



# KEESLER NEWS

Keesler Air Force Base  
Biloxi, Mississippi

Volume 69, No. 6  
Thursday, Feb. 14, 2008



Rebuild the base ... Renew the community ... Reload the Air Force

## INSIDE

### COMMENTARY

Don't drink and drive, **2**

### TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Outstanding unit, **4**

### NEWS AND FEATURES

Award winners, **8**

Dragon of the Week, **12**

A-76 notes, **13**

Cookout Friday, **18**

### SPORTS AND RECREATION

Dragons in tourney, **22**

Lady Dragons lose, **23**

### SECTIONS

Commentary.....**2-3**

Training, education....**4-7**

News, features...**8-21**

Sports, recreation.....**22-24**

Digest.....**25-27**

Classifieds.....**28-29**

Keesler on the Web:  
<http://www.keesler.af.mil>



Dragons deployed  
— 256

## Fiscal 2009 Air Force's budget plan: \$143.9 billion

By Staff Sgt. Monique Randolph

**Air Force Public Affairs**

WASHINGTON — As part of the president's fiscal 2009 budget, Air Force officials are requesting Congress' approval for \$143.9 billion, nearly \$9 billion more than in FY08.

Of the \$143.9 billion request, \$117 billion are funds directly controlled and managed by the Air Force. The remaining \$26.9 billion funds the Air Force portions of the defense health program, special operations forces and intelligence programs.

"The 2009 budget carefully balances our resources to best carry out the Air Force mission," said Maj. Gen. Larry Spencer, deputy assistant secretary for budget at the Pentagon. "This budget request honors our commitment to take care of our people, sustains readiness to support today's fight, takes some measured risk in infrastructure and focuses on our top five acquisition priorities."

The budget is divided into four primary areas: people, readiness, infrastructure, and modernization, General Spencer said.

Taking care of people is one of the top Air Force priorities, and according to the plan,

Please see **Budget**, Page 9

## On medical front line



Courtesy Photo

Senior Airman Cocoa Collins, center, 81st Medical Operations Squadron, assists with a trauma case in the Balad Air Base, Iraq, hospital emergency room. The medical technician deployed Nov. 17. "We take care of everybody from the American Soldiers and Marines to Iraqi civilians, police, children and bad guys," she said.

# AFSO21

Air Force Smart Ops For The 21st Century

## Drinking and driving turns people into loaded guns

By Col. Greg Touhill

81st Training Wing commander

Is there anyone who hasn't already heard about the dangers of drinking and driving?

You may think you can handle it, that you haven't had that much, that it won't happen to you. Think again, and this time, think about this: when you've had one too many and reach into your pocket for your car keys, you might as well be picking up a loaded gun. A car driven by someone under the influence can be considered a several-thousand-pound projectile, a not-so-smart bomb guided by someone who isn't aware of the potential mayhem they are about to cause.

We keep repeating this message, yet DUIs keep stacking up. Last year, we recorded 83 DUIs at Keesler. As far as I'm concerned, that's 83 too many.

When you're drinking, it's easy to fool yourself into thinking you're under control. Even in small amounts, alcohol makes you stupid; it alters your perception noticeably. So from the very onset of drinking you become impaired, and of course, the more you drink, the worse your impairment gets, and the stupider you get. The adage "Only one drink per hour and I'm OK" is a myth. The truth of the matter is there's no way to guess how drunk you are using this method, so don't try it.

With all the emphasis on preventing DUIs, there's really no excuse if you're caught drinking and driving.

If you're of legal age, and are planning to drink, there's only one thing to do: Through our training in situational awareness we know

that once you're aware there's a potentially dangerous situation coming up, you must plan ahead. Either plan to take a cab back home or arrange for a designated driver. Do not drink and drive!

We're fortunate to have a very active Airmen Against Drunk Driving program. These are volunteers on call on the weekends to make sure their fellow bluesuiters make it home safely. If you need some help, please call them at 377-7283.

All across the Air Force, the success of our mission hinges on having safe and healthy Airmen around to perform their jobs at peak efficiency.

Being hospitalized, jailed or in the county morgue aren't viable alternatives.

I encourage leaders at every level to get this message out to our Airmen. We can't afford to do without you. The Air Force is the greatest fighting force in the world because of one thing: you!

It's really obvious, but it bears repeating. We have to do the right thing where alcohol is involved. Our core values call for it, and our safety depends on it. Take personal responsibility and know your limit.

We also have to be good wingmen and watch out for our fellow Airmen when they consume too much alcohol. The only safe amount of alcohol to consume and drive safely is zero.

It's easy for me to get this message out to all our people. The hard part is up to you. Be responsible. Keep yourself safe and alive.

Don't drink and drive.

## ACTION LINE ... 377-4357

By Col. Greg Touhill

81st Training Wing commander

You're encouraged to work concerns through your chain of command or contact an appropriate helping agent. For unresolved issues, call the commander's action line for assistance.

Suggestions to help make this a more valuable and useful tool are welcome. 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 personal responses, include your name, address and phone number.

Items of general interest

**A-76 hotline** — 228-376-8176  
**Airmen and family readiness center** — 377-2179  
**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  
**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



Colonel Touhill

may appear in this column.

For your convenience, here are some key customer service phone numbers at Keesler:

**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  
**SARC 24-hour hotline (to report sexual assaults)** — 377-7278  
**Law enforcement desk** — 377-3040  
**SARC 24-hour hotline** — 477-7278  
**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



**WHO'S YOUR WINGMAN?**

To report  
sexual assaults  
at Keesler,  
call 377-7278.

## KEESLER NEWS

No. 1 in Air Force,  
2004, 1997.

No. 1 in AETC,  
2004, 1998, 1996;  
No. 2, 2006, 2003,  
2001, 1999, 1997,  
1991, 1989, 1986;

No. 3, 2005, 2002,  
1995;

honorable mention,  
1992.

### 81st Training Wing commander

Col. Greg Touhill

### Public affairs director

Jerry Taranto

### Editor

Perry Jenifer

### Staff writers

Susan Griggs

Airman 1st Class

David Salanitri

### Staff photographer

Kemberly Groue

### Keesler News on Web:

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

The Keesler News office is in Room 201A, Wall Studio, Building 0902. The mailing address: 81TRW/PAIN, Keesler AFB, MS 39534-2120. Phone: 377-4130, 3837, 7340, 9966. Published Thursday. News deadline: noon Monday. Editorial content edited, prepared and provided by the 81st TRW Public Affairs Office in compliance with Air Force journalistic standards. Photos are Air Force photos unless otherwise indicated.

The Keesler News is published by Gulf Publishing Co., a private firm in no way connected with the Air Force, under an exclusive written contract with the 81st TRW as an authorized publication for U.S. military service members. Contents aren't necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by the U.S. government, Department of Defense or Air Force. Advertising doesn't constitute endorsement by the U.S. government, DOD, Air Force or Gulf Publishing of products or services advertised. Everything advertised shall be available without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, physical handicap, political affiliation or any other non-merit factor.



I would like to be more mature.

— Staff Sgt. John Quinlan, 403rd Maintenance Squadron.



I wish I wasn't so laid back all the time.

— Airman Basic Clint Willis, 335th Training Squadron.



I would like to be more outgoing.

—Airman 1st Class Marlana Pagliuca, 81st Surgical Operations Squadron.

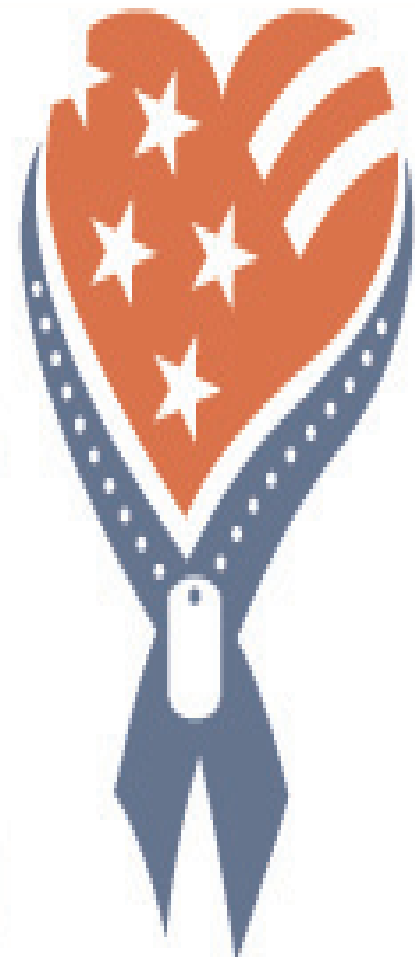
## DRAGON ON THE STREET

If you could change one thing about your personality, what would it be?

AMERICA  
SUPPORTS  
YOU

OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN

AMERICASUPPORTSYOU.MIL



## Welsh: Training done at Keesler is 'critical' to Air Force mission

By Senior Airman Carlos Rodriguez

Keesler Public Affairs

Maj. Gen. Mark Welsh, Air Education and Training Command vice commander, visited Keesler Jan. 29-31.

It was the general's first official visit to the base since assuming his current position.

Principal among his activities were a tour of the 81st Medical Group and a visit to some 81st Training Group facilities.

"The training we do here is fundamental to everything we do in the Air Force," said General Welsh. "It's a critical part of what we do."

General Welsh visited the air traffic control schoolhouse, Levitow Training Support Facility, a dormitory building and observed a student physical training session.

