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Photo by Adam Bond

Tuesday morning, members of the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron remove plywood used to protect the doors and windows of the 81st Training Wing headquarters building from the winds of Hurricane Gustav.

## Base preparations on target for Gustav

### Keesler Public Affairs

Hurricane Gustav's glancing blow over the Labor Day weekend gave Keesler a chance to test its revamped hurricane plan — and it worked.

Hurricane Gustav made landfall in Cocodrie, La., at about 9:30 a.m. Monday as a Category 2 storm, according to Capt. Mark Sheldon, officer in charge of weather operations for the 81st Operations Support Flight.

A maximum sustained wind of 45 mph and a maximum gust of 61 mph were

recorded at Keesler, Captain Sheldon said. The storm surge was estimated at six feet along Biloxi's Back Bay.

Six training facilities became shelters for 3,100 students and mission-essential personnel. Another 6,400 Keesler people and their family members evacuated.

Keesler's new hurricane procedures incorporate the lessons learned from Hurricane Katrina three years ago, according to Staff Sgt. Bradley Baker from the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron emergency management flight who helped write the plan.

"The objective of the plan was to prepare the base for severe weather by putting the right tools in the hands of the right people at the right time," said Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander.

Many changes were made in how the base would deal with a major hurricane.

The hurricane database was improved by including more pertinent information about Keesler members, including shel-

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## Keesler surpasses Gustav's test

By Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill  
81st Training Wing commander

Airmen, families and friends, I want to thank each and every one of you for your heroic response to Hurricane Gustav. I am awed by your positive energy, professionalism, and devotion to duty. Thanks to your efforts, Keesler and its personnel remained safe and sound.

My commander's intent during this operation was clear:

**Protect** our people.

**Secure** our resources.

**Maintain** mission continuity.

I'm pleased to declare success in accomplishing these objectives.

When I made the decision to evacuate the dependants and non-storm-essential personnel, I knew the impact it would have on families. I've received numerous reports of families who "deployed" to locations all over the south eastern United States. They moved out with speed and safety in mind. I wish I could have cleared the roads for you, yet we wanted to get you out of harm's way. Thank you to all who evacuated and did so safely.

Thanks also to those who stayed behind to fight the storm. Our civil engineers and security forces met the enemy head on and conquered the storm. We're still doing the damage assessment, yet it is already obvious that the facility hardening from Katrina made our reconstitution from Gustav a whole lot easier. The new housing area weathered the storm extremely well ... as advertised. Our defenders remain on the watch to ensure the security our base and housing. Thanks to all.

Our 81st Force Support Squadron was incredible ...



Photo by Adam Bond

**Maj. Gen. Alfred Flowers, 2nd Air Force commander, administers the oath of office promoting Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander, to his new rank. The ceremony took place Sept. 2 in Keesler's Hurricane Gustav command center.**

who would have thought we'd have hot meals so soon! Lodging and services went above and beyond to ensure everyone had a roof over their heads. Personnel accountability was achieved and we're still tracking folks as they return home. If you have not called our 1-800-673-9356 accountability team line, you are late. We want you safe and sound and will not rest until everyone is accounted for. Well done!

The 81st Training Group excelled in the shelters. Wow! If you want to see world-class care of thousands of people, look to our "Magnificent Seven" squadrons in the training group. Sure, sleeping on the floor isn't fun, yet the training group made sure we were safe, kept us informed and took great care of us.

Let's not forget the 81st Medical Group, many of whom stayed behind in the hospital to care for some

patients we didn't think prudent to move. They even delivered a baby during the storm (and no, its name is **not** Gustav!) I'd like to especially thank the dining facility folks in the hospital, who made hot meals for the defenders who stood the watch out in the rain and wind of the storm. I am very proud of you!

Our mission partners in 2nd Air Force, the mighty 403rd Wing, and the 85th Engineering Installation Squadron were awesome. We all shared a common battle experience against Gustav. While this phase of the battle has passed, the next phase is upon us. Let's put our gloves on, put safety first in everything we do, take care of our base and our neighbors, take care of ourselves, and get ready to fight the next one even better!

Well done Team Keesler! I am proud of you!

Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill,  
81st Training Wing commander,  
has selected the  
81st Civil Engineer Squadron  
and  
81st Security Forces Squadron  
as  
"Dragons of the Week"  
for their "service before self"  
during Hurricane Gustav.

## ACTION LINE ... 377-4357

By Brig. Gen. 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).

## Let there (not) be light

**ISSUE** — Through my kitchen window I have observed one of your street lights that seems to burn much longer than necessary. This has been going on for several weeks, maybe even a few months. The light is located along the west side of the base and illuminates the walk that the children use walking to Jeff Davis School. It is about five blocks from the Pass Road Gate, just a little north of where Sunset runs into Rodeo Drive.

Sometime back I read in your base paper that Keesler had been directed to further reduce its energy consumption. I realize that lights are not a big energy user; however, I feel certain that by turning off lights when they are not needed would contribute to your energy reduction program.

**RESPONSE** — Thank you for bringing this to our attention. Energy usage and conservation are very important to base leadership. Our civil engineers found the photocell controls for that set of street lights were not functioning correctly and didn't turn off the lights during the daytime.. The photocell has been fixed and checked for proper operation.

Keesler has many conservation efforts working behind the scenes that save energy and other resources. We have an energy savings performance contract that includes energy and water conservation measures. One example is the de-centralization of the base steam plant. The plant was replaced with energy efficient hot water boilers in the facilities the plant served. Low flow aerators have been installed on water faucets and low flow flush toilets have been installed in many facilities at Keesler to conserve water. A resources efficiency manager is being hired in the next few months with expertise in energy conservation to help Keesler identify more conservation items.

Thank you again for your sincere concern and help in conserving our resources. We appreciate you reporting this malfunction and welcome everyone to report similar faults to our civil engineering customer service center, 377-7771 so that we can make things right.

# 'Back to basics' applies to leadership, too

By Lt. Col. Mark Mesenbrink

335th Training Squadron commander

Leadership back to basics...what does that mean to you? Leadership from the front? Letting your people know there isn't anything you would have them do that you wouldn't do first? Being the first to charge that hill? Those are all good things, but I can get people who have a reckless sense of courage to stand out front. I can find a competitive person who will make sure they do everything first before their people. I can also find that crazy person who will run into a wall of bullets. None of them may be leaders.

All services have leadership traits — from the Army's 11 leadership principles, to the Marines' 14 leadership traits and even the Air Force's six personal leadership traits. Which ones are more important? Why so many? How can leadership be basic with all these traits from which to focus? All good questions, and if I knew I could comfortably retire on a golf course.

Having been around people, from

those who held rank to leaders who were promoted, three expected traits must dominate a person's psyche for me to call them "leader" — integrity, accountability and credibility. These three simple traits that take a concerted effort to master.

Integrity must be first and foremost. Integrity is doing the right thing for the right reason (yes, you can do the right thing for the wrong reason.) I expect my leaders to be truthful in all their dealings — no personal agenda, no hidden meanings, no deceit — always doing the right thing for the right reason.

Leaders must be accountable for the good and the bad ... without hesitation. They must take credit for what they have done and give credit to those who have accomplished.

Finally, a person's credibility is what binds their character. Leaders must say what they mean and mean what they say — their word is their bond. Though it takes a lifetime to build, credibility is something fragile enough to crumble in one flash of poor judgment or selfishness.

I offered doing the right thing for the right reason as a definition of integrity — let me expand on that because it's important. The right things don't necessarily have personal gain such as awards and promotions waiting on the other side.

Those right things will even sometimes come at a price. You may be viewed as a "non-team player." You may be viewed as not having the right "sight picture." You may even be called "disloyal." Regardless of the catch phrase of the moment, doing those things with no expectation of personal glory, personal gain, personal promotion or personal prestige with the primacy of the greater good — those are the right things. Any prestige begotten from doing the right things should be met with humility and not expectation.

I'm not saying you will be a leader if you master the basics. I will say that you will have a sound foundation for people to trust you and to follow you. In the end, the people following you will be the ones who will call you "Leader."

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# TRAINING AND EDUCATION



## Technical training buildings become storm sanctuaries



Photos by Adam Bond

Top, nonprior service technical training students arrive from around Keesler at a designated shelter located at Wolfe Hall. The students were among more than 750 Keesler personnel sheltering at Wolfe Hall, just one of the six shelters open on base.

