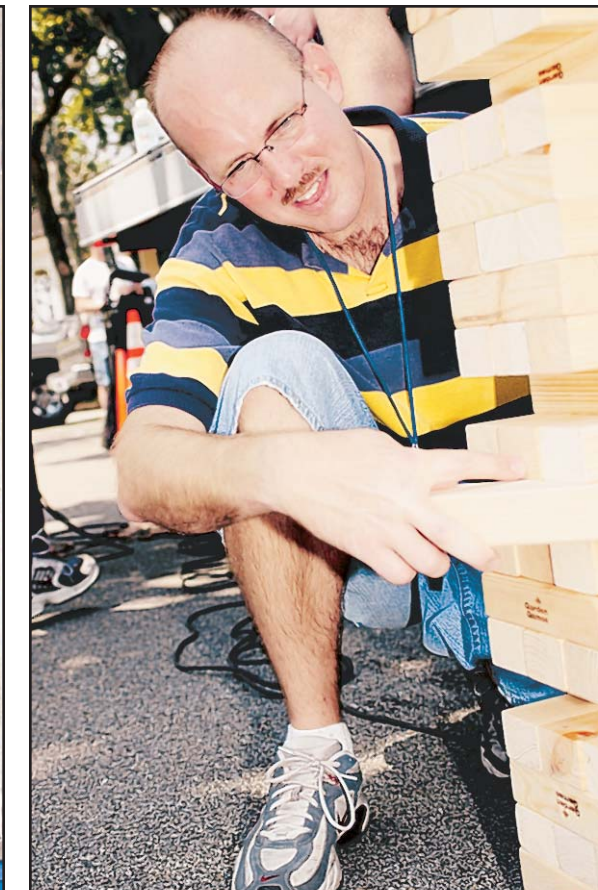
Staff Sgt. Vincent Struglinski, 338th TRS, devours the free barbecued ribs provided at the picnic.



Senior Master Sgt. Lori Orslene, left, 2nd Air Force, stocks an ice-filled canoe with bottled water as Staff Sgt. Jesus Gutierrez, 81st Contracting Squadron, helps himself to a cold drink.



Airman 1st Class Elizabeth Hansen, an honor guard member from the 81st Medical Support Squadron, takes the plunge on the dunking booth.



Master Sgt. Andrew Weldon, 332nd TRS, slides out a block while playing Jenga. Other games were offered at the picnic, and several drawings were held for door prizes.



Senior Master Sgt. Stuart Hedgeman, left, 81st Communications Squadron, and Chaplain (Capt.) Jeremy Gorline grill hot dogs and ribs at the picnic. Sergeant Hedgeman is a member of Top III and Chaplain Gorline belongs to the company grade officers council which volunteered to help with food preparation.

Hispanic service Sept. 16

A service, 2 p.m. Sept. 16 in Larcher Chapel, kicks off Hispanic Heritage Month at Keesler.

The service is in both English and Spanish. Refreshments are served after the service.

Other events:

Food tasting — 11:30 a.m. Sept. 26, youth center. Traditional Hispanic dishes served free by the Hispanic Heritage Committee. Entertainment by a dance group from the base.

Luncheon — noon Oct. 10, El Rancho Restaurant, Pass Road, Biloxi. Menu: chicken or steak fajitas, rice and beans plate or salad selected at time of reservation. Joseph Garcia of Gautier, a retired Air Force colonel, is the guest speaker. Music by Mariachi Sol Del Valle. For reservations and menu choices, call Maria Ochoa, 424-7036 or 377-4780.

Family day — 2 p.m., marina park. Bring picnic lunch. Games for children and piñatas.



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Airman Salanitri makes sure his honor guard uniform looks perfect.

Honor guard

Airman recounts events of his first week as member of this elite unit at Keesler

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of three first-person articles on Keesler News staff writer Airman David Salanitri's experiences with the Keesler Honor Guard.

A service member from your family passes away and you want the honor guard to render military honors at the funeral. What would you expect from those Airmen?

Perfection is what I believe people would expect and perfection is what my supervisors in the honor guard demand.

Preparing for my first week of training, I ironed and starched my uniform so much it seemed the sleeves were wooden. I practiced some facing movements and just hoped I wouldn't embarrass myself on my first day.

Right from the first day, our leadership expected us to be on point. They didn't expect us to know everything, but they did expect us to always have military bearing and to show we were trying.

My technical school was at an Army post, so that influence was apparent in my command voice, the voice I use to order facing movements. The first time I tried taking charge of the marching unit, I caught everyone off guard by my loud and heavily-accented tone. I was told my New Jersey accent kind of got in the way, so I knew this was something I had to work on.

After we learned how to take charge of the flight and the honor guard way of moving

about, we started to learn routines for specific ceremonies.

Perfection was the goal every time we moved. This was stressed for the first time when my class was learning how to carry a casket. Our trainers wanted us to carry the casket level and with little swaying, so the head trainer filled up a cup of water and placed it on top of the casket. He then told us to carry it. Soon we were carrying that pretend casket level with little sway.

As my class observed a more seasoned team fold a flag that had been draped over a coffin, I realized someday I'd be in their shoes and not as an exercise. There'd be a fallen service member in there, and the family would be looking on. I won't be thinking about what I'm doing for lunch, but of what I can do to make this sad occasion a prideful one.

As the initial training concluded, my group was transported to a cemetery where we witnessed a veteran honor guard team perform a funeral for a retired service member. I noticed his family's reaction to the honor guard's performance. Their appreciation was apparent on their faces.

After my first week, I knew without a doubt I was part of a mission that would always be needed and greatly appreciated.

Next: Memorable funeral details.

KEESLER NOTES

Technology expo

A technology exposition is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Imperial Palace Casino Resort on Bayview Drive in Biloxi.

The event is sponsored by the 81st Training Support Squadron's instructional technology unit.