"The contributions of everybody who comes through tech school here are part of every success we've had in the Air Force," he said.

General Welsh also took a wind-shield tour of the base, viewing some of the newly-opened facilities, as well as some of those under construction.

"There is a reason the Air Force is spending roughly \$950 million to rebuild and upgrade Keesler," said General Welsh. "The mission of training tomorrow's Airmen is second-to-none and Keesler plays a vital role in accomplishing that mission."

General Welsh stressed the importance to the Air Force of AETC's mission to recruit, train and educate Airmen to meet 21st century challenges.

"AETC is fundamental to the Air Force — it's the baseline to everything the Air Force does," he said. "We provide the training, knowledge and experience that it takes to continue global air, space and cyberspace dominance."

General Welsh also spoke about the increasing trend of Airmen finding themselves performing in-lieu-of missions supporting other services' requirements and how AETC has responded to this growing challenge.

"We've incorporated more combat training into the Air Force, starting with the newly-extended basic military



Photo by Kemberly Groue

**General Welsh emphasizes the importance of embracing technology throughout AETC.**

training," he said. "The people running our training programs have all deployed — they have the experience where it counts."

General Welsh's vision of the future within AETC involves embracing rapidly-changing technology in every facet of the command.

"Maj. Erv Lessel and his AETC A5/8 personnel are leading the charge in this arena. They're spending a lot of time talking to the academic experts in the outside world on how to best-utilize the new learning technology," said General Welsh.

As for the vision of his own role in

the future of AETC, the general stressed the importance of taking care of people.

"General Looney (AETC commander) always says, 'If we take care of our people, our people will take care of the mission,'" the general said. "This command, through BMT and technical training, gives people the first impression of how they'll be treated in the Air Force.

"We also set an example of how they should treat others," he added. "Treating all of our people with respect is really, really important to what we do."

## 2nd Air Force performance 'outstanding'

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Second Air Force, with headquarters at Keesler, has earned the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for July 2005 through June 2007.

Commanded by Maj. Gen. Mike Gould, 2nd Air Force was recognized not only for its technical and basic military training roles, but also for leading the Air Force's "in-lieu-of" training with the Army that's prepared more than 10,000 Airmen for deployment.

"I'm very proud of the 2nd Air Force team," General Gould said. "The award is a fitting tribute for these men and women who have battled back from Katrina while simultaneously taking on the ILO mission and transforming the numbered Air Force into a fully-functioning training operations center. I'm confident 2nd Air Force will continue to improve both the efficiency and effectiveness of the BMT and tech training pipeline operation."

Second Air Force oversees 18,000 personnel in four training wings and two training groups, including 38 squadrons and 92 geographically-separated units. Its team provided technical training leadership for more than 250 Air Force specialties and over 2,500 courses which graduated more than 450,000 Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers, Marines, civilians and international military members.

In Hurricane Katrina's wake, 2nd Air Force overcame huge obstacles to take care of its people while providing "the best trained, combat ready Airmen with the right blend of military/technical skills and warrior ethos to sustain the Air Force," according to its award package.

In three months, 2nd Air Force secured more than \$20 million in equipment, 53 personnel positions and seven support facilities co-located with the Army to prepare expeditionary-minded Airmen to fulfill the demands of the air and space expeditionary force.

# Tops in training

## 81st Training Group recognizes outstanding performers for 2007

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

The 81st Training Group honored its top performers for 2007 at its annual awards banquet Friday at the Imperial Palace Resort.

The 332nd Training Squadron claimed seven awards, followed by the 333rd TRS, four; 81st Training Support Squadron, three; 334th and 335th TRS, two each; and 81st TRG and 336th and 338th TRS, one each.

Winners who compete for 81st Training Wing annual honors Feb. 21 are:

**Airman** — Senior Airman Ryan Bush, 332nd TRS.

**Noncommissioned officer** — Staff Sgt. Ladarian Outsey, 81st TRSS.

**Senior NCO** — Master Sgt. Timothy Sheldon, 332nd TRS.

**Company grade officer** — Capt. Ryan Robinson, 81st TRG.

**Civilian category 1** — Christine McGill, 81st TRSS.

**Civilian category 2** — William Crowell, 332nd TRS.

**Civilian supervisor** — Debbie Davis, 335th TRS.

**First sergeant** — Master Sgt. Rogers Trahan, 338th TRS.

In the technical training categories, winners are:

**Squadron of the year** — 335th TRS.

**Airman instructor** — Senior Airman Jason Samuel, 333rd TRS.

**NCO instructor** — Tech. Sgt. Matthew Calvert, 334th TRS.



**Senior NCO instructor** — Master Sgt. Jae Ewing, 334th TRS.

**Officer instructor** — Capt. Randall Noel, 333rd TRS.

**Civilian instructor** — Mark Kolath, 338th TRS.

**Flight commander/chief** — Edward Wood, 332nd TRS.

**Junior military training leader** — Tech. Sgt. Steven Joyce, 81st TRSS.

**Senior MTL** — Master Sgt. Jason Harrell, 332nd TRS.

**Support civilian** — Jesus Fontes, 332nd TRS.

**Support NCO or airman** — Tech. Sgt. Chad Heilman, 332nd TRS.

**Support officer** — Capt. Albert Searfass Jr., 333rd TRS.



**U.S. AIR FORCE**  
**EagleEyes**  
**WATCH.REPORT.PROTECT.**

To report suspicious activity at Keesler, call 377-3040.

# TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

## Spring classes

William Carey University's spring classes begin Monday.

To register, visit Room 208, Hangar 2.

For more information, call 377-0090.

## Drill downs, parades

The 81st Training Group holds drill downs and parades on the drill pad behind the Levitow Training Support Facility.

The schedule:

**Drill downs** — 8 a.m. Feb. 22, April 18 and Nov. 14; 6 p.m. July 17 and 7 a.m. Sept. 17.

**Parades** — 6 p.m. March 20, June 12, Aug. 21 and Oct. 16.

For drill down information,

call Tech. Sgt. Trina Girley, 377-2737. For parade information, call Staff Sgt. Donald McNair, 377-9527.

## Parking lot closed

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

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

## Nursing program

Applications are being accepted for the Air Force Nurse Enlisted Commissioning Program.

The NECP offers active-

duty enlisted personnel the opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree in a high-need academic major. The program is available to all Air Force Specialty Codes.

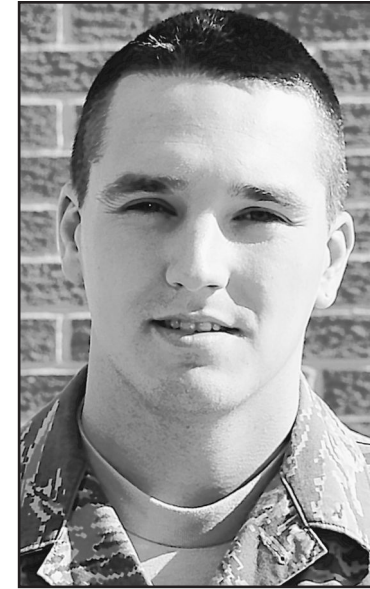
The suspense date for notification of intent to apply is Feb. 22.

For more information, e-mail Calvin Baker, calvin.baker@randolph.af.mil.

## Work study

Part-time employment is available to Chapters 30 and 31 Veterans Affairs people enrolled in college or vocational programs.

For more information, call Robin Manson, 377-5149.



## Electronic perfection

Airman 1st Class Joshua Boshears graduated Feb. 1 from the electronic principles course in the 332nd Training Squadron with a perfect score on all seven block tests. He reports to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, for further training in the instrument and flight control systems apprentice course.

## Medics win Air Force honors

### 81st Medical Group Public Affairs

Master Sgt. Curtis Maley and Jamie Newman, 81st Medical Operations Squadron, are winners in the Air Force Medical Service award competition for 2007.

Sergeant Maley, cardiopulmonary laboratory superintendent, is the cardiopulmonary laboratory senior NCO of the year.

Ms. Newman, diagnostic imaging flight technologist, was named outstanding civilian diagnostic imaging technologist of the year.



Sergeant Maley



Ms. Newman

## 81st Supply-Transportation Squadron earns AETC logistics readiness award

By Airman 1st Class David Salantri

Keesler News staff

The 81st Supply-Transportation Squadron won Air Education and Training Command's 2007 logistics readiness squadron award for a non-flying unit.

The unit carried out more than 700 tons of reutilization cargo to Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., for the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office and trained 433 personnel in 53 pallet build-up classes.

"We get many opportunities to excel throughout the year at Keesler," said Chief

Master Sgt. Gwendolyn Rucker, 81st SUPSTRANS superintendent.

Those opportunities include the 81st Training Wing and 403rd Wing operational readiness inspections and 85th Engineering Installation Squadron deployment operational readiness exercise.

"This award paints a perfect picture of our Airmen," said Chief Rucker. "We have awesome people doing some amazing things every day. There's not a single day that goes by where I can't walk through the squadron and see something great happening."

The squadron also won this award in 2000.

## Save \$ mailing boxes to military overseas

By Debora Preitkis

U.S. Postal Service

WASHINGTON — After March 3, people planning to send a care package to a military service member serving abroad can take advantage of a new larger flat-rate box from the U.S. Postal Service.

It's the first time the postal service has offered a special price for armed forces serving overseas.

