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Dragons deployed — 249

Beach bag brigade



Photo by Adam Bond

From left, Airman Basic Steven Baum, Airman 1st Class Lauren Cavanaugh and Airmen Basic Kyle Finch, Joshua Norris and Stephen Chandler clean the beach south of Edgewater Mall, Saturday. The students from the 332nd

Training Squadron were among Keesler and community volunteers who spruced up the coastline in advance of the National Governors Association conference that begins Friday at the Beau Rivage Casino Resort in Biloxi.

Military leaders embrace social media

By Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The very day he assumed his post as NATO's supreme allied commander for Europe, Navy Adm. James Stavridis reached out in a way none of the previous 15 NATO commanders since Army Gen. Dwight Eisenhower had: he posted a blog.

Admiral Stavridis has had a lot of firsts in his military career. He's the first Sailor to hold NATO's top military post and command of U.S. European Command.

But before that, he was the first geographic combatant commander, at U.S. Southern Command, to use Facebook and a personal blog to convey the importance of partnership and cooperation to confront threats facing Latin America and the Caribbean.

In his new post, he's wasting no time using the social media to get word out about his goals for Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe and EUCOM.

Admiral Stavridis named his new blog, "From the Bridge," a reference to the two

commands' focus on bridging the Atlantic to link the United States and Europe.

With headquarters in both Mons, Belgium, and Stuttgart, Germany, he acknowledged in his inaugural blog the importance of being able to communicate EUCOM's and NATO's message intelligently, and his own leadership principles effectively.

"The professional characteristics that matter to me are simple: civility, quiet

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What is your leadership legacy worth?

By Lt. Col Russell Voce

336th Training Squadron

There are many different theories of leadership written over time. For me personally, some made a lot of sense and some are just way out there in a world I cannot wrap my brain around. One that made a lot of sense was the concept of legacy leadership. When I ask people what they think legacy leadership is, the answer I usually get is “The leader’s impact on the organization.” While that seems like the obvious answer, it’s not what legacy leadership is.

I tell every new instructor who comes to the 336th Training Squadron they’ll have an impact on their students beyond the education provided. The students will be left with an example to emulate, and it’s up to the instructor whether that example is positive or negative. In other words, every instructor will pass on a legacy to every student. The question becomes what is that legacy worth?

We’ve all heard the expression, “I have

learned from every supervisor or commander I have ever had. “ The unspoken part of that expression is what did the individual learn, or in other words, what was that leader’s legacy? Perhaps someone learned that micromanagement was not conducive to increased morale because their morale was in the tank while they were being micromanaged. Perhaps someone learned when a leader makes a decision in a vacuum without consulting the ones who implement said decision that it’s demeaning. Perhaps someone learned when others see hard work rewarded, then the reward serves as incentive for others to work harder. The point is that every action taken by a leader will leave some form of a legacy with the ones the leader leads.

If we accept that we leave a legacy to those we lead, then why don’t we focus on that legacy? We get caught up in our everyday toil of meeting suspenses and getting the mission done, but do we as leaders ever take the time to consider what kind of legacy we leave to others in the process of getting the mission done?

One job of every leader is to grow their replacement. I’ve seen many confuse this with telling someone what squares must be filled in to advance. While those squares are necessary, they don’t necessarily build a leader. Leaders build leaders, and they build them by the example they set, the actions they take and the policies they make. They build them by how they deal with problems and other people. In short, tomorrow’s leader is built based on the legacy of their leader today.

I can’t tell you what your legacy should be because I’m still learning about leadership, and I’ll never stop learning because leadership is about growth. Thinking about how I lead impacting others has made me a better leader over time. What is your legacy that you are leaving to those who will replace you — what is it worth?

If you’re interested in legacy leadership, I recommend you read *Your Leadership Legacy: The Difference You Make in People’s Lives* by Marta Brooks, Sarah Caverhill and Julie Stark.

**ACTION
LINE
377-4357**

By Col. Ian Dickinson

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, 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).



DRAGON ON THE STREET

By Kemberly Groue

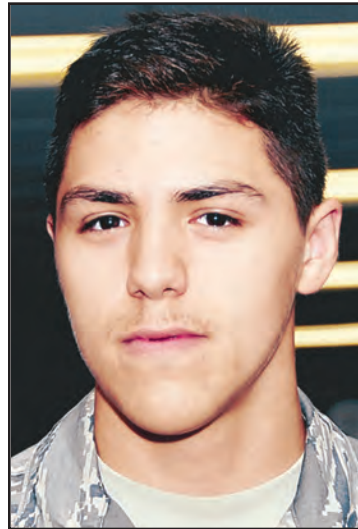
Keesler News photojournalist

What is something you believed as a child that you found out later wasn't true?



That sticks and stones may break your bones, but words will never hurt you.

Senior Master Sgt. Anthony Pearson, 334th Training Squadron



That everybody in the Air Force is a pilot.

Airman 1st Class Francis Rhodd, 81st Training Group



Santa Claus.

Candace Green, automat-

ed clerk summer hire at the child development center.

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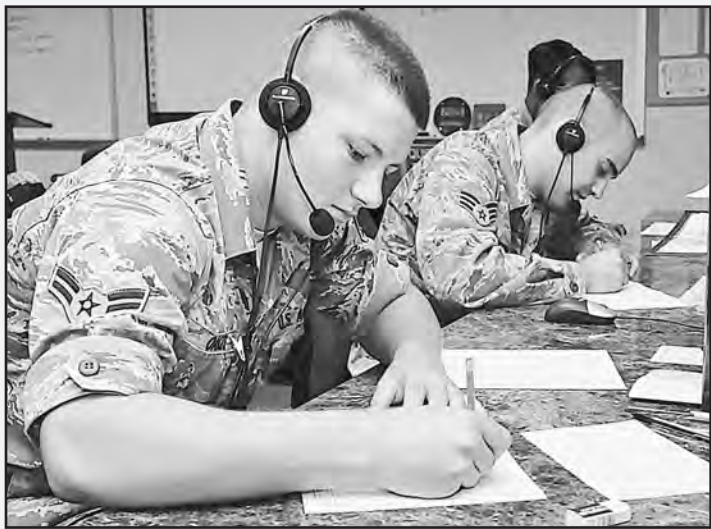


Photo by Adam Bond

Airman 1st Class William Oakes, left, and Senior Airman Kyle Brown are students in the last radio communication operations course in Thomson Hall.

61 years of training for radio operators concludes at Keesler

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News editor

More than six decades of Keesler history draw to a close Tuesday as the last radio communications operations class in the 336th Training Squadron graduates.

“The course has been taught at Keesler since 1948,” said Tech. Sgt. Matthew Land, instructor supervisor. “This course has graduated about 15,000 students and employed more than 70 instructors — that’s about five instructors every five years.”

“We’re merging into one of the three new career fields which will have a 3D Air Force Specialty Code prefix — RF transmissions 3D1X3, cyber surety 3D0X3 or client systems 3D1X1,” he explained.

Sergeant Land said the duties of radio operators haven’t changed that much over the years.

They operate, deploy and sustain radio transmitters, receivers and ancillary equipment for line-of-sight, air-to-ground and satellite communications and provide multiple spectrum communications in fixed and tactical environments.

These Airmen configure antenna and radio equipment for efficient operations, establish and maintain communications links with distant stations, operate terminal control consoles and monitor system performance indicators. They also implement operational directives and manage communications facilities and activities.

Chief Moreau retires

By Airman 1st Class
David Salanitri

Keesler Public Affairs

Chief Master Sgt. Paul Moreau, 2nd Air Force command chief, is retiring after almost 30 years of service.

Chief Moreau’s retirement ceremony is 3:30 p.m. Friday in Welch Auditorium with a reception following at the Dragon’s Lair.

Chief Moreau, who assumed his duties at 2nd Air Force in May 2008, has held numerous positions and titles throughout his career, but started his career in the intelligence community.

“Where I’m from, you graduate from high school and either go to college if your parents are wealthy, go to work and join a union or you join the military,” said the Massachusetts native. “I originally wanted to join the Coast Guard, but I had an uncle who was a retired Army intel officer who said go Air Force and go intel, so that’s what I did.”

Chief Moreau enlisted during the Air Force’s peak population period and has witnessed a manning decrease as well the technology boom.

“We’ve always been Warrior Airmen, but now we’re fewer Airmen doing amazing things,” he pointed out. “We bent technology to our mission. Now an Airman can guide a bomb to hit an enemy in their back pocket.”

During the chief’s career, he’s experienced close to 12 assignments, with each one a little better than the last.

“It’s a popular saying that ‘your best assignment was your last assignment,’ but I feel as though every assignment I’m in is my favorite one,” said Chief Moreau. “I can honestly say I have never had a bad assignment. Every assignment has something



Photo by Kemberly Groue
Staff Sgt. Candice Taylor, top left, talks to Chief Moreau shortly after his arrival at Keesler during his introduction to the 602nd Training Group’s combat skills training. In the foreground are Tech. Sgt. James Harwell, left, and Staff Sgt. Zuri Rosell.

good going for it — you just need to find it sometimes.”

During Chief Moreau’s 14 months at Keesler, he’s been aware of the base’s transformation since Hurricane Katrina nearly four years ago.

“It’s been amazing to see all the recovery efforts put forward by Keesler personnel to showcase the base as one of the premiere installations in

the Air Force.”

Even though Chief Moreau won’t be wearing his airman battle uniform anymore, he’ll be swapping it out for an Air Force Junior ROTC instructor uniform in Somerset, Pa.

