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2nd Air Force transformation forges forward

From left, Col. Andrew Cain, Capt. Jeannie Sasnett and Maj. Gen. Alfred Flowers discuss initiatives intended to improve and consolidate 2nd Air Force's training management functions. Colonel Cain is chief of 2nd Air Force's technical training operations center operations division, Captain Sasnett is commander of 2nd Air Force's Detachment 1 that is activated today and General Flowers is 2nd Air Force's commander. Story, Page 6.

Photo by Kemberly Groue

3 from Keesler nominated for Fredian Award

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Three enlisted members assigned to Keesler are among the six nominees for the annual Thomas V. Fredian Community Leadership Excellence Award presented at the Salute to the Military by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce.

Keesler nominees are Tech. Sgt. Asha Gray and Staff Sgt. Veronica Bird, 335th Training Squadron, and Petty Officer 1st Class Jonathan Pickett, Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit.

Sergeants Gray and Bird are both weather forecaster instructors. Petty Officer Pickett is an instructor for the general purpose electronic test equipment calibration and maintenance school and the intermediate level physical/dimensional test and measuring systems calibration school.

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General Schwartz comes to Biloxi

Gen. Norton Schwartz, Air Force chief of staff, is the featured speaker for the 30th annual Salute to the Military, Tuesday at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum in Biloxi.

Tickets are available from the 81st Training Wing Public Affairs office, \$40 for individuals and \$400 for a table for 10. The event begins with a cocktail reception at 6 p.m., followed by a ceremonial program, dinner, speakers and entertainment by the Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve.

For more information and tickets, call 377-2783.



General Schwartz

Keeping “why” in forefront **ACTION LINE ... 377-4357**

By Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill

81st Training Wing commander

It is human nature to want to know why we are asked to do things. People typically perform better when they understand the “why” behind the task. We shouldn’t accept, “that’s the way we’ve always done things” or “because I said so” as the proper answers.

Understanding the “whys” is a two-way street. Leaders have to communicate down through the organization and Airmen need to communicate up to ensure everyone knows why we do things and to make suggestions for improvement. I rely on every Airman (that’s officers, enlisted **and** civilians) to make sure that they know the “why” behind an activity and, if it doesn’t make sense, raise your hand to make sure we are in sync. Everyone on our team is smart and valued, so your feedback is essential!

We have an awful lot of change going on at Keesler right now. For example, the A-76 transition is changing the

way we deliver support services. Sometimes the rate and magnitude of change becomes daunting and intimidating and people lose touch with the “why” behind the change.

Why do we outsource activities through the A-76 process? Did you know that President Eisenhower directed the A-76 process in the late 1950s? President Eisenhower looked across the federal government and saw a lot of activities being performed by government entities that could be better performed by American business. In essence, by keeping the activity in-house, the government was taking opportunity away from American business. The president directed that any activity that could be performed by the commercial sector should be and directed the Office of Management and Budget to create procedures to outsource appropriate tasks. The resulting government circular, entitled A-76, spells out those procedures.

How about here at Keesler? There are many things going

on and it is okay to ask “Why.” For example, someone asked me why we are taking out the dock on the north end of the runway. The reason is simple, it is a threat to safety. Based on accidents at other bases, the Air Force is eliminating obstructions around its runways. Unfortunately, we’ve had several crew members die in accidents where aircraft left the runway only to strike immovable obstacles that killed the crew when they otherwise would have lived. We want to keep our crews and families safe. As such, we moved the instrument landing system shelter earlier this year and are removing the dock. The good news is that the fishing is still great at the marina and on our other docks!

It’s important for all of us to know why we do things. Airmen at all levels need to be sensitive to how we have these discussions. Some supervisors might feel put off when they are asked “why?” because they feel it is a threat to their authority. Most folks, however, ask “why?” because



By Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill

81st Training Wing commander

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

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

they don’t understand and want to. All of us need to foster open communication where Airmen feel comfortable asking “why.” Don’t think it is a debate though; once your supervisor makes a decision, you carry it forward like it was your own.

