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## Getting to know you



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Airman Michael Berglin, 338th Training Squadron, shakes hands with Gen. Stephen Lorenz during a student roll call Sept. 21 on the parade grounds. It was

the general's first visit to Keesler since assuming command of Air Education and Training Command July 2. Story, photos, Page 4.

## 3 years since Hurricane Katrina Keesler is thriving with focus on future

By 1st Lt. Nick Plante

### Keesler Public Affairs

Natural disasters have struck U.S. Air Force installations in the past, causing some to transfer missions and others to close for good, but that hasn't been the case for Keesler, which felt the wrath of Hurricane Katrina, Aug. 29, 2005.

Three years later, Keesler has recovered and is thriving with a focus on the future.

Keesler has not only recovered from the effects of the nation's largest natural disaster, but the base has become a model for the 21st century Air Force, according to Col. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander.

"We want everyone to know Keesler's back and running strong," said Col. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander.

Keesler leads the way in quality of life initiatives with \$950 million worth of

post-Katrina recovery and construction projects.

Principal among these projects is the largest military housing project in Air Force history. An estimated 1,028 new homes will be built by 2010 at an estimated cost of \$287.4 million. So far, 276 homes have been turned over to the base,

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## Honing situational awareness keeps Keesler on right track

By Col. Greg Touhill

81st Training Wing commander

Every fighter pilot knows the phrase “Check Six.” Do you?

“Check Six” refers to making sure you have situational awareness and know who is behind you (that is, your six o’clock position) trying to shoot you down. When a fighter pilot tells his wingman to “Check Six,” it means to have a look behind you to see and avoid any threats.

Keesler just concluded a very successful visit by Gen. Stephen and Leslie Lorenz, Air Education and Training Command commander. Thank you very much for “Checking Six” in preparing for this visit. As I went around base, I saw numerous squadrons taking pride in their areas by cleaning up, pulling weeds, picking up trash, and I even saw a civilian employee “mentor” a youngster about the wrongs of littering. Well done, teammates!

Think the base looked great? I do. Yet, let’s not be seduced into thinking that was a one-time deal. This is the way the base should look every day! It doesn’t matter where we come from around the country or around the world, Keesler and the Mississippi Gulf Coast are now our home. Let’s continue to “Check Six” and make our Keesler home look its best always.

Let’s also “Check Six” to make sure we have our eyes and minds focused on safety. Unfortunately, our base community suffered the loss of two individuals over the last few weeks due to accidents. We all need to “Check Six” to identify and avoid safety threats to ourselves and our families.

In the first incident, the deceased had improperly tied open a safety gate and didn’t have a safety observer. Since he was alone (a big mistake), we can only speculate as to what caused him to fall, leading to his death. However, we do think that if he had “Checked Six” and had a safety observer present and secured the gate, things would have turned out better for him and his family.

In the second incident, one of our valued and loved teammates was involved in a motor vehicle collision. While I haven’t seen the final safety report, it appears he died as a result of blunt force trauma to the chest. I’m also told he wasn’t wearing his safety belt. Do you “Check Six” by ensuring you have your safety belt fastened when you drive? I hope so, and Keesler will help remind you with a series of no-notice checks in the coming weeks.

Finally, I’ve been asked by several Airmen about “the pink bike” and our campaign to obliterate DUIs. I am indeed looking forward to the opportunity to ride the pink bike back to wing headquarters in celebration of 81 consecutive DUI-free days for our base. As we enter the Labor Day holiday weekend, I’ve ordered each commander to give safety briefings and to remind everyone of the dangers of drinking and driving. Don’t allow our streak to be broken ... put me on that bike!

This is not just an issue for holiday weekends; your safety is critically important every day. Be a good wingman, be a great Airman, and be safe every day. “Check Six.”

## ACTION LINE ... 377-4357

By Col. Greg Touhill

81st Training Wing commander

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

Suggestions to help make this a more valuable and useful tool are welcome. Call the commander’s action line at 377-4357, write to Commander’s Action Line, 81st TRW/PA, Keesler AFB, MS 39534-2603, e-mail 81st TRW Commander’s Action Line (on-base) or commanders. line@keesler.af.mil (off-base).



**ISSUE** — I wanted to recognize the leadership team at our Keesler Commissary. Store manager Gordy Harris and produce manager Jim Barnes were extremely helpful in preparations for refreshments at my recent squadron commander’s call.

They provided a quality product, world-class service and a fair price. Their leadership is a testament to the “neighborhood friendly” atmosphere we enjoy at Keesler, and I applaud their efforts..

**RESPONSE** — Thank you for recognizing the customer service efforts of the commissary staff, whose sole mission is to take care of our patrons, who deserve nothing less than excellence in customer service. It is a privilege for the commissary to support base functions.

## Air Force work ethic demands 24/7 vigilance

By Col. (Dr.) Kathleen Elmer  
81st Medical Operations Squadron commander

In anticipation of Labor Day, I’d like to reflect on the work ethic that is embodied in the men and women of our Air Force and in the members of the Keesler community.

Each day, those of us in uniform are at work. Whether we are physically on the military installation or at home, on leave or on temporary duty assignments, we have sworn to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America, a

job and commitment that requires 24/7 vigilance.

We are always on call and must anticipate recalls, deployments and the demands that often requires we stay late, come in on weekends and essentially do what we consider our duty. Our country, state, local community, base and unit are strengthened by the dedication and motivation each of us displays in our willingness to go above and beyond the duty description that is assigned to a particular Air Force specialty code or job title.

Daily, young Airmen new



to the military and mature leaders of the flights that comprise my squadron willingly volunteer for additional duties, perform service in their free time, volunteer in community projects and embody the true essence of the core value,

service before self. They demonstrate this dedication in many other areas throughout the base community, in our non-active duty staff, and in our off-base colleagues who so tirelessly work to rebuild the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

As we welcomed new members to our base during the recent permanent change of station cycle, the dedication to improve this area and efforts to maintain excellence have been reinforced by the visible strides made in the past few years. Also, as members of our base prepare to deploy in the next

cycle, we are reminded of our deployed colleagues who aren’t likely to get a day of rest on Labor Day. They’re tirelessly working, fighting and caring for our wingmen to preserve our nation’s freedom.

I would like to thank the members of my squadron, 81st Medical Group and 81st Training Wing for the labor displayed in their continuous dedication to excellence and to those overseas working to keep our nation free.

Labor Day makes us realize that the greatest fruit of our labor is freedom.



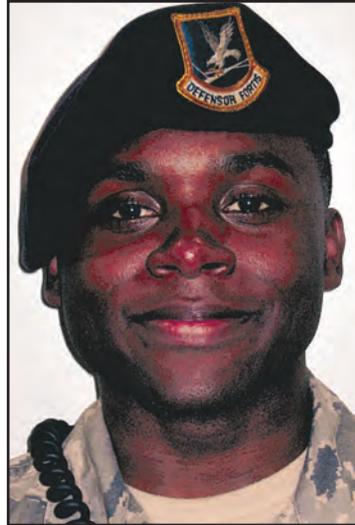
## DRAGON ON THE STREET

On the third anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, what aspect of rebuilding impresses you the most?



"I'm impressed with the speed at which the base is rebuilding."

— Airman Basic Jenel Felipe, 81st Medical Support Squadron



"I'm excited about the brand new base exchange and commissary being built. I'm sure it'll be better than ever."

— Staff Sgt. Marvin Walker, 81st Security Forces Squadron



"I'm excited about the new events center, and I'm impressed with the great new housing."

— 2nd Lt. Nita Kimbrough, 81st Mission Support Group

# Be smart, do your part — vote

By Dave Duggins

Installation voting assistance officer

I can remember the first time I got fired up about a presidential election. I wasn't even old enough to vote but it seemed to matter a lot at the time. Many years later my political views have changed — but not the importance of my constitutionally guaranteed right to cast a ballot.

Just how did the right to vote evolve? The short answer is — not easily!

More than two hundred years ago only wealthy, white, male landowners could vote. Although the members of the Second Continental Congress recognized the importance of the vote, they were unsure about just who should vote.

Those delegates from states opposed to slavery wanted only the votes of free citizens to count. Delegates who supported slavery wanted free citizens and slaves at their actual number to vote. Since slaves were not allowed a vote, the pro-slavery states would benefit from having larger population and thereby increased representation in both the House and the Electoral College.

Congress finally reached a compromise by counting "all other persons" as only three fifths of their actual number in pro-slavery states. The "three-fifths compromise" only slightly reduced the power of the southern states relative to those in the north. As a result of this compromise, Thomas Jefferson was the



Voter registration tables are available at the main exchange and commissary, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday. For list of unit voting assistance counselors, see Page 27.

first Southerner elected to office by exactly the margin of the 3/5 vote allowing the south to continue to expand slavery and political power. Until 1850, Southerners held the presidency for 50 of 62 years and appointed 18 of 31 Supreme Court Justices, despite almost twice the population in the north.

Following the Civil War, the 15th Amendment was enacted to protect the right to vote of newly-freed African-American citizens. Except for Tennessee, all Southern states refused to ratify this amendment until the federal government made its passage a condition for readmission to the union.

The first African-American to vote in an election under the newly-enacted provisions of the 15th Amendment was Thomas Mundy Peterson, a school custodian from Perth Amboy, New Jersey who later became the first African-American to hold elected office in Middlesex County and to serve on a jury.

Since Reconstruction, the 15th Amendment and its equal protection clause became the heart of the Civil Rights movement of the 1960s. From this amendment sprang landmark decisions like Brown vs. Board of Education of Topeka that declared school segregation unconstitutional.

Today, all American citizens over the age of 18 have the right to vote, run for office and be elected because of our constitutionally guaranteed right to vote. Our forebearers fought two wars and marched bravely through our streets to protect the right to cast a ballot for the candidate we think best.

Armed Forces Voters Week is Sunday through Sept. 7. Remember to register for your absentee ballot and cast your important vote. For more information, contact your unit voting assistance counselor.

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## AETC commander praises Keesler's resurgence

General Lorenz speaks to Airmen during a student roll call on the parade grounds.

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Kemberly Groue

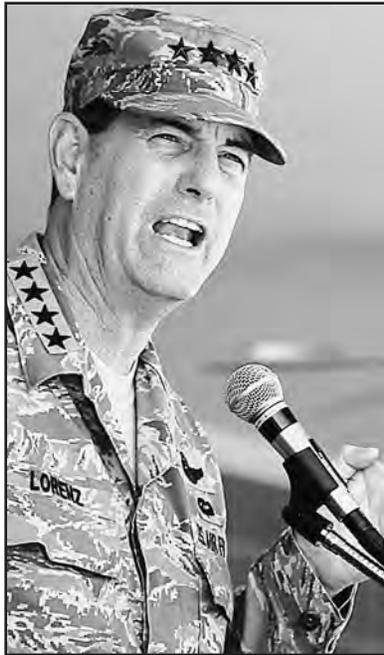


Photo by Steve Pivnick  
Airman 1st Class Dominique Staten, left, and General Lorenz respond during a "Code Blue" respiratory arrest exercise in the medical simulation laboratory during a tour of Keesler Medical Center. Airman Staten is an aerospace medicine services apprentice Phase II student.

By Staff Sgt. Carlos Rodriguez

### Keesler Public Affairs

Gen. Stephen Lorenz came to Keesler Aug. 21-22 for his first official visit to the base since assuming command of Air Education and Training Command July 2.

Principal among his activities during his stay were a 2nd Air Force briefing and an opportunity to meet many of the Airmen throughout the 81st Training Wing.