Replacing Chief Moreau is Chief Master Sgt. Linus Jordan, who is coming from Yokota Air Base, Japan where he was the command chief.

5,000th aviation resource manager graduates

By Senior Airman Kimberly Limrick

Keesler Public Affairs

June 9, Keesler graduated the 5,000th student from the aviation resource management course in the 334th Training Squadron.

“This is a huge milestone for the career field and the Air Force,” said Senior Master Sgt. Anthony Pearson, aviation resource management instructor supervisor. “Just imagine — 5,000 aviation resource managers have made it through the school.”

Airman 1st Class Kadirra Wallace had no idea she was the 5,000th student to graduate until the ceremony.

A Pittsburgh native, Airman Wallace is headed to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, and plans to obtain her bachelor’s degree in medical technology. She said she joined the Air Force to branch away from the city, pay for college and explore other countries. She looks forward to traveling, learning about unique customs of other countries and providing help to citizens in need.

“Airman Wallace was surprised and excited,” said Tech. Sgt. Michael Hubert, one of the instructors. “She was presented a certificate at graduation from Ronda Cumberland, our flight chief, and a career field coin from Libby Harper, our local heritage honoree.” Room 305 in Cody Hall is dedicated to Mrs. Harper.

Classes began in October 1986 and have always been held at Keesler, according to Sergeant Pearson. The student-to-instructor ration is 10-to-1 and the course is 26 academic days over a six-week period.

Initially, the career field was called operation sys-

tem management, but as the Air Force changed, so did the career field and its name.

“The name changes were a reflection of how we support all aircrew members on flying and or jump status, thus changing the way we do business,” Sergeant Pearson said. “As computer systems changed, so did the aviation resource management database.”

He reminisced, “When I entered the career field (in 1985) we were using 5½-inch floppy disks on the old Zenith computers. Now we have flat-screen monitors and the database is Internet-driven. In the near future, the system is going Web-based.

“These changes are to keep up with how the Air Force is leaning forward and how most Airmen who enter the military are computer savvy,” he added

Sergeant Hubert said the course for the career field is in the process of being rewritten.

“Knowing I was coming here at the time new things were happening in the career field, the rewriting of the course, is why I volunteered to take this assignment,” he said. “I feel fortunate to be part of the instructor core here with the new curriculum coming on board. When I look back at what we as instructors have done here, I’ll be proud of what we accomplished.”

“I am really excited about being here,” Sergeant Pearson agreed. “All of us instructors are making a huge impact on the career field and Air Force. We are mentoring the next generation of aviation resource managers. When we look back over our career we can honestly say, ‘I made a difference in that person’s life.’”

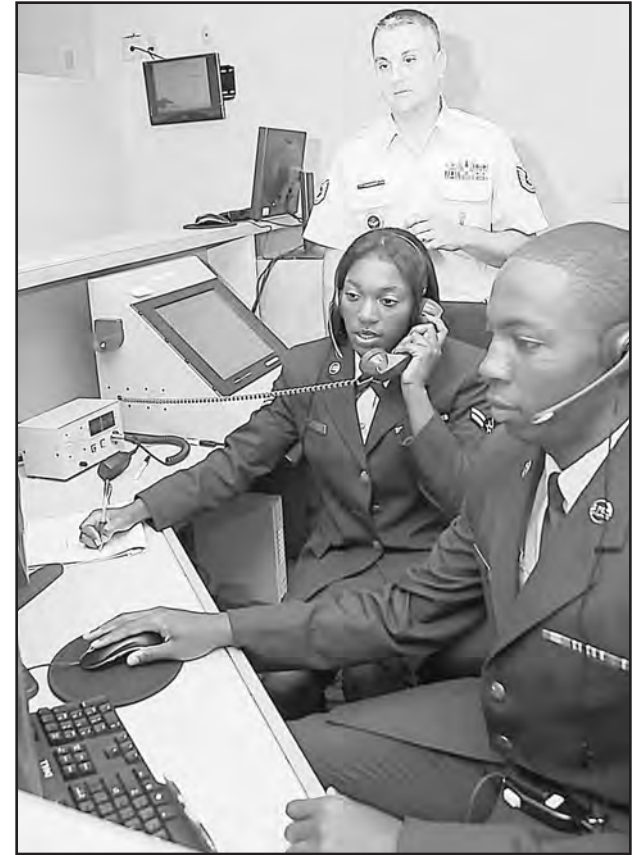


Photo by Kemberly Groue
Sergeant Hubert, standing, trains Airman Wallace and Airman Basic DeAnte Lever on squadron host aviation resource management laboratory equipment.

How to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits

By Maj. Beth Kelley Horine

Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Department of Defense officials began accepting applications from Airmen to transfer Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits to dependents June 29.

“The Post-9/11 GI Bill transfer of benefits option is a landmark benefit to eligible Airmen,” said Lt. Gen. Richard Newton III, deputy chief of staff for Air Force personnel and manpower. “The transfer option also serves as an effective military retention and recruiting tool.”

Eligibility

Active duty and Selected Reserve Airmen who are eligible for the Department of Veterans Affairs Post 9/11 GI Bill, are on duty as of Aug. 1, have already served at least six years and who commit to four more years of service, have the option to transfer their benefits to eligible dependents.

Retirement-eligible members may have a reduced service commitment, based on their retirement eligibility window. Details are available at the resource links below.

To apply

Before applying to transfer benefits, an Airman should do four things to ensure a smooth and efficient application process.

“**First**, you should get counseling from your education center on your GI Bill options,” said Thomas Hawthorne, Air Force Personnel Center education services chief.

Next, Airmen must have at least four years of retainability left before transferring benefits, unless retirement-eligible.

“We encourage any Airmen who need additional retainability to visit their servicing military personnel section for counseling on re-enlisting or extending their current enlistment before applying to transfer their benefits,” Mr. Hawthorne said.

Third, Airmen must sign a Statement of Understanding, which acknowledges acceptance of their active duty service commitment. The SOU will be available in military personnel sections, educa-

For more information

Visit the Post-9/11 GI Bill link on <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil> or the “Ask” AFPC site, or call the Total Force Service Center-San Antonio, 1-800-525-0102. For Selected Reservists transferring GI Bill benefits, call the Total Force Service Center-Denver, 1-800-525-0102.

For more guidance about GI Bill options, log on to <http://www.va.gov> or DOD’s Post-9/11 GI Bill site, http://www.defenselink.mil/home/features/2009/0409_gibill.

tion offices and on the Air Force Publications site by Aug. 1. Additional information on how to submit the SOU will be released by Aug. 1.

And finally, Airmen planning to transfer their benefits should verify family member information is accurate in the Defense Eligibility Enrollment Reporting System.

“If your family members are not in DEERS, you will not be able to select them to transfer benefits to,” Mr. Hawthorne added.

To apply to transfer benefits, visit the Transfer Education Benefits Web site, <https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/TEB>. Applicants must use a common access card, a DOD self-service user identification or a Defense Finance and Accounting Service personal identification number to access the site. The TEB site also is posted on the Air Force Virtual Education Center on the Air Force Portal.

How the process works

Currently, more than 144,000 active duty Airmen, and thousands more Selected Reservists, may be eligible for the transfer-to-dependents option.

“Due to the expected popularity of the transfer of benefits program, Airmen whose family members won’t need the benefits for the Fall 2009 semester should wait until mid-to-late July to apply, so we can process the applications for family members who plan to use the benefits immediately first,” General Newton said.

AFPC officials are responsible for reviewing all

transfer applications received from regular Air Force Airmen for eligibility. AFPC customer service representatives will check an applicant’s personnel record and validate retainability using the system of record.

“If the applicant is eligible for the transfer option, after receipt of the Statement of Understanding, AFPC will update the member’s active duty service commitment and return the approved application to the TEB site,” Mr. Hawthorne said.

If for some reason an applicant doesn’t meet eligibility requirements, the application will be returned to the TEB site. AFPC representatives will provide the applicant with a statement of why it was disapproved, or guidance on what actions are required before approval can be granted.

Guidance for Airmen

Defense officials also emphasize caution, foresight and patience when applying for transferring benefits.

According to a recent DOD release, new family members can be added to a member’s TEB application as long as that member is in the military, but not after separating or retiring. Thus, defense officials advise erring on the side of caution and including every eligible family member on the application, even if he or she receives just one month of benefit.

“Once an Airman’s transfer of benefits has been approved, they can always go back in and change which family member receives what amount of their benefit, if any, as long as that family member was included before the Airman leaves the service,” Mr. Hawthorne explained.

In addition, customers are asked to be patient with the processing of applications, especially during the first few months of the program.

Benefits and service commitment will be based on the date of application, but in no case earlier than Aug. 1, the effective date of the program, Mr. Hawthorne said.

“Even if it takes us a month or so to process your application, your service commitment clock will be retroactive to the date you applied, but no earlier than Aug. 1. The VA will allow you to seek reimbursement of benefits paid during the application approval process,” Mr. Hawthorne added.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

Quarterly awards

The 81st Training Group quarterly awards ceremony is 3:45 p.m. today at Welch Auditorium.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Joel DesJardin, 377-0253, or Master Sgt. Cliff Nicholson, 377-0288.

Open house

The education office sponsors an education fair, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday in Room 108A, Sablich Center.

Various online and local schools will be on hand to answer questions about degree programs, tuition, registration and other matters.

House party

A UBU house party for nonprior service students is 8 p.m. July 24 at the Legends Café in Vandenberg Community Center.