If we don’t understand why we’re doing something, you and I both have a responsibility to ask “why?” so we can focus ourselves and our teams. We need to work as a

team to understand the “why” and come prepared with recommendations on how to make things better. Sitting on the sidelines and asking “why” isn’t good enough. We need your help to stay in the game, work together with others in the wing to understand the “whys” and continue to carry forth the winning attitude of making things better. Thanks for your continued great leadership!

Priceless opportunities outside comfort zone

By Senior Master Sgt. Colin O’Neill

81st Training Group

For many, the subject of leadership permeates our daily conversations, and with good reason, for without effective leadership the mission suffers. Often we acknowledge the criticality of leadership to our operations, yet stop short of exploring some methods we can use to develop our people.

One effective way to grow the leadership skills of our people is to push them gently, but firmly, out of their comfort zone. Mother birds employ this technique by nudging their offspring out of the nest. Pushing their young out of the safety of the nest might seem almost cruel; however, it is this very push that teaches young birds to fly.

While stationed in England I was forced from my comfort zone. I was quite content as an assistant NCOIC of my work center. What could possibly be better than being “Number Two?” I had all of the visibility and prestige without all of the responsibility! Life was good!

One fateful day, my flight commander summoned me to her office. She told me what a great job I was doing, and then informed me she was looking for someone to become the noncommissioned officer in charge of the maintenance control/base network control center. She did not realize that I had achieved a rare state of self-actualization in quality control and that I should not be moved under any circumstances. Following an uneasy pause, I replied, “Ma’am, there isn’t a place on the face of this green earth

I’d rather not go than to Maintenance Control.” She gave me the gentle nudge and it didn’t work; now was time for the firm push! She clearly explained she could “order” me to go, but one way, or the other, I was to take the reins of the Maintenance Control center. I knew the battle was lost and replied, “No ma’am, I volunteer.”

As I left her office I was convinced I was completely unqualified for this job. How could I possibly take charge of a section I knew nothing about ... could I answer all of the difficult questions and make the tough calls?

A smile crossed my face a couple of years later as I recalled the events that unfolded following my move. My flight commander’s push was the catalyst that caused me to develop

more during that time than any other period in my career. I learned that my people were my greatest asset, and if I took care of them they would take care of the mission. Each success built my confidence and better equipped me to lead.

If you want to develop and groom your people to become tomorrow’s leaders, guide them in the right direction today. Challenge them with new opportunities that will expand their horizons, unlock their potential and build their confidence. It’s possible you might need to firmly coach them through a period of initial resistance as they prepare themselves mentally to take the next step. Firmly encouraging your people to leave their comfort zone may be the very thing they need to soar to new horizons.



DRAGON ON THE STREET

By Kemberly Groue

Keesler News photographer

What is your biggest pet peeve?



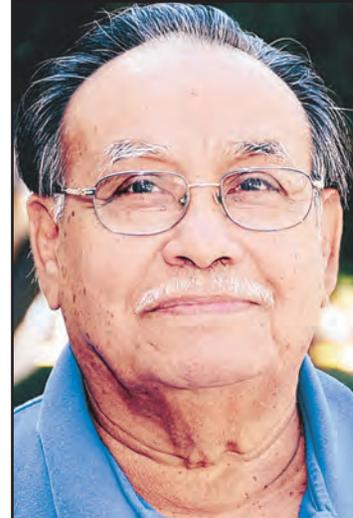
"Finding hair in my food."

2nd Lt. Stellina Anelli, 81st Force Support Squadron



"People that don't pay attention when they drive."

Capt. Jeffery Rich, 81st Training Wing



"People parking in handicapped spots that aren't supposed to."

Miguel Saavedra, retired technical sergeant, volunteer in retiree activities office.

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AETC survey highlights opinions of Keesler trainees 'Digital natives' look for technological advances

By Capt. John Severns

AETC Public Affairs

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — In an era where computers and the Internet have changed almost every aspect of daily life — from shopping to working to entertainment — is it time for technology to change the way we learn?