"First of all, the 2nd Air Force and its technical training are second to none," said General Lorenz. "I see the 81st Training Wing and 2nd Air Force as continually producing Airmen to serve our nation anywhere in the world. The wing and 2nd Air Force touch the entire Air Force."

The general's tour also included stops at both recently completed and ongoing construction projects such as the Northwest Falcon and West Falcon housing areas.

"I came to Keesler shortly after Katrina in 2005 and now, in 2008, what I see is the resilience of the Airmen, civilians and people of the Gulf Coast region in rebuilding the base," said General Lorenz. "This is truly a case of the Phoenix rising out of the ashes — there's never been a better time to be part of the 81st Training Wing."

During his visit, General Lorenz spoke about what he sees as the future of AETC and the roles both 2nd Air Force and 81st TRW play in that future.

"AETC is the First Command — we recruit, train and educate," said General Lorenz. "This is an exciting time to be a part of the Air Force — we're across domains and with things such as the new cyberspace training, Keesler will play a dynamic part in the future of the command, a part limited only by our imagination."

The general's visit included talking and interacting with the leadership of the 2nd Air Force and 81st TRW. As the author of "Lorenz on Leadership," a 14-point guide about his own thoughts on being a leader, AETC's commander discussed his leadership philosophy.

"In every organization, the leader sets the tone," said General Lorenz. "I never, ever tell people just 'no' or 'I can't do it'. I say 'let me look into it' and 95 percent of the time, I'm able to do (what they ask)."

Having previously served as the commander of Air University, continuing education is another major part of the general's vision for the future of AETC and the Air Force. A first step toward higher education can be found in the Air Force's ABC — associate-to-baccalaureate cooperative — program.

"We have a program right now called '12 clicks to become a junior,'" said General Lorenz. "There are currently more than 30 colleges throughout the nation that accept credits from the Community College of the Air Force. So just by signing up on the Portal, CCAF graduates can automatically become college juniors.

"There's never been a better time to be part of the 81st Training Wing."

— General Lorenz

"This, combined with tuition assistance, means it has never been easier for an Airman to pursue a college education," he continued. "We currently have 4,000 Airmen already signed up and have more than 10,000 courses available."

General Lorenz' tour of Keesler included many stops such as Keesler Medical Center, a student roll call at the Triangle parade grounds where he spoke to the wing's nonprior service students, an 81st Security Forces demonstration and a tour of some of the wing's schoolhouses. One of his lasting impressions seemed to be the quality of the base and the character of its people.

"I've had a great visit with the 81st TRW and 2nd Air Force," said General Lorenz. "Keesler's a great place to live, work and play — you've truly made a difference to people's lives."

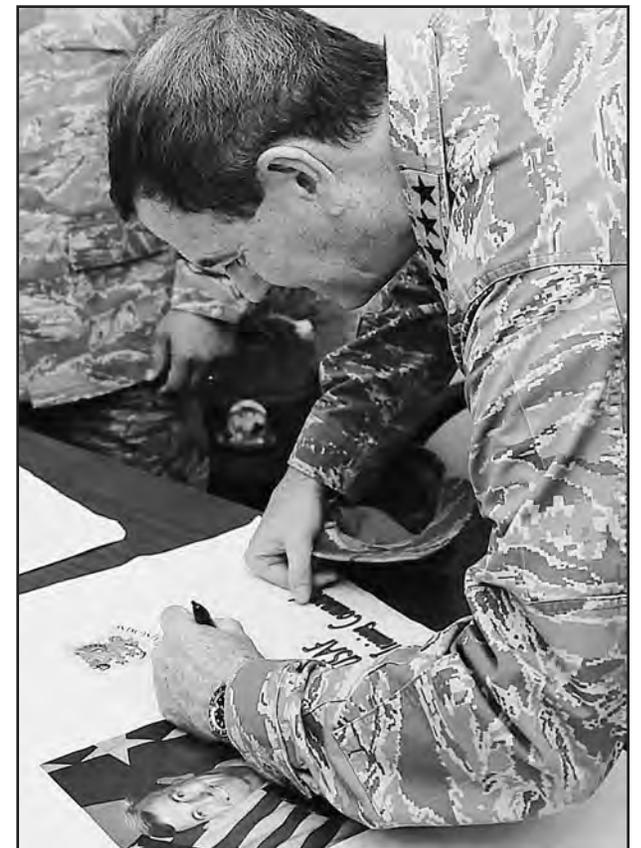


Photo by Kemberly Groue  
General Lorenz signs a pillowcase while visiting the airman and family readiness center. The center provides the pillowcases to family members to send to Keesler's deployed troops.

# Developmental education programs available for officers

## **Air Force Personnel Center**

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — It's time for officers interested in 2009 special developmental education programs to apply for the Olmsted Scholarship, White House Fellowship, Mansfield Fellowship or Information Assurance Scholarship programs.

A completed Air Force Form 3849 and senior rater nomination must be received by the Air Force Personnel Center by Sept. 15. Due to the limited timeline, scanned 3849s may be e-mailed to [AFPC.DPAFE.ORGBOX@randolph.af.mil](mailto:AFPC.DPAFE.ORGBOX@randolph.af.mil).

Application packages must be sent no later than Oct. 31 to HQ AFPC/ DPAFE, 550 C Street West, Suite 32, Randolph AFB TX 78150-4734. Late or incomplete packages aren't considered.

**The Olmsted Scholarship Program** provides an opportunity for Air Force officers to study in a foreign language at an international university abroad. For more information, visit <http://www.olmstedfoundation.org/olmsted/web/index.cfm>.

**The President's Commission on White House Fellows** selects 11 to 19 citizens each year for a firsthand experience in the process of governing the nation and a sense of personal involvement in leadership. For more information, log on to <http://www.whitehouse.gov/fellows/>.

**The Mansfield Fellowship Exchange Program** allows a select group of federal employees to experience Japan's business and culture. For more information, log on to <http://www.mansfieldfdn.org/>

**The Defense Department's Information Assurance Scholarship Program** was established to increase the number of qualified personnel entering the information assurance field to meet the increasing dependence on information technology.

For more information, log on to <http://www.defenselink.mil/cio-nii/iasp/>.

## Academic aces



Airman Chelsea Farrington, left, Staff Sgt. Daniel Ahrens and Airman 1st Class Brian Wiedmeyer have graduated from technical training with perfect scores. Airman Farrington, a reservist from Tucson, Ariz., graduated Monday from the personnel apprentice course in the 335th Training Squadron and returns to Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz. Sergeant Ahrens, from Aurora, Ill., and Airman Wiedmeyer, from Greenbush, Wis., graduated Aug. 26 from the basic electronic principles course in the 332nd TRS. Both are communication/navigation mission systems apprentices and continue their training at Sheppard AFB, Texas.

# TRAINING, EDUCATION NOTES

## CCAF fall graduation

Today is the deadline to apply for the Community College of the Air Force fall graduating class.

By that date, all supporting documentation must be on file at CCAF, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., including your nomination action request. For more information, call 376-8710 or visit the education office in Room 224, Sablich Center.

## Drill downs, parades

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

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

**Parades** — 6 p.m. Oct. 16.

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

## Parking lot closes

The parking lot on the southeast side of the Keesler NCO Academy Building is closed until noon Sept. 10 for drill practice and evaluations.

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

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

## WAPS testing

The test administration period for Weighted Airman Promotion System Test Cycle 08E9 is Sept. 9-12.

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

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

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

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

## Student health center

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

For more information, call 377-7016.

## Academic counseling

For college counseling, call 376-8708 or 8710.

## ACSC options

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

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

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

## CCAF online

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

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.

## Manpower openings

Senior airmen and staff sergeants with a mathematics background and in balanced or overage career fields with 4-15 years of service may be able to retrain into the manpower and organization career field.

For eligibility information, call the military personnel flight employment office, 376-8356.

## GI Bill benefits

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

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

## Officer records

For officers to update their academic records, the Air Force Institute of Technology requires an official transcript sent to this address:

AFIT/RRE, 2950 P St., Wright-Patterson AFB OH 45433-7765.

## 5 decades of service

Gen. Stephen Lorenz, left, commander of Air Education and Training Command, presents Werner Lamm a pin recognizing his 50 years of federal service. The general is assisted by Mr. Lamm's wife, Barbara Ann. Mr. Lamm is the 338th Training Squadron's training support chief. The presentation was made Aug. 21 in Stennis Hall.

Photo by Kemberly Groue



## Reduction in force

### Civilian personnel office continues efforts to find positions for targeted employees

#### Civilian personnel office

Friday, the civilian personnel office received the new retention register from the Air Force Personnel Center with an update of the number of employees expected to be affected when Computer Sciences Corp. takes over base operating support services.

When each register is received, the civilian personnel office reviews it for accuracy and determines the next course of action in the reduction-in-force process.

"About 65 employees out of 311 positions are presently targeted for separation, but the new retention register will update that figure, since additional vacancies are being added which may ease the RIF," according to human resources specialist Sheena Bressie.

#### To apply for jobs

Computer Science Corp.'s Keesler office is in Room 202, Sablich Center, phone 376-8550. Another office is located at 169-B Lameuse Street, Biloxi, phone 436-3432. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

As an example, Ms. Bressie pointed out that 25 new vacancies were created for A-76 employees by allowing non-A-76 employees to retire early. This saved jobs for 25 A-76 employees who were targeted for separation.

"We have exactly 102 employees who have accepted the voluntary separation incentive payment, and we're still working with command-

ers in waiving qualifications to reduce the number of separations even further," she added.

Aug. 19, the civilian personnel office issued the right of first refusal listing to the contractor. The listing contains the names of current Keesler employees who must be provided first consideration for employment with the contractor. These include employees holding A-76 positions, as well as non-A-76 employees who are expected to be adversely affected by the A-76 RIF, including separation or change to a lower pay grade.

"Employees who desire to work for the contractor are encouraged to contact the Computer Sciences Corp. immediately," said Lee Hathorn, human resources officer.

## IN THE NEWS

### Today is Keesler News deadline

Noon today is the deadline for the Sept. 4 issue of the Keesler News because of the Labor Day federal holiday, Monday.

### Sesame Street show added

A third performance of "The Sesame Street Experience for Military Families" has been added at 4 p.m. Sept. 4 at Welch Auditorium.

Tickets are available for this show at the airman and family readiness center, youth center and child development center. No more tickets are available for the other two shows.

Officials advise that strollers aren't allowed in the auditorium for the performances.

For more information, call 376-0385.

### Labor Day 'blowout'

A Labor Day 'blowout' is 7 p.m. Friday in the parking lot north of the Triangle Fitness Center.

Free food and activities are planned, including a concert featuring Top of Orange and "bouncers" for adults as well as children.

The evening is intended to launch the holiday weekend safely and enjoyably, said Senior Airman Chris Freimann, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron. He said the USO, Vandenberg Community Center and airman and family readiness center are joining forces to sponsor the event.

For more information, call 377-5857.

### Q Street closes today

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

### New travel cards on the way

WASHINGTON — Citibank officials are mailing out new government travel charge cards through Sept. 19.

Cards are mailed to Mississippi cardholders Aug. 29 through Sept. 9.

### Death notification

Col. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander, regrets to announce the death of Lt. Col. Richard Gaston. He was an individual mobilization augmentee assigned to the Defense Information Systems Agency, Arlington, Va.

Before Hurricane Katrina, Colonel Gaston worked at Keesler as a basic communication officer training instructor in the 333rd Training Squadron. A Biloxi resident, he worked for the Jackson County Sheriff's Department.

Any persons having claims for or against Colonel Gaston's estate, call Jim Taylor, 377-2081.