For more information, call Larry Monroe, 377-7799.

Medical spouses

The 81st Medical Group spouses host a welcome social, 7 p.m. Sept. 13 at the home of Brig. Gen. Douglas and Gloria Robb, 213 Arnold Circle in the Bay Ridge housing area.

The event is open to all medical spouses.

For more information, call

Jennifer Eisenach, 209-4409.

Surplus property sale

An excess property sale is Tuesday-Sept. 13 in the Keesler Club on Larcher Boulevard.

For more information, call 377-0002.

Dental accreditation

The American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation conducts an inspection of the 81st Dental Squadron's residency program Nov. 29.

The commission solicits comments from students and residents, residency staff and patients pertaining to the program. Comments are due by Sept. 29.

A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and the commission's policy and

procedures for submission of complaints is available by writing or calling the commission, 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611, 1-800-621-8099, extension 4653.

Bundles for Babies

Bundles for Babies is held for Air Force members or spouses expecting a baby, 9 a.m. to noon Sept. 28.

Participants receive parenting pointers and baby items valued at \$75.

For more information or to sign up, call 377-2179.

Information booth

Peripheral arterial disease information is available, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 20 and 27 in the medical center's outpatient clinic entrance lobby.

Visitors to the booth may

also schedule PAD screening appointments. This screening is for complications that occur in arteries.

Airmen's Attic

Airmen's Attic's inventory of donated household items is low.

This program serves airmen through staff sergeants and their families.

Airmen's Attic is open 3-6 p.m. Fridays in Building 823.

To donate items, volunteer or for more information, call or e-mail Master Sgt. Archie Evans, 377-2702, archie.evans@keesler.af.mil, or leave a message at 377-3814.

Lunch special

A luncheon special is available, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays at

the 11th Frame Café in Gaude Lanes.

The menu changes every four months.

For more information, call 377-2036.

Hurricane guides

A limited number of copies of the Keesler News' 2007 hurricane guide are available in the newspaper office, Room 113, Taylor Logistics Center.

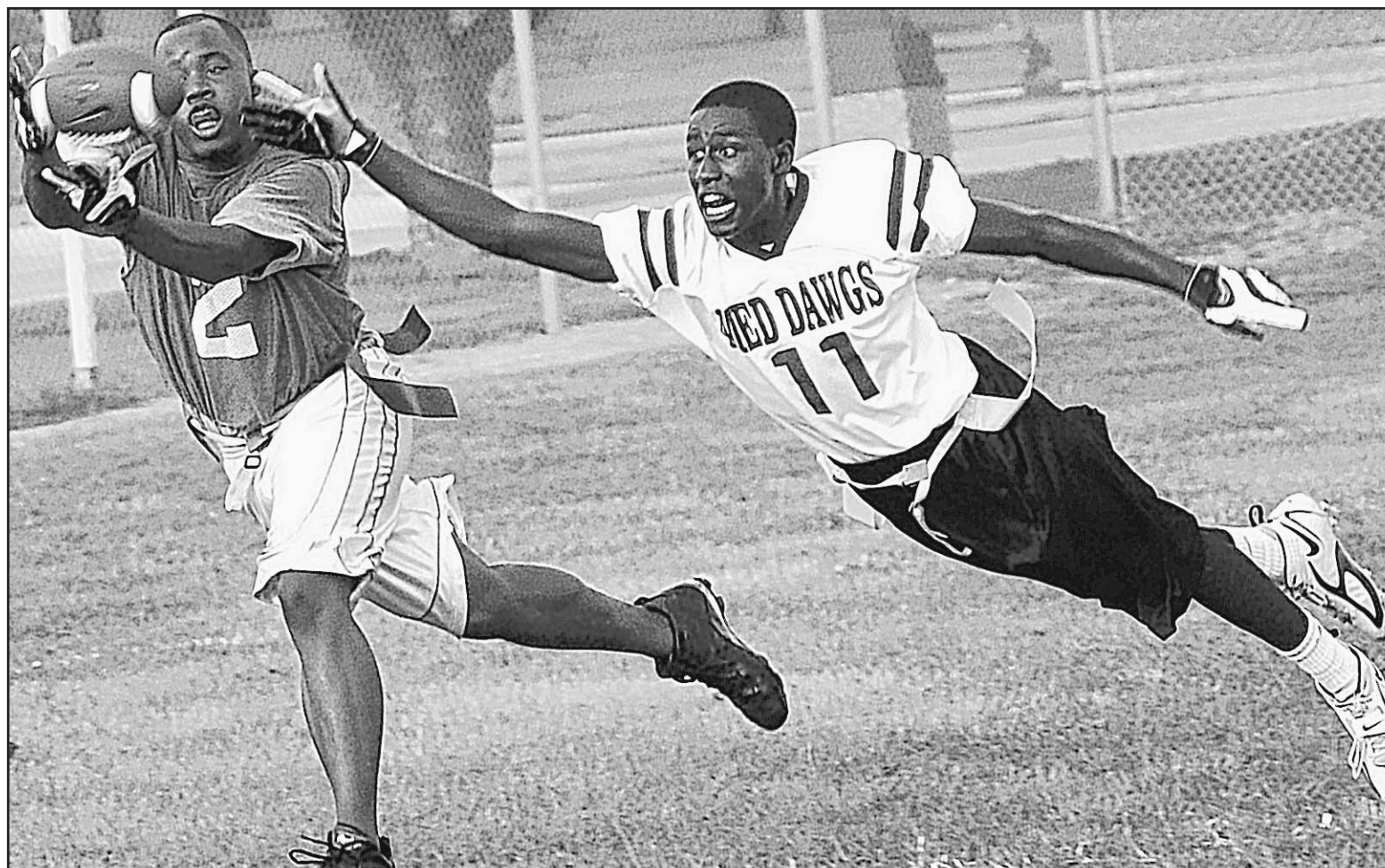
To reserve copies, e-mail kn@keesler.af.mil or call 377-4130, 3163, 7340 or 3837.