Students may pick up a free UBU card at the event, or show their current card and

become eligible for prizes and giveaways.

The party is sponsored by AAFES and Keesler Federal Credit Union.

Drill downs, parades

The 81st Training Group conducts drill downs at 7 a.m. Aug. 7 and 8 a.m. Oct. 2 on the parade field behind the Levitow Training Support Facility.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Malcolm Summers, 377-2103.



Photo by Kemberly Groue

From left, teacher Pamela Lopper, Daniel Mullens, teacher Debbie Hinton, Milan Garcia and Mackenna Naylor work on art projects at the child development center. Daniel, 5, is the son of Tech. Sgt. Valerie Mullens, 81st Communications Squadron, and Master Sgt. Stevven Mullens, 85th Engineering Installation Squadron. Milan, 3, is the daughter of Hannah Garcia, 81st Dental Squadron, and Master Chief David Garcia from the Seabee Base in Gulfport. Mackenna, 3, is the daughter of Staff Sgt. Carrie and Justin Naylor, 2nd Air Force.

Some child care costs go up

By Senior Airman Kimberly Limrick

Keesler Public Affairs

Effective Aug 10, parents of children who attend the child development center or the youth center here may experience an increase in their weekly fees.

The Military Child Care Act of 1996 requires Department of Defense to annually prescribe fee ranges for military child development programs. The official guidance from Air Force states that DOD has not issued new fee ranges for CDC and school-age programs for fiscal year 09, and no changes until 2010 school year are anticipated by Air Education and Training Command.

However, Lt. Col. Richard Cole, 81st Force Support Squadron commander said, "We are allowed to increase fees in categories that are not yet at the DOD maximum allowable rate."

Parent fees are based on a family's total annual income which fall into one of six categories and apply to all children who attend a program on a regular basis for child care, including school-age programs and part-day preschool. The youth center school age program fees are based on prorating the CDC fees.

Categories I, II, and IV are all currently at the maximum allowable rate and won't increase. Fee increases will only affect those who fall into Categories III, V and VI. Category III will increase \$1 per week, Category V will increase \$4 per week and Category VI will increase \$6 per week.

Changes to the hours of operation changes are also necessary and will adjust from the current 5:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. to 5:45 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.

This fee increase and hour changes will reverse the current CDC year to date losses.



IN THE NEWS

Changes of command

81st Logistics Readiness Squadron – 9 a.m. Friday at the Transportation Bay, Lt. Col. Robert Hicks takes command from Maj. Clarence "Icy" Lee. Colonel Hicks was previously chief of movement and transportation, logistics division, Allied Air Component Command Headquarters NATO at Izmir, Turkey. Major Lee, who's been selected for promotion to lieutenant colonel, is taking a new assignment at 2nd Air Force.

81st Comptroller Squadron — 1 p.m. Friday at the Mathies NCO Academy auditorium, Lt. Col. Randolph Toris takes command from Maj. Robert Paleo. Colonel Toris was previously the commander of the 27th Special Operations Comptroller Squadron, Cannon Air Force Base, New Mexico. Major Paleo remains at Keesler as chief of the 81st Training Wing's exercise and evaluation team.

Promotion ceremony Monday

Col. Ian Dickinson, 81st Training Wing commander, is promoted to the rank of brigadier general, 3 p.m. Monday at the Dragon's Lair.

Team Keesler is invited to the ceremony and a 4 p.m. promotion party at marina park. The party includes free food and drinks, music and a "bouncy dragon" for children. Civilian attire is acceptable.

A shuttle is available to transport people home to Thrower Park, West Falcon and Bay Ridge housing areas from 5-8 p.m.

Commander's calls

Upcoming 81st Training Wing commander's calls at Welch Auditorium:

July 27 — 9 a.m., Airmen; 3:30 p.m., noncommissioned officers.

July 28 — 10 a.m., company grade officers; 3:30 p.m., senior NCOs.

July 29 — 10:30 a.m., field grade officers.

July 30 — 3 p.m., civilians.

Aug. 7 — 8 a.m., make-up call for all ranks.

Work continues in Bay Ridge area

Work continues during July and August on street tie-ins and utility connections near the entrance of Bay Ridge housing area and Bay Breeze Golf Course.

Traffic on Ploesti Drive near Vandenberg and Patton is being rerouted into the turn lane, which is expected to cause congestion when motorists turn left from the northern stretch of Ploesti into the Bay Breeze parking lot.

Construction closes ER entrance

The main entrance to Keesler Medical Center's emergency room is closed until mid-August due to construction of the new radiation oncology center.

ER patients should use the outpatient clinic entrance. More critical patients use a temporary entrance on the north side of the building west of the ambulance bay door.

New command chief named

By Senior Airman
Eric Summers

Keesler Public Affairs

Chief Master Sgt. Lonnie Slater is coming to Keesler to take over as the 81st Training Wing command chief master sergeant.

He replaces Chief Master Sgt. Alex Perry, who becomes the commandant of the Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Chief Slater is coming to the Keesler from the First Sergeant Academy at Maxwell, where he serves as commandant. As commandant, he is responsible for developing active duty, Air National Guard, and Air Force Reserve Command senior enlisted leaders.



Chief Slater

Additionally he worked closely with the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force and the Air Force's special duty

manager to develop and implement Air Force policy regarding the effective recruiting of NCOs into the first sergeant career field.

Chief Slater was born in East St. Louis, Ill., and entered the Air Force in June 1985. He's served in leadership positions in the Services career field. He became a first sergeant in August 2002 where he served at the squadron and group levels.

His assignments include tours in Asia and Europe. He's also deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Chief Slater is expected to arrive later this summer.

Chief Master Sgt. Billy Abbott, 81st Training Group enlisted manager, is serving as the wing command chief until he arrives.

Social media,

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confidence, creativity, teamwork and collaboration, determination, and, above all, honesty and integrity," he wrote. "I'll write a future post about these characteristics and why I think they are essential."

A growing number of senior military and defense leaders are turning to blogs, Facebook pages, Twitter entries and other social networking venues to share information and seek feedback.

They're using these new tools to communicate their goals and activities, seek broader input they can apply to their decision making and engage with groups that simply can't be reached through traditional communication channels.

The efforts run the gamut, from Defense Secretary Robert Gates' Facebook page to Joint Chiefs Chairman Navy Adm. Mike Mullen's Twitter entries to blogs regularly updated by everyone from combatant commanders to troops deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan.

Social media is a new phenomenon, with the first recog-

nizable social network site tracing its roots to just 1997. But it's taken the world by storm. By some estimates, more than 60 million people maintain a blog. Meanwhile, the MySpace and Facebook social networking sites have quickly risen to become the most-visited U.S. Web sites.

The military has taken notice.

Marine Gen. James Cartwright, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, was among the first military leaders to embrace social media. Before his current post, while commanding U.S. Strategic Command, he made the cutting-edge move of launching a command-and-control blog. His goal was to cut through the traditional top-down military structure and information stovepipes to improve communications.

Air Force Gen. Victor Renuart, commander of U.S. Northern Command and North American Aerospace Defense Command, blogs regularly on his command's Web site.

When U.S. Africa Command was standing up as the newest geographic command, Army Gen. William E. "Kip" Ward made the first entry on its online

blog, "AFRICOM Dialogue" to describe the command's goals to his own staff and the public at large. Since then, General Ward and his staff regularly post updates about the command's activities in the region, providing a feedback box that invites readers to respond.

Admiral Mullen announced on a July 2 Twitter "tweet" that he'd just launched his own Facebook page. More than 3,300 of his Twitter followers get regular updates of his travels, messages and other news.

The commander of U.S. Central Command, Army Gen. David Petraeus, has been a long-time Facebook member. More than 6,250 fans have signed up for his page, and their comments are posted unfiltered, alongside many photos.

These and other defense leaders recognize social media forums as the information tool of choice among the "millennial generation," 18-to-25-year-olds, many of whom don't read newspapers, tune in to network news or visit official Web sites.

In addition, they introduce a dynamic that leaders simply can't get through traditional communication methods: unfet-

Bill OKs Thrift Savings Plan changes for civilians

Air Force News Service

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — June 22, President Obama signed into law the Thrift Savings Plan Enhancement Act of 2009 as part of the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act (Public Law 111-31).

The new provision went into effect July 5.

One provision of the new law eliminates the waiting period of appropriated fund civilian employees covered under the Federal Employees Retirement System to receive Agency Automatic 1 percent and agency matching contributions to their TSP accounts.

Prior to enactment of the new law,

new FERS employees had to wait six to 12 months, depending on their date of hire, before becoming eligible for agency TSP contributions. Employees covered by the Civil Service Retirement System aren't eligible for agency TSP contributions.

Department of Defense employees who are covered under FERS and who are hired or rehired on or after July 5 will be immediately eligible for agency automatic 1 percent contributions. When they begin contributing to TSP, they are also immediately eligible for agency matching contributions.

FERS employees who are currently serving the waiting period should see

their first agency TSP contributions on their leave and earnings statements for pay date July 24.

"New FERS employees who have delayed enrolling in TSP because they were waiting to become eligible for agency contributions should make their election as soon as possible to take advantage of this new provision," said Fran Campbell, a human resources specialist at the Air Force Personnel Center.

Employees may contribute a whole dollar amount or a whole percentage of their basic pay to TSP, but they must contribute at least 5 percent of basic pay each pay period in order to receive the maximum agency matching contribu-

tions. Employee contributions are subject to the \$16,500 annual maximum for 2009. TSP elections are effective on the first day of the next pay period after the election is submitted.