Left, Tech. Sgt. Bernalhee McFadden, left, Senior Airman Faith Martin and Staff Sgt. Tory Jaeck, 335th Training Squadron students, stay busy on their laptops during Hurricane Gustav while staying at Wolfe Hall.

The Keesler Honor Guard needs officer and enlisted volunteers to represent the Air Force at funerals and other ceremonies.

For more information, call

Master Sgt. Andrea Turner, 377-0765;  
Tech. Sgt. David Warren, 377-1986,  
or James Taylor, 377-2081.

# Physician assistant applications accepted

## **Air Force Personnel Center**

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Officials are taking applications from active-duty enlisted Airmen for Phase I physician assistant training classes starting in January, April and August 2010.

Completed applications must arrive at HQ AFPC/ DPAMW, 550 C Street West, Suite 27, Randolph AFB TX 78150-4729 no later than Jan. 25 and no earlier than Nov. 1. The selection board convenes at the Air Force Personnel Center March 17.

Applicants must:

**Be on active duty** airman first class through senior master sergeant with a minimum of two years and a maximum of 14 years active military service as of Aug. 31, 2010.

**Meet age limitations** for appointment as first lieutenants in the biomedical sciences corps — less than 42 years of age when they complete Phase II training.

**A Scholastic Aptitude Test** score within five years of the board date; minimum score of 450 for all areas, and minimum combined score of 1,425 in critical reading, verbal and math.

**Have minimum general score** of 80 points on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery or Air Force Classification Test.

**Complete** 60 semester hours of transferable college credits with a grade point average of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. Thirty hours must be classroom courses at an accredited institution and completed by March 10. A combined minimum 3.0 GPA is required in math and science courses. Thirty hours can be earned through College Level Examination Program exams, Air Force correspondence courses and DANTES tests.

For details, call the military personnel flight, education office, click on physician assistants at AFPC's "Ask" Web site or call the Air Force Contact Center, 1-800-616-3775.

## CCAF scholarships

The Keesler Chiefs Group is offering three \$150 scholarships for airmen basic through technical sergeants pursuing their first Community College of the Air Force degree.

Those interested submit an application and write an essay on the value of education to Air Force enlisted personnel to the education office or any chiefs group member by Oct. 9.

Scholarships are awarded at the CCAF graduation ceremony Oct. 21.

For more information, call Chief Master Sgt. Tom Clarke, 377-1314.

## WAPS testing

The test administration period for Weighted Airman Promotion System Test Cycle 08E9 is Tuesday through Sept. 12.

If individuals are unavailable for the entire testing window, they're encouraged to test prior to the announced start of the test cycle.

Individuals who aren't tested prior to departure should be tested as soon as possible after their return to Keesler or arrival at a new base if there's a permanent change of station, unless they qualify for additional preparation time due to contingency operations.

Personnel projected to retire or separate during the promotion schedule must be scheduled to test or decline testing.

For more information, call Frances Thomas-Frye, 376-4415.

## Parking lot closes

The parking lot on the southeast side of the Keesler NCO Academy Building is closed until noon Wednesday for drill practice and evaluations.

In the event of inclement weather, the hours may change or the lot is open.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Greg Jackson, 377-2740.

## Drill downs, parades

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

**Drill downs** — 7 a.m. Sept. 19; 8 a.m. Nov. 14.

**Parades** — 6 p.m. Oct. 16.

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

## Student health center

The student health center in the Triangle is open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday.

For more information, call 377-7016.

## Pitsenbarger Awards available

Keesler Community College of the Air Force fall graduates may apply for one of seven \$500 Pitsenbarger Awards sponsored by the Air Force Association and the Aerospace Education Foundation.

The Pitsenbarger Awards are presented to selected top Air Force enlisted personnel graduating from CCAF who are pursuing or plan to pursue a bachelor's degree. Prior winners aren't eligible.

Applications are available at the education office, Room 224, Sablich Center or at <http://www.afa.org>. Completed applications with supporting documentation are due to the education office by 4 p.m. Sept. 26.

Awards are presented the CCAF commencement ceremony, 3 p.m. Oct. 21 at Welch Theater.

For more information, visit the education office or call 376-8708 or 8710.

## Academic counseling

For college counseling, call 376-8708 or 8710.

## GI Bill benefits

Montgomery GI Bill benefits may be used in conjunction with tuition assistance.

For more information, call the education office, 376-8708.

## ACSC options

Air Command and Staff College can be completed by correspondence or seminar.

Majors or major-selects of all services and civilians General Schedule-11 and above are eligible.

For more information, call Joyce James, 376-8472.

## CCAF online

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

## Bollard buster

Staff Sgt. Trevor Connelly, left, and Dudley Cruse spread sand over a fuel spill Aug. 26 at the Meadows Drive Gate as Senior Airman Jayne Bayquen operates the front end loader. They are from the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron. A fuel truck ran over one of the bollards at the gate, pulling the post out of the pavement and dumping about 10 gallons of diesel fuel, according to Teddy James, 81st CES environmental flight chief. The gate was closed temporarily for cleanup and repairs.

Photo by Kemberly Groue



## 'Lifesaver 2008' starts Wednesday

By Steve Pivnick

### 81st Medical Group Public Affairs

A simulated train derailment involving hazardous materials signals the start of a two-day exercise Wednesday.

Keesler joins local, state and federal agencies in "Lifesaver 2008," a major Homeland Security/National Disaster Medical System exercise. The exercise is the first in the Lifesaver series since May 2005.

The exercise is intended to test Keesler Medical Center's NDMS plan as well as meet objectives established by other participants.

The NDMS is a federally-coordinated system that augments the nation's medical response capability. Its overall purpose is to supplement an integrated national medical response capability for assisting state and local authorities in dealing with the medical impacts of major peacetime disasters.

It's also intended to provide support to the military and the Department of Veterans Affairs medical systems in caring for casualties evacuated back to the U.S. from overseas armed conven-

## Clinics closed

Keesler Medical Center clinics are closed Sept. 11 as staff members participate in the "Lifesaver 2008" exercise.

The emergency room is available for emergencies.

tional conflicts.

Lifesaver 2008 also involves participants from the 403rd Wing, Mississippi Air National Guard's Gulfport Combat Readiness Training Center; members of the Alabama Disaster Medical Assistance Team and several regional hospitals.

"We will have approximately 60 Keesler volunteer "patients" and medical group members manning medical support teams," said Tech. Sgt. Shane Fountain, 81st Medical Support Squadron medical readiness flight. "Several of more than 20 participating hospitals will also provide volunteer patients — as many as 70. In addition, the Alabama DMAT will have 35 members involved and the 403rd Wing will fly 10-12 patients from Keesler to

Mobile's Brookley Field in one of their C-130J aircraft."

Keesler Medical Center also will establish a federal coordinating center to work with area hospitals, partners in the NDMS, to arrange with them to account for available patient beds. Keesler Medical Center is one of seven Air Force FCCs among 63 in the Defense Department and VA systems.

Patients will be taken to three patient reception areas for further evaluation. Then they'll be transported to medical facilities for treatment, some by air, others by ambulance. The PRAs are located at Keesler, the Gulfport CRTC and Brookley Field. Medical support at Brookley will be provided by the Alabama DMAT.

Lt. Col. Chris Morgan, 81st MDSS medical readiness flight commander observed, "We're exercising to ensure we're ready and capable of partnering with our civilian medical counterparts and that we're ready to respond if needed. The fact that we're exercising on Sept. 11 is a good reminder of why we exercise."

## IN THE NEWS

### Magnolia Dining Facility reopens

An 8 a.m. ceremony today marks the reopening of the Magnolia Dining Facility.

### Hazardous waste collection

The semi-annual household hazardous waste collection day is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 18 at the recycling center, Building 4004 just west of the post office.

Keesler employees, retirees, dormitory residents and military residents are encouraged to participate.

**Acceptable items** include flammable, corrosive, toxic, poisonous or reactive substances. Look for words like "caution," "warning" or "danger" on container labels. Common household hazardous items include paints and solvents, lawn care chemicals, household cleaning and maintenance products, pool chemicals, craft and hobby supplies and automotive products, batteries, thermometers, lead solder and fluorescent lights.

