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Dragons deployed — 266

Remembering to remember



Courtesy photo

Eighteen students from the 336th Training Squadron and two cadets from Keesler's Civil Air Patrol participated in the "Remember to Remember" Ernest Roy Jr. Memorial Day Flag Relay May 31. The Keesler team took turns running the last 14 miles of the 134-mile relay carrying the Stars and Stripes and a Support Our Troops flag. The runners pictured ran the 1.6 mile Ocean Springs Bridge during the hottest part of the day without stopping, according to Chaplain (Capt.) Eric Whitmore, training branch chaplain, who helped organize Keesler participation. Keesler ended the relay with a memorial service to remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. The flag carried by the team will be presented to a local family who lost a loved one in combat operations.

Energy audit charts conservation plan

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News editor

Saving energy is saving money, so the Air Force has embarked on an aggressive facility energy audit schedule.

The \$20 million program is the result of a new federal mandate which requires federal agencies to audit a minimum of 25 percent of its facilities each year over a four-year cycle. Final audit reports will include energy and water conservation opportunities, cost estimates and completed programming and build-

ing life cycle cost analysis documents.

In April, 20 audits were awarded for 67.4 million square feet of energy-use facility space, including 4.5 million square feet at Keesler. May 17-28, a team of 13 energy specialists from Science Applications International Corp. came to Keesler in search of ways to reduce energy consumption.

Team lead Scott Lawless said, "Energy conservation is critical to the future of our nation and our world. SAIC is proud to

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**19 weeks until
Unit Compliance
Inspection**

Safe summer off to great start

Great news!!! This was the first Memorial Day weekend in a decade with zero reportable mishap fatalities for the Air Force! During the last 10 years, we lost an average of two Airmen per year over this weekend.

Fatality-free numbers don't just happen, especially in these times of decreasing manpower and funding. They reflect hard work, dedication and commitment to preserving our people. It's paying huge dividends in preserving the training capability. However, we must not lose sight of one thing: any mishap, loss of life or injury is unacceptable.

Leaders must continuously stress risk management and the wingman concept in everything we do. Thanks to our commanders, supervisors, safety professionals

and families for making this happen. Credit also goes to the disciplined employees who make up our work force — employees who followed the standards, played and worked safely.

After an outstanding Thanksgiving to New Year period, we've added another major holiday without the loss of an Air Force life. We've had a great beginning to the 101 Critical Days of Summer, but we can't stop — let's keep the dangers of this time period fresh our minds. Keep up the excellent effort — the 4th of July is less than a month away.

Paul Carlisle, Air Force Safety Center; George Foreman, 2nd Air Force safety chief, and Virgil Mitchell, 81st Training Wing safety chief, contributed to this report.

Creative imagination is cure for boredom

By Paula Tracy

Family advocacy outreach manager

School is out and that wonderful anticipation kids felt just a few weeks ago is giving way to complaints. Nothing will please them. Parents will be faced with dull, dreary, "Mo-o-o-m-there's-nothing-to-do-around-here-I-never-have-any-thing-fun-to-do" boredom.

When you stop and think about it, isn't it interesting that kids even come to their parents with complaints about being bored to begin with? At what point in history did it start?

I can remember my father telling me he'd never dare complain to his parents about being bored — he would be outside stacking wood for the rest of the day! My mother had her own equally wise tales of her girlhood lessons learned. As a child, I'd occasionally make a half-hearted passing comment to my mother about how there was simply "nothing to do," then I'd wander outside and find something to do. It was that simple, because I never expected my mother to actually come up with something for me to do.

Now kids announce "I'm bored!", and many parents feel compelled to offer a laundry list of possible ideas, activities or cash to fill that void. It's almost as if our parental self-worth is tied directly into how content the kids are with their social or entertainment calendar.

I'll be the first to admit that I've have at times fallen into the trap of serving on that parental entertain-



ment committee, but I hereby permanently resign. It just isn't our responsibility to entertain our children — that's the bottom line.

It's healthy and wise to have some age-appropriate quiet activities, games and toys around the house to engage and stimulate a child's mind, especially on those days when they're stuck inside due to the weather. But I truly believe that kids really benefit from unstructured time — that they actually need to come face to face with boredom, and not be rescued by mom or dad, the TV, computer or cell phone. When external stimulation is removed and a child is forced to pay attention to what is happening inside himself, an interesting process starts to occur. It's called creativity.

I grew up on 80 acres of rural land — all trees, rocks, creeks, caves and wildlife. We played outside every day, and I can still remember how a fallen tree became

a majestic horse that we could throw a blanket saddle over and ride, a large projecting rock became the bow of a huge ship. Every autumn we started built a fort to protect us from "the enemy." We had some toys, but most of our time and attention was spent on the environment around us, our imaginations transforming the mundane into the magical. I firmly believe that our play was the critical foundation to what later became my adult ability to think outside the box, to find unexpected solutions to problems, to write creatively, but perhaps most of all, to be at total peace with solitude.

I've tried to pass this on to my children and now to my grandchildren. Not long ago when Lily, 4, and Luke, 2, were visiting, I threw a huge comforter over the dining room table. Delighted, they crawled behind me into the dim "cave" with our "supplies" — bottled water, flashlights, a couple of pillows and some chewy granola bars. While Luke busily set up camp, our German shepherd, concerned and excited, ran in frenzied circles around the table, sniffing at the blanket and trying to find a way in. Shining her flashlight through the comforter, Lily illuminated the dog's massive, diffuse shadow. She squealed, "Oh no, Nana!! A bear! But don't worry; I will save you!"

Yes; I think they are catching on.

For more ideas on how you can get creative with your kids, call Ann Smith at youth programs, 377-4116.

ACTION LINE — 377-4357

By Brig. Gen. 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. 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).

You can also reach me through Keesler Commander's Corner, www.intelink.gov/blogs/_keeslercorner.

Comment — I'm concerned about increased bicycle traffic on base housing sidewalks.

It's safer than roadways as children head to school, but many use my yard as a short-cut from one sidewalk to another. I've contacted the housing office with no resolution. I'm told to call security forces, but by the time they can respond, the bicyclist is long gone.

I've put nearly \$200 of my personal funds into the lawn. Some of us put a lot of work into our yards and become greatly frustrated when we find multiple bicycle tire tracks, disheveled wood chips and worn sod.

Keesler Instruction 31-204, Section C, 30, states "Do not operate bicycles on sidewalks, except those small bicycles operated by younger children and equipped with training wheels."

Please remind bike riders in base housing to slow down, not to use our yards as shortcuts and to either stay off the sidewalks or use extreme caution if they choose to ride on sidewalks.

Response — Thank you for sharing this concern. It is frustrating when we value things differently in a community and others don't seem to respect common boundaries. I greatly appreciate the time and effort you've put into making your yard look great and hope neighboring parents continue to teach our community's children respect for other's property. I recommend you continue to engage your neighbors in healthy discussion of your concerns while we work to remind housing occupants of our expectations for proper care and treatment of lawns and gardens as well as safe biking and recreation.



DRAGON ON THE STREET

By Kemberly Groue

Keesler News photojournalist

Besides photos, what one material possession would you take with you during a hurricane evacuation?



"It would have to be my phone."

Airman 1st Class Thaddeus Faxon, 81st Contracting Squadron



"My angel collection."

Staff Sgt. Latonya Carter, 334th Training Squadron



"My collection of Hard Rock Cafe guitar pins."

Justin Cooper, 81st Operations Support Flight

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Air Force Personnel Center Web site: <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil>

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Air Force education computer system fails

By Scott Knutson

Air University Public Affairs

MAXWELL Air Force Base, Ala. — A computer system managing various aspects of Air Force member's education experienced a serious technical malfunction May 13, impacting Air University distance learning, related education records and test control facilities Air Force-wide.

Enlisted and officer distance learning for professional military and continuing education, testing and delivery of enlisted career development courses, and various specialty courses are specifically affected.

A team of technicians is working to restore the system to a fully functioning state. In the interim, a number of workarounds are being implemented to mitigate the effects of the system breakdown.

"We're working around the clock to get the system back online," said Col. Anthony Zucco, the Air University Education Logistics and Com-

munications director. "Our goal is to minimize the impact on our Airmen, specifically their ability to access records and continue with their educational endeavors."

If a student completed coursework or finalized a test prior to May 13, the data may have successfully posted to their record. Active-duty Airmen can check the Air Force Personnel Center website and Air Guard or Reserve Airmen can check the Air Reserve Personnel Center's website to ensure all education data has posted.

The failing system, known as the Course Development, Student Administration and Registrar System, has an effect on personnel actions since many actions partially rely on education data and verification.

Of particular importance is the ability for upcoming promotion board members to verify graduations and course completions since May 13, according to officials. Some

senior NCOs needing verification of Senior NCO Academy completion for their senior rater endorsements may also experience difficulty accessing those records. Many Air University distance-learning students may be unable to complete testing at their local test control facility since testing prerequisites and scores are primarily accessed through the downed system.

Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard majors scheduled to meet the lieutenant colonel board in June can contact the Air University Registrar at au.cfro@maxwell.af.mil with any concerns regarding education records. An active-duty enlisted supplemental board scheduled for June won't require updating. The next enlisted board, for chief master sergeants, won't be until October.

Airmen with questions about the status of their personnel records can contact the Total Force Service Center at 800-525-0102

**PREPARING
for the storm**



Visit Keesler's public Web site, www.keesler.af.mil for information to help you get ready for the 2010 hurricane season.

Interns, residents graduate today

Air Force Deputy Surgeon General Brig. Gen. (Dr.) Byron Hepburn deliver the commencement address as 32 physicians and dentists graduate from 81st Medical Group internship and residency training, 2 p.m. today in Keesler Hospital's Don Wylie Auditorium.