The priority mail box is 12 inches square and 5 1/2 inches

deep — 50 percent larger than current cartons. It's delivered for \$10.95 to an APO/FPO address — \$2 less than for domestic destinations.

The new box is available in post offices March 3, but customers can begin ordering them Feb. 20 at <http://www.usps.com/supplies> or by calling 800-610-8734.

"Postage is always a concern when shipping care packages," said Allison Barber, deputy assistant secretary of

defense. "This new flat-rate box means our homefront groups and supportive citizens can do more with their resources."

The \$2 discount is applied when the new boxes are shipped to APO/FPO destinations. The two existing flat-rate boxes which currently retail for \$8.95 for domestic addresses aren't available for the military discount. All flat-rate boxes can be used for international shipping.

## IN THE NEWS

### Death notification

Col. Greg. Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander, announces the death of Tech. Sgt. John Templin, 338th Training Squadron.

Any person or persons having claims for or against the Sergeant Templin's estate, call Maj. Steven Barker, 377-9514.

An account in Sergeant Templin's memory has been set up at Keesler Federal Credit Union to help his family. Donations can be made at any KFCU branch. For more information, call Wayne Rowell, 377-5817.

### Annual awards banquet

The 81st Training Wing annual awards banquet is 6 p.m. Feb. 21 at the 403rd Wing's fuel cell hangar, Building 4278.

The guest speaker is retired Lt. Gen. Clark Griffith, who served as Keesler and 2nd Air Force's commander and Air Education and Training Command's vice-commander.

Attire is mess dress for military members and formal or semi-formal for civilians.

Tickets are \$20 and available from unit representatives.

### Clinics closed for warrior training

81st Medical Group Public Affairs

Keesler Medical Center clinics are closed 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. the second Thursday of each month for warrior training.

Family practice and pediatric clinics have limited access on warrior training afternoons. Acute care appointments are available in the morning, but clinics close at 11 a.m. and reopen the next day at 7 a.m.

Pharmacy, radiology and laboratory services are available with reduced staffing, so be prepared for longer waits.

The emergency room remains open around the clock. For emergencies situations such as shortness of breath, chest or abdominal pain or bleeding with pregnancy, go to the nearest emergency room or call 911 for an ambulance.

### Cell phone restrictions for drivers

It's a primary offense to use a cell phone while driving on base without a hands-free device.

Violators can be stopped and ticketed for this offense by the 81st Security Forces Squadron.

### Early Keesler News deadline

The submission deadline for the Feb. 21 issue is noon today due to the Presidents Day federal holiday Monday.

The newspaper office is closed Monday in observance of the holiday.

### 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.

# Budget,

from Page 1

\$37.6 billion goes toward personnel programs, including a 3.4 percent pay raise for military and a 2.9 percent increase for civilian employees. An additional 4.9 percent increase for housing allowance and \$628 million for recruiting, retention and special pays are also part of the plan.

“We met our 2007 recruiting goals and are on track to meet 2008's goals,” General Spencer said. “In the 2009 budget, we're dedicating more money to recruiting and retaining hard-to-fill specialties such as medical, pararescue and certain enlisted critical skills.”

Readiness, which includes operations and maintenance, accounts for \$33.2 billion of the 2009 budget.

“Most of the money spent on a base comes from the readiness account,” General Spencer said. “It funds all flying operations, aircraft maintenance and repairs, training — all the day-to-day operations on 84 installations worldwide.”

While the readiness request is about \$3.7 billion more than the previous year, \$2.1 billion of that pays for the increased cost of fuel, utilities and contracts. The budget also provides about \$88 million for alternative fuel and energy conservation efforts.

The only area to see a decline in the 2009 budget is infrastructure. Air Force leaders are asking for \$5.2 billion, compared to \$5.6 billion appropriated in FY08.

“We are taking a bit of a risk in military construction,

but it's a conscious risk,” General Spencer said. “The good news for Air Force members is we will eliminate inadequate housing overseas by the end of 2009 and continue to support family housing privatization.”

To date, housing privatization has been a valuable tool in eliminating inadequate housing at Air Force installations in the Continental U.S., a goal of the FY08 budget. Privatization also allows the Air Force to provide Airmen upgraded housing sooner than the traditional military construction process.

According to the budget, the Air Force funds only 54 military construction projects in FY09, compared to 121 appropriated in FY08. While money goes towards upgrading or constructing facilities such as office buildings, training buildings and gymnasiums, the focus is primarily on providing facilities and hangars for new missions, General Spencer said.

These new missions, including the procurement of several new space and weapon systems, are part of the \$41 billion modernization portion of the FY09 budget.

“Preparing for tomorrow's challenges is also an Air Force priority,” the general said. “Air superiority is not handed to anyone, and we must ensure we maintain control of the air today and in the future.”

“The average age of our aircraft is 24 years old, with some approaching 50. Thirteen percent of our fleet is grounded or restricted. Due to the stress and strain of years of flying, many of our aircraft can no longer perform at the capability for which they were designed. We must modernize our weapons systems.”

The budget focuses on the Air Force's top five acquisitions priorities, including the development of a new tanker to replace the KC-135 Stratotanker, a new combat search and rescue helicopter to replace the HH-60G Pave Hawk, new space systems, F-35A Lightning II fighters, and the new bomber.

“Modernization is a challenge in a resource-constrained environment, but we don't want to inch along,” General Spencer said. “Other countries are producing advanced aircraft and weapons systems that put our fourth-generation aircraft at risk. We get thousands of cyber attacks daily, and other countries have proven they have the ability to attack our space assets.”

The Air Force is making progress in modernization, just not at a fast enough rate, General Spencer said. In 2009, the Air Force plans to purchase 93 new aircraft — 52 of which are unmanned aerial vehicles — six space systems and other weapons systems, missiles and munitions.

“We will also improve our space systems by supporting the delivery of five new systems, building on current space protection capabilities and investing in future systems,” he said. “Although we don't have money specifically dedicated to our cyber entity in the budget, we are in the process of identifying the capabilities of our Cyber Command Provisional, and may move money to centralize resourcing cyber capabilities.”

In the coming months, Congress reviews the proposed budget, and once approved, it's scheduled to be enacted by FY09.

## Canceled

The Heart Link session scheduled for 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at the Triangle Chapel and reported on Page 20 has been canceled due to a lack of participants.



# PERSONNEL NOTES

---

## Travel health information

### 81st Medical Group

Current travel health information is available to personnel planning vacations or permanent change-of-station moves outside the U.S. at the travel medicine clinic in the basement of Keesler Medical Center.

Clinic officials suggest travelers drop by at least one month before departure.

Coordinated appointments for entire families may be arranged with ample advance notice. Travel medicine clinic is usually Thursday mornings, but alternate appointment times are considered. Patients should bring their immunization records.

For more information, call 376-3550.

## Household goods option

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.

## 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.

## Retirement applications online

### Air Force Print News

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

Members requesting an action related to retirement can log onto the personal services delivery transformation Web site and click on "retirement package" at <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil/psd>.

## Personally procured moves

The personally procured moves program is an alternate means of moving personal property. Whether a privately-owned vehicle, trailer or rental truck is used the reimbursement is 95 percent of the governments constructed cost.

Counseling by the personal property office is required prior to approval for a PPM move.

For more information or to schedule counseling, call 81st Transportation Squadron customer service, 377-9439 or 3436.

## Updating LeaveWeb

On the first duty day upon returning from leave, military members are required to update LeaveWeb.

For more information, call 81st Mission Support Squadron customer service, 377-5455.

# Lifting can be pain in back — literally

## 81st Medical Group

Most backaches come from strained muscles in the lower back. Other causes include slipped or herniated discs, arthritis, osteoporosis and urinary tract infections.

The goals of treatment are to treat the cause of the backache, relieve the pain, promote healing and avoid re-injury.

One of the main reasons for backaches is improper lifting. It's essential when lifting heavy objects to squat down and lift with your legs rather than bend down and strain your back. Many times, people are in too much of a hurry to practice proper form and end up paying for it later.

Here are some lifting tips to help you avoid back strain:

**Wear good shoes** with low heels, not sandals or high heels.

**Stand close** to the object you want to lift.

**Plant your feet** squarely, shoulder width apart.

**Bend at the knees**, not at the waist. Keep your knees bent as you lift.

**Pull in** your stomach and rear end. Keep your back as straight as you can.

**Hold the object** close to your body.

**Lift slowly**, letting your legs carry the weight.

**Get help** or use a dolly to move something that's too big or very heavy.

**Don't lift** if your back



already hurts, or if you have a history of back trouble.

**Don't lift** heavy things over your head.

**Don't arch** your back when you lift or carry.

**Don't lift** too fast or with a jerk.

**Don't twist** your back when you're holding something — turn your whole body from head to toe.

**Don't lift** something heavy with one hand and something light with the other - balance the load.

**Don't try** to lift one thing while you hold something else. For example, don't try to pick up a child while you're holding a grocery bag. Put the bag down, or lift the bag and the child at the same time.

For more information on taking care of your back, call the health and wellness center, 376-3170.

# DRAGON OF THE WEEK

**Name** — Staff Sgt.  
Kevin Weaver  
**Unit** — 81st Contracting  
Squadron

**Position** — contract special-  
ist

**Time in Air Force** — 7  
1/2 years

**Time at Keesler** — 18  
months

**Noteworthy** — Prior to  
retraining into the contracting  
career field, Sergeant Weaver  
earned his master instructor  
badge for the air transporta-  
tion apprentice course.  
Recently, he attended the  
common battlefield airman  
training course in preparation  
for a deployment to Iraq.