Air Force-serviced civilians can enroll or submit TSP contribution elections by using the Employee Benefits Information System Web application or the Benefits and Entitlements Service Team's phone system. EBIS can be found on the Air Force Portal and on AFPC's "Ask" site by entering "Employee Benefits Information System" in the search function.

Employees can reach BEST at 1-800-525-0102.

PERSONNEL NOTES

Customer service hours

Military personnel in uniform now receive priority service from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the 81st Force Support Squadron customer service section.

Customer service is also open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on "down Fridays."

To be issued an identification card, two forms of legal identification are necessary. Dependents are required to be accompanied by their sponsor unless they have power of attorney or a Defense Department Form 1172.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Carlton Vinson, 376-8339.

2009 selection boards

Through July 24 — senior noncommissioned officer supplemental.

Aug. 17-28 — command screening.

Sept. 14 — colonel medical service corps, medical corps and dental corps; lieutenant colonel and major MC/DC.

Sept. 21-25 — special selection boards.

Oct. 13-26 — chief master sergeant evaluation.

Nov. 2 — colonel and lieutenant colonel judge advocate and chaplain; major LAF, judge advocate and chaplain.

Dec. 1 — colonel LAF/ BSC/NC, lieutenant colonel and major BSC/NC.

Discrimination hotline

Air Force Personnel Center

The Air Force Discrimination Hotline, 1-888-231-4058, that serves all active-duty, Guard, Reserve and civilian Airmen.

The 24/7 hotline number ensures all unlawful discrimination and sexual harassment concerns are quickly identified and addressed. It streamlines the process by which individuals can speak with an equal opportunity professional at the Air Force Personnel Center to advise and assist with their concerns and issues. Callers can remain anonymous.

Personnel are highly encouraged to use their chain of command and/or local EO office as a first means to address concerns, but the 24/7 hotline is available to those who don't have immediate access to their local EO office.

Help with adoption expenses available

By April Rowden

AFPC Public Affairs

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — With thousands of children available for adoption in the U.S. alone, and with adoption fees that can reach well into the thousands of dollars, Air Force officials are helping ease the initial financial obligations for those military families opting to adopt.

Through the Adoption Expense Reimbursement Program, parents using a legal adoption agency may be eligible for up to \$2,000 per adoptive child, with a maximum reimbursement of \$5,000 in a calendar year, for qualifying expenses.

"On our first adoption, my wife and I ran up a \$1,200 phone bill in the first month, calling from (Misawa Air Base,) Japan to our lawyer in Washington and to the officials in American Samoa," said Lt. Col. David Bringhurst, chief of the Air Force Wounded Warrior and Air Force Family Research programs here and father of three adopted children. "I was thankful the Air Force helped defray the cost."

To qualify for the program, the following criteria must be met:

Adoption must be finalized while the Airman is serving on continuous active duty, or full-time Air Guard Reserve duty with orders specifying a period of at least 180 days,

Child must be under 18 years of age and physically or mentally incapable of caring for himself,

Child may not be the biological offspring of the Airman or a stepchild, and

The adoption must be arranged by a qualified adoption agency that has responsibility under state or local law for child placement



through adoption; a nonprofit voluntary adoption agency that is authorized by state or local law to place children for adoption; or any other source authorized by a state to provide adoption placement if the adoption is supervised by a court under state or local law.

Airmen have 365 days from the final adoption decree to request the reimbursement.

In fiscal 2008, Air Force families of 230 adopted children took advantage of this

program to help offset the agency fees, placement fees, legal fees and certain medical expenses.

"We distributed more than \$425,000 tax free to those families," said Senior Master Sgt. Rhonda Britt, superintendent of the directorate of personnel services special programs at the Air Force Personnel Center. "This is straight reimbursement for money that was already expended by the family."

Colonel Bringhurst sees this as another stellar example of the Air Force supporting the family.

"We're very proactive in the Air Force, especially when it comes to taking care of our families," he said. "Those who have used this program will tell you that it's a positive boost for the adoption movement."

Now, in the Year of the Air Force Family, the Air Force is focusing on greater improvement of its Caring for People programs, including family support, special-needs children and spouses, Air National Guard and Reserve affairs, deployment support, school support and single Airmen support.

For more information, visit the 81st Force Support Squadron or call the Total Force Service Center, 1-800-525-0102 or DSN 665-5000.

'Tis the season for new commanders



Photos by Kemberly Groue
Rupert Bradshaw, left, Capt. Andre Johnson and Staff Sgt. Jason Smith discuss the 81st Communication Squadron's network storage July 8. Captain Johnson, the squadron's former operations officer, assumed command July 2 from Lt. Col. Ray Adams. Colonel Adams is now the 81st Training Group's deputy commander.



Tech. Sgt. Bennie Williams, instructor for the 85th Engineering Installation Squadron's electronics standard installation practices course, briefs the squadron's new commander, Lt. Col. Lonnie Hammack. Colonel Hammack, who assumed command July 9 from Lt. Col. Tracy Jackson, was previously chief of C4 plans and exercises at U.S. Pacific Command headquarters, Camp Smith, Hawaii. Colonel Jackson is now assigned to the Defense Information Systems Agency, Washington.

DIAMOND NOTES

Per AFI36-2618, noncommissioned officers must ensure Airmen understand expectations to be competitive for promotion and what career opportunities exist. At a minimum, counseling occurs with performance feedback sessions or during a quality review under the selective reenlistment program.

Master Sgt. Joseph Wheeler,
81st Inpatient Operations Squadron first sergeant



MEMORABLE MOMENTS

July 1969

Keesler's student load peaked at 14,000 during the Vietnam War.



Identity theft is a personal nightmare and security risk. Shred bills, statements, letters, old journals, records, outdated application forms and any documents that contain your full name, Social Security number, duty title and job information, credit card, bank account numbers and names of family members. If you see documents being removed from trash cans, call the 81st Security Forces Squadron law enforcement desk, 377-3040.



Photos by Kemberly Groue

The \$61.9 million base exchange and commissary complex replaces structures gutted by Hurricane Katrina nearly four years ago.

Commissary, base exchange

January target date for construction completion



Olegareo Torres paints the inside of the new commissary.

By Airman 1st Class
David Salanitri

Keesler Public Affairs

Construction of Keesler's new base exchange and commissary is more than 78 percent complete, according to John Michael, project technical inspector.

The project started more than two years ago and is slated to be done by the first week of January, according to Mr. Michael. Once the construction is accomplished and turned over to the tenants in the building, base officials and representatives from the Defense Commissary Agency and Army and Air Force Exchange Service determine the grand opening date.

"In the commissary, workers have just completed finishing the main sales floor and all the walls have been constructed and are now being finished," said Mr. Michael.

"On the exchange side they are finishing up on all the walls and starting to install the ceiling grids throughout the store," he continued. "Most of the wiring and plumbing have been run and permanent electricity has been connected."

"The project is progressing nicely at this point — we had some issues at the very beginning, but we foresee no further problems that will delay the project."

Back to school time is just around the corner

By Senior Airman
Kimberly Limrick

Keesler Public Affairs

Students living in Keesler's military family housing areas attend Biloxi public schools.

To verify which school your child will attend, call 374-1810, extension 125.

Parents who didn't pre-register their children can enroll students at the Biloxi school to be attended, 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday or Tuesday.

When registering, you must present two proofs of residency, child's certified birth certificate, certificate of immunization issued by the state of Mississippi and the student's Social Security number.

Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before Sept. 1.

School begins Aug. 5 in Biloxi, but students not registered by July 31 won't start until Aug 6.

For more information, visit <http://www.biloxischool.net>

Start dates and Web addresses for other school districts:

Gulfport — School starts Aug. 5; <http://www.gulfportschools.org>.

D'Iberville and Harrison County — School starts Aug. 6; <http://www.harrison.k12.ms.us>.

St. Martin and Jackson County — School starts Aug. 5. <http://www.jcsd.k12.ms.us>

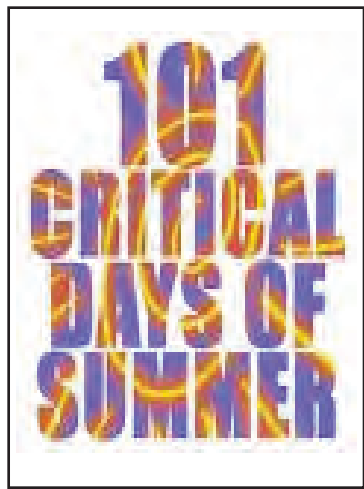
Long Beach — School starts Aug. 6; <http://www.lbsdk12.com>.

Ocean Springs — School begins Aug. 6; <http://www.ossd.k12.ms.us>.



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Capt. Allyson Strickland, 335th Training Squadron, shops for school supplies for her daughter at the base exchange, July 9.



Command consolidates call centers for efficiency

Air Education and Training Command and Keesler Public Affairs

Telephone operators of the 21st Century provide support far beyond giving out telephone numbers, and with upgraded telephone directories and consolidation efforts on the horizon, the quality support can only flourish.

June 24, Keesler completed its migration into the Consolidated Telephone Operator's call center under the direction of the Air Education and Training Command's Computer Systems Squadron.

Keesler customers continue to dial 377-1110 for directory assistance. The only noticeable change is the pre-recorded greeting before customers are forwarded to the AETC CTO at Port San Antonio, Texas.

This consolidation effort includes migration of the remaining AETC installations in a phased approach over the next several months and will involve several milestones in new capabilities.