The guide is also available online at <http://www.keesler.af.mil>.

Family advocacy

For information on family advocacy programs and services, call 376-3457.

SPORTS AND RECREATION



Jason Brown, 81st SFS, snags the ball just out of reach of Kwamina Boyd, 81st MDG, Aug. 29. The medics handed the cops their first loss of the season, 24-12, in American Conference action.

Photo by Airman David Salantri

Medics hand cops first loss in intramural football



Photo by Kemberly Groue

From left, Marvin Walker leaps into the air to make a catch for the cops as Blackmon moves in for the medics and Jesse Willette, 81st SFS, backs up Walker.

By Airman David Salantri

Keesler News staff

The 81st Security Forces Squadron was handed its first loss of the season Aug. 29 when they squared off against the 81st Medical Group in the American Conference of the intramural flag football league.

The 81st MDG took an early lead and never looked back, winning 24-12. The medics are now 3-1.

"The 81st SFS has always been a rivalry for us, so whenever we have to play them we always get pumped up, regardless of their record," said John Blackmon, the 81st MDG coach.

"The rest of the season looks good," Blackmon added. "The only thing that can stop us is ourselves."

Before the game, 81st SFS coach Teddy Poole said defense would continue to be the key component in the team's successful season.

"We're trying to stay undefeated," said Poole before his team battled the medics.

The American Conference's other previously unbeaten team, the 81st Medical Support Squadron, tasted defeat twice last week. The 81st MDSS fell to the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, 25-0, and to the 81st Dental Squadron, 20-0.

The 81st SFS and the 81st MDSS prove that both teams are human. The 81st SFS' loss puts the team only a half game up in the American Conference at 4-1, making it a true battle for first place.

The National Conference was idle last week due to weather cancellations and the base picnic Aug. 30. The games will be rescheduled as the season progresses.

At this point, the only undefeated team in the intramural league is Keesler's Marine Corps Detachment with a 4-0 record.

For complete scores, standings and schedules see Scores and More, Page 24.

For more information on intramural football, call Laurence Wilson, sports director, 377-2444.

Coed relay team headed to Air Force Marathon

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

A four-member coed relay team represents Keesler at the Air Force Marathon, Sept. 15 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Team captain Nick Plante from public affairs is joined by Sheronne Bunn and Zach Wallick, 81st Medical Operations Squadron, and Nick Vanni, 81st Security Forces Squadron.

A marathon course totals 26.2 miles. Bunn runs the first leg, 5.2 miles. Vanni runs the 8-mile second leg before passing off to Plante, who takes the 6.3-mile third leg. Wallick brings the team across the finish line with the final leg, 6.7 miles.

Bunn, noncommissioned officer in charge of the neurology clinic at Keesler Medical Center, has been at Keesler for nine months of her 12 years in the Air Force. She's competed in three previous marathons and is preparing by running every other day and incorporating interval training on other days.

"I just want to go out and have a good time," said Bunn, a Californian who's been interested in track and field events since she was in elementary school.

Vanni, from Shreveport, La., has been in the Air Force nearly six years. He's



Photo by Kemberly Groue

From left, Wallick, Plante, Bunn and Vanni are preparing for the Sept. 15 race.

never run a full marathon, but trains at half-marathon and shorter distances.

"I've been running off and on for about 10 years, but started running seriously when I joined the military," Vanni explained. "I compete mostly in 5,000 and 10,000 meter races, but my strongest event is the 400 meter, and I've won numerous age group awards.

"I also do triathlons, play rugby and power lift. It's very hard to balance lifting weights five days a week, swim-

ming one or two miles and try to run more than 20 miles a week.

Vanni hopes the team has fun, improves personal run times and picks up pointers from each other.

Plante has been at Keesler for a year of his 10 years in the Air Force. He played soccer in junior and senior high school and began running regularly about two years ago. Since he joined the Gulf Coast Running Club, he's won numerous places within his age group in 5- and 10-

kilometer races and has participated in events in a three-state area.

"I credit the Air Force's mandatory physical training session with jump-starting my motivation to continue to run," Plante pointed out. "I try to run at least a 5-K a day. The longest practice run I've done is 10 miles."

The Vermont native's objective is "to finish with Keesler pride, help other team members fulfill their goals and inspire other Keesler runners to try out for the team next year."

Wallick, who returns to his home state of Ohio for the marathon, is a medical technician who's spent most of his three years in the Air Force at Keesler.

He ran on the Air Education and Training Command's coed relay team which placed third out of 111 teams in its division and eighth overall at the 2005 Air Force Marathon.

"I ran on a sprained ankle which took most of the fun out of it for me," Wallick recalled.

He won conference and district honors as a high school runner and earned all-conference honors twice in the 3,000-meter steeplechase while attending Baldwin-Wallace College in Ohio.

SCORES AND MORE

Basketball

3-on-3 tournament — 8 a.m. Sept. 19, Blake Fitness Center; sign up by Sept. 17.

Bowling

League standings

Intramural captains' meeting — 3 p.m. today, Gaude Lanes.

Youth registration — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, ages 4 and older.

Storm and Roto Grip open house — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Free bowling — 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 18.

Air Force anniversary tournament — 12:30 p.m. Sept. 19. \$10 per four-person team. Register up to day of event.

Youth special — ages 17 and younger, \$1.50 game.

Winter leagues — register now. For more information, call 377-2817.

Open bowling — for days and times, call 377-2817.

Lunch and bowl — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays. Bowl free with purchase of a lunch combo or buffet.

Tuesdays — teenagers bowl for \$5. Ten lanes available.

Saturdays — birthday parties available. For information and reservations, call 377-2817.