Physician graduates include six residents with three years of specialty training in internal medicine. This marks Keesler's first internal medicine residency graduating class since Hurricane Katrina, culminating five difficult years as the hospital faced many infrastructure challenges as well as rebuilding its teaching faculty.

The internal medicine residency received a three-year accreditation status from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical education in 2009.

Five pediatric residents, four from the University of Mississippi Medical Center and one from

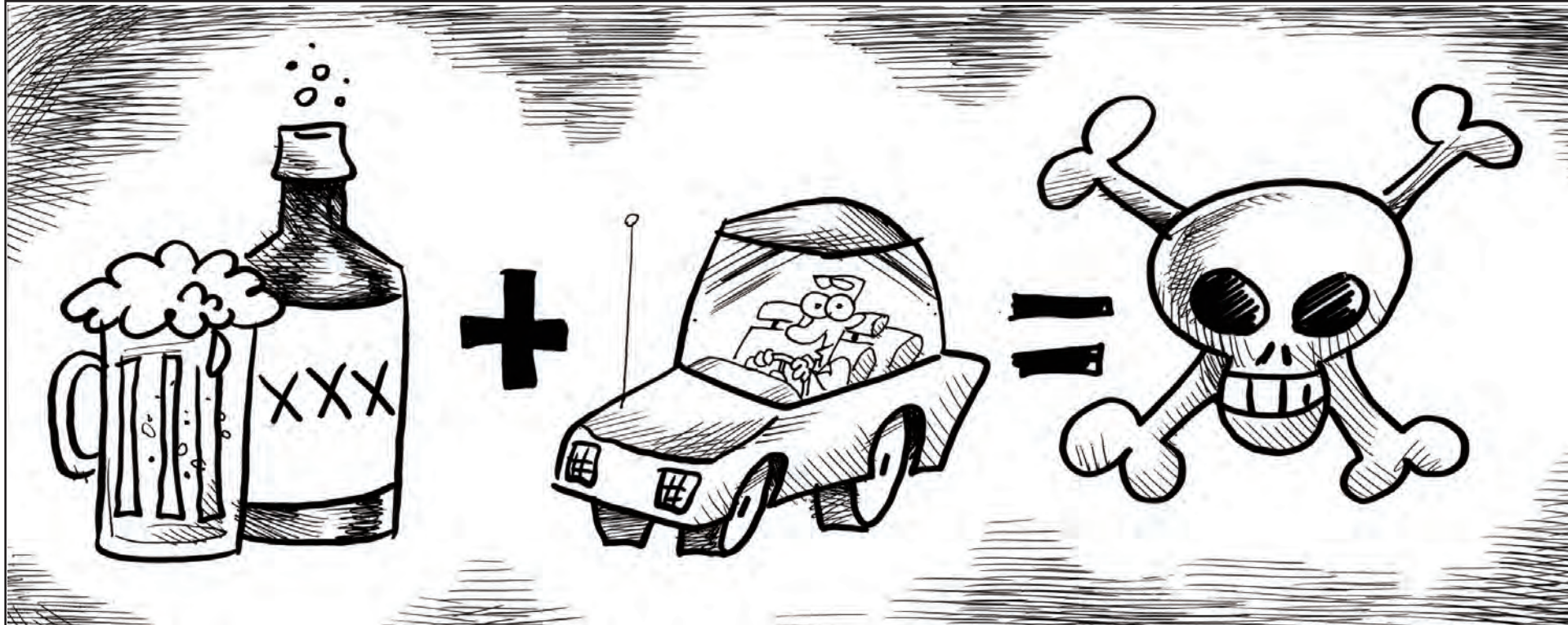
Louisiana State University, will also graduate.

Physicians who complete these programs are eligible to take board certification examinations in their specialty and are assigned to military hospitals in the U.S. and overseas. Four of the graduating internal medicine residents were selected for fellowship training and are headed to San Antonio.

All nine medical graduates completing one-year internships continue their residency training at Keesler.

Eight graduating dentists are completing a one-year advanced education in general dentistry residency and two are completing a one-year general practice residency. They will be assigned as military dentists at other bases.

The two-year dental graduates are completing a residency in endodontics and will be assigned to other bases as specialists.



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Technology drives new, better ways to educate Airmen

By Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Cell phones could soon be the ticket to keeping up with professional development requirements.

That's just one concept being explored by officials at Air Education and Training Command, the Air Force's training and education component. Like counterparts in the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, AETC officials hope to take advantage of new and emerging technologies to provide more efficient, effective educational opportunities to Airmen.

Distance learning, with training delivered through the Internet or by the U.S. Postal Service, is a big money saver for the military, reducing travel and temporary duty costs associated with classroom training. And in light of heavy mission requirements, it enables service members to meet many of their educational requirements without extended absences from their duty stations and loved ones.

With ever-expanding technologies and young "digital natives" now entering the force, however, officials hope to take military education to a new level.

"What we are out to do in the future learning side is improve the efficiency and/or the effectiveness of our recruiting training and education programs," said Air Force Col. John Thompson, AETC's future learning adviser.

The idea isn't to replace classroom instruction, he said, but to augment it where it makes sense, and in some cases, to improve on it.

"We obviously have courses where we need instructors present to answer questions right away," Colonel Thompson said. "So, one of our experiments is to duplicate that in a virtual classroom, where students would put on a headset and talk to their instructors the same way they would in a classroom."



Even so, Colonel Thompson's team is looking beyond this concept, trying to identify ways in which to leverage emerging technology to provide everything from routine refresher training to realistic training scenarios that simply can't be replicated in real life.

He said he envisions a day when Airmen awaiting a flight at the airport or enjoying a weekend at home will be able to take professional development classes delivered via their cell phones or other mobile devices.

Colonel Thompson said he sees it as a perfect way to provide ancillary or regular refresher training such as the mandatory "Laws of Armed Conflict" course.

"If I could break down that training into 10 or 15 minute segments, and enable you take them on your cell phone, anywhere and anytime, I think a lot of people would be interested in doing that," he said.

AETC officials are also

exploring ways to blend traditional and nontraditional instruction to either shorten the amount of time students spend in the classroom, or to make better use of that time.

Colonel Thompson said he recognizes the value of social networking sessions that bring students together in shared projects and class discussions before they report for a residence course and after they return to their duty stations.

"This can make the time they spend on the ground shorter," he said. "But another philosophy is that if they have the same amount of classroom time, it can be used to make them better leaders."

Meanwhile, AETC officials are looking for ways to tap into "virtual worlds" created through new and emerging technologies and social media networks to make military education not only more cost-effective and convenient, but also more effective.

"As we start to look at 'vir-

tual worlds,' I relate it back to when flight simulators were new," said Colonel Thompson, a former pilot. "We have a new technology that is coming online, and we have to figure out specifically where and how to use it."

Flight simulators, for example, enable instructors to create optimal training conditions.

"Rather than having to go and fly around for hours and hours to find a cloud to teach somebody to fly into clouds, I can create clouds in the flight simulator," Colonel Thompson said.

Likewise, "virtual worlds" could provide the perfect venues for training that simply can't be replicated in real life.

"I cannot release a weapon of mass destruction on a base to teach Airmen proper response procedures," Colonel Thompson said. "But in a virtual base, I can. I can simulate things in a virtual environment that I can't do for real. And hopefully, as a result, I get better, more realistic training for that unfortunate chance that we might actually have to do that for real."

AETC officials recently awarded a contract to create a virtual Joint Base San Antonio, Texas, that will replicate the numerous military activities there, including the joint medical training venues at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The concept will include a virtual base command post.

"The idea is for you to be

able to wander as an avatar into a training environment there, and it will take you directly into the simulation you are supposed to be doing," Colonel Thompson said.

As AETC officials explore these and other new training opportunities, they're taking many lessons from their Army counterparts, the colonel said.

Army training and education officials have been military frontrunners in advancing video game technology, and their "America's Army" game has proven to be a boon not just from a recruiting standpoint, but also as a training tool, he said.

"We are looking at the same type of thing for the Air Force, and questioning, 'What's the Air Force version of that game?'" he said.

Colonel Thompson recently sent his program manager to Redstone Arsenal, Ala., to learn from Army gamers as AETC officials attempt to build a game focused on a financial management course.

He applauded the strong collaboration the military services are undergoing as they share information and lessons learned in advancing military education.

"You learn in this job that the other services do very similar things and have very similar needs," Colonel Thompson said. "So my philosophy is, let's go see what they are doing and tell them what we are doing to promote this exchange of information."

Student aces electronic principles



Airman Kevin Saravia from Miami graduated Tuesday from the electronic principles course in the 332nd Training Squadron with a perfect score. He's headed to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, for the avionics test station and aircraft component apprentice school for 13 weeks.

Make summer time your safety time.

Mad Dogs welcome new leader June 17



Lt. Col. Brad Hamant turns over command of the 332nd Training Squadron to Maj. Trevor Hall, 10 a.m. June 17 in front of Dolan Hall, followed by a reception at the Dragon's Lair.

In case of rain, the ceremony also takes place at the Dragon's Lair.

Major Hall comes to Keesler from the Pentagon, where he's the operations officer for the Joint Staff J3 strategic operations division.

Colonel Hamant, who's led the Mad Dogs for the past two years, is headed to Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, to command Air Force ROTC Detachment 640.

TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

UBU house party

A UBU house party for nonprior service students 8 p.m. June 25 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 the Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Keesler Federal Credit Union.

Services scholarship

The Air Force Services Agency announces its 15th annual Air Force Club Membership Scholarship Program.

Current Air Force club members in good standing and their family members are eligible to win one of 25 \$1,000 scholarships offered under the program.

Participants must provide proof of having been accepted or currently enrolled in an accredited college or university for entry this fall.

To enter, write and submit an essay of 500 words or less on with the topic: "What Does it Mean to be a Member of the Air Force Family?"

For entry forms, eligibility requirements and essay guidelines, visit the Katrina Kantina or log on to www.afclubs.net.