For younger Airmen, it seems, the answer is yes.

Air Education and Training Command recently announced the results of its future learning survey conducted in June and July at Keesler.

The survey gauged respondents' familiarity with and attitude toward 29 different technologies, from the common (laptops, cell phones and e-mail) to the cutting-edge (wikis, blogs and virtual avatars).

Comfortable with new technologies

Although not startling, the survey confirmed what many people have long suspected — younger Airmen and Airmen in technical career fields are more familiar with new technologies. Younger Airmen also use personal computers, social networking sites, blogs and text messaging more frequently than their older counterparts.

Most importantly, though, survey respondents were nearly unanimous in their belief that it is time to use those new technologies to enhance training and performance.

"We're not talking about futuristic, unachievable technologies," said Maj. Gen. Erwin Lessel III, AETC's director of plans, programs, requirements and assessments. "We're talking about technologies you can buy at the store or online, technologies that the young men and women we're recruiting into the Air Force have grown up with."

The Air Force has long been a pioneer of new technologies. The service itself was born from a new technology — powered flight — that fundamentally changed how wars are waged.

Embracing new technologies

The Air Force's embrace of new technologies hasn't just been in the air or on the battlefield. Training, especially pilot training, has come a long way since the early 20th century.

"I remember the first simulator I flew during pilot training," General Lessel said. "The visual display consisted of a camera and a terrain model board, and as I flew the 'airplane' the camera actually came down to the model runway as I landed. That was the state of technology in the 1970s."

But now the service is looking for a revolution to take place in its future "classrooms" in which a new generation of Airmen — "digital natives," as they are called — who grew up with computers can comfortably navigate the electronic cyberways of the Internet.

"A revolution in military affairs requires three things — changes in concepts, changes in technolo-

Key findings from Keesler

Some of the key findings from the future of learning survey conducted at Keesler for Air Education and Training Command:

97 percent said it was important to integrate new technologies to enhance training and performance.

95 percent said it was important to develop innovative approaches for education and training.

90 percent indicated a personal computer or laptop should be used in training in some way.

94 percent reported using blogs.

65 percent felt online gaming provides encouragement to join the military.

70 percent would be willing to complete some basic military training courses over the Internet prior to in residence

93 percent felt a virtual view of bases online would be beneficial.

60 percent felt large-scale virtual operational exercises online would enhance readiness.

58 percent felt avatars could be effective mentors.

gies and changes in organization," General Lessel said. Training, it seems, is ready for a revolution.

The survey comes on the heels of a white paper developed by the general's office and released by the AETC commander in January, titled "On Learning: the Future of Air Force Education and Training."

The paper describes a future Air Force where many traditional aspects of the AETC mission — to recruit, train and educate — have been augmented or entirely replaced by virtual programs. Rather than attending professional military education in a class at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., a junior captain might take classes online and interact with classmates with chat, voice or video programs. Rather than walking to a local recruitment center, a young woman interested in joining the Air Force might interact with a virtual recruiter online, and not even meet a service member face-to-face until reporting to basic military training.

The general was quick to point out that some things, like BMT, will always be done in person, adding that military training instructors bring a personal touch to training that can't be simulated.

If some of this sounds familiar, it's because the Air Force has already taken some first steps in that direction. Already, tens of thousands of students take or graduate from distance learning programs, and every year more and more training migrates out of classrooms and onto computers.

The Air Force dipped its toes into the online universe of social networking Web sites two years ago, launching a MySpace page in August 2006. The site was taken down less than a month later when the service concluded that it didn't like the neighborhood.

"Not everything we pursue in terms of an experiment, prototype or pilot project is something that we know will be a success," General Lessel said of the MySpace trial. "But the purpose of the experiment is to find out what works and what doesn't. After all, it's all about learning."

Organizational changes ahead

The AETC white paper and the future learning survey both addressed new concepts in learning. The technologies in question, while impressive, have been around long enough to prove their worth (e-mail has been around longer than the Web, and virtual avatars have 'existed' since the 1990s). So what's holding the Air Force back from its revolution in the classroom?