### Off-limits establishments

Off-limits establishments for military members are the Blue Note Lounge, Boulevard Nightclub and Henry Beck Park (except during daylight hours or official events) in Biloxi; Bunksmall Apartments and H&H Hideaway in Pascagoula and Toni's Lounge in Moss Point.

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all of which have been built “smarter” than before.

“These new homes are built stronger and more energy efficient than previous on-base housing and are a great improvement to the quality of life for Keesler’s military members,” said Col. Jeffrey Jackson, 81st Mission Support Group commander.

Keesler Medical Center, one of the largest medical treatment facilities in the Air Force, provides care to approximately 240,000 outpatients.

Since 2005, the medical center has reopened 20 clinics and services, including a state-of-the-art family birthing center at a cost of \$13.4 million and also built a new central energy plant and radiation therapy center.

“The success of Keesler Air Force Base can be attributed to

the resilience of those Airmen and civilians who played a large part in the rebuilding process,” said Colonel Touhill. “Those who live and work on the base and in the surrounding communities can take great pride in knowing that Keesler isn’t only back but it’s back better and more prepared than it ever was.”

Keesler’s leadership is dedicated to keeping its strong ties with the local community. Many of Keesler’s employees live in the surrounding communities and the base’s extended population represents nearly 87,000 people including active-duty military, Department of Defense civilians, retirees and their family members.

“One of the Air Force’s core values is service before self and the actions of Keesler’s Airmen prove they live it,” said Colonel Touhill. “Not only are our Airmen fulfilling our nation’s call, but they make time to help the communities they live in and are a part of.”

Volunteers from the 81st TRW have provided more than 100,000 man-hours to the surrounding communities, an estimated value of more than \$1 million. These Keesler volunteers work in the local communities in their spare time while staying focused on the base’s primary mission, which is training the

high-tech warriors our nation needs for national security, said Colonel Touhill.

Keesler continues to be the Air Force’s Center of Excellence for communications and electronics training. The wing also provides training for a variety of electronics and communications career fields as well as many others to include personnel, weather, and command and control specialties for the Air Force. Keesler Medical Center also trains medical professionals in a variety of different career fields.

“Pick a location throughout today’s Air Force and undoubtedly you will find someone who was trained at Keesler,” said Col. Prince Gilliard, 81st Training Group commander. “What we train at Keesler directly and positively affects our operations worldwide.”

Keesler leads the way for training in technical fields for the Air Force, with 391 courses for 38 separate specialties.

“Our medical center also trains medical physicians and technicians that save lives throughout the world including those injured while fighting the global war on terrorism,” said Colonel Touhill. “Keesler’s back and it’s because of the people who serve and the people who support them in the surrounding communities.”

## At retreat:

**All personnel in uniform**  
who aren't in formation  
should stand and face the flag,  
or in the direction of the music  
if the flag is not visible, and salute.

Hold the salute  
until the last note of the music is played.

**All military personnel in civilian clothes**  
should face the flag  
or the sound of the music  
if the flag is not visible,  
and stand at attention  
with the right hand over the heart.

**All vehicles in motion**  
should come to a stop  
at the first note of the music,  
and the occupants should sit quietly  
until the music ends.

# **PERSONNEL NOTES**

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## **Military members affected by A-76**

All military members affected by A-76 should have an assignment by Sept. 30.

The AFPC assignments team is expected to return to Keesler in September to speak to with the individuals that weren't selected for one of their eight choices. Once these individuals have been identified, AFPC will offer assignment choices that the Air Force may be able to support.

For more information, call Staff Sgt. Sharon Cleveland, 376-8380.

## **Survey for enlisted medics**

The Defense Department is looking for input from the enlisted medical community as it sets up a new Web portal that will enable medics and corpsmen to share lessons learned and suggest ways to improve patient care.

A short online survey is available at <http://www.health.mil>. The new site should be online before Oct. 1, and it will be password-protected to serve the enlisted military medical community.



Left, Brett Long, facilities chief for the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron's housing flight, turns on the power vent which pulls gases away from the energy-efficient water heater and releases them through a pipe on the roof, above.

Photos by Kemberly Groue

# LEED and they will follow

## Base 'goes green' with new housing construction

### Keesler Public Affairs

The Air Force's first certified Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design home is highlighted at a ceremony, 10:45 a.m. today in Northwest Falcon Park.

This new green two-unit home at 244 and 246 Fairchild Dr., Biloxi Miss., the first of 748 to be built at Keesler, incorporates smart design, technology, construction and maintenance features that both reduce the impact on the environment and make it a healthier place for the people living there.

"Our housing project not only shows that we want the best quality of living for our Airmen, but also shows we lead the way in energy efficiency," said Col. Jeffrey Jackson, 81st Mission Support Group commander. "The project is a prime example of how construction should be carried out so it is the best for our Air Force and the environment"

For a green home to become LEED certified, it must be inspected by an independent third party, who rates its performance in such categories as the home's indoor air quality, its energy efficiency, the use of water-conserving plumbing, the durability of its building materials and the sustainability of the building site. Credit for LEED certification also

considers whether there are open spaces to encourage walking and other outdoor activities that lead to better overall health for its residents.

"LEED encourages sustainable green building and development. LEED buildings cost less to operate and maintain, are energy and water efficient, and will reduce dependence on foreign oil," said David Horner, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron project management office.

All Keesler green homes will be Energy Star compliant, which means they will follow Environmental Protection Agency guidelines, which make them 20-30 percent more energy efficient than standard homes. The development of green homes at Keesler is the largest LEED-certified project in the nation, and makes Keesler the first Air Force installation to have LEED-certified homes.

"We are very proud of this accomplishment and the projection of future LEED certifications that will be provided in the Air Force," said Mr. Horner.

Staff Sgt. Tanya Holditch, 1st Lt. Nick Plante and Michael Plummer contributed to this report.



"LEED buildings cost less to operate and maintain, are energy and water efficient, and will reduce dependence on foreign oil."

— Mr. Horner

# Absentee voting

## Here's what to do to cast your vote

By Dave Duggins

Installation voting assistance officer

Many military voters have questions about the absentee voting process. Here are some answers to the most frequent questions.

### Can I vote absentee?

You can vote absentee in local, state and federal elections if you are a U.S. citizen 18 years or older and are an active-duty member of the armed forces, Merchant Marine, Public Health Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, a family member of the above, or a U.S. citizen residing outside of the United States.

### Do I have to be registered to vote absentee?

Registration requirements vary from state to state. Most states and territories require registration to vote absentee. Voter registration and absentee request can be done at the same time by submitting the Federal Post Card Application available on line at <http://www.fvap.gov/resources/media/fpca.pdf> or from your unit voting assistance counselor. If you're already registered to vote and only wish to request a ballot, submit your FPCA as soon as possible.

### Where is my "legal voting residence"?

For voting purposes, "legal voting residence" can be the state or territory where you last resided prior to entering military service, or the state or territory that you have since claimed as your legal residence.



### How do I register to vote or request an absentee ballot?

You may register and request an absentee ballot with the FPCA. This application form is accepted by all states and territories and is postage-paid in the U.S. mail. Hard copies of the form can be obtained from your unit voting assistance counselor.

### Where do I send my voter registration/absentee ballot request?

Your voter registration/absentee Ballot request form must be completed, printed, signed, dated and mailed directly to your local election official. To find out where to send your election materials, contact your unit voting assistance counselor or check <http://www.fvap.gov/shortcuts/find-where-2-send-ballot-request/index.html>.

### When is the best time to apply for an absentee ballot?

It's recommend that you register to vote or request an absentee ballot in January of each year, or at least 45 days before election day.

### When should I receive my ballot?

Most states and territories begin mailing ballots 30-45 days before an election. Check with your unit voting assistance counselor or log on to <http://www.fvap.gov/reference/links/index.html> for help.

### What happens if I do not receive a ballot from my local election office?

If you requested an absentee ballot but haven't received one as election day approaches, you can still vote by using the back-up Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot.

### Can I vote in person where I am stationed?

Military members may vote where they're stationed if they change their legal residence to that state or territory, even if they live on a military installation. Be advised that there may be legal obligations, such as taxation, if you change your state of residence. Therefore, consult the base legal office before making such a decision.

For a list of unit voting assistance counselors, see Page 27.

For more information, call Dave Duggins, 377-5799.

To report fraud, waste and abuse  
at Keesler,  
call 377-7053.

## Energy conservation

# Base works to balance mission, quality of life

By Staff Sgt. Tanya Holditch

Keesler News staff

Meeting Air Force goals and increased energy rates have prompted the 81st Civil Engineer Squadron to look for ways to reduce energy consumption.

An executive order requires all federal agencies to reduce overall energy consumption by 30 percent by 2015, or 3 percent annually. In addition, the goal for water conservation is to reduce consumption by 20 percent or 2 percent annually.

By reducing energy consumption 15 percent in the first half of fiscal year 2008, Keesler exceeded the Air Force's goal.

After Hurricane Katrina, Keesler awarded an energy savings performance contract to Johnson Controls to make substantial improvements in energy efficiency on base to include some infrastructure improvements. Keesler saves nearly \$1.2 million annually in energy savings which are guaranteed through the ESPC.

"Since the base was in recovery mode, the upgrades would have minimum impact to Keesler's mission," said 2nd Lt. Michael Nordin, 81st CES energy manager.

The addition of low-flow flush valves on toilets and urinals and aerators on shower heads and sinks contributes to the 72 million gallons of water saved annually. In addition, the main base steam was taken offline and replaced with high-efficiency boilers in facilities which used to be fed by the steam plant. These improvements eliminated waste caused by leaks.

The efficiency of the Triangle chiller plant was optimized by installing variable frequency drives on pumps and air handlers and tuned up the chiller plant.

Converting the heating and cooling systems of some buildings from a constant air volume system to a variable air volume system also saved energy. In large buildings with seldom-used areas, the air flow in certain locations could be adjusted for climate control according to occupancy.

Advance electrical metering systems will be installed in some buildings, which will give civil engineers an electrical usage fingerprint.

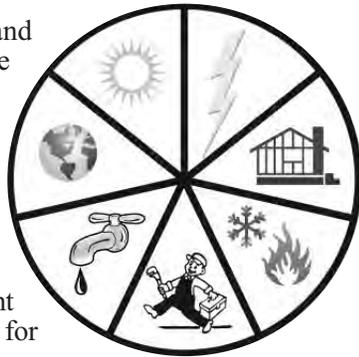
"We can identify buildings that are 'energy hogs'", said Lieutenant Nordin. "That gives us a clearer picture on how to reduce energy in that particular building."

The system, which can take readings in 15-minute intervals, identifies peak energy usage times.

"Some buildings, such as the Sablich Center, have larger energy consumption due to high occupancy," said Lieutenant Nordin. Body heat, computers and the constant opening and closing of doors all contribute to the energy usage in buildings with heavy traffic.

Some buildings now have the heating and cooling systems set back to 82 degrees or shut down at nights and on weekends. Some buildings may also have programmable thermostats which allow for setbacks at night and on weekends when the building isn't occupied.

"We were looking for ways to save energy in a way that balances quality of life and meeting our mission without disrupting either," said Lieutenant Nordin.



## Combating sexual violence



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Staff Sgt. Kirstin Richard, 81st Medical Support Squadron, reviews a sexual prevention and response brochure during a victim advocates training session Aug. 20. Heather Wagner, Mississippi special assistant attorney general and director of the domestic violence division, conducted domestic violence and sexual assault training. Shalotta Sharp, a nurse with the Mississippi Coalition Against Sexual Assault, gave a briefing on emergency department care for sexual assault victims.