July 1 is the deadline to submit essay packages to Glenn Jones, 505 C Street, Room 5423, Locker House, Building 3101.

Drill downs, parades

Drill downs — 8 a.m. Friday, Aug. 20 and Oct. 15.

Parades — 6 p.m. July 22 and Sept. 16.

For more information on drill downs, call Tech. Sgt. Julie Hammond, 377-2103. For information on parades, call Staff Sgt. Gregory Washington, 377-2789.

Commissioning briefings

Commissioning briefings are 10 a.m. Tuesdays in Room 224, Sablich Center.

DANTES procedures

The Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support won't fund re-testing on a previously funded exam title for the College Level Examination Program, DANTES Subject Standardized Tests and Excelsior College Examinations.

As a result, service members taking these exams who don't receive a passing score must be informed they won't be allowed to retest as a DANTES-funded candidate on a previously funded exam of the same title. However, they may personally pay for a retest after waiting the requisite period of time.

This includes spouses and Civil Service personnel of Reserve components and Coast Guard.

For more information, call education services, 376-8708 or 8710.

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.

People can request and track Community College of the Air Force transcripts, view degree progress reports and see if a course counts toward a CCAF degree.

GI Bill benefits

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

For more information, call 376-8708.

CCAF program

The Community College of the Air Force's General Education Mobile is a partnership between CCAF and civilian academic institutions that offers clustered online general education courses to meet CCAF degree requirements.

For more information, call 376-8708 or 8710.

Base shuttle schedules are found at

<http://www.keesler.af.mil/library/factsheets/factsheet.asp>

New commander for contracting



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Master Sgt. Kimberley Alvarez, left, 81st Contracting Squadron superintendent, goes over checklists with the squadron's new commander, Lt. Col. Jonathan Wright, June 3. The previous day, Colonel Wright assumed command from Lt. Col. Christopher Wegner, who led the unit since August 2007. Colonel Wright came to Keesler from Pope Air Force Base, N.C., where he commanded the 43rd CONS. Colonel Wegner is the new commander of the 633rd CONS at Langley AFB, Va.

Cyber Command's new leader notes opportunities, vulnerabilities

By Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Cyberspace will provide “tremendous opportunities for the future, but also tremendous vulnerabilities,” the commander of U.S. Cyber Command said June 3.

Citing the explosion in use of the Internet, e-mail, social networking and instant messaging sites, Army Gen. Keith Alexander said protecting the computer networks through which they pass is essential to U.S. national security.

Cyberspace has become a critical enabler for all elements of national and military power, General Alexander said.

“As President Obama’s national security strategy states, our digital infrastructure, therefore, is a strategic national asset and protecting it while safeguarding privacy and civil liberties is a national security priority,” he said.

America’s wealth and strength make it an attractive target in cyberspace, he said.

“And one of the pillars of that strength, our

military, is at risk to perhaps an even greater degree,” he said, citing the military’s dependence on its network for everything from command and control to communications, intelligence, operations and logistics.

General Alexander cited the vastness of the military’s computer systems: more than 7 million machines, linked in 15,000 networks, with 21 satellite gateways and 20,000 commercial circuits composed of countless devices and components.

Unauthorized users probe these systems 250,000 times an hour and more than 6 million times a day, he said. And “while our front line defenses are up to this challenge,” he expressed concern about threats to network security from a growing array of foreign actors, terrorists, criminal groups and individual hackers.

“Our data must be protected,” he told the CSIS group. “We have an enormous challenge ahead of us as a nation, as a department and as a command.”

IN THE NEWS

Another promotion selection

Tech. Sgt. Daryl Bagley, 81st Logistics Readiness Squadron, has been selected for promotion to master sergeant under a supplemental process for the 09E7 promotion cycle.

Speed limit reduced

The speed limit on J Street between the child development center and youth center has been reduced from 20 mph to 15 mph.

Customer satisfaction survey

CSC is conducting a confidential independent survey on customer satisfaction through June 18, for anyone who’s used any of the base operating support services such as McBride Library, fitness centers, supply, civil engineering, or weather since Feb. 1.

The survey is available online at <http://shaarp.inquisiteasp.com/cgi-bin/qwebcorporate.dll?idx=FGGSNP>. For more information contact 377-5213.

Last hurricane town hall meetings

Hurricane town hall meetings are 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. today in Welch Auditorium.

Hazardous waste turn-in day June 17

A free household hazardous waste and personal electronics turn-in day is 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 17 at the recycling center.

Participation from military housing and dormitory residents, base employees and retirees is encouraged.

Hazardous waste includes anything flammable, corrosive, toxic, poisonous or reactive and should be disposed of properly, such as paints, solvents, lawn care chemicals, household cleaning materials, maintenance products, pool chemicals, hobby supplies, automotive products, batteries, thermometers, lead solder and fluorescent lights. Look for words like “Caution,” “Warning” or “Danger” on container labels.

Personal electronics include personal computers, laptops, PDAs, cell phones, radios, telephones and televisions. Remove all personal data and batteries prior to disposal.

Unacceptable items include radioactive waste, needles, syringes, medical waste, ammunition, explosive materials, white goods such as stoves and refrigerators, waste generated by any business or base work areas or containers larger than five gallons.

For more information, call 377-3004.

Clinics close for warrior training

81st Medical Group Public Affairs

The 81st Medical Group conducts warrior training, noon to 5 p.m. June today.

Family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics and general surgery clinics each have one doctor available for urgent appointments. For urgent situations, call central appointments at 1-800-700-8603 or report to the emergency room.

Although pharmacy, radiology and laboratory services are open, they’ll have reduced staffing, so patients are asked to delay visits during warrior training.

For emergency situations, go to the nearest emergency room or call 911 for an ambulance.



Cornum in charge

Brig. Gen. (Dr.) Kory Cornum, 81st Medical Group commander, asks about the obstetrics pregnancy simulator in the Keesler Hospital's Family Birthing Center May 17. The general, who assumed command April 30, visited 81st Inpatient Operations Squadron areas as part of a series of "immersion" tours of the 81st MDG's seven squadrons to familiarize him with the hospital's operation and staff. Nurse 2nd Lt. Dawn Mitchell, second from left, and Maj. Janice Shealey, maternal child flight commander, explain "Katrina's" capabilities as Col. Allison Plunk, left, 81st IPTS commander, and Capt. Amber Barker, family birthing center element leader, look on.

Photo by Steve Pivnick

Energy audit,

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assist Keesler personnel as they strive to meet their energy goals."

Simply defined, a facility energy audit is the process of gathering data to evaluate how a building uses energy and identifying opportunities to reduce consumption.

"The auditors identify energy and water-saving opportunities on the bases," stated Bill Proffitt, Air Force Civil Engineer Support Agency engineer. "The potential payback from these audits is unlimited."

Okel Castleberry, base energy manager, believes the audit will produce "energy-saving projects that will slash utility costs by identifying effective projects throughout the base."

Base resource efficiency manager Adrian Barcomb is also excited to see facility energy audits underway.

"The audits will enable engineers and facility managers assist leadership in meeting the federally mandated energy reduction intensity of 3 percent and water by 2 percent each year by 2015," Mr. Barcomb explained.

He pointed out that the active participation of key base personnel, such as the energy manager, facility managers and the civil engineering operations shops, are critical to the success of these contracted audits.

"Investment grade audits are the linchpin to



Photo by Scott Lawless

Mr. Barcomb, left, and lodging operations manager Bob Jones look on as evaluator Tom Rafferty explains ways to reduce the base's energy consumption.

identifying and programming viable energy and water savings opportunities to both meet mandates and reduce Keesler's future energy bills," Mr. Barcomb emphasized.

403rd Wing gains planes, positions in force structure realignment

Air Force News Service

ROBINS Air Force Base, Ga. — The 403rd Wing at Keesler and Air Force Reserve Command as a whole will gain more people and more aircraft as part of a proposed force structure realignment announced by the Air Force last month.

The fiscal 2011 realignment affects some 1,300 positions in the command with increases in security forces, civil engineering and RED HORSE manpower.

"Additional security forces, Prime BEEF and RED HORSE (civil engineering forces) manpower are critical to supporting the combatant commanders as well as the Air Force reservists, their families and their employers," said Brig. Gen. Robert Bailey, AFRC director of installations and mission support.

The 403th Wing will gain 13 drill positions in support of security forces manpower requirements. The wing will add another seven ART positions and 50 drill positions to support maintenance and operations support functions. The wing will get two more C-130J's to support the active associate unit mission at Keesler.

Officials said the numbers are subject to change in order to meet Air Force requirements.



PERSONNEL NOTES

Promotion list release dates

The technical sergeant promotion list is released June 17.

Enlisted retirement webinar today

Air Forcer Personnel Center

Today at 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., there's a Air Force Personnel Center webinar, "Retirements-101 for enlisted members," accessible on Defense Connect Online at <https://connect.dco.dod.mil/afpcenlistedretirements101>.

The presentation lasts 30-45 minutes, followed by a question-and-answer period.

If you don't have a Defense Connect Online account, register immediately at <https://www.dco.dod.mil>. DCO is the standard medium for AFPC to communicate with the field.

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Click on the DCO site for this webinar which is <https://connect.dco.dod.mil/afpcapprovedretirementnowwhat>

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If members are unable to view the live broadcast, a recorded version is available on the AFPC website; but members are encouraged to view the live broadcast to have their questions answered. For the prerecorded webinar, log on to https://gum.afpc.randolph.af.mil/cgi-bin/askafpc.cfg/php/enduser/std_adp.php?p_faqid=8292

For more information, e-mail afpc.dpsor.retirements@randolph.af.mil or call DSN 665-3930. For help with registering or resetting your password, call DSN 850-3136 or 1-800-447-2457.

Identification card requirements

To obtain identification cards, military personnel in uniform have priority in customer service, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Customer service is also open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on non-training 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 376-8339.