The answer, according to the General Lessel, is organizational change.

"The biggest challenge we have is going to be with organizational changes," the general said. Changes to the service's organization and processes will allow the Air Force to adopt and adapt new technologies for the classroom.

Sky's the limit

But if the organizations can change to incorporate new technologies, he said, the sky's the limit on what the Air Force can achieve.

At Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., some of these concepts and technologies are already making an impact. There, AETC and the Air Force Research Lab successfully tested a new program to connect live F-16 fighters flying in the Barry Goldwater range over Arizona with pilots in simulators on the ground. Using the Link-16 datalink, simulator pilots and pilots in the air were all able to interact with computer generated targets. In effect, the pilots conducted an eight-plane engagement with only four live planes in flight.

Closer to home for most Airmen, the command is looking to increase the number of classes available via distance learning. Over the next two years, AETC plans to convert more than 3,300 hours of classroom instruction time to computer-based distance learning. With an initial investment of \$24 million, the command hopes to find savings and efficiencies worth up to \$7 million a year, starting in 2010.

The Air Force has come a long way from the wood and canvas trainers of the Army Signal Corps. And while there will probably always be a role for the classroom in Air Force education and training, the "digital natives" have shown they are ready for a change.

2nd Air Force

Training transformation driven by warrior's needs

By Lt. Col. Claudia Foss

2nd Air Force director of staff

Transformation is underway in 2nd Air Force.

Second Air Force is comprised of four training wings and nine training groups graduating approximately 245,000 American and international Airmen, Sailors, Soldiers, Marines and Coast Guardsmen annually.

"As we continue to produce the best trained, combat ready Airmen, we're undertaking multiple initiatives to improve the training enterprise for the Air Force and its joint and coalition partners," said Maj. Gen. Alfred Flowers, 2nd Air Force commander.

This month, the first initiative occurred when construction began at

Keesler on a 2,000-square-foot operations floor designed to support the new technical training operations center. The new center will serve as the operational command and control hub for technical training operations across 2nd Air Force.

"The TTOC operations floor will serve as the 'nerve center' for tech training and enhance our ability to implement directions across the training enterprise," the general explained. "The reorganization of 2nd Air Force into a command and control enabled headquarters, in which we serve as the operational command, allows us to better synchronize the training pipeline flow from end to end. In turn, this improves our responsiveness to the warfighter's needs.

"This TTOC ops floor is one more important building block in the foundation of 2nd Air Force's training mission," General Flowers continued.

Today, the second initiative is launched as Detachment 1 is activated at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, with Capt. Jeannie Sasnett as commander.

"The activation of Detachment 1 will provide 2nd Air Force with improved oversight of the basic military training pipeline flow," according to Jim Hollingsworth, 2nd Air Force TTOC director.

The Detachment 1 team of 43 personnel develops and maintains the yearly accession plan used by Air Force Recruiting Service to recruit Airmen and enter them into basic mil-

itary training throughout the fiscal year.

Detachment 1 also works job classification and reclassification actions for basic military training and technical training students, as well as making travel arrangements every week to ship 350 to 850 BMT graduates from Lackland to 33 different technical training locations to begin their Air Force career field training.

"Overall, this is a win-win for 2nd Air Force and Air Education and Training Command," General Flowers pointed out. "The reorganization improves and consolidates training management functions and streamlines functional chains, reducing unintended duplications of efforts."

AETC symposium set for Jan. 15-16

By Capt. John Severns

AETC Public Affairs

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Airmen interested in the future of Air Force education and training will get a chance to see and interact with demonstrations of the next generation of warfighting technology at the upcoming Air Education and Training Command Symposium, Jan. 15-16 at the Henry B. Gonzales Convention Center in San Antonio.

Members of all commands are invited to attend, according to Col. Kevin McNeight, organizer of this year's event. Last year's symposium drew more than 2,000 attendees, and attendance this year is expected to top 3,000, the colonel said.