# Airmen feedback essential to additional duty study

By Master Sgt. Kat Bailey

Air Force Personnel Center

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Airmen may now take advantage of a free-form text questionnaire, readily identifying additional duties they believe are non-value added or need redesigning.

The Air Force Manpower Agency will use this feedback to assist in the Air Force's drive to reduce additional duty demands in order to free up Airmen's time.

"We're currently working with Air Force functional managers to identify Air Force-level directed additional duties and get information out to the field on this important issue," said Charlie DiPietro, who's leading the study. "We need Airmen to share their views on the value and impact of the additional duties they perform."

Air Force-directed additional duties are those supported by an Air Force Instruction or policy directive.

The initial study focused on the vast amount of ancillary training Airmen are required to

complete every year. This initiative expanded to include additional duties and administrative tasks that also take time from primary duties.

Air Force senior leadership decided one of the best ways to take care of Airmen is to give them time back by eliminating non-value added additional duties and ancillary training, or to make dramatic reductions consistent with law, policy and common sense.

The plan for value-added additional duties is to consolidate as many as possible with reduced time requirements based on process improvements or to reduce the additional duty man-hour burden via automation. Additional duties that don't add value to the mission will be eliminated.

In addition to working with functional managers, AFMA will also ask major commands and wings to look at reducing locally-generated additional duties.

Airman can access the Community of Practice and the questionnaire on a secure link directly at <https://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/ASPs/CoP/OpenCoP.asp?Filter=AF-DP-00-70>.

## DRAGON OF THE WEEK

**Name** — Tech. Sgt. Asha Gray

**Position** — weather forecaster instructor

**Unit** — 335th Training Squadron

**Time in Air Force** — 13 years

**Time at Keesler** — two years

**Hometown** — Los Angeles

**Noteworthy** — I was recognized by the city of Biloxi for outstanding volunteerism for 2007, and I organized more than 350 volunteers for a playground build in Woolmarket this summer.

**Why did you join the Air Force?** worldwide travel, education and to meet new people

**What are your hobbies?** gardening, bowling and reading

**What are your goals?** to finish my master's degree in aeronautics/education and become a master instructor.

**Your favorite quote?** “A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination and hard work.” — Gen. Colin Powell

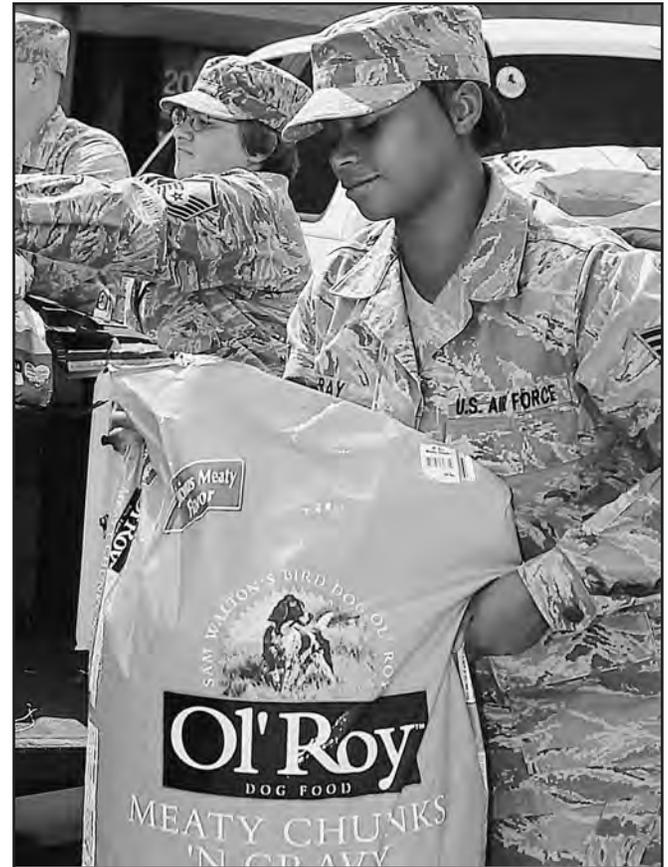


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## DIAMOND NOTES

“Our lives are not determined by what happens to us,  
but how we react to what happens;  
not by what life brings us,  
but by the attitude we bring to life.

A positive attitude causes a chain reaction  
of positive thoughts, events and outcomes.

It is a catalyst, a spark,  
that creates extraordinary results.”

(Author Unknown)

What type of attitude are you bringing to the fight?

Senior Master Sgt. John Geboy, 336th Training Squadron first sergeant



## MEMORABLE MOMENTS



**January-June 1953**

Airmen began occupying  
new dormitory-style barracks  
in the area nicknamed  
the Triangle.



## Cool, tasty fun on a hot summer day



Photos by Kemberly Groue  
Three-year-old Kelsey Flake and her aunt, Shannon Hardman, top her ice cream sundae at Saturday's ice cream social at the arts and crafts center. Kelsey's parents are Maj. Eric and Stephanie Flake, 81st Medical Operations Squadron.

Left, potter Reva Hopkins demonstrates her skills to Mikayla and Jaliyah Snaer. Mikayla, 4, and Jaliyah, 5, are the daughters of Chief Petty Officer Lerome and Jennifer Snaer, 333rd Training Squadron, a member of Keesler's Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit.

# Medical, temporary retirees now eligible for CRSC payments

By Master Sgt. Kat Bailey

Air Force Personnel Center

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Former Airmen receiving military retired pay who served less than 20 years may now be eligible to receive combat-related special compensation.

CRSC is part of a legislative initiative designed to restore a veteran's military retirement pay that has been reduced by Veterans Affairs compensation of at least 10 percent when the veteran's disabilities are related to combat.

The 2008 National Defense Authorization Act, signed into law Jan. 28, expanded eligibility requirements for the CRSC program to include Medical Chapter 61, Temporary Early Retirement Act and Temporary Disabled Retirement List retirees.

"Prior to this change, retirees had to have 20 years of active duty service or be retired at age 60 from the Guard or Reserve," said Rick Castro, Air Force CRSC program manager. "If you didn't have 20 years, you weren't eligible. However with the NDAA expansion, if you are medically retired, either permanently or temporarily, and have VA payments that reduce your retirement pay, you are eligible to apply."

For example, a Desert Storm veteran who was injured and subsequently medically retired at 14 years of service, who received a 30 percent disability rating from the VA, should apply — it may be the key to receiving additional tax-free money to which the veteran is entitled.

"That said, let our experts make the call," Mr. Castro explained. "That way if you do not qualify and something in the law or Department of Defense CRSC policy changes in the future that could affect the prior decision, like the 2008 NDAA, we will already have a claim and documentation, and can reassess a claim based on the new eligibility factors."

In determining eligibility, retired members should answer the following questions:

**Am I** receiving retired pay?

**Do I** have a compensable VA disability of 10 percent or higher?

**Is my** retired pay reduced by VA disability payments?

"If you answered 'yes' to those questions and have not submitted your CRSC claim, you should do so," Mr. Castro said. "The money is tax-free and could help pay medical expenses or improve your quality of life."

Although CRSC specifical-

ly addresses "combat-related" disabilities incurred from armed conflict, retirees who developed disabilities from other than combat may also be eligible. Disabilities caused by exposure to Agent Orange, combat training, aircrew duties, simulated war exercises, parachuting and munitions demolition potentially qualify for compensation under this program.

For more information and claim forms, visit the AFPC Public Web site or call the Air Force Contact Center, 1-800-616-3775.

## **TDY per mile rate increases**

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — In response to the mid-year rise in gasoline prices, the General Service Administration raised the temporary duty mileage rate from 50.5 to 58.5 cents per mile.

The increase applies to all uniformed personnel and civilian employees traveling on official business by privately-owned automobile or motorcycle.

The GSA amended the Federal Travel Regulation and announced the increase July 28 following mileage rate increases established by the Internal Revenue Service. Personnel receive the TDY mileage rate when no government owned vehicle is available.

For more information logon to the GSA Web site, <http://www.gsa.gov/Portal/gsa/ep/home.do?tabId=0>, and select links under Travel Resources.

# Medical center presents collection incentives

## **81st Medical Group**

Three Keesler Medical Center work centers and clinics Aug. 20 received checks totaling nearly \$12,000 from Brig. Gen. Dan Wyman, 81st Medical Group commander.

The admissions and dispositions department received \$5,225, and the pediatric and podiatry clinics received \$3,330 each.

“We presented checks to recognize the outstanding performance of our clinics and work centers as part of our uniform business office incentive program,” said 1st Lt. Christopher McMillian, director of resource management with the 81st Medical Support Squadron.

“Clinics and work centers receive daily notices of incoming patients with outdated insurance information and are instructed to have their patients update that information (using the Form 2569), Lieutenant McMillian explained. “We collect the forms daily and log each work center’s performance. At the end of each quarter, we calculate the percentage of required forms received and recognize the top-performing work centers in three separate categories based on the volume of patients seen.”

“This is a very important process because our UBO bills third-party insurers, such as Blue Cross, for the cost of care administered to patients using other health insurance,” he continued. “That money comes directly back to the medical treatment facility and we can spend it on whatever we want as a facility — \$2.6 million in fiscal year 2007 and \$4.1 million thus far in FY 08. The top performing work centers each received a percentage of the collections from the quarter in which they won.”

# KEESLER NOTES

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## Spouses club event

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

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

Door prizes are awarded.

For more information, contact Mary Valle, 273-2713, e-mail [marykayvalle@hotmail.com](mailto:marykayvalle@hotmail.com), or Jeanne Newberry, 424-2348, e-mail [waphyl@aol.com](mailto:waphyl@aol.com).

## Pediatric dentistry

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

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

Patients must be available for treatment on Thursday mornings.

For more information or to

set up a screening appointment, call 376-5144.

## Honor guard recruiting

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

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

## Zero overpricing

Submit zero overpricing items on Air Force Form 1046 to 81st Supply-Transportation Squadron customer service, Room 126, Taylor Logistics Center, Building 4002, or call Michael Cashion, 377-5206, or e-mail [michael.cashion@keesler.af.mil](mailto:michael.cashion@keesler.af.mil).

## Breakfast is served

The 11th Frame Café at Gaudé Lanes serves breakfast, 6:30-10 a.m. weekdays.

## Housing office hours

The military family housing office, Room 118, Sablich Center, is open on compressed work schedule Fridays.

Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday.

For more information, call 376-8611.

## Airman's Attic

The Top III is looking for volunteers to support Airman's Attic, a program that assists junior enlisted members with obtaining basic household supplies at no cost.

Airman's Attic, in the former chapel building adjacent to Sablich Center, is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fridays and 3-6 p.m. Wednesdays when enough volunteers are available.

The program also needs donations in good condition and volunteers with trucks to assist with occasional pick-ups.

For more information, call 377-3814 or 7801.

## Keesler team embraces 'real' football

By Staff Sgt.  
Carlos Rodriguez

### Keesler Public Affairs

See, it's not "soccer." It's football. The game is played primarily with the feet. American football, on the other hand, is played primarily with the hands. Wouldn't

"American rugby" be more appropriate?

And so goes America's unique relationship with the game that is the most popular sport everywhere on the planet ... except here.

Long dismissed by a populace enamored with the great

American pastimes such as baseball, (American) football and basketball, soccer is enjoying a mini-resurgence in the U.S. lately, thanks in large part to a real, professional organization — Major League Soccer — and its marquee player (and most famous sportsman in the world) David Beckham.

Of course, going hand in hand with this soccer renaissance is an increase in those who want to actually play the beautiful game. Keesler is one of the few bases in the Air Force that offers a full, varsity soccer team for its members.