Finance call center

81st Comptroller Squadron

The financial services flight has established a call center, 376-8225, that's manned during regular customer services hours.

If the number is busy or the call is after hours, customers are asked to leave a message and the call will be returned within 24 hours.

Military personnel contacts

Military personnel section phone numbers:

Customer support — 376-8738.

Career development — 376-8739.

Force management — 376-8740.

Student personnel center — 377-4111.

Testing — 376-4111.

Deciphering an LES

If you need help deciphering information on your leave and earning statement, log on to <http://www.dfas.mil/airforce2/militarypay/yourleaveearningsstatementles.html>

Federal employees' same-sex partners gain new benefits

By Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama has extended new benefits to same-sex domestic partners of federal employees, including those within the Defense Department.

President Obama issued a presidential memorandum June 2 that directs federal agencies to move immediately to make changes needed to extend to same-sex partners the same benefits afforded opposite-sex spouses, wherever permitted by law.

Federal agencies' officials must report their findings to the Office of Personnel Management officials within 90 days.

These benefits would include access to day care for children of employees' domestic partners, travel and relocation allowances, and access to employee assistance programs.

Additional benefits could include gym and credit union memberships, access to career and other counseling and assistance services and

government medical facilities, and lodging allowances, according to implementing guidance OPM officials issued to federal agencies.

The new policy does not extend health insurance benefits under the Federal Employee Health Benefits Program or retirement benefits to same-sex partners. That would require legislative changes, such as those being proposed in the Domestic Partnership Benefits and Obligations Act, which President Obama supports.

President Obama stipulated in signing the memorandum that as federal agencies extend new benefits, they provide same-sex partners the same coverage provided to opposite-sex spouses, to the extent the law permits.

"This is another major step forward for gay and lesbian federal employees," said John Berry, OPM director. "But it's also a good business practice. This will help us retain valuable employees and better compete with other employers for top talent."

More information about the policy changes is available on the OPM website.

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.



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**June 23 and 24
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Selective early retirement board meets July 19-23

By 1st Lt. Gina Vaccaro

Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Air Force leaders hold a selective early retirement board here July 19-23 to consider select officers who must retire by Jan. 1, 2011, or upon retirement eligibility.

The SERB is part of Air Force officials' expanded force management measures announced in March.

Colonels and lieutenant colonels may avoid the board by submitting applications for voluntary retirement by June 28 and establishing a retirement date of May 1, 2011, or earlier.

The board will consider officers for retirement in the ranks of colonel and lieutenant colonel in line of the Air Force, judge advocate, medical science corps and chaplain competitive categories.

Colonels with four or more years time in grade and lieutenant colonels deferred for promotion at least twice who do not have an approved voluntary retirement date, are not on a promotion list or do not have a mandatory retirement date will be considered.

The board members will make their decisions based on review of each officer's retention recommendation form, the officer selection brief, decoration citations, and training and performance reports using a process similar to the promotion selection board process.

All eligible officers will be able to review their RRFs and their officer pre-selection briefs prior to the board's convening date. Officers are responsible for reviewing their records for accuracy and ensuring information is up to date.

The board may select up to 30 percent of the eli-

gible officers for early retirement at the time of the board. If an officer is selected by the SERB for early retirement, Air Force Personnel Center officials will establish a mandatory retirement date of Jan. 1, 2011, or upon the first date of the month after becoming retirement eligible.

SERB-eligible officers remain available for air expeditionary force deployments until an established retirement date limits their availability. Deployed officers may pursue voluntary retirement actions to avoid meeting the SERB.

Officials announce board results in September.

For more information call the Total Force Service Center, 1-800-525-0102, or visit the officer retirements Web page of AFPC's personnel services Web site, gum.afpc.randolph.af.mil and click on FY 10/FY 11 force management programs.



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101 CRITICAL DAYS OF SUMMER

Fitness program revision rewards excellent Airmen

By Beth Gosselin

Secretary of the Air Force
Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — Based upon service-wide feedback, Airmen who earn an “excellent” on the new fitness test will now only have to test once a year according to a new revision to the Air Force Fitness Program.

“We believe this will recognize fitness excellence and serve as an incentive for more Airmen to improve their fitness,” said Col. Joan Garbutt, the chief of military force policy division.

The revision, which takes effect the same day the new program kicks off on July 1, allows those Airmen who test in all four components of the test and receive an overall score of 90 or better to test only once a year. The four components of the new fitness test include a 1.5-mile timed run, abdominal circumference, push-ups and sit-ups. Prior to this revision, all Airmen were required to test twice a year.



Approximately one of every five fitness scores documented in 2009 was “excellent” for those Airmen who tested in all four categories, said Capt. Sean Brazel, the chief of officer promotions, evaluations and fitness policy.

“Factoring in these numbers, we forecast a reduction in the fitness testing workload when this new policy takes effect,” the captain added.

Airmen must test under the new standards to qualify for this change. Therefore, only Airmen who test after June 30

will be able to earn the opportunity to do their fitness test once a year. Airmen who score an “excellent” but were medically exempt from testing in one or more of the four components will still need to test twice a year. In other words, Airmen must successfully complete all four components of the fitness test to qualify for the once a year testing.

“We believe this is another step in the right direction towards cultivating a fitter Air Force,” Colonel Garbutt said.



VA establishes new hotline for homeless veterans

Air Force News Service

CANANDAIGUA, N.Y. — Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki announced June 3 the establishment of a new telephone hotline to provide emergency support and resources to homeless veterans.

He made the announcement as he toured the facility at the VA Medical Center in Canandaigua.

“It is unacceptable for a single veteran to spend the night on the streets of America,” Secretary Shinseki said. “The

hotline of the new National Call Center for Homeless Veterans will provide homeless veterans with caring, timely assistance and coordinated access to VA and community services.”

Family members, workers

at community agencies and non-VA providers also may call the hotline at 1-877-4AID VET to find out about the many programs and services available to assist homeless veterans.

Well-trained expert respon-

ders will staff the hotline 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They will join other responders who staff VA’s Suicide Prevention Hotline at Canandaigua.

Responders are trained to handle calls at either call center. While a responder will know which type of call is incoming, all veteran callers will be receive a brief suicide screening.

VA officials recognize that homeless veterans are in need of food and shelter, clothing, financial assistance and treatment for medical conditions. Additionally, many require access to permanent housing, veterans benefits and vocational resources.

VA assistance is available for homeless veterans who may have mental health issues, substance abuse, depression, traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder. The responders operating the new hotline will ensure veterans receive the help they need and deserve.

The National Call Center for Homeless Veterans is the latest in a series of initiatives to help homeless veterans. Last year, Secretary Shinseki launched a campaign to eliminate homelessness among veterans within five years. Since then, the number of veterans homeless on a typical night has dropped 18 percent.

“This reduction was achieved through VA’s commitment to end homelessness among veterans through enhanced collaboration with other federal, state, faith-based, veteran service organizations and community partners,” Secretary Shinseki said.

VA has approximately 4,000 agreements with community partners to help homeless veterans. Last year, more than 92,000 homeless veterans were served by VA’s specialized homeless programs. This is an increase of 15 percent from the previous year.

For more information on the call center, click here: <http://www1.va.gov/HOMELSS/NationalCallCenter.asp>.

America celebrates flag's history

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News Editor

Monday is Flag Day, a celebration of the history of the American flag and a time to remember proper etiquette for its display.

Flag Day recognizes the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States 233 years ago on June 14, 1777, by the Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia.

A resolution was passed specifying that the flag have 13 alternating red and white stripes, and the union have 13 white stars on a blue field. The resolution didn't specify the arrangement of the stars, but a full circle was adopted later.

On May 1, 1795, the flag was changed to 15 stars and 15 stripes. This flag stood over Fort McHenry as the British attacked during the War of 1812, Sept. 13-14, 1814. This flag, found still standing after the attack ended, inspired Francis Scott Key to compose The Star Spangled Banner.

On April 4, 1818, Congress passed a law limiting the flag's stripes to 13 and providing for a star to be added to the blue field for each new state. The flag evolved into the flag flown over the United States today, with its last star added for the state of Hawaii in 1960.

Flag Day was first observed in 1877, the 100th anniversary



Photo by Kemberly Groue

“The flag represents
a living country and itself
is considered a living thing.”

— U.S. Flag Code

of the adoption of America's red, white and blue banner.

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson established Flag Day as an annual national celebration. It didn't become a national holiday until Aug. 3, 1949, when President Harry Truman signed a resolution denoting June 14 as the official birthday of the

Stars and Stripes.

As America's flag developed throughout history, so too did traditions and proper etiquette guiding its proper use and display.” The U.S. Flag Code adopted by Congress states, “The flag represents a living country and itself is considered a living thing.”

Proper display and use of the American flag

Hoist the flag briskly and lower it ceremoniously.

Display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flag staffs in the open. The flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if it's properly illuminated during hours of darkness. Each Air Force installation is limited to one illuminated flag staff.

When displayed vertically or horizontally on a wall, the union should always be to the flag's uppermost right (the observer's left.) In a window, the union should be to an outside observer's left. When displayed over a street, the flag should be suspended vertically with the union to the north on an east-west street and to the east on a north-south street.

Don't display the flag during inclement

weather unless an all-weather flag is used.

The flag shouldn't be displayed on a parade float unless from a staff.

The flag should never be displayed with the union down except as a signal of dire distress.

The flag shouldn't touch anything beneath it, such as the ground or water.

The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding or drapery. Flag patches may be worn on the uniforms of military personnel, firemen, policemen and members of patriotic organizations. A flag lapel pin is considered a replica and should be worn on the wearer's left lapel near the heart.

For more information on proper use and display, call the protocol office, 377-3359.

Centralized computer system allows members to manage household moving process

81st Logistics Readiness Squadron

The Defense Personal Property Program is a new centralized computer repository designed to improve quality of life for service members, civilian employees and their families through improved household good moves.