Nonprior service students bowling special — 5-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, all nonprior service students bowl for \$1.50 game including shoe rental.

Hurricane alley, nine-pin no tap tournaments and have-a-ball fun league — for more information, call 377-2817.

Fundraisers available — for more information, call 377-2817.

Fitness centers

Fitness classes — step aerobics, turbo-core, cycle/spin, slo-robics, hip-hop and boxing workout. For more information, call 377-2907.

Football

Intramural

National Conference

(as of Aug. 30)

Team	Won	Lost
MARDET	4	0
334th TRS	2	1
336th TRS	2	1
338th TRS	2	1
81st MSS	2	1
335th TRS	1	1
332nd TRS	1	3
333rd TRS	0	4

Scores

No games last week; Tuesday's games rained out; Thursday's games cancelled for end-of-summer picnic.

Schedule

Tuesday — games rescheduled from Sept. 4. 6 p.m., 332nd TRS vs. 334th TRS, Field 4; 336th TRS vs. 81st MSS, Field 5. 335th TRS vs. 333rd TRS, Field 4; 338th TRS vs. MARDET, Field 5.

American Conference

(as of Aug. 30)

Team	Won	Lost
81st SFS	4	1
81st MDG	3	1
81st DS	3	2
81st MDSS	2	2

403rd Wing	2	2
81st TRANS-SUPS	2	2
81st CS	2	3
81st CES	2	3
85th EIS	0	4

Scores

Aug. 27 — 81st CES 25, 81st MDSS 0; 81st DS 25, 81st CS 0; 81st TRANS-SUPS, 14, 85th EIS 0; 81st SFS 7, 403rd Wing 0.

Aug. 29 — 403rd Wing 7, 81st CS 0; 81st MDG 24, 81st SFS 12; 81st CES 26, 85th EIS 0; 81st DS 20, 81st MDSS 0.

Schedule

Monday — 6 p.m., 81st SFS vs. 81st CS, Field 4; 81st MDG vs. 81st MDSS, Field 5. 7 p.m., 81st TRANS vs. 81st CS, Field 4; 85th EIS vs. 403rd Wing, Field 5.

Wednesday — 6 p.m., 81st CES vs. 81st DS, Field 4; 81st TRANS-SUPS, Field 5. 7 p.m., 81st SFS vs. 81st MDSS, Field 4; 81st MDG vs. 85th EIS, Field 5.

Golf

Longest drive contest — noon Sept. 19.

Salute to the Military tournament — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 21, Gulf Hills Golf Club in Ocean Springs; registration deadline Sept. 14. Free golf, food, beverages and prizes for active-duty members. Shotgun starts 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Format is two-man scramble with handicap. Play limited to 144 players in the morning and 144 in the afternoon. If enough military players don't sign up, spots may be filled by military retirees. For more information or to register, call 424-0479.

Bay Breeze — course closed until October. Naval Construction Battalion Center's Pine Bayou Course in Gulfport is available. For more information, call 871-2494. St. Andrews and Gulf Hills offer military discounts.

Free golf clinics — 5-6 p.m. Tuesday and Sept. 13, ages 18 and older. For reservations, call 424-0479.

Temporary pro shop — 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays in the starter shack. Gloves, golf balls and tees available.

Bay Breeze driving range — open 7 a.m. to dusk daily; 40 balls, \$2.

Golf lessons — \$25 for 30 minutes. For appointment, call 424-0479.

Outdoor recreation

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

Back Bay fishing trips — Sept. 15 and 29, \$25 person, minimum six, maximum eight people. Call for time.

Free fishing tournament — 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 19.

Overnight adventure trip — aboard the Keesler Dolphin II to the Chandeleur Islands, Sept. 26-27, maximum six people. For more information, call 377-3160.

Free pontoon boat rides — noon to 2 p.m. Sept. 19.

Annual Cruisin' Keesler — 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 22, marina park; vintage cars and motorcycles.

Back Bay cruiser — 17-foot vessel for rent. Mississippi boater registration card required. For prices, call 377-3160.

Deep sea fishing boat — available for charter; \$700 for first 10 people; \$35 for each additional person

Monday-Thursday, \$40 weekends and holidays; \$350 deposit required.

Deep sea fishing trips — compressed work schedule Fridays and Saturdays. Fee of \$60 includes everything you need to fish. Payment due upon reservation. No fishing license required. Bring food and beverage. Minimum 10, maximum 22.

September specials — free rod-and-reel rental Sept. 18, 10 percent discount on boat rentals, Sept. 18 and 23.

Canoe trips — for more information, call 377-3160.

September tournament — weigh in largest alligator gar and win \$100 savings bond.

Pontoon boat training — required before rental. For more information, call 377-3160.

Recreational vehicle, boat and trailer storage — \$15 per month. For more information, call 377-3180.

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

Resale area — snacks, beverages, fishing and rental equipment, and Mississippi hunting and fishing licenses available.

Paintball

Tournament — noon to 2 p.m. Sept. 22 for five-person teams. For more information, call 377-3160.

Paintball course — open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays for recreational play. Group play by reservation only, compressed work schedule Fridays and Sundays. For more information, call 377-3160.

Pools

Triangle Pool is open daily except Wednesday, noon to 2 p.m. for lap swimming and 2-7 p.m. for recreational and lap swimming. Weekend hours are noon to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday for recreational and lap swimming. Main base pool on Meadows Drive is open noon to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Pools are also available for parties. For more information and costs, call 377-3568. Pools remain open for the season, weather permitting, as long as lifeguards are available.

Softball

Home run contest — 9 a.m. Sept. 19, Field 4; sign up by Sept. 17, Blake Fitness Center.