**Unacceptable items** include radioactive waste, needles, syringes, medical waste, "white goods" such as stoves and refrigerators, ammunition, explosive materials or any waste generated by any business or base work area. No container over five gallons in size are accepted.

For more information, call the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron's hazardous waste management office, 377-3004.

### Death notification

Brig. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander, regrets to announce the death of Master Sgt. Louis Henderson, a reservist with 403rd Maintenance Squadron and a civilian with the 81st Training Support Squadron. He was assigned to the 403rd Wing on active-duty orders at the time of his death.

Any persons having claims for or against Sergeant Henderson's estate, call 1st Lt. Bobbie Young, 377-4025.

### 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.

### Q Street closure

Q Street between Chappie James Avenue and L Street is closed permanently to allow for construction of the new training aids facility.

### 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; Bunksmall Apartments and H&H Hideaway in Pascagoula and Toni's Lounge in Moss Point.

# Gustav,

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tering intentions and personnel classification, which allowed more detailed queries and fidelity for status reporting to higher headquarters.

A personnel accountability team was also created. This group of 24 Keesler members from the 81st Force Support Squadron headed to Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., before everyone else to ensure the accountability of all evacuated personnel.

Other procedural changes included the more efficient hardening of buildings using a new screen material, reducing the need for wood and manpower. Hurricane response teams are also identified, making accountability and assessments more efficient.

The damage assessment process was one thing that didn't change, but the way findings were cataloged did change, according to Sergeant Baker. Damage assessment reporting is now standardized across Air Education and Training Command.

The 81st Civil Engineer Squadron's initial damage estimate is \$902,000, primarily for downed trees, fences, roof and flashing damage and a few water leaks.

The 81st CES damage assessment teams evaluate the base in all areas to determine its status. This is done primarily to ensure the safety of Keesler residents and to restore the mission.

Each team includes different civil engineer specialties such as structural, utilities and electrical. Once the teams are formed, they are assigned to a route within a sector.

After the storm has passed and it is deemed safe to venture out, the teams check out of the

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[http://www.  
keesler.af.mil](http://www.keesler.af.mil)

## Getting back to business

Keesler operations are quickly returning to normal after Hurricane Gustav.

The finance office in Sablich Center has been open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. this week to process travel vouchers. Saturday and Sunday, the hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. These hours continue until further notice.

Although regularly-booked appointments were cancelled this week, Keesler Medical Center began providing limited acute care walk-in appointments in the family practice, internal medicine, student health and pediatrics clinics Wednesday. Students were treated in the flight medicine clinic. The emergency room remained open for emergencies.

The main pharmacy reopened Tuesday, and the satellite pharmacy and dental clinic were back in business Wednesday.

Regular operations at the medical center resume Monday.

In the 81st Training Group, students will be back at their desks Monday, according to Lt. Col. Steven Ramsay, 81st TRG deputy commander.

Colonel Ramsay expects a "double batch" of nearly 300 basic military training graduates to arrive Tuesday, since 143 nonprior service students scheduled to arrive this week were delayed by Gustav.

Base dining facilities, fitness centers, base exchange, commissary and youth center reopened Wednesday.

At the child development center, one room per age group opened Wednesday, with priority given to single and dual military and civilian parents. Regular operations resume Monday.

The golf course and marina plan to resume normal operations as soon as damage assessments are completed.

shelter for accountability and load vehicles with equipment. They work closely with unit control centers and update their location while inspecting specific checkpoints on base.

They follow specific routes and report completion rates to unit control centers. This is done in case there is a delay, then rescue teams will know exactly where to begin looking.

"We looked for fires, flooding, fallen trees and power lines and other hazards," said Tech. Sgt. Melvin Jackson, noncommissioned officer in charge of one of the damage assessment teams. "We found mostly windows blown open from wind surges, broken tree limbs and fences and high water in the marina, but we expected that."

"This base was designed with that flooding in mind," said Lt. Col. Jeff Szatanek, 81st CES commander. "Since Katrina, we've made

many infrastructure improvements as well."

The newly-built base housing was built above the Federal Emergency Management Agency flood plan, with windows that withstand 140 mph winds. The basement at Keesler Medical Center now has a dike system in the basement to protect assets there from flooding again. Additionally, generators were upgraded to automatic ones which turn on when the power goes out.

"I feel like we had a plan, we executed that plan and we took care of our people," said Colonel Szatanek. "I am proud of the sense of urgency our squadron had. Thankfully (the storm) wasn't as severe as it could have been."

Staff Sgt. Tanya Holditch, Keesler News editor; Susan Griggs, Keesler News staff writer; and Tech. Sgt. Dan Neely, Keesler Public Affairs, contributed to this report.



# Evacuation entitlements

## — what you need to know

81st Comptroller Squadron

### Regulatory guidance

Military members and their dependents are authorized evacuation entitlements under the Joint Federal Travel Regulation, Volume 1, Chapter 6.

Department of Defense civilians and their dependents are authorized evacuation entitlements under Joint Travel Regulation, Vol 2, Chapter 6.

The regulations and per diem Web site are found at <http://perdiem.hqda.pentagon.mil>. Here you can find the per diem allowances for your safe haven location.

When the location or DOD installation doesn't appear in the first column, search the second column for the county. If the county isn't listed, run a query using the "standard CONUS per diem rate."

### Travel cash advances

Government travel cards are the primary method for travel cash advances. Travel cash advances are authorized if the member doesn't have a GTC.

**Member or employee without dependents** — \$250.

**Member or employee with dependents** — \$500. If the sponsor isn't in local area, the family member may request an advance using the sponsor's Social Security number

At the "safe haven," the sponsor or family member who has no GTC card may go to the nearest Air Force Installation Finance Office to request additional travel advance(s). The advance is posted under the sponsor's Social Security number

Active duty military are authorized a local transportation allowance of \$25.00 per day if dependents do not have a vehicle for in and around transportation at their Safe Haven location. Reimbursement must be requested on final settlement voucher.

### Per diem rates

**Military and civilian members** — 100 percent of the meals and incidental rate.

**Military and civilian dependents 12 and older** — 100 percent of the meals and incidental rate.

**Military and civilian dependents under age 12** — 50 percent of the meals and incidental rate.

The meals and incidental rate is based on the per diem rate at the "safe haven" location. Dependents over age 12 receive 100 percent and dependents under 12 receive 50 percent for the first 30 days. After 30 days, the rate is reduced to 60 percent of meals and incidental rate for dependents 12 and over and 30 percent for dependents under 12.

### Orders

It's important to note that accordance with the JFTR paragraph U2100, reimbursement for travel/per diem isn't authorized when travel is performed before receipt of written or verbal orders by a military official. A similar provision is in the JTR paragraph C3051 for civilians.

Travel must begin on the date ordered by the installation commander. Travel beyond authorized points in the evacuation order limits reimbursement to the standard CONUS per diem rate. Mileage reimbursement is limited to the authorized distance in the evacuation order only.

### Family separation allowance

FSA is authorized if separation by military orders is for more than 31 consecutive days. Distance must be a minimum of 50 miles or 90-minute commute.

# Base shelters provide safe haven from Gustav

For  
sheltering  
photos,  
see Pages 4, 14.

By Staff Sgt.  
Tanya Holditch

Keesler News Editor

About 3,100 storm recovery personnel and students took refuge Sunday at one of six Keesler shelters before

Hurricane Gustav made landfall.

The other 6,400 family members and non-storm essential personnel evacuated when the 6 a.m. order was given by Col. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander.

"We will remain in the shelters until it is safe to go back to normal operations," Colonel Touhill said from the Wolfe Hall shelter. "Everyone is safe and we are anxious to get out, but morale is high."

The Air Force Civil Engineer Support Agency and 81st Civil Engineer Squadron work together to rate the shel-

ters, which can accommodate more than 7,500 people if needed. They must meet requirements in various areas before they can be used to shelter people.

Wolfe Hall alone sheltered more than 750 Airmen Sunday, including students from the 335th Training Squadron. Airman 1st Class Laura Smith, who has only been at Keesler for four weeks, was among them.

"I'm from Ohio and we don't have anything like this," she said. "I was very scared, but I feel fine now."

Airmen in the 81st Training Group were briefed a few days

ago on the possibility of going in to the shelters if the hurricane continued to pose a threat to the base, she said.