**Hometown** — Mt.  
Vernon, Ala.

**Why did you join the  
Air Force?** I wanted to  
make something better out  
of my life. Two very  
important goals were to go  
to college and travel to new  
places. I have done both in  
the Air Force.



Photo by Kemberly Groue

**What are your short-  
and long-term goals?**  
Complete my master's pro-  
gram and continue to grow in  
my military career.

**What are your hobbies?**  
Sports, politics and history.

**What's your favorite  
quote?** "There is nothing  
wrong with America that  
cannot be cured by what is  
right with America." -  
William Jefferson Clinton

## DIAMOND NOTES

The omission of a specific item  
or appearance standard  
doesn't permit its wear.

If it's not authorized,  
it's not authorized for wear.



Sergeant Trahan

— Master Sgt. Rogers Trahan, 336 Training Squadron first  
sergeant



## MEMORABLE MOMENTS

**July 25, 1941**

Keesler opened its first facility,  
a medical dispensary, in the Naval Reserve Park.

# A-76 NOTES

---

**Editor's note:** Beginning today, weekly updates on key information related to A-76 at Keesler are published in each issue of the Keesler News.

---

## Critical dates

**Mobilization start** — May 1, 77 days from today.

**Transition start** — July 1, 138 days from today.

**Effective reduction-in-force date** — Sept. 30, 230 days from today.

**First performance period for Computer Sciences Corp.** — Oct. 1, 244 days from today.

## Status

Work is progressing on finalizing Big BOS (base operating support) contract. Funds for mobilization and transition have been certified.

Little BOS remains in litigation in federal court.

Civilian personnel is preparing voluntary early retirement and voluntary separation incentive packages while waiting for the Air Force Personnel Center to complete the RIF register.

## Key phone numbers

**Civilian personnel flight** — 377-8176.

**Competitive sourcing office** — 377-4848.

For more information, go to <http://keesler.af.mil> via the Air Force Portal.

# Making tax preparation less taxing for military

By Gerry Gilmore

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Rather than paying a tax specialist, service members and their families can obtain free assistance to prepare and file their annual tax returns through a special military program.

The military's tax assistance program processes more than 200,000 returns each year, said Army Maj. John Johnson, director of the Defense Department's Armed Forces Tax Council.

"It is just one of the benefits military people have," Major Johnson said of the program. Participants can visit their installation tax center for free assistance in filling out tax returns, he said, or access the Military OneSource Web site, <http://www.militaryonesource.com>.

"You can log on there, online, and also file for free," Major Johnson said of the Web site.

However, the online tax-filing system on Military OneSource is closed to military retirees.

Military members from all

## At Keesler

The tax office is open 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on duty days in Room 234, Hangar 2.

For appointments, call 377-4454.

service branches sit on the Pentagon's tax council that coordinates the program, Major Johnson said.

Free tax-filing assistance services are open to active-duty and reserve component service members, as well as family members and military retirees, Major Johnson said.

Participants should bring their military-issued identification cards, W-2 Wage and Earnings statements and any other forms or documents required for tax filing, he said. People who believe they may be eligible for tax refunds also should bring their bank account numbers if they'd like the refund direct-deposited into a specific account.

More complicated tax-preparation work involving itemizing of returns for added tax deductions also can be

processed for free, although these returns normally require more documentation, the major said.

Military members receive many tax benefits, Major Johnson said. For example, all allowances, including housing, meals, family separation and others, are tax-exempt, he said, as is all military pay for enlisted military members deployed in overseas combat zones. Officers deployed in combat zones can exclude about \$7,000 of their monthly pay for federal taxes.

Service members deployed to combat zones have six months to file their taxes after departing the area, according to Major Johnson.

Another tax-related benefit for service members deployed to overseas combat zones is the Savings Deposit Program, Major Johnson said. Under SDP, eligible service members can contribute up to \$10,000 into their savings accounts while they're deployed and earn a government-guaranteed 10-percent return on their money.

"You're not going to beat that," Major Johnson said of the SDP program.

# Virtual military personnel flight Self-service assignments made easier for Airmen

## Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — A new self-service assignments application launching Feb. 19 eliminates a visit to the military personnel flight/element.

The new feature saves Airmen both time and effort as part of the continuing initiatives of the Air Force's Personnel Services Delivery Transformation.

Using the expanded permissive assignment program, active-duty Airmen in the grades lieutenant colonel and below can list up to eight continental U.S. preferences — bases or locales — and apply via the virtual military personnel flight.

The application transmits electronically directly to the commander, then the assignments floor for coordination, and back to the Airman. An Air Force requirement must exist at the new location for the assignments team to consider the application.

“Airmen will have no physical trips, no time away from their work stations, 24-hour access to the program, the guidance of the strategic

advisers at the MPF/MPE, and receive an e-mail response for confirmation, approval or disapproval,” said Capt. Ronald Bell, chief of PSD operations.

Airmen applying for the expanded permissive permanent change of station must meet all time on station requirements and be able to obtain any required PCS retainability. They also incur all expenses associated with the PCS if approved for the program.

“The low cost of a local move makes the program a good choice for those who wish to transfer to another base in the same town or within easy moving distance,” Captain Bell said. “And, if you're willing to pay to move, you could end up with your dream assignment.”

The MPF/MPE continues to assist applicants with accessing the vMPF and answering general questions about the expanded permissive PCS application.

For more information, visit the AFPC “Ask” Web site <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil>; search for “Expanded Permissive.”



# Cookout is Friday

Keesler's Black Heritage  
Month activities:

**Friday**—African-American Heritage Committee cookout, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Larcher Chapel. The \$8 fee raises money for scholarships. For more information, call Curt Higgins, 377-1390.

**Wednesday**—AAHC luncheon, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Vandenberg Community Cen-ter, to promote educa-tion. \$10. For more informa-tion, call Cynthia Lee, 377-9386.

**Feb. 21** — fourth annual bowling tournament, Gaude Lanes. Registration, 11-11:45 a.m. Games start at noon. \$12 per person, five-person team, to raise money for scholar-ships. For more information, call Mr. Higgins, 377-9386.

**Feb. 23** — free gospel con-cert, 6-9 p.m., Welch Auditorium. Performing is Greater Grace, Grace Temple and Keesler choir. For more information, call Anthony Thomas, 348-1692.

**Feb. 29** — free soul food sampling, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Larcher Chapel Annex. Dishes include fried catfish, macaroni and cheese, barbe-cue, greens and ox tails. For more information, call Anti-lisa Lewis, 377-7100.

# KEESLER NOTES

## New CGOC officers

New officers of the company grade officers council:

**President** — 1st Lt. Michael Newson, 81st Communications Squadron.

**Vice president** — Capt. Mishawn Johnson, 81st Comptroller Squadron.

**Secretary** — Capt. Ted West, 81st Training Wing plans and programs.

**Treasurer** — 2nd Lt. Timothy Bourcet, 81st Transportation Squadron.

**Historian** — Capt. Celina Guisinger, 81st Medical Operations Squadron.

## Closed for inventory

The 81st Supply Squad-

ron's individual equipment element is closed Monday through Feb. 15 for inventory.

Only those deploying on short notice may pick up items during this period.

For more information, call Staff Sgts. Erin Everhardt or Toyshaline Young, 377-1159.

## Heart Link

The next Heart Link session is 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday in the Triangle Chapel.

To register, call 377-2179.

## Fine art auction

The Keesler Spouses Club's second annual fine art auction is Feb. 23 at the Katrina Kantina.

Preview is at 5:30 p.m., with the auction at 6:30 pm.

Tickets are \$10 per person which includes light hors d'oeuvres.

Proceeds benefit the club's scholarship fund.

For more information, call 432-1272 or visit membership@keeslerspousesclub.com.

## Technology expo

The 81st Training Support Squadron's 12th annual technology exposition is 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 27 at the Imperial Palace Casino Resort in Biloxi. The free event is in the Royal Ballroom.

For more information, e-mail dflemister@comcast.net.

## DAPS services

For information on docu-

ment automation and production services, call 377-4057.

## Multimedia services

For information on multimedia products and services available at Wall Studio, call the multimedia manager, 377-2793, or multimedia quality assurance personnel, 377-4636.

## Historical items

For information on loaning or donating historical items for display at Keesler Medical Center, call Steve Pivnick, 376-3018, or Capt. Neil Clark, 376-6000.

## Spouse program

The Career Focus Program at the airman and family readi-

ness center assists spouses seeking employment on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

For more information and appointments, call Ron Bublik, 377-8592, or e-mail ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil.

## Vehicle decals

Base decals and expiration stickers are no longer issued Air Force-wide.

People may remove and destroy the decals on their vehicles, according to 81st Security Force Squadron officials.

When visiting other bases, obtain passes or decals there.

For more information, call 377-3844.