Telephone services will be provided 24/7, 365 days a year, based on a common level for the entire command.

Migration has already been completed for Lackland, Randolph and Laughlin Air Force Bases and Wilford Hall Medical Center, Texas; and Vance and Altus AFBs, Okla.

The schedule for remaining AETC base migration is:

July — Goodfellow AFB, Texas, and Tyndall AFB, Fla.

August — Maxwell AFB, Ala., and Columbus AFB, Miss.

September — Sheppard AFB, Texas, and Luke AFB, Ariz.

Rebecca Meares-Jones, AETC systems support flight chief, and Senior Airman Kimberly Limrick, Keesler Public Affairs, contributed to this report.

Aug. 31 is deadline for officer education programs

Air Force News Service

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Officers with demonstrated leadership and scholarship abilities interested in applying for special developmental education programs for the 2010-2011 academic year, have until Aug. 31 to submit their applications to the Air Force Personnel Center.

The four special developmental education programs include:

the Olmsted Scholarship Program; details at <http://www.olmstedfoundation.org>.

the White House Fellowship Program, <http://www.whitehouse.gov/fellows>.

the Mansfield Fellowship Program, <http://www.mansfieldfdn.org>.

the Information Assurance Scholarship Program, http://www.nsa.gov/ia/academic_outreach.

Additional details on the programs and application requirements for Air Force officers are available on AFPC's "Ask" site. Enter "officer developmental education" in the search function.



More news, videos, information and photos on the Web at
<http://www.keesler.af.mil>



Good oral hygiene protects health, saves \$

By Staff Sgt.
Angel Lopez Torres

81st Dental Squadron

Lifestyles are becoming faster-paced every day.

During these busy times, it's important to take a few minutes, twice a day, to do something beneficial for yourself – brush and floss. Good oral hygiene does not just protect your health, it also saves you money. By preventing dental problems, you can keep dental care costs to a minimum.

Periodontists recommend these basic steps to take care of your oral health:

Replace toothbrushes every few months when the bristles begin to look frayed.

Floss daily to break up the bacterial colonies between teeth that can cause periodontal disease. Plaque accumulates daily, so flossing should be part of your at-home daily oral-hygiene routine.

Brush your teeth at least twice a day.

Choose a soft-bristled toothbrush that reaches every surface of each tooth.

Seek dental care for professional cleanings, as well as screenings for periodontal diseases

Don't floss just when you see food stuck between your teeth. Floss helps remove popcorn kernels, broccoli and other foods from your teeth. .

Floss slowly and correctly. Gently guide the floss between the teeth and don't snap or force it in place. Curve the floss into a "C" shape against one tooth and gently guide it along that tooth and just barely under the gum line. Move the floss up and down on each side of every tooth.

Brushing should be done in a gentle circular motion. Brushing teeth too hard can cause the gums to recede and expose the tooth roots.

To brush correctly, begin by positioning the brush at a 45-degree angle where your gums meet. Gently move the brush in a circular motion several times using short, gentle strokes.

To clean the inside surfaces of the upper and lower front teeth, hold the brush vertically. Make several gentle back and forth strokes over each tooth and its surrounding gum tissue. Clean the biting surfaces by using short gentle strokes.

An article from the American Academy of Periodontology provided the basis of this story.

Keep safety in mind when firing up the grill

Information dominance wins wars
— protect it!

Safety office and fire department

Summer time is barbecue time. When you pull out the grill, don't forget these safety guidelines.

Read and follow the manufacturer's instructions for your grill.

Place the grill in an outdoor area at least 10 feet away from buildings, shrubbery, dry vegetation and pedestrian traffic.

Close nearby windows and doors.

Don't use a grill in a carport or on a porch or deck.

Never move a lighted grill indoors.

Never leave a lighted grill unattended.

Keep children and pets away from a hot grill.

Make sure everyone knows to "stop, drop and roll" in case clothing catches fire. Call 911 if a burn warrants serious medical attention.

If the coals start to flag or are slow to burn, fan them or use dry kindling and rolled-up newspaper to give a boost.

Adding liquid fuel could cause a flash fire.

Wear a heavy apron, long pants and an oven mitt. Cover your arms with a mitt that extends over your elbow, or a long-sleeved, close-fitting shirt.

Use barbecue tools with long handles to keep hands and clothing away from the flames.

Trim excess fat to reduce grease flare-ups.

Keep a spray bottle of water handy.

As soon as possible, clear away all your cooking equipment such as fire starters, charcoal, forks, tongs and dishes to prevent children from getting into them.

After use, cover the grill, close the vents and allow the coals to cool overnight. If you're in a hurry, douse the fire with water.

Discard ashes into a metal container. "Dead" charcoal can re-ignite hours later. Spray with water for added safety.



Charcoal grills

The Consumer Product Safety Commission reports about 25 people die and hundreds suffer from carbon monoxide poisoning each year when they burn charcoal in enclosed areas.

Don't build a charcoal fire in an indoor fireplace. The fire produced by the briquettes isn't hot enough to cause the chimney to suck the carbon monoxide out of the room.

Use the starter fluids designated for your grill — never use gasoline. Keep the can and matches away from the grill.

Gas grills

Have your igniter ready when gas is turned on to prevent a flash burn or explosion.

If the burner doesn't ignite quickly, shut the valves, leave the lid open and allow the grill to air out for several minutes before you try to light it again to avoid a buildup of explosive gases.

Store the gas cylinder outside. Be sure the gas is turned off at the tank to prevent accidental ignitions. Check connections often for leaks using a soap/water mixture. Escaping gas appears as bubbles. Tighten the connections or call a professional to repair the grill.

Check the connection between the propane tank and the fuel line. Make sure the venturi tubes — where the air and gas mix — aren't blocked.

Don't overfill propane tanks.

Prevent Sexual Assault:

ASK!

...if friends need help

ACT!

...when they do

INTERVENE!
...when you see trouble



To report sexual assaults,
call Keesler's
sexual assault
response coordinator
hotline,
377-7278.



SAPRO
www.sapr.mil

New Web site underscores sexual assault awareness

By Staff Sgt. Steve Grever

AFPC Public Affairs

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Air Force officials have debuted a new Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Web site to raise awareness and provide prevention training, education, and victim advocacy.

The new SAPR Web site provides prevention and awareness information and recommendations that may prove useful in reducing and eliminating sexual assaults in the Air Force, said Lawna Swellander, the Air Force's sexual assault prevention and response operations chief.

“Eventually, the Web site will contain informational video spots that highlight ways in which members can intervene as bystanders to help others from becoming victims of sexual assault,” she

said. “However, the primary focus of our new Web site is to serve as a resource for anyone who is interested in learning more about what the Air Force is doing to combat sexual assault and provide comprehensive listings of available resources.”

The Web site contains a range of material, including definitions and policy, general information to victims and the public, and discusses the availability of medical treatment, advocacy, and referral services with contact lists for the proper agencies that provide critical services.

The site will also include contacts for local sexual assault response coordinators and links to military and civilian organizations like the Department of Defense SAPR Program and Military OneSource. It will also contain current policies and Air Force Instructions as well as

photos, news articles, and public service announcements.

The Air Force SAPR Program is focusing its efforts on the primary levels of prevention that work to stop sexual assaults before they occur.

“The key to prevention is for all Airmen to be engaged and committed to stopping these crimes before they occur by intervening when they witness situations or circumstances that lead to sexual assault,” said Carl Buchanan, Air Force SAPR program manager.

While prevention has been included in the formal Air Force SAPR Program since it began in 2005, Mr. Buchanan said the new initiative concentrates extensively on educating Airmen and caring for victims of sexual assault.

“To shift to a full-scale prevention approach requires consistent and continuing education and training. It also requires emphasizing standards and values by leadership as well as a consistent, visible support for victims. Deterrence and holding perpetrators accountable is represented by our well-trained investigators, prosecutors and commanders,” he said.

From the launch of the official Air Force SAPR Program, Air Force leadership has dedicated full-time resources for SARCs, enhanced collaboration between first-responder communities, developed career-stream learning, continued partnerships with civilian subject matter experts, and released supportive campaign messaging to enhance the well being of all Airmen.

For more information, visit the new SAPR Web site at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/library/sapr/index.asp> or call the Air Force SAPR Program Office, 1-210-565-4448.



THE AIRMAN'S CREED

I AM AN AMERICAN AIRMAN.
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I HAVE ANSWERED MY NATION'S CALL.

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MY MISSION IS TO FLY, FIGHT, AND WIN.
I AM FAITHFUL TO A PROUD HERITAGE,
A TRADITION OF HONOR,
AND A LEGACY OF VALOR.

I AM AN AMERICAN AIRMAN,
GUARDIAN OF FREEDOM AND JUSTICE,
MY NATION'S SWORD AND SHIELD,
ITS SENTRY AND AVENGER.
I DEFEND MY COUNTRY WITH MY LIFE.

I AM AN AMERICAN AIRMAN:
WINGMAN, LEADER, WARRIOR.
I WILL NEVER LEAVE AN AIRMAN BEHIND,
I WILL NEVER FALTER,
AND I WILL NOT FAIL.



Save
a life;
donate
blood.
Call the
Keesler
Blood
Donor
Center,
376-6100.

Caregiving seminar

A free caregiving seminar is 5:15-7 p.m. today at the Donal Snyder Sr. Community Center, 2520 Pass Road, Biloxi.

The program covers legal issues in aging, resources and services, coping skills and how to make your parent a dependent.