Triathlon

Air Force 60th anniversary — 8 a.m., Sept. 21, Triangle pool, ages 18 and older with base access; register by Sept. 17 at Blake Fitness Center and sign in 6:30-8 a.m. day of event. Swim, cycle, run; relay event, Clydesdale weigh division for men 200 pounds and more, Athena weight division for females 150 pounds or more.

Wrestling

Professional program — 7 p.m. Sept. 15, parade grounds. \$10 adults, \$5 ages 4-12, free ages 3 and younger. Tickets on sale at Vandenberg Community Center, Gaude Lanes and at the event.

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GRADUATIONS

First Term Airmen Center Class 07-17

45th Airlift Squadron — Airman Basic Lesley Beard; Airman 1st Class Jillian Webb.

81st Civil Engineer Squadron — Airmen 1st Class Brian Billington and William Jolly.

81st Dental Squadron — Airman 1st Class Melissa Samstog and Casey Simonson.

81st Medical Operations Squadron — Airmen 1st Class Matthew Fischer, Corey Handley and Casey Muroski.

81st Medical Support Squadron — Airman 1st Class Daniel Leitheiser.

81st Transportation Squadron — Airmen 1st Class Patsy Chambers, Bounliene Chanthapho and Joshua Dailey.

85th Engineering Installation Squadron — Airman Jesse LaClair; Airman 1st Class Jeremy Thatcher.

HONORS

Student honor roll

332nd Training Squadron

Basic metrology course — Airmen Basic Nikolas Ellis and Justin Key; Airman Logan Isham; Airmen 1st Class Andrew Doman, Kyle Martin and Kevin Shoultz; Senior Master Sgt. Salem Al Yami; 1st Lt. Ali Sadoon.

334th TRS

Air traffic control operations training flight — Airmen Basic Calvin Camacho, Brad Salazar, Wade Smith and James Sparks; Airmen John Kane and Garrett Luke; Airmen 1st Class Jordon Simmons and Jonnie Yellock; Senior Airmen Christopher Akin, Bryan Floyd, Derrick Johnson, Donald Meissner and Kyle Wilson; Staff Sgts. Nathan Beck, Joshua Fustin, Jennifer Olson, Lance Petrie and Bryan Voight.

Command post apprentice course — Airmen Basic Michelle Cooper, Courtney Foreman and Benjamin Trinklein; Airman 1st Class Andrew Swanson; Senior Airman Nichole Buckner; Staff Sgts. Amy Busman, Brent Kolves, Devon Mayo and Reshon Wilburn; Tech. Sgts. Shane Hickman, Jeremy Lucas, Lucas McCullough, Todd Phelps and Gary Zahn; Master Sgts. Randy Hume and Jon Nicholas.

335th TRS

Comptroller training flight — Airmen Basic Holly Allen, Steven Colletta, Amanda Gladding, Ryan Hutchinson, Joel Kampert, Justin Kakuda, Michael Kropp, Joshua Serrano and Fabianna Ward; Airmen Brandi Ault, Orlando Infante and Sophie Penaflor; Airmen 1st Class Ronald Fallarna, Candice Henley,

Elizabeth Lindey, Justin Lozado, Eric Plack and Steven Swafford; Staff Sgts. Alicia Bitner, Colyn Funakoshi, Matthew Lies and Elizabeth Miranda-Santiago; Tech. Sgts. Christopher Chamberlain, Norma Hernandez, Melanie King, Andrew Labadie, Ronald Landis and Kirk Martin; Master Sgt. Cheryl Sheeder.

Personnel apprentice course — Airmen Basic Hannah Kaye and Sean O'Hagan; Senior Airmen Elena Chacon and Charon Taylor; Staff Sgts. Brian Beaudry, Joshua Deban, Ricky Frye and Michael Staggs; Tech. Sgt. Lisa Flanagan; Master Sgt. Lindsey Edenfield.

Weather training flight — Airmen Basic Thomas Brainard, Nicole Gilmore and Zachary Hilton; Navy Airmen Recruits William Andrews, George Bernal and David Edwards; Airmen Steve Hannah, Elizabeth Lockemer and Nathan Wesley; Marine Pfc. Timothy Golden; Airmen 1st Class Rudy Belew and Kathleen Tyszko; Senior Airman Patrick Gerow; Staff Sgts. Amber Goodman and Michael Relyea; Marine Sgt. Darryl Matulevich.

336th TRS

Communications-computer systems training flight — Airmen Basic Ryan Hornsby, Shane Jones, Jacob King and Tracie Weak; Airman Matthew Amacker; Airmen 1st Class Stephen Burris, Mario Flores, Thomas Rhodes, Hache Stossmeister and Neil Novosad; Senior Airman Dennis Leamy; Staff Sgts. Hector Barragan, Shannon Mimms, Leo Taylor and Sonya Williams; Tech. Sgts. T.J. Brown, Andrea Cox and John Graber; Master Sgt. Dana Beavers.

Communications and information flight — Airmen Basic Steven Bonner, Mmitris Cervjakovs, Alberto Coronel, Khara Hawkins and Cordia Smith; Airmen Darrell Howell, Derek Miller and David Rarig; Airmen 1st Class Omar Barraza, Nicholas Defranco, Matthew Hensley, Eric Iglesias, Thomas Leneave, Kelli Miller, Lia Oyama, Benjamin Palmer, Jacob Palmer, Stephen Shambra, Sean Silva, Nathan Van Ort and Joshua Williams; Senior Airmen Jason Bisnette, Keith Eccles, Terrod Jackson, Jonathan Jones and Damon Kelly; Staff Sgts. Kendall Bearden, Christopher Dudley, James Griffiths, James King, Christopher Meyer, Keith Nelson, Walter Shivel and Chad Wallace; Tech. Sgts. Januari Chapman and Thomas Lawrence; Master Sgts. Jerome Martin and Daisy Pardo; Chief Master Sgt. Abdulshakur Turkistani; David Forney, Gregory Hunter and Keith Lucas.