"We meet (for practice) three times per week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays," said team coach Richard Bonsra, 81st Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron. "We're also in the Gulf Coast Soccer League, which starts Sept. 7. It's a league of 14 teams and we play every Sunday."

As well as practices and league play, the team participates in other games throughout the year, including local tournaments and scrimmages.

"We play in tournaments and try to arrange scrimmages with local teams, as well as other Air Force teams like the one at Hurlburt Field, Fla.," said Eric Hernandez, 81st Communications Squadron, player and former coach.

All of these practices, games and tournaments are merely preparation for the



Ranson Coleman, 81st SUPS-TRANS, demonstrates some fancy footwork during practice.



Alan Wilkinson, left, and Andres Paredes battle for the ball during soccer practice Aug. 18. Wilkinson is assigned to the 81st SUPS-TRANS, and Paredes is a member of the 81st Medical Operations Squadron.

holy grail of the Air Force soccer world — the Defender's Cup.

"The Defender's Cup is a tournament where Air Force varsity soccer teams from all over the world head to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, every February to compete," Bonsra explained.

Because of the particular mission and diverse population at Keesler, the varsity team is made up of all different kinds of personnel — permanent party, technical training students, temporary duty students, civilians and others.

"We get a lot of (temporary duty) guys and permanent party people," said Hernandez. "They hear about the team mostly through word of mouth."

The soccer team gets enough people showing up for the practices that it can

afford to pick and choose who to use in the starting lineup.

For a tournament or game, "we typically have an 18-man roster to fill," explained Bonsra. "We have more than 18 quality players. You have to fight for your position on Keesler's varsity team."

Though there are plenty of talented individuals on the team, Bonsra makes his coaching philosophy very clear.

"It's all about teamwork, not individuals," he explained. "We're only as strong as our weakest link, so everyone needs to be able to play with everyone else and know their teammates."

The team's coaches and players take the game seriously and have a desire to win. However, for some players, the team is also a means to other ends.

"I just love playing and I love the competition," said Ranson Coleman, 81st Supply-Transportation Squadron and team player. "I've made some good friends and constantly running around for 90 minutes is a great way to stay in shape."

For information on the Gulf Coast Soccer League, log on to <http://www.divingheadersoccer.com>.

# SCORES AND MORE

## Basketball

**Varsity men's tryouts** — 2-5 p.m. Sept. 6-7, Blake Fitness Center. For more information, call Jesse Harris, 376-5723.

## Bowling

### Summer league

#### Monday Night

(Final standings)

Team	Won	Lost
Fantastik 4	60	24
Speer Family	58	26
Fosters	53	31
Team 12	52	32
SELOHSSA	51	33
Mudd	48.5	35.5
Team 8	48	36
Team 9	46	38
Braves	44	40
Pot Luck	44	40
Hoops Gang	40	44
403rd	37	47
Booker's Bowlers	37	47
High Gas Strikers	35	49
Night Hawks	30	54
Team 7	28.5	55.5
Team 2	14	63

#### Thursday Retired Seniors Mixed

(Final standings)

Team	Won	Lost
Team 12	67	31
Krauts	66	32
TNT Express	62	36
Shot in Foot	58	40
Team 7	57	41
Team 9	48	50
Oldies But Goodies	47	51
Team 2	45	53
Left-Right-Left	38	60
Team 3	36	62
The "A" Team	34	64

## Other

**Intramural league** — resumes Sept. 4. For more information, call Laurence Wilson, 377-2444.

## Flag football

### American League

(as of Aug. 20)

Team	Won	Lost
81st CES	5	0
MARDET	3	1
81st CS	2	2
81st FSS	2	2
81st TRSS	2	3
403rd Wing	2	3
336th TRS	1	3
81st DS	1	4

**Monday** — no games.

**Wednesday** — 6 p.m., MARDET vs. 81st TRSS; 7 p.m., 81st FSS vs. 336th TRS; 8 p.m., 81st CES vs. 81st TRSS.

**Aug. 18** — 403rd Wing 18, 81st TRSS 14; 81st CES 7, 81st DS 0; MARDET 21, 81st CS 14.

**Aug. 20** — 81st FSS 40; 403rd Wing, 34; 81st CES 34, 336th TRS 6; 81st TRSS 7, 81st DS 0.

### National League

(as of Aug. 20)

Team	Won	Lost
81st MDG	4	0
81st SFS	3	0
338th TRS	3	1
81st MDSS	2	2
81st SUPS/TRANS	2	2
332nd TRS	1	3
333rd TRS	0	3
85th EIS	0	4

**Tuesday** — 6 p.m., 338th TRS vs. 81st SUPS-TRANS; 7 p.m., 333rd TRS vs. 81st SFS; 8 p.m., 81st MDG vs. 81st SUPS-TRANS.

**Sept. 4** — 6 p.m., 85th EIS vs. 81st MDSS; 7 p.m., 81st MDG vs. 333rd TRS; 8 p.m., 81st MDG vs. 81st SUPS-TRANS.

**Aug. 19** — 332nd TRS 18, 81st SUPS-TRANS 14; 81st MDG 20, 81st MDSS 6; 338th TRS 13, 85th EIS 7.

**Aug. 21** — 332nd TRS 7, 333rd TRS 0.

## Fitness centers

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

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

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

## Golf

**Airman Leadership School tournament** — Friday, Bay Breeze Golf Course; registration 10:30 a.m. with a shotgun start of 11:30 a.m.; \$40 for green fee, cart, food, beverages and prizes.

To register or for more information, call 377-9160.

**Survey** — Air Force Service's annual golfer survey, "Have a Nice Play," runs through Sunday, giving Keesler golfers the chance to provide valuable feedback on Bay Breeze Golf Course. Keesler golfers

who participate can win one of 13 golf course gift certificates to be awarded Air Force-wide.

For more information or to respond to the survey, go to <http://www.keeslerservices.us/Golf2.html> or visit the pro shop for an off-line survey.

**Twilight golf special** — 5 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays. Pay nine-hole fee and golf until course closes.

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

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

**Driving range** — 40 balls, \$2.

**Course and pro shop** — 7 a.m. to dusk daily. For tee times, call 377-3832.

## Martial arts

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

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

**Pukulan pencak silat tempur** — 6-7 p.m. Monday, Tuesdays and Thursdays. \$65 month. Closequarters combat class; used for personal protection.

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

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

## Swimming

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

## HONORS

### Student honor roll

#### 332nd Training Squadron

**Electronic principles** — Airmen Basic James Asher, Brandon Auwaeter, Deontra Bell, Justin Bryant, Steven Chapman, Brian Coleman, Devan Coleman, Tyler Coleman, Paul Davies, Kenneth DeFreitas, Kevin Dougherty, Jeremy Fangman, Jeffrey Frenz, Matthew Harrington, Ryan Hoffman, Chad Honeycutt, Cody Guter, Kurtis Harrison, JesseLee Kahaloa, Andrew Kerner, Joel Kirschenman, Ray Lancaster, Anthony Leonor, Danny Massey, Corey Matera, Roby McCool, Justin Michael, Joshua Mixon, Jason Mulherin, Patrick O'Leary, Eric Peters, Daniel Rankin, Seth Richmond, Cameron Rockey, Robert Saunders, Zachary Sefton, Thomas Sifford, Benjamin Spaulding, Christopher Stevens, David Story, Eric Tedor, Aaron Tedrow, Christopher Thomas, Kong Vang, Justin Volden, Justin Weisz, Emerick Wierzba, Sean Wilder, Benjamin Young and Jonathan Zurek; Airmen Melissa Crannick, Joseph Dalen, Ryan Fox, Dallas Gilbertson, Paul Gunter, Joshua Heinecke, Paul Helms, Richard Hepworth, Corey Houpt, Matthew Imschweiler, Mark Kelly, Anthony Krieg, Amos Kuck, Jayme Martin, Anil Ramruch, Christopher Richerson, Alan Schumacher, Adam Stoykovich, William Thompson, Joshua Udem and Luis Valderama; Pfc. James Grove, Daniel Omlor and Brandon Pressley; Airmen 1st Class Kelsa Adams, Travers Barnard, Jack Berno, Clinton Bladen, Michael Boateng, Matthew Brindle, Adam Brock, Terrell Collins, Tanya Daigle, Nathan Dowling, Nathan Fisher, Royce Fladung, Jairo Flores, Sidney Garay, Douglas Haveman, Charles Jones, Andrew Knoll, Steven Koehl, Benjamin Lanzer, Edward Letendre, James Lockheed, Andrew Maldonado, William McCloskey, Peter Mendenhall, Matthew Miceli, Adam Minter, Avaris Murray, Stephanie Navarro, Christopher O'Shell, Steven Pate, Vincent Russo, Alexander Ryder, William Sheldon, John Shumate, Jared Siedschiag, Daniel Simmons, Clinton Simpson, Ariel Sotorolon, Kesley Steele, Asa Terry, Felix Tse, Andrew Ward, Michael White, Brian Wiedmeyer and Joshua Wynne; Senior Airmen Paul Ballard, Gary Ervin, Neal Kirsch, Tom Kwiczor, David March, Rudy Mora, Timothy Nester and Gary Thornhill; Staff Sgts. Daniel Ahrens, Ronald Caasi, David Cole, Joseph Hudson, Charles James, Heber Laing, Kyle Murphy, Randy Neblett, Benjamin Russell, Mario Sanchez, Elbert Sharp, Francisco Solares and Adrian Wade; Tech. Sgts. Fahad Abdulrahman, Terence Dartez, Timothy Fountain, Daniel Howard and James Kruegel.

#### 334th TRS

**Aerospace control and warning systems course** — Airmen Basic Shaun Tyson.

**Air traffic control operations training flight** — Airmen Basic Donald Howard, Terence Hudson, Steven Koss, Melanie McLeod, Daniel Reynolds, Christopher Schimmel, Logan Shaide, Tariq Simmons and Darnell Smith; Airmen Ryan Borgford, Benjamin Cotton, Andrew Rickmers, Bradley Shavis, Craig Turner, Ricarlo Woods and Michael Zientek; Airmen 1st Class Roland Carino, Matthew Doughty, Tiffany Farabaugh, Jennifer Force, Torey Griffith, Sergey Kachankov, Jay Knisley, Michael Massey, Trenton Rowland, Gregory Snegrieff and Damian Turcotte; Staff Sgts. Colby Fisher and Peter Knapp.

**Airfield management apprentice course** — Airman Basic Marquis Jones; Staff Sgt. John Factor.

**Aviation resource management apprentice course** — Airmen Basic Taylor Buchea, Patricia Leiblein and Virginia Torklidson; Airman 1st Class Felicia Harris; Staff Sgts. Denise Howell and Carla Whiteside; Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Beuhner; Master Sgt. Gary Cadenhead.

**Command post apprentice course** — Airmen 1st Class Pablo Badillo, Brenton Bailey, Derek Gordon, Daniel Lecureaux and Clarence Runia; Senior Airmen Jonathan Leetham, Justin Loza and Franklin Williams; Staff Sgts. Andrew Brice, Rebekah Burger, Ricky Diaz and John Sandoval; Tech. Sgts. Jordan Acosta, Colleen Callahan, Bobbie Checowski, Christopher Gonin and Bryan Gustafson; Master Sgt. Michael Vaurigaud.