The format will be similar to the 2007 symposium. The heart of the symposium is a series of seminars coordinated by Air University and organized around five tracks, all pertaining to the Air Force and its current and future role in America's defense.

The five discussion tracks

Want to go?

Keesler members interested in attending the symposium, call Sam Foster, 377-3890.

are leadership, operational skills (with a focus on counterinsurgency and cyberspace operations), international understanding, education and training innovations and distance and future learning.

The symposium once again includes an Air Force Association expo with the latest technology demonstrations by the nation's leading defense contractors, and an AETC/AFA ball emceed by retired Gen. Lloyd "Fig" Newton, former AETC commander, to celebrate warriors throughout the command.

"We've developed more than 70 seminars on subjects as diverse as future training aircraft to historical terrorist activities, with lots of immediately relevant topics in between," said Col. Brett Morris, the symposium's seminar director. "The symposium

will feature many world-class presentations, including more seminars taught by and for our enlisted corps.

"Participants can decide which lectures and discussions they want to attend, essentially tailoring their experience at the symposium to their own professional needs and interests," he said.

Maj. Gen. William Lord, commander of Air Force Cyberspace Command (Provisional), will be one of the keynote speakers.

"For more than 60 years, the United States Air Force has provided top cover for our great nation and our joint warfighters," said Gen. Stephen Lorenz, AETC commander. "As we celebrate our proud heritage and boundless horizons, I hope you'll join me for this fantastic event.

"Together we'll honor the magnificent accomplishments of Airmen past, as we renew our commitment to develop America's Airmen today, for tomorrow," he continued.

For more information, visit <http://www.aetcsymposium.com>.

Drinking + driving =
deadly duo.



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Captain Stone introduces a team-building exercise to 2nd Lts. Amanda Pelkowski, left, and Crystal Vogt, students in the new course. Lieutenant Pelkowski is stationed at Patrick Air Force Base, Fla., and Lieutenant Vogt is assigned to Pope AFB, N.C.

Keesler launches new course to train force support officers

By Staff Sgt. Tanya Holditch

Keesler News editor

The first group of force support officers in a new Air Force Specialty Code began classes Oct. 6 at Keesler.

The new 38F AFSC, which becomes official Oct. 31, is a combination of what used to be three separate career fields: personnel, manpower and services.

Training was previously conducted at Keesler or at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, depending on the AFSC. Keesler was chosen to train officers for the combined course since it falls under the category of initial skills training.

With some career fields getting smaller, the new combined career field allows support officers more opportunities to prove their value, according to Capt. Michael Stone, 335th Training Squadron mission support training flight commander, who will soon fall under this new AFSC.

“Combining these career fields makes me more useful to the Air Force,” Captain Stone said. “It keeps me looking to the future.”

Subject matter experts from the three previously separate career fields came together and offered input into a new curriculum which would prepare graduates to fill billets in any one of the

three areas. The result is a 49-academic-day course. Upon graduation Dec. 12, the officers will be the first to fill jobs under the new AFSC.

Additionally, the Wolfe Hall classrooms housing the students will receive upgrades soon, thanks to help from Air Education and Training Command and Air Force headquarters personnel community. New tile, paint and local area network connections are all planned for the upgrade.

“We have increased the throughput of students from approximately 200 to more than 320 per year,” said Lt. Col. Mark Mesenbrink, 335th TRS commander. To do this, they added three more instructor billets.

To get this course operational on time, many people from AETC headquarters, Air Staff and Air Force Institute of Technology worked with the Keesler staff to make the impossible a reality, according to Colonel Mesenbrink.

“Normally, we need a year to properly bring a new course on line,” the colonel pointed out. “This timeline was severely shrunk to a hectic-paced three months. I’m very proud of everyone’s efforts to come together and get this course operational. We have a good foundation to alter as needed based on the career field’s needs.”

TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

MGCCC winter term

Web registration for Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College’s winter term begins Monday for active-duty military members.