The Airmen were told to bring food, water, blankets and pillows and things to occupy them in case they needed to shelter for more than a night or two.

Airman Smith said she was glad she brought her own snacks although food was provided for Airmen on meal cards because she's a picky eater.

"They woke us up for lunch today," she said. "I slept through the storm. This seems like a strong shelter."

Others in the shelter said they already knew what to expect during hurricane season and dealing with Gustav was business as usual.

"I was worried this would be chaotic," said 2nd Lt. Andrew Beidler, 335th TRS. "It has been pretty organized — they had sleeping bags, supplies and extension cords for us. I didn't expect to have power and be so relaxed."

The shelter teams took great lengths to cover every detail of taking care of the people housed inside, according to Lt. Col. Mark Mesenbrink, 335th TRS commander. They helped unload cars, carried bags and checked people in for accountability. Room numbers were assigned, much like checking into a hotel. Teams were organized, including security, communication, sanitation and morale.

"I don't think my parents should worry," said Lieutenant Beidler, who also didn't hear the storm pass because of the building's thick walls. "I have been through this five times. Packing was the most stressful part."

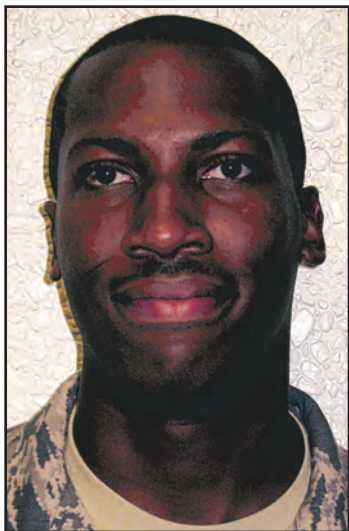
"Everyone has done a really good job," said Airman Smith. "The Air Force has made us feel very safe being here."

"I am just delighted at how everyone is working together as a team to execute our hurricane plan," said Colonel Touhill.

# DRAGON ON THE STREET

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What was your favorite thing about sheltering during Hurricane Gustav?



“Just seeing the people I worked with come together to get the job done — even the tech school students were very professional.”

**Senior Airman Jermaine Wilson, 81st Security Forces Squadron**



“Getting to see our tech school students rise to the occasion and put the training we provide them into practice.”

**Tech. Sgt. Michael Dignan, 336th Training Squadron**



“A person’s true character comes out under stressful situations, and I saw leadership emerge from the most unexpected places.”

**Chief Master Sgt. Damian Orslene, 81st Force Support Squadron**

## DIAMOND NOTES

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Per Air Force Instruction 36-2903, earrings are only worn by women and must be

“small spherical, conservative round diamond, gold, pearl, or silver earrings.

If member has multiple holes, only one set of earrings will be worn in the lower earlobe.”



**Master Sgt. Elisabeth Reid, 332nd Training Squadron first sergeant**

## MEMORABLE MOMENTS

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**Sept. 8, 1941**

The 310th Technical School Squadron, a basic training unit, was the first squadron to move from tent city to new barracks.

Hundreds of shorebirds took refuge on Keesler's flight line after Hurricane Gustav skirted the base Monday.

Photo by Justin Cooper



## Gustav gallery



81st Civil Engineer Squadron photo  
Members of the 81st CES form a sandbag brigade to protect Keesler Medical Center.



Photo by Adam Bond  
Senior Airman Michelle Clark, 81st Operations Support Flight, rolls up her bed after a spending the night with more than 750 Keesler nonprior service students, rapid recovery team members and storm recovery in Wolfe Hall, one of Keesler's designated hurricane shelters.



Photo by Adam Bond  
Staff Sgt. Matthew Osborn, 81st CES, hardens the air traffic control tower windows prior to Gustav's arrival.

# Air Force Sergeants Association conference

## Chief of staff highlights warriors, focus areas

By Senior Master Sgt. Sean Cobb

**Office of the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force**  
SAN ANTONIO — Airmen are fighting today's fight on fronts around the world for a more secure America and peace for future generations, the chief master sergeant of the Air Force told attendees at the Air Force Sergeants Association Professional Airmen's Conference Aug. 26 in San Antonio.

The No. 1 enlisted Airman spoke to a standing-room only crowd of past and present total force Airmen, senior civilian and military Department of Defense leaders, legislative representatives and military and veterans' spouses on a range of topics from the current war on terrorism, the importance of Air Force core values, and taking care of Airmen and their families.

"This is going to be a long war," Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Rodney McKinley said. "This is a war we need to fight as an away game, not on the streets of America. There are terrorists all over the world and they can't stand the freedoms we enjoy."

"This really comes down to the difference between love and hate," the chief said. "The terrorists hate our way of life and our freedoms, and they want to take it all away from us. We love our democracy, our diversity and the freedom to pursue our dreams. In the end, we will prevail."

To protect these freedoms, Airmen will do what it takes, even if it means stepping out of our core competencies.

### Keesler chapter earns honors

Keesler's Air Force Sergeants Association Magnolia Chapter 652 took top recruiting honors at the AFSA Professional Airmen's Conference, Aug. 23-27 in San Antonio.

The chapter earned top recruiting chapter of the year, auxiliary top recruiting chapter of the year and largest percentage growth in membership.

Recognized as "Sky High" members for recruiting 100 or more members in a year from Keesler were Samuel Foster, senior adviser, and his wife Michelle, president of the auxiliary chapter; Master Sgts. Isaac Brown, chapter vice president; and Staff Sgt. Jason Jenkins, treasurer.

Also attending from Keesler were Chief Master Sgt. Alex Perry, 81st Training Wing command chief; Staff Sgt. Rich Striggow, president; Master Sgt. Rogers Trahan, trustee; and Master Sgts. Cindy Barrowman, Chip Coleman, Kelle Turner and Debra Wright; Tech. Sgt. Henry Sims and Staff Sgt. Tanya Holditch, members.



"When a combatant commander needs a job done, they don't first task another service and then give it to us if another service can't support," the chief said in reference to what are often mistakenly termed "in-lieu of" taskings.

"We don't call these taskings in-lieu of missions anymore," he said. "If our nation needs us, we will answer the call no matter the duty. Our Airmen are incredible warriors and their battlefield contributions on the ground are just as important as those made in the air."

The services are working on terminology to describe joint force solutions better.

"This is a joint fight and we are all sworn to defend our nation, the American people and our homeland," Chief McKinley said. "The most efficient and effective way for us to do this is to partner with our joint services and coalition team."

No one should ever doubt the resolve of America's Airmen, Chief McKinley said.

"We are in harm's way. We have dangerous jobs," he said. "That means each and every one of us has to be on top of our game and remain focused on the basics — doing everything right the first time — that's our way."

During his recent visits to Walter Reed Army Medical Center, the dedication and commitment of Airmen warriors is readily apparent, Chief McKinley said.

"At this very moment, we have an Airman at Walter Reed recovering from the amputation of both legs as well as other injuries," the chief said. "We have another Airman undergoing facial reconstruction and the loss of fingers. Their spouses stand by their bedside day after day. These Airmen and their families have maintained a positive attitude throughout their ordeal and serve as an inspiration to us all."

No matter the dangers, no matter the challenges, the Air Force is an outstanding fighting force, the chief said.

"Every Airman should be proud," he said. "We are the most powerful Air Force in the world and we will defeat any enemy who makes the mistake of doubting our capabilities."

While highlighting the Air Force commitment to today's fight, the chief also emphasized the force is reinvigorating its efforts in nuclear enterprise and will continue to ramp up quality of life, Airmen development and family care initiatives.

"We must take care of those who secure the home front and provide the support necessary for us to do our jobs — our families," Chief McKinley said.

The chief specifically mentioned recent gains and ongoing efforts to have states offer full in-state tuition to dependents, assist in spousal employment, unemployment compensation and honor high school credits earned from other states when families accomplish a permanent change of station move.