Refreshments and door prizes are provided at the event which is cosponsored by the airman and family readiness center and the City of Biloxi.

To register, call 376-8728 or e-mail sandra.brzovic@keesler.af.mil.

Heart Walk

People interested in participating in the American Heart Association Heart Walk Oct. 3, call Master Sgt. Patrick Key, 376-8524 or 8529, e-mail patrick.key@us.af.mil, or log on to <http://gulfcoastheartwalk.kintera.org>, select "find a team," then select "Keesler Dragons."

Coastal cleanup signup

Keesler is responsible for Hiller Park during this year's Mississippi Coastal Cleanup, 8-11 a.m. Oct. 17.

Registration deadline is Oct. 13, and the backup date is Oct. 24.

Keesler members who want to participate register online at <http://www.mscoastalcleanup.org>. Military members, family members, civilian employees and contractors may participate. Children under 18 must bring the permission/registration slip and turn it in to the zone captain at the site.

For more information, call Staff Sgt Lynn Rinker, 376-3333, or e-mail rink101@yahoo.com.

Wheelchair taxi

The 81st Logistic Readiness Squadron vehicle operations now has a wheelchair-accessible mini-van available for taxi service.

For more information, call 377-2430.

SPORTS AND RECREATION



Little golfers, big swings

Bay Breeze Golf Course golf pro Tama Manu gives some putting pointers to 8-year-old Addison Robbins, center, and 6-year-old Trey Pickich during the first kids' golf camp session, July 8. Addison's parents are Laurie and Jeffrey Robbins, 335th Training Squadron. Trey, grandson of retiree Dan Russell, is the son of Kristen and Chad Pickich. The second session began Tuesday and ends today, and the third session is July 28-30. Ages 6-8 have lessons from 8:30-9:30, and ages 9-12 have lessons from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Sign up at the youth center or Bay Breeze.

Photo by Kemberly Groue

Basketball

Varsity men's and women's teams — tryouts to be announced. Teams play in Southeastern Military Athletic Conference. Coaches needed. For more information, call 377-2444 or 3056.

Bowling

Fall leagues — registrations being accepted now for the Saturday morning youth league, Monday night league, Tuesday night (hospital and VA), Wednesday and Friday mixed leagues and Thursday intramurals. Sign up at the counter or call 377-2817.

Bowling fund raisers — for more information, call 377-2817.

Youth bowling — for any child old enough to throw the bowling ball down the alley. League meets 9:30 a.m. Saturdays; instruction available. For more information, call 377-2817.

Glow bowling — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, \$1 per game and \$1 for shoes; 9 p.m. Fridays, 7 p.m. Saturdays, \$5.50 adults, \$3.50 ages 17 and younger, including shoes.

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. weekdays. Bring your employees bowling for \$1 a game plus shoe rental. For reservations, call 377-2817.

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

Birthdays 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.

Fitness centers

No smoking policy — in effect on Crotwell Track across from Blake Fitness Center.

Free fitness classes — boot camp, self-defense, cycling, yoga, step aerobics, circuit training, kick boxing and pilates at Dragon Fitness Center. For more information, call 377-2907.

Free fitness testing, exercise prescription and personal training — at Blake, Dragon and Triangle Fitness Centers. Call for appointment.

Boxing room — Triangle Fitness Center. Six heavy bags, three speed bags and one double-end bag. Boxing gloves available.

Intramural flag football — letters of intent due July 31 at Triangle Fitness Center. For more information, call 377-2444.

Cart corral



Photo by Kemberly Groue

A temporary golf cart barn is going up so that the old structure can be torn down to continue construction of the new Bay Breeze Events Center.

Fit to fight incentive program — register at any Keesler fitness center for this ongoing program. Log miles accumulated on exercise machines that record miles, or by running, walking, biking or swimming. Prizes awarded for various milestones.

Parent/child fitness room — at Dragon Fitness Center. Workout equipment; play area for ages 6 months to 7 years.

Massage appointments — at Triangle Fitness Center, call 348-6698.

Triangle Fitness Center — open 10a.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.

Golf Intramural league

(as of July 7)

Team	Poi nts
334th TRS-A	67
81st FSS	49
336th TRS	45
*334th TRS-B	40
*81st SFS	39
81st LRS	38
MARDET-A	35
333rd TRS	34
81st TRSS	31
335th TRS	28
81st MDSS	12
MARDET-B	6

* one make-up match to play

For more information and schedule, call Sam Miller, 377-2444.

Other

African-American Heritage Committee tournament — Friday. Registration starts at 10:30 a.m., noon shotgun start. Four-person team (scramble). \$50 includes green fees, cart, lunch and cold beverages; three mulligans and two throws \$5, strings \$1. To sign up, call Kurt Higgins, 377-5250.

9-hole Dragon fun golf — Shotgun start 4:30 p.m. Thursdays.

\$20 per person includes greens fee, cart, food, beverages and prizes. Four-person team, two-person blind draw. Sign up as twosome or single. Format decided by draw each week; limited to first 36 golfers.

Twilight special — 3 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays. Pay one price and golf until closing; E1-E4 \$12, E5-O3 \$20, O4-up \$22, guests \$22.

Nonprior service student special — show phase card or UBU card. Greens fee and cart, \$15 for 18 holes, \$10 for nine holes; add \$5 for rental clubs.

Free golf lessons for nonprior service students 4-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays; first come, first served. Maximum 10 per session; bring clubs.

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

Outdoor recreation

Pools — main base pool, noon to 5:30 p.m. daily except Monday. Triangle Pool, noon to 7 p.m. daily except Wednesday, with lap swimming for adults, 11 a.m. to noon. Single and family passes available. Pool parties available. For more information, call the main base pool, 377-3948, or Triangle Pool, 377-3568.

Pool parties available — For more information, call 377-3568.

Camping packages — available, including sleeping bags, lanterns, camp stoves and tents.

July fish of the month — weigh in the largest flounder, win a \$100 savings bond. Minimum three participants.

Canoes, kayaks — for rent.

Trip to Horn Island aboard the Keesler Dolphin — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays following nonworking Fridays, weather permitting. \$30 including barbecue grill, charcoal and ice. Bring food, drinks, sunscreen and fishing equipment. Minimum 15 passengers. Group rates available. For more information, call 377-3160.

Rental campers — \$50 day. Two available; one sleeps six, one sleeps eight. For more information and towing requirements, call 377-3160.

Back Bay fishing trip — \$20 per person. State fishing license required; minimum four, maximum six people. For date and time, call 377-3160.

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

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

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.

Nonprior service student special — 35000 Trek seven-speed bikes, \$5 day on nonworking Friday, Saturday and Sunday, or Saturday/Sunday.

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 — Fridays and Sundays on the Keesler Dolphin II. \$75 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, \$750 for first 10 people, \$50 each additional person. No license needed. \$100 deposit.

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

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

Rent a bicycle — 3500 Trek, seven speed, \$3 a day, \$15 weekly, \$35 monthly.

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

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

GRADUATIONS

Mathies NCO Academy Class 09-5

81st Training Support Squadron — Tech. Sgt. John Schildgen.

333rd Training Squadron — Tech. Sgts. Lyanna Pena-Lewis and Ivan Smith.

334th TRS — Tech. Sgt. Tameka Smalls.

403rd Civil Engineer Squadron — Tech. Sgt. David Swanson (Levitow Award).

Mathies NCO Academy — Tech. Sgt. James Campbell Sr.