A lunch hour “hybrid” intermediate algebra course (MAT 1233), noon to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, requires purchased computer software to complete assignments.

For appointment times or more information, visit Room 221, Sablich Center, or call 376-8477.

Open house

The education office open house is 3-7 p.m. Oct. 30 in Room 108, Sablich Center.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, William Carey University, University of Southern Mississippi, Community College of the Air Force and Air University’s associate-to-baccalaureate conversion program representatives are on hand, along with representatives of other colleges and agencies.

William Carey term

William Carey University is currently registering students for the winter trimester that begins Nov. 10.

WCU offer flexible degrees that allow for the transfer of many Community College of the Air Force credits. Discounted tuition rates are available for active-duty military, spouses, dependents, Department of Defense civilians and retirees.

For more information, visit Room 219, Sablich Center or call 376-8480.

Special testing dates

The education office has announced application deadlines and dates for special testing for fiscal 2008.

Test time is 7 a.m. Scheduling deadlines and test dates are:

SAT — Oct. 31 for Nov. 4; Dec. 26 for Jan. 26 and April 24 for May 25.

PRAXIS I and II — Dec. 15 for Jan. 12; March 16 for April 13 and June 14 for July 13.

ACT — Dec. 5 for Jan. 5; March 27 for April 27 and May 22 for June 22.

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

Drill down, parade

The 81st Training Group final drill down of the season is 8 a.m. Nov. 14 on the drill pad behind the Levitow Training Support Facility.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Trina Girley, 377-2737.

Student health center

The student health center in the Levitow Training Support Facility is open 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday.

The front desk phone numbers are 376-0324 or 0325.

GI Bill benefits

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

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

Tuition aid online

Air Force members can request tuition assistance online from the workplace through the Air Force Virtual Education Center at <https://www.my.af.mil/afvecprod>.

Student TMO

Short sheet briefings at the technical training traffic management office are 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

Briefings are held in Room 213, Levitow Training Support Facility in the Triangle.

For more information, call 377-3147 or visit Room 211 in the Levitow building.

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.

Cleaning up Mississippi's coastline



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Airman Basic Matthew Walmsley, a student in the 332nd Training Squadron, cleans debris out of a ditch in Biloxi's Hiller Park Saturday as part of the 20th annual Mississippi Coastal Cleanup. More than 200 base volunteers focused their efforts on Hiller Park and Keesler Marina Park. In the three coastal counties and barrier islands along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, more than 2,224 volunteers collected 2,625 bags of trash along 173 miles of coastal waterways.

Still serving Keesler rolls out red carpet for retirees

By Tech. Sgt. Chuck Marsh

Keesler Public Affairs

Retiree Appreciation Day, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday in the Locker House Dragon's Den, is open to all retirees, dependants and annuitants.

A variety of base services have joined together to serve those who have served this nation in the past, according to event organizers. Among the agencies involved are the finance office, legal office, 81st Force Support Squadron and the 81st Medical Group. Medical services on site include Tricare, pharmacy, nutritional medicine, urology, radiology and women's health and others.

"We've lined up what we think is a great cross-section of what the retirees need and want," said Senior Master Sgt. Ronald Hagen, 81st MDG, event coordinator. "The committee has researched what was offered in the past and combined that with what our retiree activities

office has suggested and think we have a great event planned to honor and take care of our retirees."

In addition to the agencies represented at the Dragon's Den, some base agencies will be allowing front-of-the-line service for retirees. Any retiree with expired medication can bring it to the pharmacy representatives for turn in and disposal.

"We have a wonderful relationship with the men and women at Keesler," said Ivan McAllister, retiree activities office. "We have been doing this event for a number of years and there has always been great help from base leadership all the way down to the youngest Airmen."

Base leaders will officially welcome attendees and the traditional fish fry will conclude the event.

For more information, call the retiree activities office, 376-8111 or 8112.

IN THE NEWS

Air Force secretary sworn in

Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Defense Robert Gates officially swore in Michael Donley as Secretary of the Air Force Friday at the Air Force Memorial.