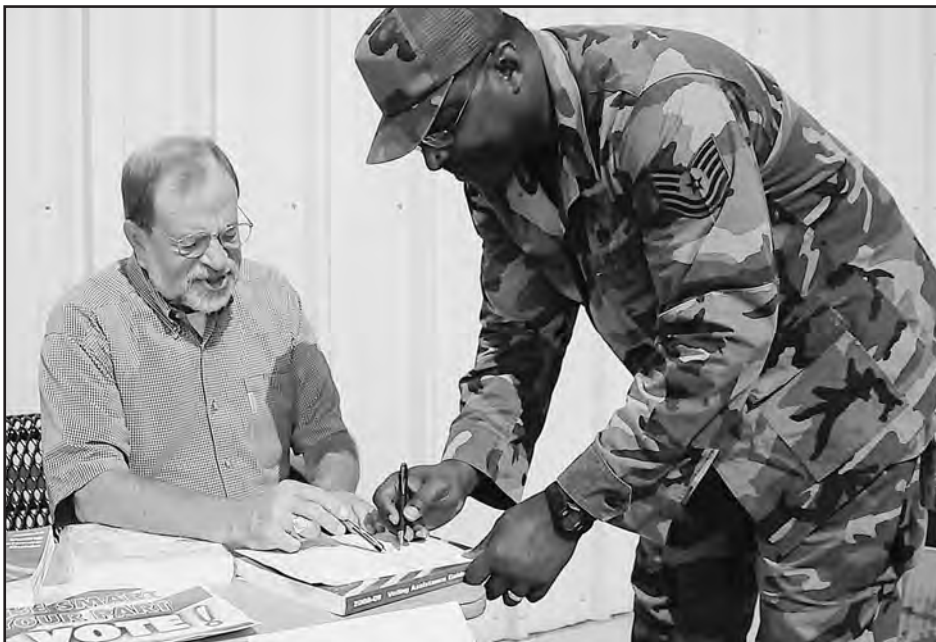
"It's not fair for Air Force family members to be penalized for an Airman's service to their nation," he said.

Chief McKinley called attention to the conference theme — The Total Air Force: Heritage, Honor, Valor, Vision — and wrapped up with a charge to continue Air Force improvement efforts. "It's going to take all of us — the entire force — with a combination of these four principles, to get us where we want to go as an Air Force. Let's roll up our sleeves and get to it!"

### Ballot time

Installation voting assistance officer Dave Duggins, left, helps Tech. Sgt. Anthony Bowie, 81st Training Support Squadron, complete an absentee voter registration form at the base exchange, Aug. 29. Armed Forces Voters Week runs through Sunday. For a list of unit voting assistance representatives, see Page 23.

Photo by Kemberly Groue



## Women's Equality Day



Photo by Kemberly Groue

From left, Senior Airman Joseph Anderson and Capt. Mishaun Johnson sell a breast cancer awareness bracelet to Senior Airman Kwado Agyen-Frempong. The Aug. 26 fundraiser was part of Keesler's Women's Equality Day observance marking the 88th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote. Poster displays were featured at Keesler Medical Center, Blake Fitness Center and Sablich Center.

## KEESLER NOTES

### Chapel jobs

The chapel has contract vacancies for a Protestant religious education coordinator and a Catholic parish coordinator, Oct. 1 through Sept. 30.

Work statements are available at Larcher and Triangle chapels, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday or 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday. Resumes and sealed bids are accepted at either chapel until 5 p.m. Sept. 16.

For more information, call 377-2520 and speak to Chaplain (Capt.) Scott Jobe for the Protestant religious education coordinator position and Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Frank Lowe for the Catholic parish coordinator position.

### Spouses club event

The Keesler Spouses Club holds its annual information fair and activities social, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 9 at the youth center.

The open house provides information about the base to members and those interested in joining the group.

Door prizes are awarded.

### Operation Hero

"Operation Hero," a deployment experience for children, is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 11 at the deployment facility, Building 1917.

The event coincides with the fire department's Fire Prevention Week open house.

To register, call Tech. Sgt. Jessica Woodruff, 376-8508.

### Honor guard recruiting

The Keesler Honor Guard needs officer and enlisted volunteers to represent the Air Force at funerals and other ceremonies.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Andrea Turner, 377-0765; Tech. Sgt. David Warren, 377-1986, or James Taylor, 377-2081.

### Pediatric dentistry

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

Children ages 4-12 are evaluated for restorative needs. No orthodontic treatment or use of oral sedation is available.

Patients must be available for treatment on Thursday mornings.

For more information or to set up a screening appointment, call 376-5144.

### Thrift shop

The Keesler Thrift Shop, in the former chapel building adjacent to Sablich Center, is open 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

Consignments are accepted from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays. Donations are accepted during regular hours.

For more information, call 377-3217.

### DRMO information

The Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office is a free source of supplies and equipment.

For more information, visit the 81st Supply-Transportation Squadron customer service office, Room 126, Taylor Logistics Center, Building 4002, or call Michael Cashion, 377-5206, or e-mail michael.cashion@keesler.af.mil.



## Rapid response readies recreation locations



Photo by Adam Bond  
Vessels were evacuated from the base marina, and Hurricane Gustav's storm surged lapped at the empty boat slips. The water began to subside within hours.

Left, Senior Airman Andrew Moss, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, clears a fallen pine tree at the Crotwell Track Tuesday.

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Chuck Marsh

# SCORES AND MORE

## Basketball

**Varsity men's tryouts** — 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Blake Fitness Center. For more information, call Jesse Harris, 376-5723.

## Bowling

**Intramural league** — resumes tonight. For more information, call Laurence Wilson, 377-2444.

**Glow bowling** — 9 p.m. to midnight Fridays and Saturdays.

**Lunch and bowl special** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays. Bowl for \$1 a game plus \$1 for shoes.

**Team building special** — 1-5 p.m. working Fridays. Bring your employees bowling for \$1 a game plus shoe rental. Call 377-2817 for reservations.

**Open bowling** — limited on league days; first come, first served. Reservations accepted with groups of 20 or more. Discounts available with groups of 25 or more.

**Club member special** — show current club card Thursdays and bowl for \$1.50 per game; free shoe rental.

**Birthday party package** — 1:30-3 p.m. or 3:30-5 p.m. Saturdays. Basic party with bowling and food \$8.95 per child. Mid party, including table supply and T-shirt, \$11.95 per child. Premium party with games and a pin, \$15.95 per child. Reservations required.

**Hurricane alley, fundraisers** — for more information, call 377-2817.

**81st Training Wing logo shirt** — short sleeve with collar, \$22.

## Flag football

**No results or standings reported for last week.**

## Fitness centers

**Free mini-triathlon** — 8 a.m. Friday, Triangle pool. Swim 200 yards, cycle eight miles, run two miles. Three categories of competition. T-shirts for all participants, trophies for winners. Fruit and beverages provided. Sponsored by Defense Commissary Agency, Harris Jewelry, Keesler Federal Credit Union and Rex Distributing.

**Free Volksmarch** — Sept. 20. Register 7:30-9:30 a.m., marina park; 10-kilometer walk around the base with refreshment at each check point, medals for finishers. Sponsored by Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Defense Commissary Agency, Harris Jewelry, Keesler Federal Credit Union and Rex Distributing.

**Triangle Fitness Center** — open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays and weekends; closed holidays. For more information, call 377-3056.

**Blake Fitness Center** — open 4:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays; 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. compressed work schedule Fridays; 8 a.m.

to 7 p.m. weekends and holidays.

**Dragon Fitness Center** — 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays-working Fridays. Parent-child fitness room has workout equipment and play area for ages 6 months to 7 years.

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

**Computerized fitness assessments, counseling** — available by appointment at Dragon Fitness Center. To schedule, call 377-2907.

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

**Wall of Fame** — powerlifting event, 1-4 p.m. first compressed work schedule Friday each month, Triangle Fitness Center. Squat, bench press and dead lift; one attempt in any or all three events; 12 weight classes for men, 10 for women. Set record for most pounds lifted or break an existing record and get your picture on the wall. Open to all Defense Department personnel 18 years of age and older.

For more information, call 377-3056.

## Golf

**Twilight golf special** — 4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays. Pay nine-hole fee and golf until course closes.

**Dragon fun league** — Thursdays. Meet at 4 p.m., shotgun start 4:30 p.m. Four-person teams; two-person blind draw. Sign up as twosome or single. \$20 per person including greens fee, cart, food, beverages and prizes. Format decided by draw each week. Limit 44 golfers.

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

**Driving range** — 40 balls, \$2.

**Course and pro shop** — 7 a.m. to dusk daily. For tee times, 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** — 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

**Back Bay fishing trip** — Sept 13. Call for time. \$25 per person.

Bring your own food and drinks. Mississippi fishing license required. Minimum four, maximum seven people.