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Student honor roll

332nd Training Squadron

Electronic principles — Airmen Basic Edgar Alvarez, Brian Amentini, Chuck Barnett, Ernest Bell, Ryan Benedict, Christopher Bingham, Vincent Boven, Daniel Brim, Devin Byars, Paul Chadwick, Misti Cox, Anthony Craig, Mark Cuello, Devin Currie, Jamal Dennis, David Doss, Patrick Dunn, Jacob Dupuis, Trevor Edmundson, Matthew Fitzsimmons, Christopher Ford, Daniel Funston, David Gilmore, Patrick Gonya, Benjamin Graeff, Tyler Grant, Scott Green, David Guzman, Andrew Harris, Sean Hartman, Jacob Hopfauf, Aaron Jackson, Salvador ZeppedaJimenez, Paul Jordan, Ryan Jordan, Sae Hyeck Kim, Erik Larrison, Cody Lawver, Chad Lobsiger, Mario Lopez, Ryan Machos, Alexandre Maertens, Timothy McKinny, Brandon Miller, Kevin Mitchell, Eric Murtishaw, James Nash, Brett Nims, Alyssa Otto, Alexus Palacio, Cassidy Parker, Charles Paul, Adrian Perez, John Perez, Justin Persson, John David Petersen, David Roberts, Lawrence Rosales, Steven Rosales, Donovan Rosinsky, Jacob Ross, Ericka Sadler, Joseph Scheef, Devan Schimel, David Sierra, Zachary Stookey, John Taylor, Kevin Thomas, Scott Trail, James Vasquez, Carlos Villanueva, Jeremy Walczak, Stevn Weber, Stephen Wilkes and David Young; Airmen Kyle Anderson, Whittley Bennett, TJ Breazzeal, Colin Camp, Jonathan Cawkins, Christopher DeJesus, David Dreyfus, Kyle Eilefson, Brian Evanoff, Christopher Formico, Mason Green, Christopher Guhl, Steven Janca, Bradley Jeschelnik, Austin Johnson, Ronald Marlow, Robert Miller, Robert Mullen, Sean Patrick, Matthew Pavone and Robert Rex; Airmen 1st Class Joshua Alameda, Daniel Allen, Gregory Anderson, Christian Barbosa, James Beatty, Corie Brassfield, Ryan Chapman, Justin Childs, Joseph Christel, Austin Davis, Aaron Driver, Monalisa Durkan, Travis Englund, Dane Entze, Gary Fink, Roxanne Fino, Sean Gant, Bryant Horton, Benjamin Johnson, Cameron Johnson, Landon Johnson, Patrick Kelley, Mark Keagy, Adam Kroll, Alan Kroth, Corey Lail, Robert Livings, Travis Logan, Joshua McDonald, Eric McKenzie, Joseph Merfield, Robert Messier, Roman Nelson, Matthew Newkirk, Robert Park, Steven Phaup, Matthew Prouse, Nolan Quindarius, Gregory Quinn, Derek Rankin, Andrew Reinzo, Justin Rollings, Orlano Salcido, Travis Salter, Jatelvis Sharpe, Randall Sheppard, Kimberly Simon, Marc Smith, Scottie Smith, William Snyder, Matthew Stebbins, Michael Strickland, Ryan Swanson, Dustin Tofteland, Thomas Trimeloni, Manuel Troche, Michael Turner, Jarvis Underwood, Matthew Varney, Zachary Walker, Matthew Whisman, Aaron Wood, Travis Zilli and Eric Zimmerman; Senior Airmen Jeremy Baxley, Bobby DykesWilson, Jeremy Edwards, Marc Gonzalez, Howard Kim, David Stivers and Brendan Trostle; Staff Sgts. Khalid AlHabsi, Andrew Applebee, Jason Armstrong, Stephen Brown, Nathan Fields, Christopher Paccassi, Alfred Mester, Michael Reece, Christopher Sowards and Dody Weaver; Master Sgts. Naif Jaafari, Sean Rice and Brian Wrozek; Tech. Sgts. John Adams and Robert Osborn; Chief Master Sgt AliAhmed AlAmer and Musallam Saeed Almalki, 2nd Lt. Emad Hussein AlRashdan; Maj. Abdal Hafeez and Iftikhar Zahoor.

Metrology basic course — Airmen Basic KC Berger and James Santos; Airmen Dante Butler and Jason Warren; Airmen First Class Kevin Briggs, Donny Herrera, Mathew McCain and James McGuire; Staff Sgts. Timothy Schockley and Steven Umana.

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Aerospace control and warning systems — Airmen Basic Tyler Chambers, Alyssa Cota, Michael Kupukaa, Joyce Spriko, Albert Sullivan, Elvin Terrell, Jarred Webb and Wryan Wood; Airmen Ryan Judy, Leslee Pulliam and Leah Semik; Airmen 1st Class Chelsey Dykes; Senior Airman Joshua Eernisse; Staff Sgt. Nicholas Patterson; Tech. Sgts. Omar Gonzalez, Daniel Lacombe and Manuel Montanez; Chief Master Sgt. Carolyn Lucas.

Air traffic control operations training flight — Airmen Basic Christina Barrientos, William Farmer, Eric Golant, Aaron Hasben, Justin King, Jasmine Logan, Jarold Mausolf, Jeffrey Merrill, Jodie Parks, Heather Pedersen, Ashley Phillips and Abigail Welte; Airmen Robert Arends, Jaesun Brown, Justin Buchele, Larson Chun, Alexander Gordy, Cassandra Hood, Corey Lenker, Mathew Summers, and Adam Hughes-Wooton; Airmen 1st Class Mathew Atherton, Jonathan Doiron-Card, Alexandra Farragher, Elizabeth Gray, Bryan Griswold, Lewis Hampton, Christopher Scurlock, Gary Sumpter and Spencer Valentine; Staff Sgts. Gabriel Hernandez and Sean McDermott.

Aviation resource management — Airmen Basic Brandon Daniels, Silasa Jackson, Ronald Jones, Deante Lever, Kadirra Wallace; Airman Zachary Mitchum; Airmen 1st Class Jeffrey Lamaire, Megan Phillis, Tempest Warlick; Tech Sgt. Braian Petrie.

Command post apprentice course — Airman Basic Barron Dietrich; Airman Samantha Byrd; Airmen 1st Class Jonathan Baker and Taylor Hock; Senior Airman James Brown, Alexis Hill, Jennifer Peace and Robert Zellers; Staff Sgts. Michael Baker and Abraham Vaquerno; Tech Sgts. Tina Tvinnereim and Marc Vandagriff; Master Sgt Mack Wainwright; Senior Master Sgts. Mark Bolduc and Kenneth Bradley.

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Comptroller training flight — Airmen Basic Joshua Bice, Latonya Kocher, Kelly Meeks, Caitlin Ollis, Dwayne Simeon, Samuel Spaethe, Wesley Stakely, Steven Sutton and Tefera Workneh; Airmen Darius Dinkins, Scott Finley, Timothy McArthur and Rebecca Sobiech; Airmen 1st Class Laurita Agnis, Joseph Boyet, Jordan Edwards, Nicole Jaszemski, Alton Kelly, Sarah Lambertson, David Rossman, Doron Smith, Marquis Smith and Jonathan Vance; Senior Airmen Daniel Swanson; Staff Sgts. James Blaz, Tess Jaeger, Jason Luckenbach, Jason Minor, Jennifer Pascarelli, Adam Rohrer, Jesse Soberberg and Jason Yeargin; Tech. Sgt. Shawn Carnahan; Master Sgt William Box and Christopher Morin; Capt. Ghanam Al Ajmi.

CHAPEL SERVICES

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

Protestant

Sunday worship

Larcher Chapel traditional with children's ministry.....8:30 a.m.
Triangle Chapel contemporary service.....10:30 a.m.
Triangle Chapel gospel service.....Noon

Roman Catholic

Sunday Mass

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

Weekday Mass

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

Jewish

For worship opportunities, call Master Sgt. Michael Raff, 377-5235 or 207-2196.

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 801-787-1990.

Weather training flight — Navy Airman Recruit Kristin McGuire and Joshua Riffe; Marine Pvt. Brian Wetherald; Airman Basic Alex Baldwin, Jeffrey Brealand, Clifford Bridge, Michael Cobb, John Geibel, Rudolfo Gonzales, Jacob Hale, Zachary Hargis, Jennifer Homiston, Steven Macks, Phillip Mathews, Preston Powers, Joshua Scherer, Andrew Scott, Christian Taylor and Benjamin Wiltshire; Navy Airman Apprentice Justin Heinrich; Airmen David Luken and Steven Wollman; Lance Cpl. Alberto Campos Jr. and Mario Morales; Navy Airmen John Becton and Michael LeHockey; Airman 1st Class Britanee Booker-Sias, Kimberly Bratton, Dillon Curtis, Victor Davis, Michael Draper, Marcus Garcia, Micheal Lanzetta, Brandon Larson, Nicholas Ochoa, Jessica Patton, Rachel Perkey, Robinson Powers, Crystal Rodriguez, Christopher Van Horn, Steven Vasko and Jessica Wells; Marine Cpls. Xavier Foster, William Munroe and James Wynn; Senior Airman Peter Miner and James Yonko; Staff Sgt. Migeul Cadena, Donald Killian, Shawn Nelson; Master Sgt. Ali Salem Al-Shehri; William Whitt.

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Communications-computer systems flight — Airmen Timothy Emerson and Alex Matuszak.

Communications and information management flight — Airman Basic Plinio Alves, Joseph Brock, Isaiah Bruemmer, Kyle Eckert Matthew Goff, Erin Hoover, Christopher Kuhn, Kent Kuta, Nico Malone, Ricardo Murdock, Latesha Oliver, Reannen Purser, Curtis Russell, Lisa Russell, David Simon, Jacob Singleton and Christy Wood; Airmen Christopher Church, Travis Royal and Zachary Schumacher; Airman 1st Class David Barker, George Boltik, Brenton Briggs, Stephan Casucci, David Chilson, Joshua Cunningham, Arielle Garcia, John Garcia, Tiffany Gray, Taylor Hobbs, Lennard Huslik, Tran Le, Elizabeth Maxwell, Curtis Smith, Robert Stoerlle, Ronald Tyler, Yomar Valentin and Corby Washington; Senior Airman Felicia Daniels, Jeremy Joe, Jesse Mott, Matthew Parker and Cedeno Santos; Staff Sgts. Larry Barker, Christina Franks, Corey Hendershot, Leandro Herrera, Constant Jacques, Matthew Leisure, Christopher McNeil, Jonathon Murray, Ronald Rogers, Daniel Schoettle, Brian Whitcraft and Eugene Young; Tech. Sgts. Carmina Aguirre, Jason Hill, Robbie Hunt and Jason Rotherford.

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Ground radar — Airmen Tyler Bagby, Andrew Dahn and Christopher Farrell; Airmen 1st Class Jona Green, Diana Garcia-Sanchez, Christopher Halubka, Ryan McKee, Daniel Nichols, Gregory Parker, Peter Sigmund, Sarah Watson and Edward Willocks; Senior Airmen Erik Borgeson and Kevin Fowler; Staff Sgts. Gerald Barq and Eliud Martinez-Franco; Master Sgts. Audean Garcia-Lopez and Kelly Merrell; Senior Master Sgt. Byong Park.