338th TRS

Airfield systems basic course — Airmen 1st Class Joshua Oates and Daniel Jamison; Tech. Sgts. Casey Brock, Keith Rhodes and Thomas Capenegro.

Ground radio apprentice course — Airmen James Gillissen, David Hatch and Cory Littlefield; Airmen 1st Class Wayne Bartlett, Latoya Morgan, Ryan Shea and Stefon Smith; Senior Airmen Alan Plant and Ryan Hughes; Staff Sgts. Jennifer Carter, Troy Greeness, Kenneth Jones, Gregory Mills, Joseph Schescke, Mark Sellers and Adam Weingarten.

Network infrastructure systems — Airmen Basic Dustin Absher, Jacob Davidson, Tracy Henry and Ward Swenson; Airmen Justin Norman, Jacob Schmidt, Jared Shavmoch and Alex Weber; Airmen 1st Class James Easterling, Michael Judge, Staurt Longordo, Brian Murphy, David Piedra, Hector Reyes and Seth Spores; Senior Airmen Ace Asis, Laela Badgette and Nishant Patel; Staff Sgts. Lanilio Baraoidan, David Beasley, Oliver Beasley, Ryan Collins, Jacob Dalbol, Anthony Kelly, David Manso and Daniel Sallie; Tech. Sgt. Louis Locke; Master Sgt. Jason Haecker; Michael Clark, Charles Dickey, Michael Frashure and Sue Haterhill.

CLASSES

Airman Leadership School

Class 07-6 — graduation Oct. 12.

Class 08-1 — Nov. 1-Dec. 13.

Class 08-2 — Jan. 4-Feb. 13.

Class 08-3 — Feb. 29-March 28.

Class 08-4 — April 14-May 21.

Class 08-5 — June 2-July 10.

Class 08-6 — Aug. 4-Sept. 11.

Class 08-7 — Sept. 18-Oct. 28.

Class 09-1 — Nov. 3-Dec. 11.

Keesler NCO Academy

Class 07-6 — graduation Tuesday.

Class 08-1 — Oct. 2-Nov. 9.

Class 08-2 — Jan. 8-Feb. 15.

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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	McClelland Hall
:36	Allee/Wolfe Halls
:37	Stennis Hall/Weather

Prior-service students lodged off base

Morning pickup from hotels north of Keesler — 5 a.m., Red Carpet Inn; 5:10, Travel Inn; 5:15, Beaujolais Vilas; 5:20, Suburban Inn and Super 8.

Afternoon pickup to return to hotels north of Keesler — 3:30 and 5:30 p.m., street side of Hewes Hall for Bryan, Jones, Hewes and Garrard Halls; 3:33 and 5:33, Cody Hall bus stop for Hangar 3, Thomson, Cody and Dolan Halls; 3:36 and 5:36, E Street side of McClelland Hall; 3:38 and 5:38, back side of Allee Hall for 7-level building, weather training center and Allee, Wolfe, and Stennis Halls; 3:41 and 5:41, front of Muse Manor.

Wait at the main entrance of hotels for pickup. Allow a five to 10 minute window on arrival time. Traffic in the local area impacts base taxi times.

Call 377-2432 for transportation needs for classes starting after 6:30 a.m. or for service to hotels not listed.

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.**

CHAPEL SERVICES

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

Roman Catholic

Sunday Mass

Triangle Chapel9 a.m.

Daily Mass

Medical Center chapel.....
.....Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 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 1-616-881-1994.

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- Class 08-3** — Feb. 26-April 3.
Class 08-4 — April 15-May 22.
Class 08-5 — May 29-July 9.
Class 08-6 — Aug. 5-Sept. 12.
Class 08-7 — Sept. 22-Oct. 30.

Airmen and family readiness center

Car buying tips — 2 p.m. Monday, Room 122, old Cody Hall. Open to anyone working at Keesler and their family members. Class limited to 15 students. To register, call 377-2179.

Financial information seminar — 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Room 122, old Cody Hall conducted by the USAA Education Foundation. Covers investments, mutual funds, stocks and similar programs. Military members, retirees and family members encouraged to attend; only 15 seats available. To register, call 377-2179.

Home buying seminar — 10 a.m. Sept. 14, Room 151, old Cody Hall. Covers forms, terms, different financing options and what to look for in a realtor. Open to anyone working at Keesler and their family members. Class limited to 35 students. To register, call 377-2179.

Troops to Teachers — 4 p.m. Sept. 27, Room 122, old Cody Hall. For people leaving the military and spouses to get into the classroom while completing teaching requirements. To register, call 377-2179, or if you can't attend, call 1-800-MISS-TEACH.

Arts and crafts center

Annual artist/craftsman and photo contest — Deadline for adults is Sept. 14. Call for information on categories.

Ceramic mold pouring — 10 a.m. Saturday, ages 13 and older. \$25 includes first firing.

Photography — 1-3 p.m. Saturday and Sept. 15. \$38 for two-day class.

Beginning pottery — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 15. \$40 includes five pounds of clay and firing for three pieces.

One-stroke painting — Sept. 15. New project each month. \$30 including supplies. Call for time.

Parent-and-me class — 1 p.m. Sept. 29. \$5 couple. Make caramel apples.

Ceramic painting — call for more information.

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

Beginner intarsia woodworking — 10 a.m. Sept. 22. \$15. Intarsia is the art form of inlaying pieces of wood in a decorative pattern.

Advanced intarsia woodworking — 10 a.m. Saturday or Sept. 29. \$20 including materials and tool use.

Beginner framing — one class, four sessions, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Sept. 13, 18 and 25. \$60 including supplies.

Beginner auto care classes — available in oil changes, brakes, tuneups, tire changes and more. \$5 each. Call for times and dates.