Secretary Donley has more than 30 years of experience in the national security community, including service in the Senate, White House and the Pentagon. In his most recent position, he was responsible for Washington Headquarters Services, a 1,300-employee entity that oversees management of the Pentagon and Department of Defense services within the National Capital Region, and the Pentagon Force Protection Agency.

Secretary Donley, who was acting Secretary of the Air Force for seven months in 1993 and served as the service's top financial officer from 1989 to 1993, also served on the National Security Council and was a professional staff member on the Senate Armed Services Committee in the early 1980s.

Combined Federal Campaign

As of Oct. 15, Team Keesler has pledged \$79,566, or more than 65 percent of its \$122,000 goal for the 2008 Combined Federal Campaign.

Demolition of old Cody Hall starts

Fencing of the area around old Cody Hall begins Monday in preparation for the structure's demolition.

The site includes the parking area on the north and west sides of the building. The contractor is allowing for a troop walk area between Phantom Street and the security fence.

Target date for completion of demolition is April 31.

Death notification

Airman 1st Class Sean Janicik, 365th Training Squadron, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, died recently. He was previously a student in the 81st Training Group.

Any claims for or against Airman Janicik's estate must be submitted to Maj. P. Scott Corman, summary court officer, 1-940-676-7863.

Cell phone restrictions for drivers

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

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

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.

Early deadline for Keesler News

The deadline for the Nov. 13 issue of the Keesler News is noon Nov. 6, four days earlier than usual, because of the Nov. 11 Veterans Day federal holiday.

Award,

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Sergeant Gray is a weekend center manager for the USO, dispatcher/recorder for Airmen Against Drunk Driving, flight representative for the squadron booster club and squadron representative for Airman's Attic.

She led 355 volunteers in building a \$50,000 playground in eight hours, raised 6,000 pounds of pet food for the Humane Society of South Mississippi and was a volunteer for Special Olympics, Air Force Aid Society and Combined Federal Campaign. She also led 35 volunteers in placing flags on graves at



Sergeant Gray

Biloxi National Cemetery for Memorial Day.

Sergeant Bird, recently recognized with the Very



Sergeant Bird

Important Patriot Award for volunteerism by the National Military Family Association, served as a volunteer income



Petty Officer Pickett

tax representative, led 35 volunteers in landscaping projects for Make a Difference Day, taught a Red Cross

babysitting class and judged science fair projects for a Biloxi public school.

She was a team member for the Toys for Tots drive and led a clothing drive for orphans in Kyrgyzstan. As a member of the Keesler 5/6 Association, she arranged a talent show to raise funds for humanitarian relief, led a scholarship fundraiser and organized a project to replace the flags on the Boulevard of Flags at the entrance to the base.

Petty Officer Pickett coordinated CNATTU's Personal Excellence Partnership Program for volunteers at Nichols Elementary School and Biloxi Alternative School and coordinated unit volunteers working with Urban Life Ministries to rebuild six homes and demolish two homes devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

He managed unit volunteers for DeSoto National Park's annual cleanup, construction of four KaBoom playgrounds, Special Olympics events, Biloxi's Juneteenth celebration, Humane Society and the Krewe of Ulysses Mardi Gras Ball.



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PERSONNEL NOTES

Health benefits open season, fair

Federal employees health benefits open season is Nov. 10-Dec. 8.

A health fair is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 5 in Room 108, Sablich Center.

Representatives from Blue Cross Blue Shield, Mail Handler Benefit Plan and Government Employee's Hospital Association and other companies will be available to answer questions and provide information and materials on the different plans. Dental and vision providers are also participating.

During open season, you can enroll or change your plans in the EBIS system by logging on to <https://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil>.

For more information, call Cece Schefsky, 376-8326

Special leave accrual available

Air Force Personnel Center

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Airmen who were recalled from or unable to take annual leave this past year for reasons such as support for contingency operations may be allowed to accumulate more than 75 days at the end of a fiscal year.