#### 335th TRS

**Comptroller training flight** — Airmen Basic Maria Aguilar-Santiago, Lyndell Bowie, Warren Bush, Corrina Hutton, Trevor Johnson, Ashley Lagrow, Constance Noah, John Parquette, Timothy Sanders, Nichole Stone and Carla Velasco; Airman Kalin Anderson, Justin Limo, Veronica Padilla and Matthew Salter; Airman 1st Class Crystal Brown, Cristina Buzgau, Mark Campbell, Jose Colon-

Gonzalez, Cheri Douglas, Shaun Houser, Crystal Housman, Ryan McMackin, Pepper Palmer, Stacy Som, Moses Tum, Gregory Uhl and Jessica Wills; Senior Airmen Jonathon McWhirter and Jasin Nesmith; Staff Sgts. Scott Brock, Patrick Judicpa, Philip Maher, Noel Moreno, Leah Rogers, Kathleen Smith and Roy Wenger; Tech. Sgts. Francis Johnson and John Snover; Master Sgts. Cynthia Cropper and Kelly Longacre.

**Weather training flight** — Airmen Basic Evelyn Bainbridge, Adam Chmielowski, Lilly Samaniego, Matthew Trimmings, Phillip Artin and Jesse Sanders; Pfc. Courtney Nichols; Airman Katie Shaffer; Lance Cpls. Gregory Gerlach and Amy Jenkins; Airmen 1st Class Meggan Wallander, Alexander Marsh and Anthony Smith; Marine Sgts. Dustin Heflin and Curtis Novaria; Tech. Sgt. Brandon Roell; Master Sgt. Malysour Alshomrani.

#### 336th TRS

**Communications-computer systems flight** — Airmen 1st Class Jacob Corrigan, Justin Lail, Matthew McConnell, Marc Rhodes and Darnell Walcott; Senior Airman Michael Corkren; Staff Sgts. Christopher Back, Kimo Heittman and Michael Rushton; Tech. Sgt. George Rodriguez.

**Communications and information flight** — Airman Nasya Williams; Senior Airman Richard Vanderkolk.

#### 338th TRS

**Ground radar** — Airmen Basic Andrew Anderson, Jennifer Hurley and David Matthews; Airmen Jeffery Alexandre, Jonathan Alamillo, Nathan Coley and Drew Manoram; Airmen 1st Class Benjamin Cristofich and Zachary Hughes; Senior Airman Nathan Smith; Senior Master Sgt. Daniel Finchum.

**Ground radio** — Airmen Basic Austin Barham, Teverence Davis and Dejuan Wallace; Airmen 1st Class Eric Berry, Ryan Gallo, Andrew Krebs, Adam Sconyers, Michael Twarozynski, Casey Volk and Joshua Wilkison.

**Network infrastructure systems** — Airmen Basic Phillip Ben and Katherine Gonzales; Airman 1st Class Cody Foltz; Staff Sgt. Jeremy Drechsel; Tech. Sgt. David Gomes.

## HOLIDAY HOURS

### Labor Day

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

**Keesler News** — closed.

**Commissary** — 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

## CHAPEL SERVICES

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

### Protestant

#### Sunday worship

Larcher Chapel traditional service.....8:30 a.m.  
Triangle Chapel contemporary worship service...10:30 a.m.  
Triangle Chapel gospel service.....Noon

### Roman Catholic

#### Sunday Mass

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

#### Weekday Mass

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

### Jewish

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

### Islamic

**Building 2003** — prayer five times daily; Salaat ul-Jummah congregational prayer, noon Friday.

For more information, call 377-2520 or 0327.

### Latter-Day Saints

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints** — student group service, 2 p.m. Sundays, Triangle Chapel. For more information, call 396-5274 or 1-801-694-8900.

**Triangle pool** — 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**Inns of Keesler** — open 24 hours.

**Child development center** — closed.

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

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

**Magnolia Dining Facility** — closed.

**Family child care office** — closed.

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

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

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

**Arts and crafts center** — closed.

**Auto hobby shop** — closed.

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

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

**Katrina Kantina** — closed.

**McBride Library** — closed.

**Outdoor recreation** — 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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

**Veterinary clinic** — closed.

**Youth center** — closed.

**Legends Café** — closed.

**Car wash** — open 24 hours.

**Mini-mart** — open 24 hours.

**Fam camp** — open 24 hours.

**Main exchange** — 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Mini-mall** — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m..

**Shoppette and Class Six** — regular hours.

**Car care center** — closed.

**Service station (attended fuel)** — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Military clothing sales** — closed Saturday-Monday.

**Furniture store** — closed.

**Subway** — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Mobile units** — closed.

**Seattle's Best** — closed.

**Charley's Grilled Subs** — closed.

**Anthony's** — closed.

**Optical shop** — closed.

**Nail shop** — closed.

**Welch Theater** — closed.

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

**Beauty shop** — closed.

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

**Shoppette/car care center barber shop** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m..

**Medical center barber shop** — closed.

**Laundry/dry cleaners** — closed.

**Enterprise Car Rental** — closed.

**U-Haul** — closed.

**Force One Rental** — closed.

**Mobile units** — closed.

**Sprint** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## CLASSES

### Airman Leadership School

**Class 08-6** — graduation Sept. 10.

### Keesler NCO Academy

**Class 08-6** — graduation Sept. 11.

### Airman and family readiness center

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

### Arts and crafts center

### Wood shop

**Beginning framing** — 12:30-4 p.m. nonworking Fridays. \$30. Call for more information and to preregister.

**Shop use with assisting woodcrafter** — hardwoods for sale.

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## Frame shop

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

## Chapel

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

**Catholic religious education** — after 9 a.m. Sunday Mass.  
**Protestant Sunday School** — 10:30-11:30 a.m. for pre-school, elementary, teens and adults.

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

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

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

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

## McBride Library

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

**Summer story times** — 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays, and 2 p.m. Thursdays, ages 3-5.

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

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

**Fax special** — 50 cents a page, incoming and outgoing, throughout August.

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

# CLUBS AND CENTERS

## Vandenberg Community Center

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Katrina Kantina

**Dinner and music** — 5 p.m. today. Cook your own steak \$6, chicken \$5 for members; add \$2 for nonmembers. Hot dogs and chips for children, \$1.50. Music by Eddie McDaniel One-Man Band.

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

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

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

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

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

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

## Youth center

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

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

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

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

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

# TICKETS AND TRIPS

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

# TRANSITIONS

## Workshops, briefings

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

**Congressionally-mandated pre-separation briefings** — counseling by airman and family readiness center for active-duty military members of any branch of service who'll receive honorable discharges and no extra transition benefits. Briefings are Thursdays in Room 111, Sablich Center, 1 p.m. for personnel who are separating and 2:30 p.m. for those who are retiring. Individuals with less than honorable discharges, receiving extra benefits such as second enrollment opportunity in Montgomery GI Bill, Reserve or Guard personnel coming off 180-day deployments or entering the disability system, call 376-8728 for individual counseling appointment. To register, call 376-8728. For more information, call Jackie Pope, 376-8505.

**Transition assistance program** — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sept. 15-18, Oct. 20-23, Nov. 17-20 and Dec. 8-11, Room 108A, Sablich Center. For military personnel who are 12 months or less from separation or 24 months or less from retirement, and Department of Defense civilians; spouses welcome. Military members should complete congressionally-mandated pre-separation counseling in advance. Attire is business casual — no uniforms, jeans, shorts or T-shirts. To sign up, call 376-8728.

**Military retirement benefit seminars** — 8-10:30 a.m. Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 4, Room 108A, Sablich Center. Tricare, Survivor Benefit Plan, movement and storage of household goods, military and retired pay issues and other topics covered. Spouses encouraged to attend. To sign up, call 376-8728.

# MEETINGS

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

**African-American Heritage Committee** — 3:30 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, Room 109, Taylor Logistics Building. For more information, call Paulette Powell, 377-2270, or Kurt Higgins, 377-1390.

**Air Force Sergeants Association Chapter 652** — 4 p.m. third Tuesday of the month, Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Master Sgt. Kat Hataway, 377-1389, or visit the group's Web site, <http://www.afsa652.org>.

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

**Airmen Against Drunk Driving** — For more information, call Senior Airman Aaron Eden, 1907; Staff Sgt. Brad Mills, 377-1714 or call 377-SAVE.

**Asian Pacific-American Heritage Committee** — 11:30 a.m. first Wednesday of month, Room 111, Sablich Center. For more information, call Lucy Belles, 377-2179, or Lary McKean, 377-3252.

**At Eze Toastmasters Club** — 11 a.m. Tuesdays, Building 1101 conference room. For more information, call Dewi Clark, 377-2714 or e-mail [dewi.clark2@keesler.af.mil](mailto:dewi.clark2@keesler.af.mil); Arleen Stewart, 377-2440, or visit <http://www.toastmasters.org>.

**Blacks in Government** — 5:15 p.m. second Thursday of the

# DINING HALL MENUS

## Today

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

**Dinner** — roast pork loin, jaegerschnitzel veal, chicken cordon bleu, potato halves, orange rice, gravy, carrots, pinto beans, corn combo, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, chicken and wild rice soup, chili, cannonball sandwich and Italian pepper beef sandwich.

## Friday

**Lunch** — Mexican baked chicken, country-style steak, stuffed peppers, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn on the cob, beans, Spanish beans, peas and carrots, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken with wild rice soup, onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwiches and burritos.

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

## Saturday

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

**Dinner** — fish almonidine, stir-fry chicken with broccoli, pork chops, rissole potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, calico corn, club spinach, fried okra, fruit medley, kidney bean salad, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup, chicken frontier chili and buffalo wings.

## Sunday

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

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

## Monday

**Labor Day cookout** — grilled bratwurst, grilled strip loin steak, barbecue chicken, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, cole slaw, baked beans, macaroni and cheese, corn on the cob, cakes, cookies, pies, fresh fruit and soft drinks..

**Dinner** — turkey, ribeye steak, tempura fish, mashed potatoes, cornbread dressing, gravy, succotash, tempura vegetables, green beans, garden cottage cheese salad, macaroni salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone, chili with beans, cannonball sandwich and chicken nuggets.

## Tuesday

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

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

## Wednesday

**Lunch** — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, noodles, baked potatoes, baked beans, green beans, simmered squash, Mexican coleslaw, frijole salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza

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

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month, Taylor Logistics Building conference room. For more information call Florence Clay, 377-8681, or Paulette Powell, 377-2270.

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

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

**Keesler Amateur Radio Club** — 6:30 p.m. Mondays, Hangar 3, Room 215. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Justin Meyer, 377-4149 or 324-5806, or e-mail justin.meyer2@keesler.af.mil.

**Keesler Christian Home Educators Association** — 7-9 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, September-May, Larcher Chapel. For more information, call Heather Melancon, 831-8895.

**Keesler Spouses Club** — second Tuesday of the month. For time and place, call Gretchen Gorline, 374-8024, or visit <http://www.KeeslerSpousesClub.com>.

**Native American Heritage Committee** — for more information, call R.I. Whiteside, 863-0479, or Capt. Elizabeth Taillon, 377-6242.

**Retired Enlisted Association Magnolia Chapter 81** — 6:30 p.m. second Thursday of the month, Vandenberg Community Center. For more information, call Larry McKean, 377-3252 or 374-5922.

**Rising VI Association** — 3:15 p.m. third Wednesday of the month; location varies. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Toyshaline Young, 377-0591, or Tech. Sgt. Jodi Evans, 377-2835.

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

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

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Movies

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

**Friday** — 6:30 p.m., Mama Mia (PG-13).

**Saturday** — 2 p.m., Hellboy II The Golden Army (PG-13); 6:30 p.m., The Dark Knight (PG-13).

**Sunday** — 1 p.m., The Dark Knight (PG-13).

### Voting assistance

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### August weather outlook

September marks the transition from summer to fall. Temperatures and thunderstorms decrease. The total rainfall increases slightly and an increase in cloudiness occurs. Hurricane activity peaks in early September, causing wide variations in precipitation. Personnel should pay close attention to any tropical disturbances in the Gulf of Mexico during this period.