**Discount on all boat rentals** — 10 percent off Sept. 22.

**Trip to Chandeleur Island** — Sept 23-24. Bring food, drink and lures. Reserve early.; call for current prices.

**One-day fishing trips** — to Horn, Ship or Cat Islands. You select the date. Charter trip in Delacroix and Reggio, La. with professional fishing guide. For more information, call 377-3160.

**Cruisin' Keesler** — Sept. 27, marina park. Vintage cars and motorcycles.

**Fish of month** — weigh in the biggest alligator gar for the month and take home a \$100 savings bond.

**Camping packages** — for rent include sleeping bags, lanterns, camp stoves and tents. For more information, call 377-3160.

**RV, boat and trailer storage** — \$20 per month.

**Delacroix, La. fishing site** — two self-contained trailers for rent, \$50 per night. Maximum four per trailer. Bring linens and cooking utensils. Louisiana fishing license required.

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

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

**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 on the Keesler Dolphin II. \$75 per person includes everything you need to fish. Payment due upon reservation. Minimum 15, maximum 22 people. For reservation, call 377-3160.

**Deep sea fishing private charter** — rent Dolphin II, \$850 for first six people, \$60 each additional person. \$350 deposit required.

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

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

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

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

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

## Swimming

**Triangle Pool** — open 3-7 p.m. weekdays except Wednesdays and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Hours may change depending on availability of lifeguards

# Air Force Academy Falcons wearing Air Force symbol for 2008 football season

## Air Force Print News

**AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo.** — The Air Force Academy football team is honoring the men and women of the Air Force by wearing the Air Force symbol on its uniform this season.

The Air Force symbol honors the heritage of the past and represents the promise of the future. It retains the core elements of the Air Corps heritage — the “Arnold” wings and star with circle — and modernizes them to reflect the air and space force of today and tomorrow.

“The 2008 Falcons are wearing the Air Force symbol because they line up as the Air Force's team,” said Anthony Roberson, a current football staff member and a 1989 graduate of the Academy who was a three-year football letterman. “They know that they represent more than themselves on Saturday afternoons and they do it with the pride, honor, sportsmanship, dignity and winning spirit that spell Air Force Falcon and Air Force Airman.”

In addition, the team also honor 10 of the Air Force's heritage wings and groups by wearing patches on their home uniforms; and six air and space expeditionary Wings by wearing patches on their away uniforms for the second straight year.





## HONORS

### Student honor roll

#### 332nd Training Squadron

**Electronic principles** — Airmen Basic Travis Bates, Justin Bryant, Peter Bonenberger, Aaron Boudreau, Dayle Christian, Mark Christian, Brian Coleman, Michael Cortez, Lanny Deborad, Kenneth DeFreitas, Kevin Dougherty, Aaron Etheridge, Ryan Fahey, Jeremy Fangman, Timothy Ferris, Jessica Gillespie, Cody Gunter, Matthew Hardwick, Matthew Harrington, Kurtis Harrison, Chad Honeycutt, Ray Lancaster, Kyle Lewis, Jonathan Lorenz, Brandon Mabry, Roby McCool, Creston Moon, Eric Peters, Gregory Posch, Kenneth Ramsey, Cameron Rockey, Robert Saunders, Zachary Sefton, Robert Smoot, Aaron Tedrow, Kong Vang, Lukas Whitacre, Dustin Wilson and Jonathan Zurek; Airmen Melissa Crannick, Glenn Flick, Ryan Fox, Dylan Gaudette, Dallas Gilbertson, Scott Green, Joshua Heinecke, Ryan Hummel, Matthew Imschweiler, Eric Jones, Mark Kelly, Alan Schumacher, Brian Stephenson and Joshua Udem; Airmen 1st Class Timethe Bard, Jack Berno, Michael Boateng, Evan Bonk, Johnny Brascom, Adam Brock, Jeremy Coffman, Kyle Colonious, Jacob Conrads, Johnathan Corsair, Tanya Daigle, Brian Field, Royce Fladung, Willy Fleming, Jairo Flores, Ryan Frankland, Rashad Freeman, Jessica George, Joshua Hampton, Benjamin Hanke, Rodney Heller, Christine Hinshaw, Steven Hodges, Kayla Kerr, Andrew Knoll, Steven Koehl, Robert Kruse, James Lockheed, Andrew Maggard, William McCloskey, William McDevitt, Peter Mendenhall, Matthew Miceli, Alan Mixson, Dane Moss, Avaris Murray, Adam Neiderhiser, Steven Pate, Casey Raynes, Andre Reynoso, Johnathan Russell, Alexander Ryder, Ariel Sotorolon, Risenn Talamoni, Asa Terry, Andrew Ward, Michael White, Brian Wiedmeyer and Joshua Wynne; Senior Airmen Paul Ballard, Gary Ervin, Tom Kwiczor, David March, Matthew Martin, Stephanie Navarro, Timothy Nester, Evan Sinkfield and Gary Thornhill; Staff Sgts. Daniel Ahrens, Ronald Brennand, Ronald Caasi, David Cole, Joseph Hudson, Charles James, Charles Kvochick, Kyle Murphy, Randy Neblett, Elbert Sharp and Adrian Wade; Tech Sgts. Terence Dartez and Daniel Howard.

#### 334th TRS

**Aerospace control and warning systems course** — Airmen Basic Ariel Brown and Shaun Tyson; Airmen 1st Class Joshua Voight; Staff Sgt. Richard Rauckhorst; Tech. Sgt. Peter Demakis.

**Air traffic control operations training flight** — Airmen Basic Jermell Barnett, Michael Berrios, Kristina Blake, Patrick Buckman, Brett Dickinson, William Formiller, Joseph Howard, Thomas Juvera, Steven Koss, Jacob Lemonds, Chase Lyman, Robert Mason, Melanie McLeod, Angel Nelson, Christopher Schimmel and Logan Shaide; Airmen Kyle Fulton, Marquis Jones, James O'Kelly and Andrew Rickmers; Airmen 1st Class Matthew Burt, Kyle Hutton, Sergey Kachankov, Michael Massey, Derrick Revilla, Trenton Rowland, John Sears, Gregory Snegrieff, John Tran, Damian Turcotte, James Ward and Thomas Wojnarowski; Staff Sgts. Jacob Balik, Colby Fisher, Christopher Moylan and Spencer Smith.

#### 335th TRS

**Comptroller training flight** — Airmen Basic Maria Aguilar-Santiago, Lyndell Bowie, Warren Bush, Corrina Hutton, Trevor Johnson, Ashley Lagrow, Constance Noah, John Parquette, Timothy Sanders, Nichole Stone and Carla Velasco; Airmen Kalin Anderson, Justin Limo, Veronica Padilla and Matthew Salter; Airmen 1st Class Crystal Brown, Cristina Buzgau, Mark Campbell, Jose Colon-Gonzalez, Cheri Douglas, Shaun Houser, Crystal Housman, Ryan McMackin, Pepper Palmer, Stacy Som, Moses Tum, Gregory Uhl and Jessica Wills; Senior Airmen Jonathon McWhirter and Jasin Nesmith; Staff Sgts. Scott Brock, Patrick Judicpa, Philip Maher, Noel Moreno, Leah Rogers, Kathleen Smith and Roy Wenger; Tech. Sgts. Francis Johnson and John Snover; Master Sgts. Cynthia Cropper and Kelly Longacre.

**Weather training flight** — Airmen Basic Jeremy Frechette, Kristina Halloran, Douglas Johnson, Franklyn Kapuchuck and Jesse Sanders; Navy Airman Recruit Timothy O'Mary; Navy Airman Jeremy Duty; Airmen Andrea Cruz and Steven Schoening; Marine Pfc. Tyler Tomica; Airman 1st Class Aaron Hero, Kaitlin Karaszewski, Shawn Naegele and Amanda Stephens; Marine Lance Cpl. Luke Peterson; Senior Airman Steven Timlin; Marine Sgt. Dustin Heflin.