The Department of Defense program provides direct communication between the service member and the transportation service provider 24/7 365 days a year from any location with Internet access.

Service members log on to www.move.mil and establish a user identification and password to process and manage their shipment and receive information when and where they need it. It's extremely important to keep e-mail addresses and contact information up to date in the system.

Service members who have moved previously may do self-counseling on this Web site instead of attending a briefing with a counselor. Members making first-time moves, last time moves using retirement/separation orders, joint spouse moves, stateside shipments less than 1,000

pounds, local moves and non-temporary storage are required to attend a briefing with a counselor.

A copy of the member's orders and any amendments must be provided to the transportation office in order for a counselor to gain access to the information and forward the request to San Antonio for processing.

The Joint Personal Property Shipping Office in San Antonio is requesting notice about a month prior to the move to accomplish the self-counseling due to the heavy summer workload and to obtain alternate dates in case the original dates aren't available.

The local transportation office doesn't schedule the move dates, which is the responsibility of JPPSO-SAT.

When a member wants to do a personally procured move, previously called a do-it-yourself move, the forms must be signed by a counselor to be validated, so you'll have to go to the local transportation office to accomplish this prior to moving.

For information, call 376-8530, 8532, 8535 or 8536.

Battle of the Builds

Friday is submission deadline for car customization challenge

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News editor

Have you ever wanted to get creative and customize your car? Here's your chance.

June 11 is the online submission deadline for design entries for the "Battle of the Builds," a car customization challenge sponsored by Scion to see who can create the most creative and unique vehicle in just 12 weeks.

The competition is only open to active-duty military personnel, and is intended to tap into the creativity, teamwork and can-do attitude of today's service members.

Teams describe their vision of how they would customize a Scion xB urban utility vehicle based on a \$15,000 budget. Three finalists are announced July 5 and receive a Scion xB

and \$15,000 to make their vision a reality. Teams have about 12 weeks to complete their build project.

One car is selected as the grand prize winner, and the team will be invited to the 2010 Specialty Equipment Market Association Show in Las Vegas to showcase their modified xB in the Scion booth.

Keesler's auto hobby shop receives funds to participate in the event, according to Bob McFall, arts and crafts director for the 81st Force Support Squadron. Scion is working with the commercial sponsorship units and base auto skills centers to get the word out about the competition.

For contest details, log on to www.BattleoftheBuilds.com. Car enthusiasts and team supporters can register at the

same site to cast a vote for their three favorite designs June 16-30. During the voting and build phases, the program can be followed on Scion's Facebook properties (www.facebook.com/scion/ scionrelease series/scionracing) and at www.battleofthebuilds.com.

"Scion knows and appreciates the job our military does every day," says Jack Hollis, Scion vice president. "Members of our military work as a team and have unmatched technical and mechanical skills. This contest is designed to let our service members showcase these talents in a fun and exciting way. Creating a design competition especially for the military is one of the ways Scion thanks and salutes our country's finest."

For more information, call Mr. McFall, 377-2821.

Exchanging stripes for bars

Lt. Col. Abbie Luck, left, 81st Medical Operations Squadron mental health flight commander, administers the oath of office to flight member Senior Airman Thomas Sandoz June 1 in the Arnold Annex conference room. He's now a first lieutenant in the Air Force Reserve pending arrival at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., in August to attend Commissioned Officer Training. At that time, he becomes an active-duty officer. Airman Sandoz recently earned a master's degree in psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi and was accepted into the Air Force Social Work Program. Following COT, he will begin a one-year psychology intern/residency program at Eglin AFB, Fla. He's been in the Air Force for four years and Keesler was his first assignment. He entered the service with a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Louisiana-Lafayette. The Abbeyville, La., native and his wife Krystal, a staff sergeant also assigned to the mental health flight, have a 15-month old daughter, André.

Photo by Steve Pivnick



How do you deal with stress?

Positive ways

Listening to music
Writing, painting, or other creative activity
Discuss situation with a spouse or close friend
Exercise or getting outdoors to enjoy nature

Negative ways

Criticizing yourself (negative self-talk)
Smoking or chewing tobacco
Eating too much or too little
Drinking alcohol

Hospital housekeeper passes away



Members of the 81st Medical Group are mourning the loss of long-time housekeeper Mary Kelly who passed away May 21. "Miss Mary," 71, was a housekeeper for 25 years at the hospital and touched the lives of those with whom she worked.

More
news,
videos,
information
and photos
on the
Web
at
[www.keesler.
af.mil](http://www.keesler.af.mil)

Wounded warrior

Tech. Sgt. Israel Del Toro, an Air Force wounded warrior, speaks at Keesler today.

He'll give a briefing at 9:40 a.m. to about 200 nonprior service students in Welch Auditorium, but limiting seating is available for others to attend.

He'll also speak to combat control students in the 334th Training Squadron, Airman Leadership School Class 10-5, Mathies NCO Academy Class 10-5, 81st Medical Group personnel and a second group of nonprior service students.

Airman's Attic hours

Airman's Attic is expanding its hours to 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and the last Saturday of the month and 10 a.m. to noon on non-training Fridays.

Airman's Attic is currently located in the former chapel west of Sablich Center next to the Keesler Thrift Store

Airmen's Attic offers personnel from airman basic through staff sergeant a way to obtain free household supplies. Donations come from other Airmen and base personnel. Needed items include maternity and baby clothes, kitchen items and toys. Items that can't be accepted are those that can't be washed such as mattresses. Donations can be dropped off during regular hours.

Thrift shop closed

Due to an impending move, the Thrift Shop is closed in June and July.

Donations are still being accepted. If you have donations during the summer or if you have no way to get them to the thrift shop, call 377-3217 to schedule a drop off or pick up time.

Family programs

The airman and family readiness center plans a weekly series of 50-minute presentations during June and July at McBride Library intended to strengthen family and workplace relationships.

Friday — Building Your Child's Self-Esteem.

June 18 — Fatherhood.

June 25 — Conflict Resolution.

July 2 — Leadership through Teamwork.

July 9 — Coping Strategies for the Uncertainties of Life.

July 16 — Bully-Busting Activities for Children and Bullying: A Guide for Parents and Caregivers.

July 23 — Diversity and Tolerance.

July 30 — Deployment Survival.

For more information, call 376-8728.

Diversity Day

Plans are under way for Keesler's inaugural diversity day, noon to 5 p.m. July 22 at marina park.

The event will include music, literature, dance, poetry, face painting, games and food.

For more information, call Staff Sgt. Adrienne Russell-George, 377-2759, or e-mail Adrienne.russellgeorge.1@us.af.mil.

Supply classes

Quarterly supply classes are held in Room 109, Taylor Logistics Building.

Block I basic supply class is 9 a.m. June 23, Sept. 22 and Dec. 15.

All newly-assigned supply custodians and resource managers are required to attend.

For more information, contact Patrick Governale, 377-5998 or patrick.governale.ctr@us.af.mil, or Paulette Powell, 377-2270, paulette.powell.1.ctr@us.af.mil.

Block IIA-Bench Stock is 9-9:30 a.m. today, Sept 9 and Dec 9. To schedule an appointment, call Crystal Simpson, 377-9955.

Block IIB-Repair Cycle is 10-11 a.m. today, Sept. 9 and Dec 9. To schedule an appointment, call Nathaniel Parks, 377-2310.

Block III training is 1 p.m. June 23, Sept. 22 and Dec. 15. All newly-assigned supply equipment custodians are required to attend as well as all other custodians annually.

For more information, contact Willie McDonald, 377-2660 or willie.mcdonald.1.ctr@us.af.mil or Paulette Powell,

377-2270, paulette.powell.1.ctr@us.af.mil

Senior NCO induction

The senior noncommissioned officer induction ceremony is 6:30 p.m. Aug. 5 at the Roberts Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Facility.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Ezra Khan, 377-9160.

Wheelchair taxi

The 81st Logistics Readiness Squadron vehicle operations has a wheelchair-accessible minivan available for taxi service.

For more information, call 377-2430.

Visitor center hours

The Keesler Visitor Center is open 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and closed on weekends.

Travel medicine clinic

People planning international travel should visit the travel medicine clinic at least one month before departure.

The clinic is in the allergy clinic in the medical center's basement near the emergency department entrance.

For more information, call 376-3550.

Speakers bureau

The public affairs office is looking for people who enjoy public speaking to tell the Air Force story.

The Keesler Speakers Bureau is a community relations program developed as a public service and information vehicle. It's comprised of military and civilian Air Force employees who volunteer their time and information to speak to community groups.

Speakers come from a variety of experiences and backgrounds that offer a variety of presentations. Topics include aircraft maintenance, aviation, computer operations, communication skills, health, military life, military law, combat experience, financial management, child development, Air Force history and more.

For more information, call YoLanda Wallace, 377-1179.

SPORTS AND RECREATION

Running Red Wolves



Photo by Kemberly Groue

The 336th Training Squadron runs in formation at the quarterly 2-mile Dragon Run on the flightline Monday.

Weather stymies softball season

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News editor

Intramural sports director Sam Miller hopes the weather holds out this week so intramural softball can close out the regular season and head into the postseason playoffs.

Mother Nature has been uncooperative, with 25 rescheduled games remaining to be played as of Friday — 14 in the National League and 11 in the American League, according to Miller. Regular season play originally was scheduled to end June 1 for the National League and June 2 for the American League.

The 81st Medical Support Squadron's A-team and the 334th Training Squadron topped the National League standings with 3-0 records.

Three undefeated teams remain in the American League — the 332nd TRS (5-0), the Marine Corps Detachment (4-0) and the 335th TRS (3-0).

For scores and standings, see Scores and More, Page 24. For information on rescheduled games, call 377-2444.