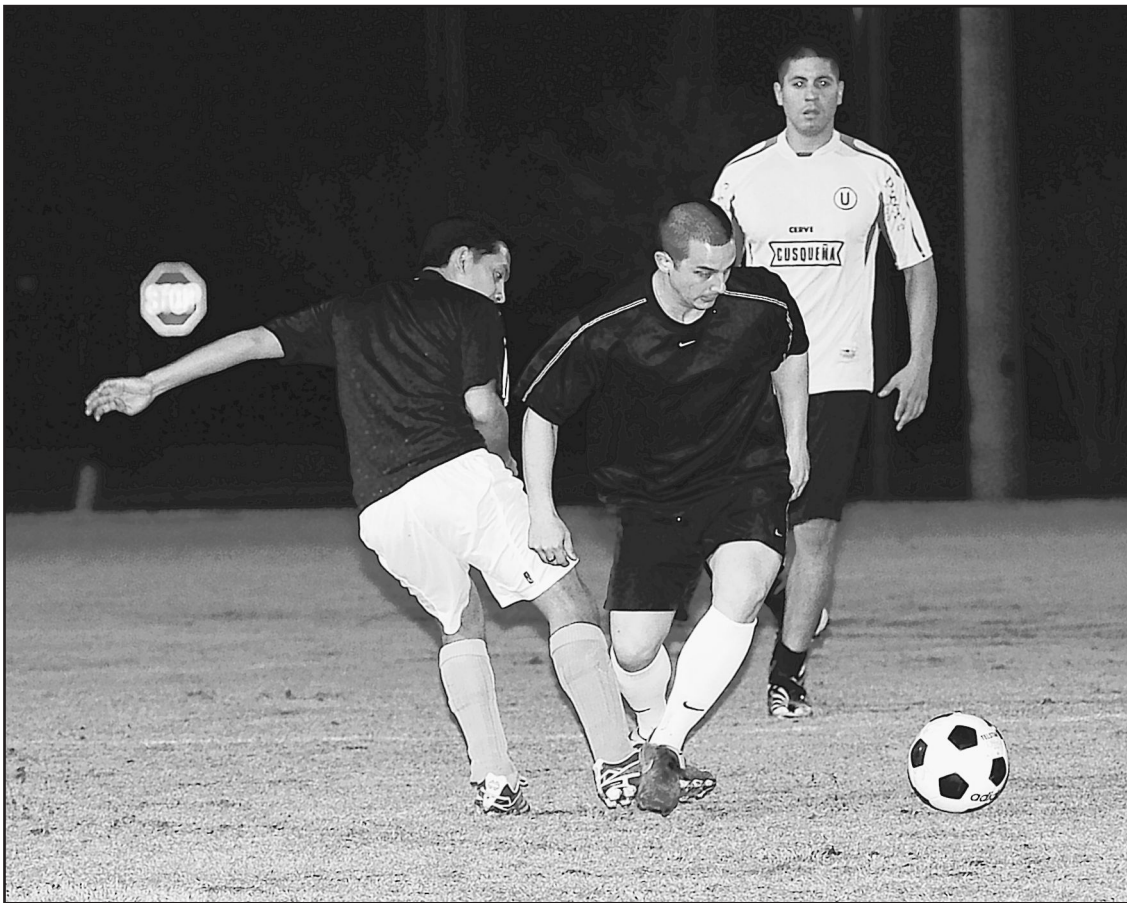


Photo by Kemberly Groue

Left, Jorge Panama tries to steal the ball from Joshua Warren as Fernando Ramirez watches on.

## Soccer team travels to Texas to compete in military tourney

By **Airman 1st Class**  
**David Salanitri**

Keesler News staff

Keesler's varsity soccer team travels to San Antonio Friday for the 2008 Defender's Cup Alamo City Military Open Soccer Tournament.

The 18-man team prepared by participating in a league in

Gulfport, where their record was 10-1 through the playoffs. The Dragons placed second in the playoffs.

"We have a well-balanced team. We are confident in what we can bring to the table," said player-coach Eric Hernandez.

"Right now, we are trying to take this one game at a

time. We want to focus on the game at hand," he added.

The 16-team tournament is single elimination. Every team plays once Friday, with the winners advancing to Saturday and those winners to Sunday.

The Dragons' entry fees are paid by their sponsor, American Air.

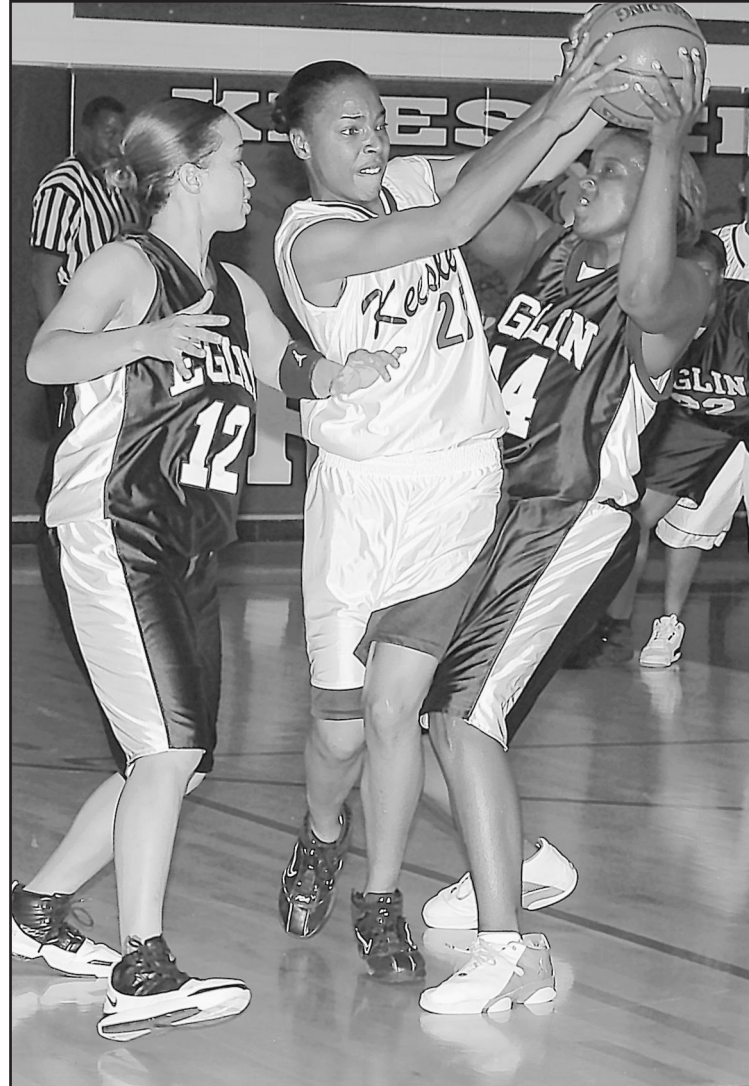


Photo by Kemberly Groue

From left, Demeka McClendon from Eglin comes in for backup as Keesler's Sonderia Brown and Englin's Fetma Bello battle for the ball.

## Lady Dragons still battling

By Airman 1st Class  
David Salanitri

Keesler News staff

The Keesler's Lady Dragons are scheduled to play at Moody Air Force Base, Ga., Saturday.

The Lady Dragons played Eglin AFB, Fla. Saturday and lost, 82-75.

The win at Moody would give the Lady Dragons a third-place finish this season in the Southeastern Military Athletic Conference, with a trophy awarded to the team.

"I am proud of the way the team played this season," said Richard Vincent, coach.

"The team only had eight games this season, yet they came out and gave it their all, most with little experience."

The Lady Dragons current-

ly have a 3-4 record this season, with one more game remaining, and playoffs still to be held.

"The girls don't let things get them down. We lost to the No. 1 team by 16 points, then came back the next game to win by over 30 points," said Vincent.

Things haven't come easy for the Lady Dragons this year. The last game only five players were able to make it, leaving no one to substitute to give other players rest. Eglin had eight players, with three players to substitute in.

"I only ask the girls to come out and compete. I want to raise players to compete for the Air Force team," said coach Vincent.

For more information on Lady Dragons basketball, call Laurence Wilson, 377-2444.

## Basketball

### Men's Over 30 League Standings (as of Jan. 31)

Team	Won	Lost
338th TRS	5	0
81st CES	3	2
81st TRSS	2	2
2nd Air Force	0	3
85th EIS	0	3

### All games at Dragon Fitness Center

Last week's games — cancelled due to the death of John Templin, 338th TRS; will be rescheduled.

**Jan. 31** — 338th TRS 63, 81st CES 42.

**Today** — 11 a.m., 85th EIS vs. 2nd Air Force; noon, 81st TRSS vs. 81st CES.

**Tuesday** — 11 a.m., 338th TRS vs. 81st CES; noon, 85th EIS vs. 81st TRSS.

## Bowling

### League standings

#### Monday Budweiser (as of Feb. 4)

Team	Won	Lost
Perry's Refrigeration	83	36
Old Skool	75	44
Gannon's Cannons	72.5	46.5
3 Steps Forward	68	51
Our Gang	67	52
Man On	65	54
Slater's Shooters	63	56
Wayne's World	63	56
Pin Heads	62	57
Hoops Gang	62	57
Team 2	56	63
Why Not	56	63
Endangered Species	53.5	65.5
The Corner Pins	51	68
Ghost Riders	47	72
Unpredictables	47	72
Martini's	44	75
B-Busters	34	85

#### Tuesday Hospital Mixed (as of Jan. 22)

Team	Won	Lost
Radiology Renegades	91	37
Pill Pushers	87	41
Bed Buddies	80	48
Pediattack	80	48
Drug Dealers	78	50
Team 6	30	98
Team 8	16	112
Team 7	12	116

#### Wednesday Mixed (as of Feb. 6)

Team	Won	Lost
Oceans Eleven	82	44
Ichiban	84	56
Jokers Wild	83	57
Misfits	80	60
Hang Chucky	79	61
Clyde's Crew	76	64
2 Old 2 Bowl	75	65
3DR	69	71
Lucky Strikes	69	71
MUDD	68	72
Neighbors + 1	67	73
70s Plus	64	76
Team 13	24	95
Team 14	0	0

#### Thursday Retired Seniors Mixed (as of Jan. 24)

Team	Won	Lost
Three is Company	86.5	53.5
6-Pack	85.5	54.5
Team 16	81	59
Team 1	81.5	61.5

## Barbecue, anyone?



John Rettig, left, outdoor recreation director, and Chris Papale, recreation specialist, prepare a barbecue grill for checkout. For information on grill rentals, call 377-3160.