#### 336th TRS

**Communications-computer systems flight** — Airman Basic Jason Marshall; Airmen 1st Class Jacob Corrigan, David Goodman, Justin Lail and Marc Rhodes; Senior Airmen Michael Corkren and Joseph Sparks; Staff Sgts. Christopher Back and Robert Gallant; Tech. Sgt. George Rodriguez; Senior Master Sgt. Stanley Walker; 1st Lt. Vladislavs Stuznevs.

**Communications and information systems flight** — Airmen Basic Deryck Hazelton, David Borcea, Daniel Chaffee, Daniel Chung, Aaron Culley, Ian Fischer, LaToya Jackson, Nadia Kelly, Annaliza Kennedy, Gilbert Kless, Travis Ng, William Twomey, NaTasha Tucker, NaWarat Vibulrungsun, Daniel Yockey; Airmen Lindsay Ambuehl, Christopher Barrow, TaRisha Bridgers, Eric Byrne, Darren Diones, Daniel Hamilton, Kelly Mossbarger, Mark Quinlan and Francis Rhodd; Airmen 1st Class Michael Butler, Austin Carroll, John Delarama, Justin Henry, Jodi Mahoney, Atom Peppe, Ryan Poster, Jamie Rupp, Renee Sablan; Michael Smith, Stacy Steele, Ashley Tison, Patrick Weller, Corey Wileman and Leah Wood; Senior Airmen Sara Chiapetto, James Dudenake, Christopher Enright, Richard Harp, Hyun Lee, Steven Lovell, Anthony Sherrod and Alex Tavarez; Staff Sgts. Pedro Cancel, Jayson Maxwell, Scott Prichard, Veneta Rusalova, Rexford Sheldon, Alelesha Vinson and Melony Willis; Tech. Sgts. Jason Cleaver, Jay Goodman, Kristina Thompson and Miguel Valdivia; Master Sgt. Timothy Norton; Senior Master Sgt. Chad Johnson.

## CLASSES

### Airman Leadership School

**Class 08-6** — graduation Wednesday.

### Keesler NCO Academy

**Class 08-6** — graduation Sept. 11.

### Airman and family readiness center

**Eldercare seminar** — 5:15-7 p.m. Sept. 25, at Mississippi State University Coastal Research Center, Popp's Ferry Road, Biloxi. Legal issues in aging, caregiver resources, self care and how to make your parent a dependent are discussed. Refreshments provided. To register, call 376-8728 or e-mail sandra.brzovic@keesler.af.mil.

## 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

### Roman Catholic

#### Sunday Mass

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

#### Weekday Mass

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

### Jewish

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

### Islamic

**Building 2003** — prayer five times daily; Salaat ul-Jummah 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.

**Marketing Yourself for a Second Career** — 9-11:30 a.m. Oct. 6, Sablich Center auditorium. Brian Blanchfield, deputy director of the officer placement service for the Military Officers Association of America, an expert on transitioning from military to civilian employment, presents seminar for interested officers, noncommissioned officers and spouses. This program is presented annually at more than 150 U.S. military bases worldwide. It has a reputation as a "must attend" for those three years or less from separation or retirement. Those who attend have an opportunity to ask questions and receive a free copy of the publication, "Marketing Yourself for a Second Career." To register, call 376-8728.

## Arts and crafts center

**Artist/craftsman and photography contest** — entry deadline Sept. 18 for drawing and painting, sculpture and multimedia. Crafts from original design and from kits and patterns. Black-and-white and color photos mounted on 8x10-inch mounting board depicting military life, nature/scenic, people and creative effects. Registration forms available at center.

**Nonprior service Airmen and friends special** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and Sept. 19; 50 percent discount on shop fee.

**Crafting for November holiday fair** — 4-8 p.m. Thursdays. Bring your supplies to make projects and crafts to sell at the fair.

**Youth crafts workshop** — 3:30-6 p.m. Thursdays, grades 7-12. Projects include sculpting, painting, cooking, macramé, sewing, decoupage and more.

### Multicraft shop

**Beginner ceramics** — 10 a.m. Saturday, ages 13 and older. Pour three projects and learn techniques and paints for finishing. \$25 includes first firing.

**Bob Ross painting workshop** — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sept. 20. \$65 including canvas, paints, supplies and sack lunch.

**Scrapbook page design** — 5-7:30 p.m. Sept. 11. \$20 including tool instruction and materials to design four pages. Register by Tuesday.

**Ceramics painting technique** — 5:30-8 p.m. Sept. 18. Paint a happy hunting project. \$25 including supplies. Sign up by Sept. 11.

**Wheel-thrown pottery** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 20. Learn to use the wheel, center and lifting techniques. \$40 including five pounds of clay and project firings.

### Wood shop

**Beginning intarsia** — 10 a.m. Sept. 20. \$20. Intarsia is the art of piecing wood in a decorative pattern.

**Advanced intarsia** — 10 a.m. Sept. 27. \$10 including all materials and tool use. New project each month.

### Frame shop

**Beginners framing** — 12:30-4 p.m. Friday or Sept. 19. Learn equipment use and basic techniques of matting and frame assembly. \$30 including supplies. Qualify for the operator's card to use shop.

**Customized picture framing and military flag and show box design** — self-help framing area is available for certified hobbyists, or pick matting and molding and shop will do the work.

### Engraving shop

**Perfect for students** — personalized mugs and laser-engraved pen and desk sets.

### Auto hobby shop

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

**Free auto care briefing** — 4:30-6 p.m. Sept. 18.

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

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

**Vehicle storage lot** — call 377-3872.

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

### 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; \$10 per month per vehicle. Registration, license and proof of insurance required. To place a car on the lot, call 377-2821.

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## Chapel

All classes are held at the Triangle Chapel Annex. 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 pre-school, elementary, teens and adults.

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

**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.

**Dinner and the Bible** — 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Triangle Chapel Annex.

## Keesler Medical Center

### Pediatric subspecialty clinic

**Baby Boot Camp** — 11 a.m.-1 p.m. second Thursday of the month in conference room BF 400, located off the outpatient clinic entrance. Classes cover infants from birth to 6 months of age. Classes address common concerns of new parents such as booking appointments, colic, immunizations, safety, feeding issues, developmental milestones, dental care and infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Gifts, prizes and refreshments are included. Classes open to members of all branches of the military and their dependents. To sign up, call Capt. Romeatrius Moss, 376-5375. For more information, call Capt. Moss, Maj. Muriel Gatlin, 376-5387, or Staff Sgt. Jihan Brown, 376-5579.

### Mental health clinic

**Post-traumatic stress disorder** — 1:30 p.m. Mondays.

**Healthy thinking** — 2 p.m. Tuesdays.

**Stress management techniques** — 10 a.m. Wednesdays.

**Relaxation techniques** — 9 a.m. Mondays.

To register, call 376-0385.

## McBride Library

**Orientations for commanders, instructors and first sergeants** — 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Story times** — 10 a.m. Wednesday, ages 3-5.

**Patron appreciation day** — 2-4 p.m. Sept. 18 in observance of the Air Force's birthday; refreshments served.

**Book displays** — Sept. 17-23 for Constitution Week, Sept. 18 for National POW/MIA Day.

**Available for use** — children's library and meeting, audio and typing rooms.

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

**Tours/orientations** — call 377-2181.

## CLUBS AND CENTERS

### Vandenberg Community Center

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

**Free shuttle service** — 6-9:30 p.m. Thursdays before nonworking Fridays; 1-11 p.m. nonworking Fridays and Saturdays and 6-11 p.m. working Fridays. Also stops at Muse Manor, McBride Library, arts and crafts center, Tyler House, bowling center, outdoor recreation, Katrina Kantina and Bay Breeze Golf Course.

**Legends Café** — open 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, 5-9 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 5-11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

**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.

**Wings and things** — 5 p.m. Wednesday. Keesler Club members get in free, non members pay \$3 at the door. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and \$1 domestic draft beer.

**Luncheon specials** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays. New menu each week. \$6 members, \$8 nonmembers. For more

information, call 377-2219.

**Tuesday special** — red beans and rice, \$1 bowl.

**Martini and jazz night** — 5 p.m. Thursdays before non-working Fridays.

**Membership special** — sign up for club membership and receive scratch-off for change to win up to \$100 on the spot. All members register to win one of 10 \$1,000 cash prizes. Club dues are free.