<b>Extreme maximum temperature (F)</b> .....	98
<b>Mean daily maximum temperature (F)</b> .....	86
<b>Mean daily minimum temperature (F)</b> .....	72
<b>Extreme minimum temperature (F)</b> .....	45
<b>Mean relative humidity (percent)</b> .....	73
<b>Mean monthly precipitation (inches)</b> .....	6.36
<b>Mean number of days with precipitation</b> .....	8
<b>Mean number of days with thunderstorms</b> .....	8
<b>Maximum 24-hour rainfall (inches)</b> .....	10.22
<b>Percentage of observations with ceiling less than:</b>	
<b>2,000 feet</b> .....	1.8
<b>1,000 feet</b> .....	0.7
<b>300 feet</b> .....	0.1
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<b>6 miles</b> .....	17.5
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<b>1 mile</b> .....	0.1
<b>Percentage of observations with wind:</b>	
<b>0-3 knots</b> .....	37.5
<b>4-10 knots</b> .....	57.9
<b>11-21 knots</b> .....	4.5

# New name, menu, décor for Triangle eatery

September 2008

By Earlene Smith  
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A popular eatery in the Triangle reopened May 29, now called Legends Café.

Back in January 2006, the decision was made to seek funds to renovate the Half-Time Café in Vandenberg Community Center.

The sports-themed café opened in 1991 in a little-used room in the community center. Over the years, thousands of people visited the facility to eat, shoot pool and watch sporting events on the many television sets strategically placed around the room. After 15 years, the wear and tear were starting to show.

With help from an Air Education and Training Command grant, budgets of \$48,000 for a new serving line and \$52,000 for furnishings, décor and designer fees were approved.

The project to overhaul the popular gathering place began in December 2006 and it didn't take long for the building to give up its secrets.

Work began on the floor — removing the carpet and replacing it with a more practical tile floor. When the carpet was pulled up, asbestos was discovered. It took eight months for the contractor to remove all of the asbestos, level the floor and install the new tile.

The wall behind the serving line was in such poor condition it had to be redone to meet the fire safety code. This was accomplished through self-help.

Self-help was also used to paint the dining area — twice.



Photo by Earlene Smith

**Roshell Holmes, a cook at the Legends Café, prepares a shrimp po-boy for a customer. The sandwich menu also includes hamburgers, hot dogs, pitas and subs.**

The first time it was painted, the paint didn't adhere well to the masonite wall which had been covered with several layers of wallpaper. As a result, new drywall had to be hung over the masonite, and the room completely repainted.

The ceiling tiles and grids were replaced, a wall between the dining area and serving line was constructed, columns were installed, crown molding was added, and finished carpentry completed.

The theme for the décor

was based on suggestions from nonprior service students whose overwhelming choice was music.

In keeping with the theme, guitar-shaped tables designed especially for Keesler were set in place, and pictures of well-known musicians were hung on the walls.

Finally, after months of hard work, the project was complete.

Now all that was needed was a new name to go with the new face.

## Hours

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

As luck would have it, one of the employees made a passing comment that the musicians in the pictures were all legends of the music industry — and the rest, as they say, is history.

In addition to its great new look, the café has a new menu. Snacks, salads, baskets, sandwiches and pizza are available Mondays-Saturdays.

Rotisserie chicken is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Select a whole bird for \$6, including a roll and side order, or half a chicken for just \$4.

Call or stop by before 11 a.m. and order a whole rotisserie chicken and two large side orders to go for just \$10. There's enough food for four people. Pick up your ready-made dinner after 5 p.m.

Lunch buffets are featured on Wednesdays and working Fridays. Wednesday is Italian, Asian or Mexican for \$7, and the Friday catfish is only \$8.

Take-out service is available by calling 377-2424.

Stop by and enjoy. The prices are good, the service is fast and the food is delicious.

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## Free Mini Triathlon 8 a.m. Sept. 5

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Start and finish at the Triangle Pool. Swim 200 yards, bike eight miles, and run two miles. Individual or three-member relay teams with at least one female. Regular divisions plus Clydesdale division (men 220+ pounds) and Athena division (women 160+ pounds). Open to ages 18 and older. Register by Tuesday at Blake, Dragon or Triangle Fitness Centers. Sign in 6:30-8 a.m. day of event. Group practice ride on the cycling route is 4 p.m. Sept. 3. No sign-ups require —, meet in front of the Triangle Pool. To view the cycling route, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on fitness centers link.

For more information, call 377-7858.

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## 11TH FRAME CAFÉ

**Editor's note:** Located inside Gaudé Lanes Bowling Center, 377-2036. No calls 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.. Contractors welcome. Menu is subject to change without notice due to staff shortage.

**Daily specials** — 10:30 a.m. to close Mondays-work Fridays. Different menu daily. Call-in orders accepted 10-11 a.m. Buy nine and your tenth is free.

## BAY BREEZE GOLF COURSE

**Editor's note:** For more information or tee time, call 377-3832.

**Dragon "fun" golf nights** — Thursdays, show up at 4 p.m., shotgun start at 4:30 p.m. \$20 includes greens fee, cart, food, beverages and prizes. Four-person teams. Two-person blind draw, sign up as a twosome or single. Weekly format decided by draw. Limited to the first 44 golfers.

**New time for Twilight golf special** — 4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays pay for nine holes and golf until closing.

**Driving range** — \$2 for 40 balls.

**Golf lessons** — \$25 for a half hour of instruction.

**Pro shop** — gloves, golf balls, tees, gift certificates, and more.

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-2211. School age children go to the Youth Center. For more information, call 377-4116.

**Give parents a break** — 4-10 p.m. Sept. 6. Air Force funded program offers free child care. Certificates must be coordinated through the airmen and family readiness center.

**Parents night out** — 4-10 p.m. Sept. 6, child care for ages 6 weeks to 12 years at \$3.50 per hour per child.

## DINING FACILITIES

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-2200.

**Wondering what's on the menu today?** — call the Dine Line at 377-DINE (3463) for daily menu.

**Monthly birthday celebration** — 5 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month for all nonprior service students, permanent party enlisted, and essential station messing members. Reservations must be made in advance by the 25th of the previous month; call 377-3854. Personnel collecting basic allowance for subsistence must pay cash and surcharge.

## FAMILY CHILD CARE

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-3189.

**Expanded duty, permanent change of station, and returning home child care** — is available. Call for details.

**Providers needed** — military spouses on and off base who wish to care for children in their homes. Providers also needed to care for children with special needs and to work swing and evening shifts.

## FITNESS

**Free fitness classes at Dragon Fitness Center** — step aerobics, turbo-core, yoga, boxing workout, cycle/spin, slo-robics, self-defense and fencing. Call 377-2907. For class schedule, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.

**Massage therapist** — at Triangle Fitness Center. For appointment, call 263-5515.

**Parent/child fitness room** — located inside Dragon Fitness Center, features workout equipment and a play area for ages 6 months to 7 years. Children must be supervised by parent.

**Free Volksmarch 10-kilometer Sept. 20** — 8 a.m. Sept. 20 at the marina; sign up at the Katrina Kantina 7:30-9:30 a.m. Start walking anytime between 7:30-9:30 a.m. Snacks and beverages provided at each check point. Medals awarded to finishers. Sponsored by Army and Air Force Exchange Service, Defense Commissary Agency, Harris Jewelry, Keesler Federal Credit Union and Rex Distributing.

## INNS OF KEESLER

**Editor's note:** For reservations and more information, call 377-4900 or 9986.

**Rooms available** — Space-available reservations can be made 24 hours in advance. Visiting airmen's quarters, \$23.25 with queen bed, refrigerator, microwave and shared bathroom; visitors quarters, \$27 with queen bed, refrigerator, microwave and private bathroom; and temporary lodging facility, \$36 for one and two bedroom family units with full kitchen. Pet TLFs, add \$10 per night.

**Space-available reservations** — being accepted for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's holidays.

**Mini-mart** — open 24 hours, seven days a week inside Muse Manor. Snacks, drinks, health/hygiene items available. For more information, call 377-2752.

## GAUDÉ LANES BOWLING CENTER

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-2817. Bumpers are available on 19 lanes by reservation for ages 10 and younger.

**Wing logo shirts** — \$22 in the pro shop.

**Bowl at lunch** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays-Fridays. \$1 per game; \$1 for shoes.

**Club member special** — Thursdays. Show your current club card and bowl for \$1.50 with free shoe rental.

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

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

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

**Birthday parties** — 1:30-3 p.m. or 3:30-5 p.m. Saturdays. Select from three packages. Reservations required two weeks in advance. For details log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.

**Nonprior service students specials** — show your phase card and bowl for \$1.50 per game any time, shoes included.

**Plan a fund raiser** — make money for your organization.

## INFORMATION, TICKETS AND TOURS

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-3818. All tours depart from and return to Vandenberg Community Center.

**Tickets** — discounted tickets available to major attractions in three-state area. For complete list of ticket prices, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on link for ITT.

**Saints home games in the Superdome** — Sept. 28 vs. San Francisco. \$60 includes transportation and admission, sign up at the customer service desk inside Vandenberg Community Center. Tickets sold only in conjunction with trips; limit two. Seating is limited — sign up early. Tickets go on sale 10 a.m. Sept. 18 for Oct. 6, Minnesota Vikings; Oct. 12, Oakland Raiders; Oct. 26, San Diego Chargers; Nov. 24 Green Bay Packers; Dec. 7, Atlanta Falcons; and Dec. 28, Carolina Panthers.

## KATRINA KANTINA

**Editor's note:** Located in the marina building overlooking Biloxi's Bay. Contractors welcome. For more information, call 377-2219.

**All ranks invited** — snacks, beverages and music.

**Monday madness lunch specials** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$6 for members, nonmembers add \$2. Lunch specials include dessert and iced tea. Buy nine and your tenth lunch special is free. Sept. 8, pot roast, roasted new potatoes, green beans, salad, and rolls; Sept. 15, lasagna, corn, Caesar salad, and garlic bread; Sept. 22, stuffed chicken breast, dressing, gravy, green beans, and salad; and Sept. 29, meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, tossed salad, and rolls.

**Red beans and rice** — 5 p.m. Tuesdays, \$1 a bowl.

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

**Martini and jazz nights** — 5 p.m. Thursdays before down Fridays. Come listen to some smooth jazz music, watch the sun go down and enjoy a martini special.

**Sign up for club membership** — new members get a scratch off for a chance to win up to \$100 instantly. All members register to win one of 10, \$1,000 cash prizes.

**We cater** — let our expert caterer assist you with planning weddings, holidays, birthdays, official functions and other special occasions to celebrate. You choose your details; we'll do the work.

## LEGENDS CAFÉ

**Editor's note:** Located inside Vandenberg Community Center. For more information, call 377-2424.

**Dine-in or take-out** — Serving lunch and dinner. Pool table. Salads, baskets, sandwiches, pizza, etc.

**Reserve your bird** — rotisserie chicken special Tuesdays and Thursdays. Lunch is \$4 for half chicken or \$6 for whole chicken with side item and roll. Dinner is \$10 and serves four with a whole chicken and two large side items. Order at the café or call by 1 p.m. Payment due at time of reservation. Pick up after 5 p.m.

**Lunch buffets** — Wednesdays features either Italian, Asian or Mexican buffet; \$7 includes iced tea. Work Fridays features fried catfish; \$8 includes iced tea.

## MCBRIDE LIBRARY

**Editor's note:** Copy machine available for a nominal fee. For more information, call 377-2181.

**We've got Gale** — Gale database.

**Commanders, first sergeants and instructors orientations** — 6 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Story time** — 10 a.m. Sept. 10, ages 3-5.