Dummys Dummies	78	62	Team 3	83	57
Team 12	76	64	Pin Busters	76	71
2 Bees & a D	75	65	Sandbaggers	73	74
The Very Best	74	66	Jax Hax	69	78
Freda's Kids	74	66	3 Guys and A Babe	65	82
Delema	72.5	67.5	Harry's Team	65	82
Barb's Boys	70.5	69.5	Pin Pals	60	80
T-N-T	66	74	Dreamers	43	104
Amy's Bunch	61	79			
Team 2	59.5	80.5			
Team 15	59	81			
Friends	57	83			
Full Speed	57	83			
Guys and Dolls	49	91			

#### Thursday Federal Intramural (as of Jan. 31)

Team	Won	Lost
85th EIS	102	50
332nd TRS	100	52
Team 3	92	60
Team 5	87	65
403rd Rolling Thunder	86	66
Team 4	84	68
Team 14	82	70
338th TRS	82	70
403rd MXS	80	72
81st CPTS	76	76
81st TRSS	70	82
GCCS Squad	67	85
Misfits	64	80
81st MSS	64	80
Team 10	60	92
Ghosts	10	134

#### Friday Mixed (as of Friday)

Team	Won	Lost
Team 10	99	48
Lady and the Tramps	95	52

## Fitness centers

**Free fitness classes** — step aerobics, turbo-core, spin/cycle, slo-robics, boxing workout and fencing at Dragon Fitness Center. For more information, call 377-2907.

**Free sweetheart 5-kilometer run** — 11 a.m. today, Blake Fitness Center. Sign up day of race as individual runner or a male-female team. All walkers and runners with Keesler access welcome. Sweets for all participants; prizes to top three male/female teams who finish together.

**Massage appointments** — at Triangle Fitness Center, call 263-5515.

## Golf

**Driving range** — 40 balls, \$2.

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

**Free women's clinics** — 3-4 p.m. Tuesday and March 11, Bay Breeze Golf Course. Limit 10 per day/clinic. Fundamentals of the golf swing. For reservations, call 377-3832.

## Martial arts

**Editor's note:** Classes at Vandenberg Community Center. For more information, call 377-3308.

**Shaolin pentjak silat** — 7-8 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, all ages. \$65 month. Striking, kicking, grappling, weapons and internal energy; sash ranking system.

**Pukulan pencak silat tempur** —

## Track closed

The Triangle Track is closed until at least Monday while the contractor completes striping work.

For more information, call Linda Marinovich, 377-8380 or 2907.

6-7 p.m. Monday, Tuesdays and Thursdays. \$65 month. Closequarters combat class; used for personal protection.

**Mixed martial arts** — 8-9 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays. \$65 month; muay thai, western boxing, kung fu, wrestling, judo and jujitsu.

**Women's self defense** — 6-7 p.m. Wednesdays. \$25 month. Mental, physical and tactical training.

## Outdoor recreation

**Valentine special** — 10 percent discount on No. 1 camping package throughout the month.

**Bicycles for rent** — new 3500 Trek seven-speed bikes, \$3 a day or \$15 week.

**Fish of the month** — weigh in largest redfish in February, take home \$100 savings bond.

**Wet slip fees** — monthly, boats more than 32 feet, \$3.75 per foot; less than 32 feet, \$2.50 per foot. Overnight, \$5 per boat.

**Deep sea fishing trips** — compressed work schedule Fridays and Sundays aboard the Keesler Dolphin II. \$60 per person includes everything you need to fish. Payment due upon reservation. Minimum 10, maximum 22 people. For reservation, call 377-3160.

**Deep sea fishing private charter** — rent Dolphin II, \$700 for first six people, \$35 each additional person Mondays-Thursdays, \$40 weekends and holidays. \$350 deposit required.

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

**Pontoon boat training** — to rent a pontoon you must take a test and be certified. Call for information.

## Paintball

**Paintball course** — open by reservation only; for reservations or more information, call 377-3160.

## Softball

**Coach needed** — for men's varsity team. For more information, call Laurence Wilson, 377-2444.

## Special Olympics

Keesler hosts the Mississippi Special Olympics, May 16-18.

Project officer is Capt. Millie Ziebell, 377-9522.

Squadrons interested in sponsoring food booths, call Rick Harmon, 377-7351, or e-mail rick.harmon@keesler.af.mil.

## HONORS

### Student honor roll

#### 332nd Training Squadron

**Electronic principles** — Airmen Basic Matthew Anzures, Daniel Baker, Tiffany Bennett, Thomas Bryant, Isacc Butler, Stephen Bythway, Matthew Calvo, Michael Chavez, Timothy Cutrell, Angel Delgado-Leach, Derrick Dickerson, Jesse Digiacomo, Brock Dileo, Matthew English, Robert Enox, George Fagan, Nichole Fogle, Sean Gilbert, Everett Henry, Evan Hess, Jeremi Hester, Eric Hildebrandt, Christopher Holloway, Thomas Johns, Jonathan Johnson, Patrick Jungewaelter, Ezra Kiihn, Saben Leinbaugh, Samuel Martin, Jesus Martinez, Coleman Moore, Kyle Nelson, Zachary Nothcutt, David Ortega, Christopher Otto, Joseph Passmore, Kyle Perez, James Reynolds, Nathaniel Robinson, Christopher Rohach, Jeffrey Rose, Gerald Royster, Christopher Runge, Jonathan Samolinski, Eric Tambini, Patrick Timmerman, Arthur Voegle, Stevie Wakes, Zachary Walker, Jeffrey Wynn, Jessica Yeadon and Daniel Zappitello; Airmen Travis Bailey, Alexander Bascom, Ben Leclerc, Cody McMahan, Peter Momsen, Nicolas Tappa, Kyle Walker and Thomas Yoon; Airmen 1st Class Sean Archer, Joshua Boshears, Steven Briski, Robert Burgess, Michael Citchens, Philip Cyr, Travis Damm, Keith Dengel, Kyle Dresen, Leland Ellis, Adam Francis, Daniel Gay, Matthew Glover, Andrew Graff, Kiley Hickok, Patric Hilker, Mitchell Hill, James Hughes, David Huntsberger, Eric Lasseter, Jared Luczynski, Joseph McCauley, Evan McClougherty, Nicholas McCollum, Joshua Mitchell, George Oliver, Justin Parsons, Joshua Patterson, Nicholas Putinsky, Jeremy Reece, Alicia Roberts, Dee Saikeo, William Schull, Alicia Sonstebly, Benjamin Stoel, Joseph Stone, Drew Strandness, Bradley Strenn, Wesley Theulen, Max Tibbetts, Ian Wagner, Benjamin Wright and Paul Young; Senior Airmen Jerome Danan, Nathan Fultz, Patrick Molinelli and Callie Rios; Staff Sgts. Warren Drummond, Mathew Milliron, Richard Munro, Charles Owens, Ruben Sanderson, Robert Schwingel, Michael

Scoggins, William Simmons and Brett Weir; Tech. Sgts. Frankie Acfalle, Matthew Artis, William Patton, Matthew Sly and William Walsh; Master Sgt. Kevin Bengs.

#### 334th TRS

**Aerospace control and warning systems apprentice course** — Airman 1st Class Jay Wallace; Staff Sgt. David Beverly; Tech. Sgt. Shannon Gragg.

**Air traffic control operations training flight** — Airmen Basic Thomas Britt, James Dent, Tyson Garland, Ian Greene, Luke Hightower, Michael Homans, Dominique Houchens, Dion King, Benjamin McCall, Aaron Shaw, Kenneth Small, Ut Ta, Andrew Valyo, Stephen Van Dover, O'Neil Watson and Matthew Winter; Airmen Joseph Clayburn, Zachary Faughn, Kevin Platt and Patrick Vance; Airmen 1st Class Luke Bullard, Kyle Causey, Derek Cox, Kenneth Edwards, Sienna Grandy, Daniel Hochhalter, Craig Quezada, Schaffer Robichaux, Joseph Shelton, Corina Tajjeron and Ryan Vandewynkle; Senior Airman Alan Plank; Staff Sgts. Nathan Bevelle and Michael Machost.

**Command post apprentice course** — Airmen Basic Jesley Crider and Jennifer Volkers; Airmen 1st Class Jeremy Marin and Ariana Ocampo; Senior Airmen Blake Pecquet and Christy Turvaville; Staff Sgts. Michael Hohman and Kinnard Woods; Tech. Sgt. Patrick Sullivan.