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

## Youth center

**Back-to-school registration** — sign up for before- and after-school program.

**Give parents a break/parents night out** — 4-10 p.m. Saturday for youth in kindergarten through grade 6. Certificates must be coordinated through the airmen and family readiness center. Parents night out is \$3.50 per hour with a minimum \$7 deposit at time of registration; must have current shot records on file.

**TRAIL meeting** — 5-7 p.m. Sept. 15 for teens. Formulate a calendar of events, play games, meet new friends and staff.

**National Day of Play** — 4-7 p.m. Sept. 26. Free games, snacks, prizes, music, and tournaments; volunteers needed.

**Free open recreation** — 4-7:30 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays for ages 9 and older. Activities include basic sewing, cooking, FitFactor, art and life skills events.

**Instructors needed** — for Saturday karate, dance and gymnastics classes; call 377-4116.

**Coaches, referees needed** — for basketball. Call for more information.

**Classes** — register for dance, gymnastics, piano, tennis and assorted sports clinics.

**Youth employment service** — earn money for college tuition; call for more information.

**Congressional Award program** — ages 14-21; self-directed merit program promoting personal development, physical fitness and community involvement.

**Volunteers needed** — for sports, open recreation, crafts, cooking, computers, arts, reading, sewing and general cleaning and decorations. Must be 18 or older. For more information, call 377-4116.

## TICKETS AND TRIPS

**Trips to New Orleans Saints games at Superdome** — Sept. 28 San Francisco. \$60 per person including transportation and admission. Sign up at Vandenberg Community Center customer service desk. Seating limited to 20 passengers, first come, first served.

**Tours to additional Saints games** — go on sale Sept. 18. Three games in October, one in November and two in December. Call 377-5576 for schedule.

**Gulf Island Water Park tickets** — daily adult \$18, daily child under 42 inches \$13, season pass \$74.95.

**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

**Executive transition assistance program** — open to chief master sergeant, senior master sergeants, colonels and lieutenant colonels in Air Education and Training Command planning to retire or separate within 18 months. Participants should have advanced degrees and management and leadership experience. Training provides the necessary skills and knowledge to seek employment in U.S. corporations. Registration is Sept. 16-25 for the Nov. 18-21 session at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. For more information or to register, visit <https://www.r.aetc.af.mil/dp/etap>.

**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 Thursdays in Room 111, Sablich Center, 1 p.m. for those who are separating and 2:30 p.m. for those who are retiring. Those 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, call 376-8728 for individual counseling appointment. To register, call 376-8728. For more information, call Jackie Pope, 376-8505.

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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 pizza.

**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 pizza.

For more news, information and photos,  
visit Keesler's public Web site,  
<http://www.keesler.af.mil>

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**Transition assistance program** — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 15-18, Oct. 20-23, Nov. 17-20 and Dec. 8-11, Room 108A, Sablich Center 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. To sign up, call 376-8728.

**Military retirement benefit seminars** — 8-10:30 a.m. Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 4, Room 108A, Sablich Center. 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 376-8728.

## MEETINGS

**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** — 4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month, Katrina Kantina. 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** — For more information, call Senior Airman Aaron Eden, 1907; Staff Sgt. Brad Mills, 377-1714 or call 377-SAVE.

**Asian Pacific-American Heritage Committee** — 11:30 a.m. first Wednesday of month, Room 111, Sablich Center. 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); Arleen Stewart, 377-2440, 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.

**Civil Air Patrol Col. Berta A. Edge Composite Squadron** — 7 p.m. Tuesdays upstairs in Hangar 3 for youth and adults. For more information, call 1-601-528-4337, e-mail [Camoprincess92@gmail.com](mailto:Camoprincess92@gmail.com) or visit <http://www.keeslercap.org>.

**Company grade officers council** — meets first Wednesday of the month. For time and location, call Capt. Ted West, 377-7343.

**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 Leanne Ramsay — 377-3217, 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; location varies. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Toyshaline Young, 377-0591, or Tech. Sgt. Jodi Evans, 377-2835.

**Top III** — 3:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month, Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Master Sgt. Michael Krejci, 376-6346.

**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 at Welch Auditorium

**Editor's note: Tickets are \$3 adults and \$1.50 children for regular features, and \$2.50 adults and \$1 children for matinees.**

**Friday** — 6:30 p.m., Swing Vote (PG-13).

**Saturday** — 2 p.m., The Dark Knight (PG-13); 6:30 p.m., The Mummy Tomb of the Dragon Emperor (PG-13).

**Sunday** — 1 p.m., Space Chimps (G).

### Voting assistance

**Installation voting officer** — Dave Duggins, 377-5799.

**2nd Air Force** — 1st Lt. Howard Antoine, 376-1341; Master Sgt. John Scott, 376-6350.

**45th Airlift Squadron** — Capt. Brett Ellis, 377-0663.

**81st Aerospace Medicine Squadron** — Capt. Mark Kahrhoff, 376-0449.

**81st Civil Engineer Squadron** — Master Sgts. Bruce Dishman, 377-6611 and Aubrey Goff, 377-4209; Tech. Sgt. Melvin Jackson, 377-5565.

**81st Contracting Squadron** — Staff Sgt. Jesus Gutierrez, 377-1812; 1st Lt. Jennifer Mapp, 377-1801.

**81st Communications Squadron** — 1st Lt. Trevor Owen, 377-4041; 1st Lt. Kanasha Webber, 377-8885.

**81st Dental Squadron** — Master Sgt. Wendell Thomas, 377-5158; Capt. Eric Ladimer, 376-4510.

**81st Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron** — Master Sgt. Karen Jenkins, 376-4427; 2nd Lt. Sarah Montoya-Ortega, 376-5066.

**81st Inpatient Operations Squadron** — Capts. Tina Johnson, 376-0623, and Eric Vacarelli, 376-3328.

**81st Medical Operations Squadron** — Capts. Don Smith, 376-3179, and John Harrell, 377-0500; Maj. Karin Crever, 376-3759; Master Sgts. Joseph Hebert, 376-3754 and Corey Johnson, 376-3754; Staff Sgt. Jessica Aglibut, 376-3501; Tech. Sgt. Keri Bernhardt, 376-4950.

**81st Medical Support Squadron** — Christopher McMillian, 376-4914; Tech. Sgt. Judy Khamphan, 376-4513; Capt. Renee McClennon, 376-4727.

**81st Mission Support Squadron** — Master Sgts. Terrence Hardwick, 377-3647, and Kelle Turner, 377-3697.

**81st Operations Support Flight** — Staff Sgt. Michael Delgado, 377-3305.

**81st Supply-Transportation Squadron** — Master Sgts. Kevin Benjamin, 377-1784, and Jimmie McClish, 377-2976.

**81st Services Division** — Master Sgt. Andrea Turner, 377-1986, and Tech. Sgt. Carl Cephas, 377-3705.

**81st Training Support Squadron** — Dave Duggins, 377-5799; Tech. Sgt. Anthony Bowie, 377-3683; Sherry Clark, 377-1224; James Franks, 377-0758.

**81st Training Wing** — 1st Lt. Thomas Greenwood (legal office), 377-7071; Michael Plummer (public affairs), 377-4103.

**85th Engineering Installation Squadron** — Capt. Justin Stoner, 377-3350.

**332nd Training Squadron** — Master Sgt. Jason Harrell, 377-0984; Tech. Sgt. Len Kedrow, 377-0737.

**333rd TRS** — Master Sgt. Brian Frazier, 377-3602; William Bacon Jr., 377-2469.

**334th TRS** — Senior Master Sgt. CarolAnn Daniels, 377-3408; Master Sgt. Lori Derr, 377-4127.

**335th TRS** — Master Sgt. Charlafinette Dukes, 377-2926; Tech. Sgt. Sharon Utsey, 377-0331; Robert Lloyd, 377-7641.

**336th TRS** — Sharon Myers, 377-5672; Boyd Cooke, 377-4599.

**338th TRS** — Alexander Verrett, 377-3371; Joe Collins, 377-5632; George Landrum, 377-2784.

**403rd Wing** — Wesley Brantley, 377-3885.

**Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit** — Moses Balls, 377-3502.

**Keesler NCO Academy** — Master Sgts. Lisa Arnold, 377-8622, and David Harrison, 377-8623.

**Marine Corps Detachment** — Master Gunnery Sgt. William Scott, 377-8762; Chief Warrant Officer 4th Class James Lewis, 377-0789.