Ground radio — Airmen Basic Sean Carnahan, Nicholas Dragon, Jesus Enriquez, Sean Gmachowski and Rashodrick Jackson; Airmen Charles Potter and Jared Stevens; Airmen 1st Class Donald Baker, Jared Carter, Rosie Gumbs, Christopher Joren, James Kane and Jonathan Roche; Senior Airman Michael McKenna; Staff Sgts. Terrance Bias, Roger Gregory, Jeremy Paumer and Brandon Wall; Tech. Sgts. Kevin Irvin and David Winston.

Network infrastructure systems — Airmen Basic Matthew Alexander and Brock Padilla; Airmen Christopher Bahe and Joshua Crawford; Airmen 1st Class Dominick Alfonz, Collin Bates, Colin Fagan, Roger Fitch, Daniel Groh, Aaron Potts and Joshua Snow; Senior Airman Haracio Martinez; Staff Sgts. Ryan Baker, Keven Blackwell, Gerald Redmond and David Stoler; Tech. Sgt. James Warrack.

Visual information and intrusion detection systems — Airman Basic Thomas Barlow.

CLASSES

Airman Leadership School

Class 09-6 — Aug. 10-Sept. 16.

Mathies NCO Academy

Class 09-6 — Aug. 3-Sept. 10.

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Arts and crafts center

Tailgate flea markets — Saturdays. Set up at 8 a.m., sales are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tables \$15 on day of sale. Register by 4 p.m. Fridays and pay \$10 and get a parking space.

Summer arts youth camp — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$25 including all materials. Tuesday through July 23, woodworking; July 28-30, scrapbooking and card making.

Jewelry making — 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday8. \$30 including materials. Learn wire wrapping and tooling.

Mosaic art — one class, two sessions, 5:30-7 p.m. today and July 30. \$15 including all materials.

Card making — 10:30 a.m. to noon, July 23. \$7.

Pottery — 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 25. \$40 including instruction and supplies. Call for time.

Advanced intarsia woodworking — 10 a.m. to noon Saturday. \$20 including materials and tool use.

Beginning woodworking — 5-7 p.m. Wednesdays. \$25 including shop use and materials. This class will certify you to use the equipment in the future.

Multi-crafts center — potter's wheels, ceramic molds, air brushing and tools are available for use in the shop. Craft classes for beginners, intermediate and advance levels. Craft supplies for sale.

Engraving shop — squadron, office and individual orders.

Wood shop — stocked retail lumber and a large assembly area adjacent to the machine room are available. Call for information on beginners and advanced woodworking classes.

Vehicle resale lot

One block west of Larcher Boulevard on Tingle Street, north of 81st Security Forces Squadron; register at multi-craft shop, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays. Registration, license and proof of insurance required. \$10 per month per stall for regular vehicles, \$20 per month for recreation vehicles and boats.

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.

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

Student research help — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Basic information on Ebsco and Gale Group.

Research databases — comprehensive research capabilities. Many specialty areas. Orientations 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays. To sign up, call 377-2181.

Playaway — first self-playing digital audio books now available. Audio content preloaded; select from large assortment of titles. Pop in a battery, plug in almost any type of headset and enjoy.

Overdrive audio online book program — individual or family accounts allow download/playing of full length audio books on a personal computer. Check with library staff for details.

Rosetta Stone online language learning center — 30 foreign languages including Spanish. For more information, check with the library staff.

Chief of Staff professional military reading list — titles available for checkout from the special book collection.

Online catalog — to search the inventory of books, DVDs, CDs, videotapes, magazines, periodicals and more, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>, click on the link for McBride Library, then the link for the online catalog.

Available — two large meeting rooms, audio room, typing room and children's library.

Free wireless Internet — check at circulation desk.

Tours/orientations — call 377-2604.

Paperback book swap — swap one for one. Must be in good condition and of same genre.

CLUBS AND CENTERS

Vandenberg Community Center

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

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. Buffet specials 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; July 8, Italian; July 15, beef brisket, \$6.95, work Fridays catfish \$8.95.

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

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

Movie nights — 7 p.m. Wednesday; free popcorn.

Katrina Kantina

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

Margarita night — 5-8 p.m. July 31. Specialty margaritas \$5.25, chips and salsa, DJ Wayne and his karaoke machine.

Tuesday special — 5-7 p.m., tacos 2 for \$1 for members, \$1.50 each for no members.

Luncheon specials — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays; \$6 members, \$8 nonmembers. For more information, call 377-2219.

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

Youth center

Editor's note: All children registered in a youth center program receive free membership.

School-age and teen camps — through Aug. 7. Registrations continue until camps are full for each week.

School-age program — register now. School served are Jeff Davis and Beauvoir Elementary. Space limited.

Missoula children's theater camp — Monday through July 24, grades 1-12. Auditions 1 p.m. Monday. Rehearsals 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. daily. Rumpelstiltskin performance 5 p.m. July 24. For more information, call 377-4116.

Golf for kids — 8:30-9:30 a.m. ages 6-8; 9:30-11:30 a.m. ages 9-12. Last session July 28-30. \$65 per session including equipment and T-shirt. Sign up at the youth center or Bay Breeze Golf Course. Space is limited.

Coming soon — archery, tennis, cheerleading, dance and Operation Night Hoops. For more information, call 377-4116.

Classes — gymnastics 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays; ages 3 and older. Guitar, ages 6 and older, by appointment only. Both classes are \$50 per month. To register, call 377-4116.

Open recreation — 3-7 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 3-6 p.m. Fridays and 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays, ages 9 and older. Boys and Girls Club programs including computer media center, homework assistance "Power Hour" program, and triple-play sports and recreation activities. Students sign themselves in at the front desk.

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.

Commissioners and coaches needed — for youth sports. For more information, call 377-4116.

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DINING HALL MENUS

Today

Lunch — 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.

Dinner — herbed baked chicken, beef and noodles, fried catfish, blackeyed peas, 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.

Friday

Lunch — 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.

Dinner — 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.

Saturday

Lunch — 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 — 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.

Dinner — 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.

Monday

Lunch — 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.

Dinner — Swiss steak, baked chicken, sausage, peppers and onions, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli, carrots, cucumber and onion salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumplings soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

Tuesday

Lunch — 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.

Dinner — 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.

Wednesday

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

Dinner — 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 with beans, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

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 in Room 111, Sablich Center, 1 p.m. for those who are separating and 2:30 p.m. for those who are retiring. If separating/retiring under special circumstances, call 376-8728 for appointment.

Transition assistance program — briefings are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Aug. 10-13, Sept. 14-17, Oct. 19-22, Nov. 16-19 and Dec. 14-17, 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.

Air Force Reserve opportunities — for members separating within 180 days, call Master Sgt. Charlene Morse, 377-7116; e-mail charlene.morse@keesler.af.mil or visit Room 125-F, Sablich Center.

Palace Chase — for information about how to apply for a program to attend college full time and work part time, visit Room 125-F, Sablich Center. For more information, call Master Sgt. Charlene Morse, 377-7116; e-mail charlene.morse@keesler.af.mil or visit Room 130, Sablich Center.

Employment opportunities

Equal Opportunity career field — is in need of the finest Air Force personnel. The career field, 3S1X1, offers positions at every installation and the ability to support overseas contingencies at many forward bases. The minimum qualifications are rank of staff sergeant or above, prior qualification in any Air Force Specialty Code at the 5-skill level or higher, ability to speak distinctly and communicate well with others, no record of disciplinary action or financial irresponsibility, outstanding appearance, high moral standards, exceptional military bearing and conduct. For more information, call Master Sgt. Michael Rieger, 377-2975.

Air Force Office of Special Investigations — 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, call AFOSI Detachment 407, 377-3420.

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

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 in Room 108B, Sablich Center. For an appointment, 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 Tech. Sgt. Yolanda Jerry, 377-2157, or Kurt Higgins, 377-5250.

Air Force Sergeants Association Chapter 652 — 4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month, Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Rich Striggow, 377-4800, or visit the group's Web site, <http://www.afsa652.org>.

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

Airmen Against Drunk Driving — For more information, call Staff Sgt. Aaron Eden, 377-1907; Staff Sgt. Brad Mills, 377-1714, or 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, 376-8500, or Master Sgt. Ernesto Alvendia, 376-8501.

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; 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 Camo-princess92@gmail.com or visit <http://www.keeslercap.org>.

Company grade officers council — meets first Wednesday of the month. For time and location, call 1st Lt. Stephanie Lutz, 377-8638.

Keesler 5.6 — 3:15 p.m. third Wednesday of the month; location varies. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Kimberly Sturdivant, 377-1813.

Keesler Amateur Radio Club — Net with news-line and echo-link is held Wednesdays on 146.79, minus offset, no PL tone. Monthly meeting is 7 p.m. second Monday of the Month at Locker House facility. Enter courtyard on left side of building as you face the front of it. Enter the door marked "T flight" and proceed straight ahead until you see a sign saying "K5TYP."

Keesler Spouses Club — second Tuesday of the month. For time and place, call Leanne Ramsay, 377-3217, or visit <http://www.KeeslerSpousesClub.com>.

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.

Top III — 3:30 p.m. third Thursday of the month; location varies. For more information, call Master Sgt. Tammy McElroy, 376-3164.

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, or Charles Bowers, 860-3665.

MISCELLANEOUS

Movies

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

Friday — 6:30 p.m., Terminator Salvation (PG-13, 115 minutes).
Saturday — 2 p.m., Up (PG, 96 minutes); 6:30 p.m., Night at the Museum (PG, 105 minutes)

Sunday — 1 p.m., Drag Me to Hell (PG-13, 99 minutes).