Octoberfest — Oct. 27. For craft booth registration and information, call 377-2821.

Chapel

All classes are held at the Triangle Chapel Annex through May. For more information, call 377-2520.

Men's Tuesday luncheon Bible study — noon-1 p.m.

Wednesday night Bible study — 6-7:30 p.m.

Friday night youth teens — call 377-2520.

Family advocacy

Anger management — 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays. For more information, call 376-3457 or e-mail susan.pyles@keesler.af.mil.

McBride Library

Free beginners computer class — 9-11 a.m. Wednesdays for four weeks beginning Sept. 19 for people ages 45 and older who have no, or few, computer skills. Week 1 focuses on terms and familiarization with computer components. Week 2, students learn mouse and keyboard skills and how to use Windows XP. Week 3 covers cruising the information highway and an introduction to the World Wide Web. Week 4 includes information on buying and caring for a computer. Class size is limited to 12 students. To register, call 377-2181.

Air Force 60th anniversary celebration — 2-4 p.m. Sept. 18; history display and refreshments.

Hispanic Heritage Month — display throughout September.

National library card signup month — sign up and receive free mouse pad.

Orientations — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays for commanders,

instructors and first sergeants.

Back-to-school orientations — 6:30 p.m. Tuesday for college students.

Tours/orientations — call 377-2827.

TICKETS AND TRIPS

Saints home games — Sept. 24, Tennessee Titans, sign up by Sept. 19. Oct. 21, Atlanta Falcons, sign up by Oct. 16. Nov. 4, Jacksonville Jaguars, sign up by Oct. 30. \$50 includes ticket and transportation.

Discounted tickets — for many attractions including Busch Gardens, Sea World, Universal Studios and Disney World in Florida. For price list, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.

Information on area and out-of-state attractions — free brochures for Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Georgia.

CLUBS AND CENTERS

Vandenberg Community Center

Free use of amusement machines — Sept. 18

Closed — 4 p.m. Sept. 19

Pool tournaments — 6 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays.

Movie night — 6 p.m. Wednesdays. New releases, popcorn.

Dances — 6 p.m. to midnight Thursdays before compressed work schedule Fridays, and Fridays and Saturdays. \$3.

Katrina Kantina

All ranks invited — open 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays. Snacks, beverages and music.

Free Saints watch party — 7:30 p.m. today. Free hot dogs and chili for club members.

Martini and jazz night — 5 p.m. Sept. 26. Martini specials, free finger foods, entertainment.

Karaoke night — 5 p.m. Thursdays before compressed work schedule Fridays.

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

Catering — experts can assist with event planning.

Youth center

Annual membership — \$25, ages 9 and older. Discounts on programs, classes and sports.

Give parents a break/parents night out — 4-10 p.m. Sept. 15, kindergarten through grade 6. Parents' night out, \$3.50 hour.

Basketball clinic — accepting registrations, ages 6 and older. \$20 members, \$25 nonmembers.

Classes and programs — ages 13 and older. For more information, call 377-3349.

Instructors needed — gymnastics, martial arts, piano, ballet, tap and jazz.

Back-to-school program — registrations accepted, ages 6-12.

Auto hobby shop

Air conditioning checks — no reservation required.

Qualified mechanics — can assist with vehicle maintenance.

Oil collection site — for personal vehicles.

24-hour coin-operated car wash — wash, rinse, wax system, towelettes, Armorall and vacuum station.

Vehicle resale lot — on Tingle Street. To place a car on the lot, call 377-2821.

TRANSITIONS

Workshops, briefings

Marketing yourself for a second career — 9 a.m. to noon Sept. 19, Welch Auditorium. Program is presented by retired Navy Capt. Brian Blanchfield, Military Officers Association of America. Recommended for military members within three years of separation or retirement. Spouses encouraged to attend. Topics include job competition, transition planning, resumes, salary negotiation, networking and interviewing. For more information, call Lana Smith or Steve McDaniel, 377-2179.

Veterans benefits briefing — noon Sept. 13, Oct. 18, Nov. 8 and Dec. 13, Room 151, old Cody Hall. To pre-register or for more information, call 377-2179.

Mandatory pre-separation briefings — 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for those separating with honorable discharges and 2:30 p.m. for retirees. Briefings are in Room 122, old Cody Hall. Bring one copy of separation or retirement orders. This appointment is

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DINING HALL MENUS

Today

Lunch — pork chops with mushroom gravy, braised liver with onions, fried fish, hush puppies, rissole potatoes, rice, gravy, broccoli, peas and carrots, corn, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, chicken chili, cheeseburger soup, buffalo wings and roast beef subs.

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, cheeseburger soup, chicken chili, buffalo wings and roast beef subs.

Friday

Lunch — shrimp scampi, beef stew, turkey, egg noodles, rice, gravy, corn on the cob, cauliflower, collard greens, three-bean salad, chicken and wild rice soup, French onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwich and burritos.

Dinner — chili macaroni, barbecue chicken, fried catfish, potato wedges, Spanish rice, gravy, fried cabbage, carrots, broccoli, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken and wild rice soup, French onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwich and burritos.

Saturday

Lunch — baked chicken, Swedish meatballs, creole shrimp, mashed potatoes, rice, gravy, creamed corn, asparagus, steamed squash, fruit salad, kidney bean salad, clam chowder, chicken chili and chicken nuggets.

Dinner — baked fish, knockwurst, Chinese five-spice chicken, potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, stir-fry vegetables, baked beans, spinach, fruit salad, kidney bean salad, clam chowder, chili and chicken nuggets.