#### 338th TRS

**Ground radar flight** — Master Sgt. Troy Mitchell.

**Ground radio flight** — Airman Basic David Franklin; Airmen Suzanne Attridge, Daniel Baca, David Bryant, Jose Cortes, Michael Reynolds, Ronald Roper and Daniel Webber; Airmen 1st Class Daniel Balcarcel, Bradley Childers, David Comstock, Alexander Franklin, James Gale, Evan Gossell, Christopher Hernandez, George Hernandez, Allen Idol, Robert Klebes, Christopher Lambert, Jeffrey Landers, William Littledale, Pablo Nunez, William Spradlin, Kosiasko Sullivan, Duncan Taylor, Lawanda Washington and Corey Wright; Senior Airman Greggor Ilagan; Staff Sgts. David Alexander, Brian Bennett, Bryan Massey, Tech. Sgts. Michael Bieberle and Michael Lyons.

## CLASSES

### Airman Leadership School

**Class 08-2** — graduates Feb. 13.

### Keesler NCO Academy

**Class 08-2** — graduates Feb. 15.

### Arts and crafts center

#### Multi-craft shop

**Editor's note: open until 8 p.m. Thursdays**

**Ceramic mold pouring** — 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday. \$25 including mold use, supplies and first firing. Discount for student airmen.

**Youth center teen workshop** — 4:30-7 p.m. today. Crafts and food project. Pre-registration required.

#### Wood shop

**Beginning intarsia** — 10 a.m. Saturday. \$15 including project and tool use.

#### Auto hobby shop

**Editor's note: open shop use, preregister for classes.**

**Qualified mechanics** — can assist with vehicle maintenance.

**Oil collection site** — for personal vehicles.

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

**Vehicle resale lot** — one block west of Larcher Boulevard on Tingle Street north of the 81st Security Forces Squadron building. Register at multi-craft shop. Registration, license and proof of insurance required. To place a car on the lot, call 377-2821.

## SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

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

Minutes after hour	Bus stop
:00	:30
:01	:31
:02	:32
:04	:34
:06	:36
:08	:38
:09	:39
:11	:41
:12	:42
:13	:43
:14	:44
:15	:45
:16	:46
:17	:47
:18	:48
:19	:49
:20	:50
:21	:51
:22	:52

### Technical training route 5:10-5:37 a.m. weekdays

Minutes after hour	Bus stop
:10	:30
:12	:31
:14	:32
:16	:33
:18	:34
:20	:35
:21	:36
:25	:40
:28	:43
:33	:48
:34	:49
:36	:51
:37	:52

### 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 Villas; 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.**

### 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

#### Ash Wednesday service

Larcher Chapel..... 11 a.m.

### Roman Catholic

#### Sunday Mass

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

#### Weekday Mass

Medical Center chapel.....11:15 a.m.

#### Ash Wednesday service

Triangle Chapel.....11:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

### Jewish

For worship opportunities, call Tech. Sgt. Michael Raff, 377-5235.

### 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 1-801-694-8900.

# Digest,

from Page 25

Adam Barber, Joshua Bartholomew and Bryant Marzan; Staff Sgts. Shawn Dillard, Matthew Henning, Mark Johnson, Honorio Moya and Benjamin Willock; Tech. Sgt. Charlene Delozier; Master Sgt. Lisa Clayton.

## 338th TRS

**Airfield systems** — Airmen 1st Class Adam Anderson and Nicholas Holsclaw-Rusho; Senior Airman Brian Fackler

**Ground radar flight** — Airman Drew Bellah; Airmen 1st Class Jared Evans and Adam Jorgensen; Senior Airman Benjamin Brown; Staff Sgt. Jackson Parnell; Master Sgts. Daniel Huffman and Troy Mitchell.

**Ground radio flight** — Airmen Jose Cortes, Kellen Hughey and Alyssa Wetzal; Airmen 1st Class Daniel Balcarcel, Edwin Flores-Salvarado, Sonya Gore, Carlos Gomez-Henriquez, Benjamin Hinton, Jeffrey Landers, Sara Mesenbrink, William McCabe, Joshua Miles, Enrique Nieves, Brett Raynes, Daniel Vrabel, Lawanda Washington and Christopher Wzest; Senior Airmen Michael Boyce and Christopher Marx; Staff Sgts. David Alexander, David McCarra, Bryan Massey, Nichole Shearer and Gary Won; Tech. Sgts. Michael Bieberle, Michael Lyons and Donald Moore; Master Sgt. Gordon Bosie.

**Network infrastructure systems** — Airmen Basic John Carrol and Benjamin Pecarina; Airman Michael Taylor; Airmen 1st Class Craig Adams, Xylina Dilley, Mathew Elam, Monique Fuller, David Lake, Jonathan Land, Kyle McDougal, Zachary Moore, Bradley Naugle, Ian Norburg, Bryan Paintiff, Brian Stephenson, Alan Stratton, Pedro Tunon and Joel Willitzer; Senior Airmen Thomas Boicourt, Gerald Brown, William Eichenberger and Adam Rivera; Staff Sgts. Shawn Bitzel, Kevin Demlow, Zachary Hibbert, Michael Jones, Kasper Kolbe, Jorge Lubary, Joseph Martin, Robert Perez, James Platten, Juan Salinas and Gary Walters; Tech. Sgts. Silvester Arrambide, Gilbert Chavez, Robert Gilmore, Patrick Trahan and Donnie Winter; Master Sgts. Clark Lohse, Jimmie Schell and Allen Wolfe.

# HOLIDAY HOURS

## Presidents Day

**Editor's note: Hours reflect changes in observance of the Presidents Day federal holiday, Monday.**

**Keesler News** — closed.

**Commissary** — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Inns of Keesler** — open 24 hours.

**Child development center** — closed.

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

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

**Azalea Dining Facility** — closed.

**Family child care office** — closed.

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

**Dragon and Triangle Fitness Centers** — closed.

**Gaudé Lanes and 11th Frame Café** — closed.

**Arts and crafts center** — closed.

**Auto hobby shop** — closed.

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

**Information, ticket and tours office** — closed.

**Katrina Kantina** — closed.

**McBride Library** — closed.

**Outdoor recreation** — 7 a.m. to 5 p.m..

**Vandenberg Community Center** — noon to 6 p.m..

**Veterinary clinic** — closed.

**Youth center** — closed.

**Car wash** — open 24 hours.

**Mini-mart** — open 24 hours.

**Fam camp** — open 24 hours.

**Main exchange** — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Mini-mall** — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m..

**Class Six** — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m..

**Car care center** — 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

**Military clothing sales** — closed.

**Furniture store** — closed.

**Subway** — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Mobile units** — closed.

**Seattle's Best** — closed.

**Charley's Steakery** — closed.

**Anthony's** — 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Optical shop** — closed.

**Nail shop** — 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**General Nutrition Center** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Beauty shop** — closed.

**Mini-mall barber shop** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Shoppette/car care center barber shop** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Medical center barber shop** — closed.

**Force One Rental** — 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Laundry/dry cleaners** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Enterprise Car Rental** — 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Sprint** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

# CLASSES

## Airman Leadership School

**Class 08-3** — Wednesday-March 27.

## Keesler NCO Academy

**Class 08-2** — graduates Friday.

**Class 08-3** — Feb. 26-April 3.

## Arts and crafts center

### Multi-craft shop

**Editor's note: open until 8 p.m. Thursdays**

**Thursday night specials** — 5-6 p.m. today, bring your Valentine for a treat; 5:30-7 p.m., Feb. 21 decoupage project; 5-7 p.m. Feb. 28, poor man's night craft and snack. Minimal fees for all projects.

**Pottery clay hand building** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. \$40 including five pounds of clay and firing. Bring your lunch.

**One-stroke painting with acrylics** — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Painting strokes for all decorative materials. Pre-painting experience not required. \$32 including project and paint.

**Family craft day** — 1-4 p.m. Feb. 23 for school-age youth, parents and all Airmen. Make-and-take-it project.; \$5 shop use fee.

### Wood shop

**Youth and parent wood project** — one class, two sessions, 5-8 p.m. Wednesday and Feb. 27, ages 10 and older. Adults must have a shop qualification card. \$35 includes materials, shop use and instruction. Space limited.

**Beginning intarsia** — 10 a.m. Saturday; \$15 including project and tool use.

**Advanced intarsia** — 10 a.m. Saturday or Feb. 23. \$20 including project and tool use. New project each month.

### Auto hobby shop

**Editor's note: open shop use, preregister for classes.**

**Free auto care briefing** — 4:30-6 p.m. Feb. 21. Pick up hints and advice before traveling or prepare for do-it-yourself repairs.

**Qualified mechanics** — can assist with vehicle maintenance.

**Oil collection site** — for personal vehicles.

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

**Vehicle resale lot** — one block west of Larcher Boulevard on Tingle Street north of the 81st Security Forces Squadron building. Register at multi-craft shop. Registration, license and proof of insurance required. To place a car on the lot, call 377-2821.

### Frame shop

**Framing and matting** — one class, four sessions, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays. Matting, frame building and glass cutting. \$60 including materials, shop use and a completed framing.

## Chapel

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

**Catholic religious education** — after 9 a.m. Sunday Mass.

**Protestant Sunday School** — 10:30-11:30 a.m. for preschool, elementary, teens and adults.

**Men's prayer breakfast** — 9 a.m. to noon second Saturday of the month.

Please see **Digest**, Page 27

# DINING HALL MENUS

## Today

**Lunch** — herbed baked chicken, beef and noodles, fried catfish, blackeyed peas with rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potatoes, mixed vegetables, peas, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, cheeseburger soup, frontier chicken chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef sandwich.