Summer swelter moves soccer camp indoors



Photos by Kemberly Groue

Top, Daniel Capodice does a "crab drill" while participating in the Robin Hood game at the youth center gym Monday during the first day of the Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp. The camp for ages 4-18 continues through Friday. Daniel, 7, is the son of Staff Sgt. Scott and Ginger Capodice, 335th Training Squadron.

Left, 5-year-old Kadyn McElroy kicks a soccer ball down the court. The camp had to be moved inside Monday because of "black flag" weather conditions. Kadyn's parents are 1st Lt. Angela and James McElroy, 81st Medical Operations Squadron.

SCORES AND MORE

Bowling

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.

Bowling fundraisers — for more information, call 377-2817.

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

Glow bowling — 9 p.m. Fridays and 7 p.m. Saturdays.

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

Team building special — 1-3 p.m. Mondays-Wednesdays, 1-5 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays. Bring employees bowling for \$1 a game plus shoe rental. For reservations, 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.

Fitness centers

Free powerlifting meet — 9 a.m. June 26. Weigh-in noon to 6 p.m. June 25. Weight classes for male and females. T-shirts and trophies for best male and female lifter.

Free equipment orientations — new equipment has been installed at the Keesler fitness centers. Contact the fitness center of your choice for an appointment for a free equipment orientation.

Racquetball courts — only court shoes are permitted on the racquetball courts.

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

Free blood pressure machines — available at all fitness centers.

Fitness center renovations start Monday

More renovations to Blake Fitness Center begin Monday.

As a result, certain areas will be closed:

Monday-July 16 — men's restroom/locker room. Portable showers available.

July 19-Aug. 20 — closed July 19-Aug. 20. Portable showers available.

Aug. 23-Sept. 27 — reception area.

For more information, call 377-4385.

Free fitness classes — boot camp, self-defense, cycling, yoga, step aerobics, Tae Kwon-do, core fitness, 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.

Fit to fight incentive program — Dragon slayers, dragon readers, dragon gliders and dragon riders available free at Blake, Dragon and Triangle fitness centers. Awards presented. For more information, contact the fitness centers.

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

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

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

Golf

Intramural league

(As of June 1)

Team	Points
81st MDOS-A	14
333rd TRS	14
81st FSS	14
334th TRS-B	12
334th TRS-A	12
81st DS	12
* 81st LRS	6
MARDET	5
81st MDSS	3
338th TRS	2
335th TRS	2
* 81st SFS	0
* 81st TRSS	0

* match to be played

1 p.m. Tuesday — MARDET vs. 333rd TRS, 81st DS vs. 334th TRS-B, 81st SFS vs. 81st MDOS-A, 81st FSS vs. 81st MDSS, 81st TRSS vs. 338th TRS.

Other

Dragon fun golf — 4:30 p.m. Thursdays. \$20 including greens fee, cart, food, beverages and prizes. Four-person teams. Two-person blind draw. Check in as a twosome or single. Format decided by draw each week. Limited to first 36 golfers.

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

Twilight special — 2 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays; play unlimited

AFSA golf tourney June 18

The Air Force Sergeants Association golf tournament is June 18 at Bay Breeze Golf Course. Registration and lunch begin at 10:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at noon.

The cost is \$45 per person for green fee, cart, lunch and prizes. Sign-up for the four-person scramble is Monday by calling or e-mailing Jason Price, 377-0988, jason.price.2@us.af.mil, or John Geboy, 376-3303, john.geboy@us.af.mil.

golf until closing. Fees: E1-E4, \$12; E5-O3, \$20; O4-up, \$22; guests \$22.

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

Outdoor recreation

Paddle boat fun day — 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Mom/daughter, dad/son obstacle course races. Practice time before the event. Prizes awarded.

Father's Day special — June 20. Free rod and reel rental for fathers.

Mississippi Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo — July 4 weekend. Civilian and military divisions. Sign up at the Gulfport Island View Casino parking garage July 1-4.

Special fishing rodeo trip — pre-register now for a special tournament trip on the Keesler Dolphin July 1 and 4. Only 16 spaces available for each trip. Trip takes about 14 hours per day. Cost is \$125 per person. Daily and overall tournament prizes.

Beach trips to Horn Island aboard the Keesler Dolphin — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$30 per person including a barbecue grill, charcoal and ice. You bring food, beverages and fishing equipment. Minimum 15 passengers. Group rates available. For more information, call 377-3160.

Archery — check out our archery equipment and range.

Wolf River canoe or kayak trips — with experienced guide; 2-4 hour or 4-7 hour trips Saturdays and Sundays. Minimum 4, maximum 20 people. To register, or for more information, call 377-3160.

Back Bay fishing trip — \$20 per person. State fishing license

required; minimum four, maximum six people. For more information, call 377-3160.

Catamaran sailboat for rent — \$10 per hour (minimum two hours) or \$75 per day. Must be sailboat certified.

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

Canoes, kayaks — for rent.

Deep sea fishing private charter — rent Dolphin II, \$750 for first 10 people, \$50 each additional person. No license needed; \$100 deposit.

Deep sea fishing trips — this Friday 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 more information and to reserve, call 377-3160.

Keesler and Thrower Park RV storage facilities — combinations changed every month until further notice. For new combination, call 377-3160, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. the first duty day of the month.

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

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

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

Paddle boats for rent — two-person or four-person for \$5 per hour for minimum of two hours. For more information, call 377-3160.

Pontoon boat training — test to become certified to rent a pontoon. 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.

Rent a bike — 3500 Trek, seven speed, \$3 day, \$15 week, \$35 month.

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

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

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

Wet slip fees — monthly, 32 feet-plus, \$3.75 per foot; under 32 feet, \$2.50 per foot; overnight, \$5 per boat.

Soccer

Intramural league — deadline for letters of intent and coaches meeting 3:30 p.m. June 23, Vandenberg Community Center. Season starts June 28. For more information, call 377-2444.

Softball

Intramural

American League

(As of Friday)

Team	Won	Lost
MARDET	3	0
81st TRSS	2	0
335th TRS	2	0
332nd TRS	3	1
338th TRS-A	2	1
403rd Wing	2	2
333rd TRS	2	2
336th TRS-A	1	1
81st MDSS-B	1	3
81st LRS	0	2
CNATTU	0	5

June 2 — 332nd TRS 15, 333rd TRS 2; 335th TRS 19, 81st TRSS 4; 338th TRS-A 11, 81st LRS 9; MARDET 14, 336th TRS-A 6; 403rd Wing 20, 81st MDSS-B 8.

National League

(As of Friday)

Team	Won	Lost
81st MDSS-A	3	0
334th TRS	3	0
81st WSA-FSS	3	1
81st SFS	3	2
81st DS	2	1
336th TRS-B	2	1
Firefighters	1	3
338th TRS-B	1	3
45th AS	0	3
81st MDTS	0	4

June 1 — Firefighters 14, 338th TRS-B 3; 336th TRS-B 17, 81st MDTS 5.

HONORS

Student honor roll

332nd Training Squadron

Electronic principles/information technology fundamentals — Airmen Basic Diane Abarca, Gabriel Alaniz, Dylan Anger, Alex Auch, Joshua Baca, Cory Baccam, Don Beeson, Brian Browning, Doyle Campagnini, Patrick Capaul, Alexander Capples, Robert Carballo, Kimberly Carver, Arthur Casto, Kevin Christeson, Travis Dalton, Jonathan Daniel, Travis Dudding, Evan Dwarshuis, Rusty Egglezos, Andrew Foldhazi, Wesley Foudriat, Scott Funderburk, Meredith Gillette, Kevin Gummel, Henry Haines, Marcus Hall, Michael Haney, Joseph Hisey, Steven Hupalo, Tyler Hutton, Matthew Jacobs, Austin James, William Jones, Tamina Kelton, Devin Krozek, Michael Lawrence, Rodger Linder, William Lossmann, Logan Malaney, Jason Martin, Tyler May, Travis McClester, Brian McCoy, James Miller, Augustus Nordstrom, Brian Pagel, Joseph Pandolpho, Ryan Perez, Stacey Powell, Christopher Prescott, Kurtis Randall, Alexander Recuperero, Cameron Rivenbark, Seth Russo, Paul Sandlin, Thomas Schwein, Kyle Simmons, Erza Smith, Joshua Smith, Mark Stanard, Robert Taylor, Joshua Tessmann, Ediberto Torres, Brandon Tregle, Charles Tvedt, Brian Valenzuela, Gregory Wallace, Carlaton White, Timothy Williams, Stanely Woods and Jeffrey Young; Airmen Rodney Alaniz, James Angel, Alexander Azevedo, Kristopher Baker, Nakia Bracey, Ian Castillo-Figuera, Christopher Chambers, Eric Grabosky, Michael Harper, Eric Henson, Michael Hicks, Michael Hill, Raymond Holmer, Kelsey Kane, Patricia Lendon, Thomas Morning, Thomas Mounie, Kyle Paulsen, Russell Prince, Jay Rim, Kevin Saravia, Nathaniel Scheffel, Andrew Shockley, Cory Sivo, Andrew Skinner, David Smith, Joshua Spencer, Grace Stull and Donell Williams; Airmen 1st Class Robyn Anderson, McAnthony Aawayan, Hannah Bell, Anthony Bernazard, Laura Bott, Adam Britton, Matthew Brown, Chance Bruno, Nathaniel Burke, Matthew Caldwell, Steven Calzada, Caleb Campbell, Robert Chaffer, Richard Chappell, Matthew Chrest, Alec Clark, John Craunakis, Gianluca Cugnetti, Joshua Dager, Cody Davis, Caitlyn Duncan, Eric Dungan, Seth Flory, Abigail Fry, Ryan Furukawa, Justin Glavaris, Felix Gonzalez, Joel Gronberg, Arthessius Hampton, Bradley Hargis, William Harrold, Marcus Hering, Collin Higgins, Phillip Henkel, David Ho, Esaias Hobbs, Jeremie Jamito, Joshua Kidder, Chad Langford, David Laroue, Nathan Lewis, Abraham Lopez, Charles Lymon, Justin McCallus, Brian McInnes, Jacob Melancon, Christopher Melchor, Micahel Miller, Brad Momohara, Rachel Moon, Evan Morrell, Jared Nealey, William Nee, Efflong Okebugwu, Juan Olmedo, Xavier Ortega, Philip Pinillos, Steven Polewskid, Brandon Pollock, Robert Probas, Carlos Rangel, Christopher Ries, John Rosson, Jeremy Ryder, Lindsay Sallee, Brian Silva, Colt Sim, Daniel Starr, Vincent Sung, James Sweeney, Christopher Thacker, Jacob Thompson, Amanda Tissue, Travis Verhagen, Christina Villarreal, Vinson Waldo, Shaaista Washington, Christopher Winship and Jennifer Wong; Senior Airmen Gabriela Carrico, Bryan Casteel, Charles Doucet, Christopher Fomby, David Fontanez, Steven Katkus, Tiffani Lawter, Amy Masuyama, Timothy Palomo, Warren Powell, Arnaldo Sanes and Matthew Satterlee; Staff Sgts. Samuel Allen, Stephen Athey, Kevin Barton, Randy Blake, Aaron Hanisco, Lonnie Harrell, Travis Jemmett, Andrew Johnson, Delma Laboy, Ethan Lambert, Lacie Marsden, Mattyew Odom, Christina Ogara, Dwayne Pomerleau, Lester Samano, Rosemary Schweizerhof, Alan Stringfellow and Edwin Young; Tech. Sgts. Charles Hancock, Gary Hargis, Benjamin Scott, Jill Troiano and Lynea White; Master Sgts. Fahad Mohammed AlGhamdi, AlBulmajid AlZahrani and Justin Christman; Senior Master Sgts. Mohammad Abdul Hazazi and Mohammed Makki Abiri; Aris Aristy.