**Patron appreciation day** — 2-4 p.m. Sept. 18, celebrate the Air Force's birthday. Refreshments served.

**Need a place to hold a meeting?** — Two large meeting rooms, audio room, typing room and children's library are available.

**Wireless Internet service** — now available. Check at the circulation desk to get the network key/password.

**Free high-speed Internet and e-mail** — now on 40 computers.

## OUTDOOR RECREATION AND MARINA

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-3160.

**Back bay fishing trips** — Sept. 13, call for time. \$20, bring food and drinks. Mississippi fishing license required.

**Deep sea fishing trips** — nonworking Fridays and Sundays. \$75 including everything you need to fish.

**First day of autumn** — Sept. 22; 10 percent off boat rentals.

**Overnight trip to Chandeleur Islands** — Sept. 23-24. Enjoy fishing, bird watching, camping and floundering. Bring food, drinks and lures. Call for price. Maximum six people.

**Charter fishing in Louisiana** — go fishing with a professional guide in Delacroix and Reggio. You select the date.

**Trip to Cat Island aboard the 25-foot Boston whaler** — you pick the date. Two days and one night. \$750 plus fuel includes tents, cooking stove, coolers with ice, rods and reels, and boat with licensed captain. Maximum six. Fishing license not required.

**Fishing/hunting camps in Delacroix, La.** — two campers located within 75 yards of bait shop/boat launch rent for \$50 per night, \$125 weekend special, \$300 weekly rate. Maximum four per camper. Louisiana fishing license required.

**Deep sea fishing boat private charter** — \$850 for the first six people. \$60 for each additional person. \$350 deposit required.

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

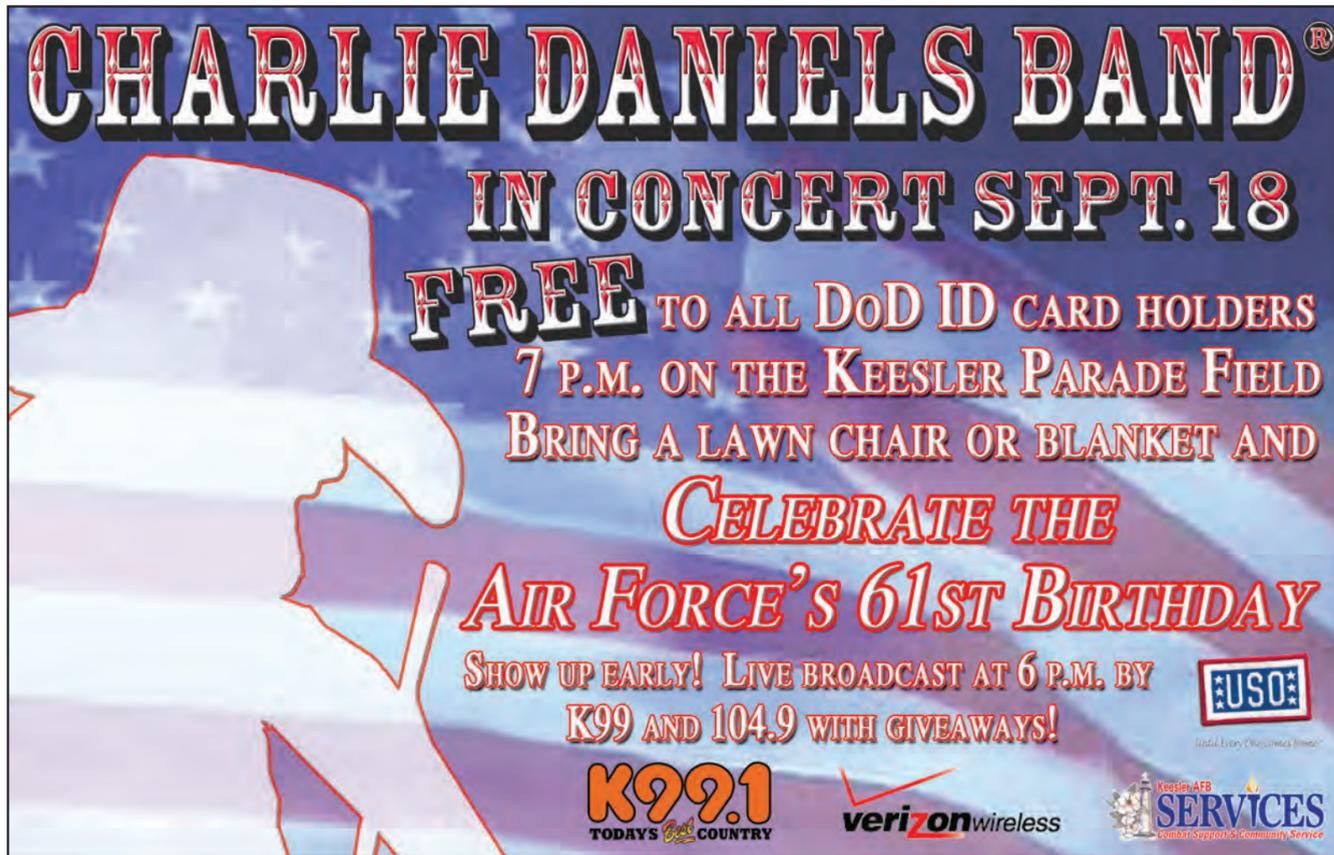
**Resale items** — snacks, soft drinks, beer, fishing and rental equipment; Mississippi hunting and fishing licenses.

**Rental equipment** — listed at <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.

**RV storage slot** — monthly fee, \$20.

**Paintball course** — call to schedule play.

**Triangle Pool** — on Ploesti Drive. Daily pass \$1.50. For hours, call 377-3568. Lap swimming, 11 a.m. noon Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.



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Food and beverages sold; no ice chests allowed. For more information, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.

A limited number of tickets will be sold to Gulf Coast residents at \$10 each, starting Sept. 2 at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum.

## ARTS AND CRAFTS CENTER

**Editor's note:** Preregistration is required for all classes. Register at craft sales, Building 5904. Space is limited. For more information, call 377-2821.

### Special

**Artist/craftsman and photography contest** — deadline Sept. 18. Accepting art and craft entries in drawing and painting, sculpture and multi-media. Crafts from original design and crafts from kits and patterns. Accepting black/white and color photos. Themes: military life, nature/scenic, people and creative effects. Photos must be 8x10 on mounting board. Registration forms available at the center.

**Non prior service airmen and friends special** — 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 5 and 19, receive 50 percent discount on the craft shop fee. Craft your own holiday gifts. Ask the staff about different projects.

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

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

### Multi-crafts shop

**Beginners ceramics** — 10 a.m. Sept. 6 for ages 13 and older. Pour three projects and learn about techniques and paints for finishing. \$25 including first firing.

**Bob Ross painting class** — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 6 and 20. \$65 including canvas, paints, all supplies and snack lunch. Paint wet on wet acrylics on canvas, same techniques as seen on TV.

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

**Scrapbook page design** — 5-7:30 p.m. Sept. 11. Teacher provides ideas, materials, and tool instruction to design four pages and learn about creating unique memory books. \$20. Register by Sept. 9.

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

### Wood shop

**Supplies** — hard woods and plywood in stock.

**Instruction** — books and plans are available.

**Equipment** — variety of industrial wood working equipment and hand tools are available for use.

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

**Advanced intarsia** — 10 a.m. Sept. 27. \$10 including materials and tool use.

### Frame shop

**Beginners framing** — 12:30-4 p.m. Sept. 5 or 19. Learn equipment use and basic techniques of matting and frame assembly. \$30 including supplies. Qualify for the operator's card to use shop.

**Self-help** — available weekdays and Saturdays.

### Engraving shop

**Custom items** — available for gift giving, special mementos and squadron awards.

**Ready-made gifts to go** — great for the last minute office gift. Get a décor mug filled with goodies; a variety available for \$10 each.

## Auto hobby shop

**Editor's note:** Open shop use. Indoor and outdoor stall available. Preregister for classes. For more information, call 377-3872.

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

**Qualified mechanics** — on staff to assist you through your own vehicle maintenance.

**Collection site for privately owned vehicles** — oil, antifreeze, transmission and brake fluids. No tires or batteries. Please ask at front counter.

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

## HELP WANTED

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 376-8282.

**Nonappropriated fund jobs** — apply noon to 5 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays and noon to 4 p.m. work Fridays at the human resource office, Room 211, Sablich Center. For current job openings, call the 24-hour job line at 377-9055 or log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on human resource office.

## RESALE LOT

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-2821. Located on Tingle Avenue north of 81st Security Forces Squadron building.

**Buy, sell, trade** — place your vehicle on the lot; \$10 per month, per stall. Register with the arts and crafts center prior to parking on the lot. Registration, proof of ownership and insurance required.

## VANDENBERG COMMUNITY CENTER

**Editor's note:** All events, except dances, are open to all Keesler personnel. For more information, call 377-4355.

**Free pool tournaments** — 6 p.m. Mondays 8-ball, Tuesdays 9-ball. Trophies awarded.

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

**Late night dances** — 6 p.m. Aug. 31, Thursdays before nonworking Fridays, and Fridays and Saturdays. \$3 admission. DJ, top 40 dance music. Nonprior service students only.

**Birthday dance** — 6 p.m. to midnight Sept. 19. Students with September birthdays enter free. Must show identification.

## Vandy Shuttle

### Catch a free ride to Services Facilities

Stops include: Vandenberg Community Center and Legends Café at the Welch Auditorium bus stop, Inns of Keesler-Muse Manor, McBride Library, arts and crafts center, auto hobby shop, Inns of Keesler-Tyer House, Gaudé Lanes and 11th Frame Café, marina park and outdoor recreation, Katrina Kantina, and Bay Breeze Golf Course.

Route runs 6-9:30 p.m. Thursdays before down Fridays, 1-11 p.m. down Fridays, 6-11 p.m. work Fridays, and 1-11 p.m. Saturdays. The last run starts at the last time listed for each day.

For more information, call 377-3308.

## VETERINARY SERVICES

**Editor's note:** located on 3rd Street, Building 0408. All animals in base housing must be registered with the veterinary office. For appointment call, 376-7495.

**Flea and tick training** — 8:30 a.m. to noon Sept. 22. A representative will talk about fleas and ticks every half hour. Refreshments provided.

**Eligible patrons** — active duty, retirees, reservists and National Guard on active duty for more than 72 hours with orders may use the clinic.

**Heartworm prevention** — purchase here and save; must have current negative heartworm check and have been seen by the Keesler veterinarian within the past 12 months.

**Sick call** — call for an appointment.

**Microchip identification** — \$20. Protect your pet with this tiny microchip injected under the skin.

**Flea and tick control** — singles available in popular brands for dogs and cats. Buy one or stock up.

## YOUTH CENTER

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-4116.

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

**Training Responsible Adolescents In Leadership** — for teens, meets 5-7 p.m. Sept. 15. Formulate a calendar of events, meet new friends, play new games, snack and meet the staff.

**National Day of Play** — 4-7 p.m. Sept. 26. Free games, snacks, prizes, music, tournaments. Parents are encouraged to get involved. Volunteers needed.

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

**Back to school program** — register now.

**Volunteer coaches/referees** — are needed for basketball. Serious inquiries only.

**Instructors needed** — for karate, dance and gymnastics. All classes on Saturdays. Serious inquiries only.

**Classes** — sign up now for dance, gymnastics, piano, tennis, and assorted sports clinics.

**Youth Employment Service** — earn money for college.

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