Sunday

Lunch — oven fried fish, spareribs, chicken breast parmesan, macaroni and cheese, O'Brien potatoes, gravy, peas, sweet potatoes, broccoli combo, German coleslaw, tomato salad, chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

Dinner — stir-fry beef with broccoli, turkey nuggets, pork chop suey, sauteed mushrooms and onions, baked potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, corn on the cob, green beans, German coleslaw, tomato salad, chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

Monday

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

Dinner — spaghetti with meat sauce, loin strip steak, turkey, baked potatoes, pea and pepper rice, gravy, squash, carrots, broccoli, sauteed mushrooms and onions, macaroni salad, cucumber/onion salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone, chili with beans, grilled sausage and steak and cheese subs.

Tuesday

Lunch — teriyaki chicken, veal parmesan, baked fish, rice, parsley buttered potatoes, gravy, fried cabbage, succotash, steamed carrots, macaroni salad, cottage cheese salad, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, chicken chili, sloppy joes and roast beef subs.

Dinner — country captain chicken, meatloaf, turkey a la king, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, tempura vegetables, mustard greens, okra tomato gumbo, macaroni salad, cottage cheese salad, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, chicken chili, sloppy joes and roast beef subs.

Wednesday

Lunch — Chinese five-spice chicken, beef and broccoli stir fry, Cantonese spareribs, vegetable egg rolls, shrimp fried rice, stir fry vegetables, chow mein noodles, fried cabbage, chicken gravy, lemon sesame green beans, Mexican coleslaw, pasta fagioli soup, vegetarian chili, cheese fishwich and Monte Cristo sandwich.

Dinner — lemon-herb chicken, sweet and sour pork, jambalaya, scalloped potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower combo, Mexican corn, Mexican coleslaw, frijole salad, chicken noodle soup, cream of potato soup, chili, cheese fishwich and Monte Cristo sandwich.

required by law, and must be accomplished 90 calendar days before the separation/retirement date. For short-notice separations or retirements, the briefing should be done as soon as possible.

Transition assistance program workshop — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, Oct. 15-17, Nov. 13-15 and Dec. 10-12, Room 151, old Cody Hall. Dress is business casual; no jeans, T-shirts or uniforms. To preregister or for more information, call 377-2179.

Retirement briefings — intended for those with less than a year until retirement, 8-11 a.m. today, Oct. 4, Nov. 1 and Dec. 6, Room 151, old Cody Hall. To pre-register or for more information, call 377-2179.

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.

Web sites

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 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>.

Employment opportunities

Career focus program for spouses — information on area employment opportunities, job Web sites, human resources contacts, temporary jobs, on-base listings and free training programs. Computer lab available for resume preparation or job search; located in Room 121, old Cody Hall. For an appointment, call Ron Bublik at the airman and family readiness center, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

Executive transition assistance program — <https://www.r.aetc.af.mil/dp/etap>. Online registration dates are Sept. 12-21 for Nov. 27-30 program at Randolph AFB, Texas.

Junior ROTC — immediate employment opportunities for retired or retiring Air Force officers and noncommissioned officers. 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.afaots.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.

Opportunities for medics — 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 — 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 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.

MEETINGS

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

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 — 7 a.m. third Tuesday of the month, Live Oak Dining Hall. For more information, call

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. compressed work schedule 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.

Master Sgt. Kat Hataway, 377-5566 or visit the group's Web site, <http://www.afsa652.org>.

Air Force Sergeants Association Auxiliary — 6 p.m. third Tuesday of the month. For more information, call Michelle Foster, 273-4591 or e-mail auxiliary.president@afsa652.org.

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.aaddofficers@keesler.af.mil.

At Eze Toastmasters Club — 11 a.m. Tuesdays, Building 1101 conference room. For more information, call Dewi Clark, 377-2714 or e-mail dewi.clark2@keesler.af.mil; Fred Blache, 377-1048, or visit <http://www.toastmasters.org>.

Company grade officers council — meets first Wednesday of the month. For time and location, call Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Howard, 377-4859.

Keesler Amateur Radio Club — 6:30 p.m. Mondays, Hangar 3, Room 215. 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 — 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, September-May, Larcher Chapel. For more information, call Michelle Durkin, 872-9393, or e-mail cchelle1rn@yahoo.com.

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

Native American Heritage Committee — for more information, call R.I. Whiteside, 863-0479, or Capt. Elizabeth Taillon, 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, Room 121, Thomson Hall. For more information, call Staff Sgts. Patrick McKimmie, 377-1513, or James Pope, 377-1305.

Top III — meeting times and locations vary. For more information, call Master Sgt. Nicole Pearson, 377-6510.

Tuskegee Airmen Inc., Col. Lawrence E. Roberts Chapter — 11 a.m. third Wednesday of the month, Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Master Sgt. Glenda Mosby, 377-0178, or e-mail gmosby1@bellsouth.net.

MISCELLANEOUS

Movies

Editor's note: Movies are 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., Hairspray (PG, 107 minutes).

Saturday — 2 p.m., Underdog (PG-13, 84 minutes); 6:30 p.m., The Bourne Ultimatum (PG-13, 115 minutes).

Sunday — 2 p.m., Rescue Dawn (PG-13, 120 minutes).

Recalls

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with Robert Bosch Tool Corp., has announced a voluntary recall of about 811,000 Skil® brand circular saws. The trigger switch on the circular saw can be locked on or the switch can be turned on without the use of the safety lockout, causing unex-

pected operation of the saw and risk of laceration. The recall involves model numbers 5650, 5700, 5750 and 5755 and date codes 28101-29231, 38101-39231, 48101-49231, 58101-59231 and 68101-69231. Numbers are printed on the nameplate on the front of the saw. The saws were manufactured in the U.S. and sold at home centers and independent hardware retailers nationwide from January 2002 through December 2006 for \$70-\$80. Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled saws. For instructions on obtaining a free repair, call toll-free 1-866-761-5572, 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. weekdays, or visit the firm's Web site at <http://www.skil.com>.

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81st Inpatient Support Squadron — Capt. Erik Vacarelli, 376-3327.

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