**Dinner** — roast pork loin, jaegerschnitzel veal, chicken cordon bleu, 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, country-style steak, stuffed peppers, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn on the cob, beans, Spanish beans, peas and carrots, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken with wild rice soup, onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

**Dinner** — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, rice, gravy, broccoli, cauliflower, Italian baked beans, corn O'Brien, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken with wild rice soup, onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

## Saturday

**Lunch** — baked chicken, beef yakisoba, canned ham, baked potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, broccoli, peas, carrots, fruit medley, kidney bean salad, raisin sauce, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup and 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, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup, chicken frontier chili and buffalo wings.

## Sunday

**Lunch** — baked fish, sauerbraten, chicken breast parmesan, au gratin potatoes, egg noodles, gravy, cauliflower combo, mixed vegetables, fried cabbage, tomato salad, German coleslaw, cheesy chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — ginger barbecue chicken, fried shrimp, beef manicotti, potato wedges, mashed potatoes, gravy, black-eyed peas, collard greens, corn O'Brien, tomato salad, German coleslaw, cheesy chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza.

## Presidents Day

**Lunch** — prime rib, cornbread, chicken gumbo, fried catfish, dijon chicken, peas and carrots, O'Brien potatoes, corn, broccoli, rice, gravy, fruit salad, spinach salad, rolls, desserts, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

**Dinner** — turkey, ribeye steak, tempura fish, 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** — lemon garlic fish, pork schnitzel steak, beef and yakisoba, ginger rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, pinto beans, spinach, squash, spinach salad, waldorf salad, frontier chicken chili, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, steak and cheese subs and tacos.

**Dinner** — roast pork loin, barbecue beef cubes, chicken fajitas, O'Brien potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower, corn on the cob, lima beans, waldorf salad, frontier chicken chili, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, steak and cheese subs and tacos.

## Wednesday

**Lunch** — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, garlic toast, noodles, baked potatoes, baked beans, green beans, simmered squash, coleslaw, cottage cheese salad, chicken noodle soup, potato soup, chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — spaghetti with meat sauce, Swiss steak, fried chicken, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, fried cauliflower, asparagus, simmered cabbage, coleslaw, country style tomatoes, chicken noodle soup, potato soup, chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

# Digest,

from Page 26

**Women's prayer breakfast** — 10 a.m. to noon first Saturday of the month.

**Tuesday Bible study** — 6-7:30 p.m. at the Haven.

## McBride Library

**Story time** — 10 a.m. Feb. 27, ages 3-5. Children's authors and illustrators special display through Sunday.

**Free wireless Internet available** — check at circulation desk.

**Gale data base reference orientations** — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Tours/orientations** — call 377-2827.

**Orientations for commanders, first sergeants and instructors** — 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

**African-American History Month** — poster and book display.

# CLUBS AND CENTERS

## Vandenberg Community Center

**Editor's note:** All events, except dances, are open to all Keesler personnel.

**Valentine's Day dance** — 6 p.m. today. Free flowers and candy.

**Leap Year birthday party** — 6 p.m. Feb. 29 for people born on Feb. 29.

**Karaoke and music videos** — 7 p.m. Thursdays before working Fridays.

**Karaoke** — 6 p.m. Thursdays before working Fridays.

**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

**Editor's note:** In the marina building overlooking Biloxi's Back Bay.

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

**Luncheon specials** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb 25. \$6 members, \$8 nonmembers. Call 377-2219 for menu.

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

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

**Catering** — experts can assist with planning weddings, holidays, birthdays, official functions and other special occasions.

## Youth center

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

**Cooking club** — Tuesday and Feb. 26, ages 9 and older. Call for times. Free for members; space limited. Preregistration required.

**Art, Fit Factor and sewing clubs** — 4-7 p.m. Mondays, ages 9 and older. Learn about arts and complete a project; maximum eight people.

**Mardi Gras ball** — 1-5 p.m. Friday, ages 6-12; 7-11 p.m. ages 13-17. \$5 members, \$7 nonmembers. Preregistration required.

**Give parents a break/parents night out** — 4-

**Open recreation** — 4-7 p.m. Mondays-Thursday, ages 9 and older.

**Friday night frenzy** — 6:30-11 p.m. ages 13-17. Games, skating, music, snacks. \$5 members, \$7 nonmembers.

**Super Saturdays** — 1-5 p.m. Saturday, ages 6-12.

**Classes** — 9 a.m. Saturdays. Dance and gymnastics, \$50 for members, \$55 nonmembers, ages 3 and older. Piano \$70 for members, \$75 nonmembers, ages 6 and older. Karate for ages 6 and older meets one week on Mondays and Tuesdays, following week Wednesdays and Thursdays; \$70 for members, \$75 for nonmembers; call for times.

# 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 <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.

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

# TRANSITIONS

## Workshops, briefings

**Congressionally-mandated pre-separation briefings** — counseling by airman and family readiness center for active-duty military members of any branch of service who'll receive honorable discharges and no extra transition benefits. Briefings are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 p.m. for personnel who are separating and 2:30 p.m. for those who are retiring. Individuals with less than honorable discharges, receiving extra benefits such as second enrollment opportunity in Montgomery GI Bill, Reserve or Guard personnel coming off 180-day deployments or entering the disability system must call 377-2179 for individual counseling appointment. Until the center moves back to Sablich Center, briefings held in Room 151, Hangar 2.

**Transition assistance program** — planned dates, which are subject to change, are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 10-13, April 14-17, May 19-22, June 16-19, July 14-17, Aug. 11-14, Sept. 15-18, Oct. 20-23, Nov. 17-20 and Dec. 8-11. For military personnel who are 12 months or less from separation or 24 months or less from retirement, and Department of Defense civilians; spouses welcome. Military members should complete congressionally-mandated pre-separation counseling in advance. Attire is business casual — no uniforms, jeans, shorts or T-shirts. Until the airman and family readiness center moves back to Sablich Center, programs held in Room 151, Hangar 2, room 151. To sign up, call 377-2179.

**Military retirement benefit seminars** — planned dates, subject to change, are 8-10:30 a.m. March 6, April 3, May 1, June 5, July 10, Aug. 7, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 4. Tricare, Survivor Benefit Plan, movement and storage of household goods, military and retired pay issues and other topics covered. Spouses encouraged to attend. To sign up, call 377-2179. Until the airman and family readiness center moves back to Sablich Center, briefings held in Room 151, Hangar 2.

## 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, Hangar 2 (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](mailto:ronald.bublik@keesler.af.mil).

**Air Force Reserve opportunities** — for members separating within 180 days, call Master Sgt. Neil Sherman, 377-7116; visit Room 229, Hangar 2 or e-mail [anthony.sherman@keesler.af.mil](mailto:anthony.sherman@keesler.af.mil).

**Palace Chase** — for information about how to apply for a program to attend college full time and work part time, call Master Sgt. Neil Sherman, 377-7116; visit Room 229, Hangar 2 or e-mail [anthony.sherman@keesler.af.mil](mailto:anthony.sherman@keesler.af.mil).

**Air Force Office of Special Investigations** — special-agent volunteers investigate felony crimes against persons and property, defeats and deters base-level and contract fraud, combats threats to our information systems and technology, and provides intelligence support for the Air Force's protection mission. Senior airmen with less than six years time in service, and staff and technical sergeants with less than 12 years time in service are eligible. Foreign language, computer or technical skills are desired, but not required. Those accepted attend the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Brunswick, Ga. for training in instruction in law, report writing, forensics, interview techniques, firearms and defensive tactics and other subjects related to the challenges of investigative duty. For more information on applying, contact AFOSI Detachment 407, 377-3420.

## 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.vba.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](mailto: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>.

# MEETINGS

**Editor's note:** To list time, place and contact for organizational meetings, call 377-3837 or e-mail [KN@keesler.af.mil](mailto: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 Chapter 652** — 7 a.m. third Tuesday of the month, Live Oak Dining Hall. For more information, call Master Sgt. Kat Hataway, 377-1389, 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](mailto: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](mailto:keesler.aaddofficers@keesler.af.mil).

**Asian Pacific-American Heritage Committee** — 11:30 a.m. first Wednesday of the month, Room 151, Hangar 2 (old Cody Hall, Hall). For more information, call Lucy Belles, 377-2179, or Larry McKean, 377-3252.

**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](mailto:dewi.clark2@keesler.af.mil); Fred Blache, 377-1048, or visit <http://www.toastmasters.org>.

**Blacks in Government** — 5:15 p.m. second Thursday of the month, Taylor Logistics Building conference room. For more information call Florence Clay, 377-8681, or Paulette Powell, 377-2270.

**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](mailto: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 Heather Melancon, 831-8895.

**Keesler Spouses Club** — second Tuesday of the month. For time and place, call Gretchen Gorline, 374-8024, 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; location varies. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Toyshaline Young, 377-0591, or Tech. Sgt. Jodi Evans, 377-2835.

**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** — 5 p.m. first Thursday of the month, McBride Library. For more information, call Glenda Mosby, 243-1992, [gmosby1@bellsouth.net](mailto:gmosby1@bellsouth.net), or Charles Bowers, 860-3665.

# 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** — 6a:30 p.m., One Missed Call (PG-13, 87 minutes).

**Saturday** — 2 p.m., The Water Horse, (PG, 112 minutes); 6:30 p.m., The Great Debators (PG-13, 124 minutes).

**Sunday** — 12:30 p.m., The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything (G, 85 minutes).