334th TRS

Aerospace control and warning systems — Airmen Basic Christopher Phillips and William Sapp; Airmen 1st Class Raymond Whatley; Senior Airmen Jillian Brownlee; Staff Sgt. Joseph Gerg.

Air traffic control operations training flight — Airmen

Basic Kevin Baird, Jamaal Brathwaite, Jason Buettner, Sam Bushery, Owen Davies, Justin Doss, Matthew Kurtz, Matthew London, Gregory Marcisz, Justin Minenna, David Sherman, Rick Spalding, Anthony Trabucco, Shums Ullah and Zachary Veatch; Airmen Jennifer Bruce, Phillip Conklin, Nathan Hubbard, Christian Kist, Brent Nelson and Seth Norman; Airmen 1st Class Andrew Campos, Capreshia Dowdy, Kevin Durgan, Matthew Garrette, Blake Hanson, Jacob Herrenbruck, Jake Jansen, Preston Knight, Stephen Livingston, Matthew Macutkiewicz, Alexander McCluree, Joseph McClure, Maxwell McGrath, Matthew Rardon, Amanda Richardson, Derrick Risner, Jonathan Smits, Ryan Stamper, Phillip Threlkeld, Kevin Tyndall, William Webster, Alexander White, Cannon White and Kyle Willis; Senior Airmen Matthew Hunter, Jesse McDonald and Millard Morgan; Staff Sgts. William Fox, Ryan James and Keith Janda.

Airfield management apprentice course — Airmen Basic Shayna Raia and Stacie Rhodes; Senior Airmen Mark Green and Aurora Serrao; Tech. Sgt. Daniel Morency.

Command post apprentice course — Airmen 1st Class Joel Archambault, Lesliann Bell, Christopher Capkovic, Joseph Grana, Katelyn Held, Christopher Mills, Patrick Paddick, Brooke Pickering, Philip Sheridan and Zachary Taillie; Senior Airmen Brian Anders, Heather David, Kevin Fontes, Roseann Hill and Carly Lang; Staff Sgts. Kimon Beard, Lisa Beckett, James Brooks, Sandi Johnston, Joshua Kearns, Roderick Lapham, David Lawrenz and Tiaunta Thompson; Tech. Sgts. Venessa Hernandez, Carl Laws, Daphne McMahon, Kristen McVey and Rachel Thomas; Master Sgt. David Ropte.

335th TRS

Weather training flight — Pvt. Robert Collins; Airmen Basic Kimberleighann Macmillan, Shane Osier, Leighton Ronshagen, Jarrett Parker and Dao Xiong; Pfc. Steven Wells; Airman Lee Hagan and Richard Schultz; Lance Cpl. Justin Shortt; Airmen 1st Class Jessica Fannin, Christopher Ford, Jessica Gamble, Ryan Hunt, Wesley Jordan, Brendan McDermott, Chris Rhoades, Richard Shanaman, Phillip Shumaker, Ebony Simmons, Errick Smith, Samuel Strider and Daniel Tartaglione; Staff Sgts. Ricky Frye, Clifton Gore and Justin Postin; Tech. Sgt. Dwaine Teidemann; Lt. Col. Hazim Dagwood Al Khafaji.

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

Jewish services are held Fridays at 8 p.m. at the Congregation Beth Israel, 12277 Three Rivers Rd., Gulfport. Call Master Sgt. Michael Raff, 377-5835 or 207-2196.

Islamic

Prayer five times daily; Salaat ul-Jummah congregational prayer, noon Friday. Building 2003, across from the Live Oak dining facility. Call 377-2520 or 0327.

Latter-Day Saints

Sacrament, 2 p.m. Sundays; scripture and prayer, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, family home evening, 7 p.m. Fridays; all at Triangle Chapel. For more information, call 1-919-580-8679.

Orthodox

Divine Liturgy 10 a.m. Sunday at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 255 Beauvoir Rd, Biloxi. Call 388-6138 or Father Stephen Clos, 377-4105.

336th TRS

Communications-computer flight — Airmen Basic Robert Bland, Jory Belk, Clinton Case, Lisa Christensen, Sherika Coleman, Madeline Copp, John Duncan, Shalimar Enriquez, Michael Gresens, Eric Hurtado, Andrew Montgomery, Anthony Nall, Larry Nation, Ivana Robinson and Kyndra Spear; Airmen Brandt Maharrey, Jass Robinson and Tyrone Williams; Airmen 1st Class Andrew Adams, Jennifer Bryan, Jan Carlo Bulanan, Noah Burdick, Justin Deel, Brennan Dugas, John Ensley, Sarah Everson, Craig Flaherty, Andrew Freal, Juan Garcia, Andrew Gordon, Adam Graham, April Hatcher, Lawrence Kania, Kyle Lookabaugh, Binnie Muncrief, Ariel Pedraza, Joel Rochambeau, Stan Seiferth, Daniel Sheahan and Wei Sung; Senior Airman Betty Blackstock, David Tackett and Michael Wilson; Staff Sgts. Stephanie Frey, Dennis McDougal, Renee Munyan, Chace Pfeil and Joseph Watson; Technical Sgts. Shelia Battenfeld, Joshua Carruthers, Brandon Lorton and Joshua Spence; Master Sgts. Lora Noble and Jason Renda; Duane Tabb.

338th TRS

Airfield systems — Airmen 1st Class Drew Gordon, Eric Moralevitz, Nathan Pritchard, Christopher Reagan and Barbara Woods; Staff Sgt. Justin James.

Cyber transport systems — Airman Jonathon Hefner; Airmen 1st Class Robert Cooper, Joseph Ferguson, Marcus Gonzalez, Jeffrey Hunt, Thomas Lawson, Ryan Morton, David Roark, Michael Roark and Dominique Sutton; Staff Sgts. Romy Mauricio and Jayson Sawyer; Tech. Sgts. Charles Collins and Jon Schmitz.

Ground radar systems — Airman Basic Christopher Barrera; Airmen 1st Class James Bell, Michael Busby, Zachary Cannon, Alexander Chase, Preston Cline, Timothy Freeman, Johnny Ross, Jeremy Tharp and Barry Welborn.

Radio frequency transmission systems — Airmen Basic Kaleb Eberle, Shelby Parry and Derek Yandell; Airmen Forrest Brown, Jewayne Floyd and Michael Satterlee; Airmen 1st Class Jared Arledge, Daniel Berger, Justine Brousseau, Joshua Crum, Jason Delauro, Diel Green, Michael Hoffman, Christopher Howard, Andrew Kim, Andrew Moriarity, Christopher Navarro, Benjamin Plumley, Jennifer Roche, Dustin Rost, Tiffany Thompson, Shane Vernick, Natalie Wardwell, Paul Wilson and Michael Zarbo; Senior Airmen Rahman Anderson, Phirachan Pimsri and Jeffrey Garner; Staff Sgt. Anthony McClellan; Tech. Sgt. Jimmy Hoe; Master Sgts. Francisco Martin and James Nance.

CLASSES

Airman Leadership School

Class 10-5 — graduates June 30.

Mathies NCO Academy

Class 10-5 — graduates July 8.

Arts and crafts center

Summer arts youth camp — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays through July 28. Different craft featured each week. \$25 per week including all materials. Pre-register for one or all camps. For more information call 377-2821.

Jewelry making — 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday and June 26. \$30 including materials. Learn wire wrapping and tooling.

Pottery — 10:30 a.m. to noon June 19. \$40 including materials.

Personalized Father's Day card making — 10:30 a.m. to noon June 26. \$7 per person.

Scrapbooking — 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday and June 19. \$20 including materials.

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

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Beginning intarsia woodworking — 10 a.m. June 19. \$15 including materials. Intarsia is the art of piecing wood in a decorative pattern.

Advanced intarsia woodworking — 10 a.m. June 26. \$20 per person including materials and tool use.

Framing class — 12:30-4 p.m. Friday and June 25. \$30 per person including materials. Bring a photograph or art work, no larger than 11x14 inches, for framing.

Nonprior service student special — show your UBU card and get 10 percent off items purchased in our crafts store.

Engraving shop — squadron, office and individual orders.

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

Wood shop — stocked retail lumber and large assembly area adjacent to machine room available. Call for class information.

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 preschool, 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.

Grief Share support group — meets 6:30 p.m. second Thursday of each month, Triangle Chapel Annex. One-on-one and group support available for people experiencing difficult relationships or work situations, loss of a loved one or job, divorce, health issues and grief. For more information, call Chaplain (Capt.) Garrell Calton, 376-3095 or Glenda Woodard or Delphine McIntyre, 377-2531.

McBride Library

Adventure to Book Island reading program — 3-5 p.m. Saturday, 10-11 a.m. June 16, 2-3 p.m. June 24 and 10-11 a.m. June 30. Stories, games, activities and prizes.

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

Playaway — self-playing digital audio books available with 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 staff for details.

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

Tours/orientations — for more information, call 377-2604.

CLUBS AND CENTERS

Family child care

Air Force Aid Society programs — the family child care program assists the Air Force Aid Society with volunteer and permanent-change-of-station child care programs. AFAS pays for child care for volunteers working on base and 20 hours of child care for E6 and below who are PCSing in and out of the base. For eligibility and more information, call the airman and family readiness center, 376-8728.

Returning home care — for children ages 12-under. Up to 16 hours of care per child, per six-month period, is available to active duty members and Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve members returning to home stations after deployments of a minimum of 30 calendar days in support of a contingency operation, and members returning for a two-week rest and recovery leave. For more information, call 377-3189.

Be your own boss — Military spouses on and off base are

needed who wish to care for children in their homes. Providers also needed to care for children with special needs, including asthma, allergies, cerebral palsy and other physical impairments, and to work swing and evening shifts. For more information, call 377-3189.

Expanded duty care, child care for PCS and returning home child care — is available. For information, call 377-3189.

Katrina Kantina

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

Monday lunches — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and June 28. Menu changes each week. \$6 for club members, \$8 for non-members.

German special — 4 p.m. June 18. German food, beer tasting and door prizes.

Wings and things — 5-7 p.m. June 30. Free for Keesler club members; \$3 for nonmembers. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and \$1 domestic draft beer.

Father's Day special — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 21. Honey glazed ham, potato bar with an array of toppings, buttered seasoned green beans, Kantina chef's salad, dinner rolls, strawberry shortcake with whipped French cream, fresh squeezed lemonade, southern style sweetened and unsweetened tea, and water. \$6 for members, \$8 for non members. Giveaways include a golf bag, free golf and bowling passes, and rides on the Keesler Dolphin.

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

Chili special — 5-7 p.m. Tuesdays; \$1 a bowl members, \$1.50 nonmembers..

Lunch — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays; \$6 for members, \$8 for nonmembers.

Vandenberg Community Center

Editor's note: All events but dances open to all Keesler personnel.

Dances — 8 p.m. to midnight Thursdays before nontraining Fridays, and Fridays and Saturdays. \$3.

Legends Café — buffet specials 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Pool tournaments — 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Luau — 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. June 25 for nonprior service students. \$1 draft beer 8-9 p.m. \$3 Mai Tais and \$4 personal size pineapple and ham pizzas. Coconut decorating, limbo, hula hoop and best dressed Hawaiian attire contests. Prizes and giveaways. \$3 per person. Free for students with June birthdays. Co-hosted with the Legends Café.

Youth center

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

Summer camp — ages 6-18. for school agers and teens. Parents can register their children for specific weeks. For more information, call 377-4116.

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Tae Kwon Do class — 5:30-6:15 p.m. Wednesdays and 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 377-4116.

TRAIL — 6-8 p.m. Mondays.

Youth employment service — earn money for college tuition. For more information, call 377-4116.

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

Discounted tickets — for more information, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on the ITT link.

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

Tour bus — available for group rental, seats 23.

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DINING HALL MENUS

Today

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

Dinner — baked chicken, pepper steak, pasta primavera, mashed potatoes, rice, gravy, vegetables, okra, green beans, potato salad, fruit salad, chili, broccoli soup, bean and ham soup, buffalo wings and roast beef subs.

Friday

Lunch — shrimp scampi, beef stew, roast turkey, franconia potatoes, pea and pepper rice, gravy, corn on the cob, stewed tomatoes, collard greens, three-bean salad, chile con queso, Tuscan vegetables, chicken noodle, 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, chile con queso, Tuscan vegetables, chicken noodle soup, barbecue pork sandwich and burritos.

Saturday

Lunch — baked chicken, Swedish meatballs, creole shrimp, mashed potatoes, rice, gravy, corn, asparagus, squash, fruit salad, kidney bean salad, chicken chili, minestrone soup, baja chicken enchilada and chicken nuggets.

Dinner — baked fish, knockwurst, Chinese five-spice chicken, potatoes, rice, gravy, stir-fry vegetables, baked beans, creamed corn, spinach, fruit salad, bean salad, chicken chili, minestrone soup, baja chicken enchilada and chicken nuggets.

Sunday

Lunch — oven fried fish, barbecue ribs, chicken parmesan, baked macaroni and cheese, O'Brien potatoes, gravy, peas, sweet potatoes, broccoli combo, German cole slaw, country tomato salad, chili, broccoli soup, chicken with rice and cheese pizza.

Dinner — stir-fry beef with broccoli, turkey nuggets, orange- and honey-glazed ham, sauteed mushrooms and onions, baked potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, corn on the cob, green beans, country tomato salad, chili, broccoli soup, chicken with rice 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, macaroni salad, chili con queso, Tuscan vegetable, cheeseburger chowder, 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, cucumber onion salad, macaroni salad, chili con queso, Tuscan vegetable, cheeseburger chowder, sausage and steak and cheese subs.

Tuesday

Lunch — teriyaki chicken, veal parmesan, baked fish, rice, parsley buttered potatoes, gravy, cabbage, succotash, carrots, macaroni salad, cottage cheese salad, timberline chili, minestrone soup, baja chicken enchilada, 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, timberline chili, minestrone soup, baja chicken enchilada, sloppy joes and roast beef subs.

Wednesday

Lunch — lasagna, garlic toast, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, noodles, baked potatoes, Italian baked beans, green beans with mushrooms, marinara gravy, squash, Mexican cole slaw, frijole salad, white bean chicken chili, clam chowder, chicken gumbo, cheese fishwich and pizza.

Dinner — lemon-herb chicken, pork chalupa, jambalaya, scalloped potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower combo, Mexican corn, broccoli, Mexican cole slaw, frijole salad, white bean chicken chili, clam chowder, chicken gumbo, cheese fishwich and pizza.

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or e-mail
KeeslerNews@ us.af.mil.

ENERGY AWARENESS

The Air Force is committed to energy efficiency. Everyone -- servicemembers, civilians and family members -- can help save energy and work toward a cleaner future. Here are some "Energy Facts" to think about:

- Each winter, the equivalent of all the oil in the Alaskan oil pipeline is lost as heat through American windows
- "Energy Star" makes a difference. Energy Star tagged appliances typically use 50 percent less energy than their older counterparts
- Every time an oven door is opened, 25-50 degrees of temperature is lost
- Each ton of recycled paper saves the energy equivalent of 380 barrels of oil
- Ceiling fans cost about \$2.40 a month to run 10 hours a day; they can reduce energy bills by \$10
- Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run a television for three hours

Make energy awareness
a part of your day

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TRANSITIONS

Workshops, briefings

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

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

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

Transition assistance program — The Department of Labor's program is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. the first three days; the fourth day is the Veterans Affairs benefits brief from 8-11 a.m. and the retirement benefits briefs from 1-4 p.m. The schedule is Monday through June 17; July 19-20; Aug. 9-12; Sept. 13-16; Oct. 18-21; Nov. 15-18; and Dec. 13-16. To register, 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 — 7 a.m. third Tuesday of the month, Live Oak Dining Facility. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Rich Striggow, 377-4800, or visit <http://chapter.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.

Airman's Council — meets every first and third Tuesday at 4 p.m., Sablich Auditorium. For more information, call Senior Airman Alonda West, 377-2994.

Airmen Against Drunk Driving — For more information, call Airman 1st Class Mackenzie Jackson, 377-5511; Senior Airman Rose Mabe, 377-2331, 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.clark@us.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 (601) 528-4337 or visit <http://www.keeslercap.org>.

Company grade officers council — 4:30 p.m. every second Wednesday at the Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Capt. Jermaine Jordan, 377-1704.

Keesler 5.6 — 3:30 p.m. third Wednesday of the month at the Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Javaughn Johnson, 377-3456, or visit <https://keesler.eis.aetc.af.mil/81TRW/K56>.

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 Mondays at Locker House. Enter courtyard near Second Street. Enter door marked "T flight" and go straight ahead to sign saying "K5TYP."

Keesler Spouses Club — second Tuesdays. For more information, e-mail Devalynn Solomon, deesolomon@cableone.net, or visit <http://www.KeeslerSpousesClub.com>.

Retired Enlisted Association Magnolia Chapter 81 — 5:30 p.m. second Thursdays, Sablich Center, Room 108-B. For more information, call Charles Partin, 313-3267.

Top III — second Tuesday of the month. Meetings are 7 a.m. at Live Oak Dining Facility in January, March, May, July, September and November; 3:30 p.m. remaining months at Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Master Sgt. Tammy McElroy, 376-3164.

Tuskegee Airmen Inc., Col. Lawrence E. Roberts Chapter — 5 p.m. first Thursdays, McBride Library. For more information, call Glenda Mosby, 243-1992, gmosby1@bellsouth.net, or Charles Bowers, 860-3665.

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Movies

Editor's note: Movies shown in Welch Auditorium; \$3 adults, \$1.50 children for regular features; \$2.50 adults and \$1 children for matinees. For upcoming features, call 377-6627

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