Special leave accrual applies when deployments or assignments to designated operational missions at the national level prohibit members from using leave. It applies to active duty and Reserve personnel under Title 10 of the U.S. Code, and includes Air National Guard members who performed full-time training or other full-time duties for 30 days or more.

“Special leave accrual is designed to prevent Airmen from losing accrued leave if they're unable to take normal leave due to significant and unforeseen operational requirements,” said Master Sgt. Licci Barham, superintendent of customer support operations at the Air Force Personnel Center.

Airmen can't use their major command's recovery time policy as a reason for reinstatement when accrued leave could have been taken in its place, she added.

For more information, contact local military personnel sections or call the Air Force Contact Center, 1-800-616-3775.

Health care questionnaire deadline

Air Force News Service

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — The deadline for participating in the Military Health System questionnaires has been extended until Nov. 28 to help leaders better understand the needs and expectations of warriors in their care.

The questionnaires, one for wounded, ill or injured service members and one for family members, are available at <http://www.health.mil/Pages/Page.aspx?ID=18>.

The questionnaires ask for feedback about a service member's experience and satisfaction with care received since becoming wounded, ill or injured.

Responses are anonymous to encourage honest and specific answers that will lead to positive changes in care for wounded, ill or injured servicemembers.

Phone numbers for military personnel

Military personnel section phone numbers are:

Customer support — 376-8738.

Career development — 376-8739.

Force management — 376-8740.

Student personnel center — 377-4111.

Testing — 376-4111.

2009 selection board

Air Force officials have announced the schedule for selection boards convening in 2009:

Jan. 12-16, May 18-22, Sept. 21-25 — special selection boards.

Feb. 2-20 — senior master sergeant.

March 9-20 — colonel line of the Air Force; lieutenant colonel and major biomedical sciences corps/nurse corps.

June 8-26 — lieutenant colonel and major BSC/NC.

July 13-24 — senior noncommissioned officer supplemental.

Aug. 17-28 — command screening.

Sept. 14-18 — colonel medical service corps, medical corps and dental corps; lieutenant colonel and major MC/DC.

Oct. 13-26 — chief master sergeant evaluation.

Nov. 2-13 — colonel and lieutenant colonel judge advocate and chaplain; major LAF, judge advocate and chaplain.

Dec. 1-11 — colonel LAF/BSC/NC, lieutenant colonel and major BSC/NC.



Airman Crutcher

Keesler Airman takes center stage with Tops in Blue

**81st Force Support Squadron
and Air Force Services Agency**

Tops in Blue, the Air Force's team of musical ambassadors, performs at 7 p.m. Oct. 30 at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum in Biloxi

Theme for this year's show is Déjà Blue. Doors open at 6:30 p.m., and admission and parking are free.

Senior Airman Tommie Crutcher, a services apprentice from the 81st Force Support Squadron, is a vocalist with the group of 35 talented active-duty vocalists, musicians and dancers who perform for military personnel, their families and community neighbors throughout the world.

Tops in Blue also plans an acoustic performance at the Hard Rock Café in Biloxi, 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Each year, thousands compete in base talent contests and the most talented move on to higher levels of competition. This year, the team holds local auditions, 2-4 p.m. at the coliseum on the day of the show for active-duty Airmen only.

The show is sponsored by AT&T, Coca Cola and Ashford University.

For more information, call 377-3308.

DRAGON OF THE WEEK

Name — Staff Sgt. Glenn Dennison

Unit — 338th Training Squadron

Position — ground radio maintenance instructor

Time in Air Force — 11 years

Time at Keesler — four years

Hometown — Reno, Nev.

Noteworthy — finished his master's degree in business administration with an emphasis in healthy care

Why did you join the Air Force? to serve my country and provide my family with stability

What are your short- and long-term goals? short-term, to make tech sergeant; long-term, to pursue my doctorate in business administration with emphasis in health care.

What's your favorite quote? "Why put off until tomorrow what you can do today?"

What are your hobbies? amateur radio, motorcycles and volunteering in the community.

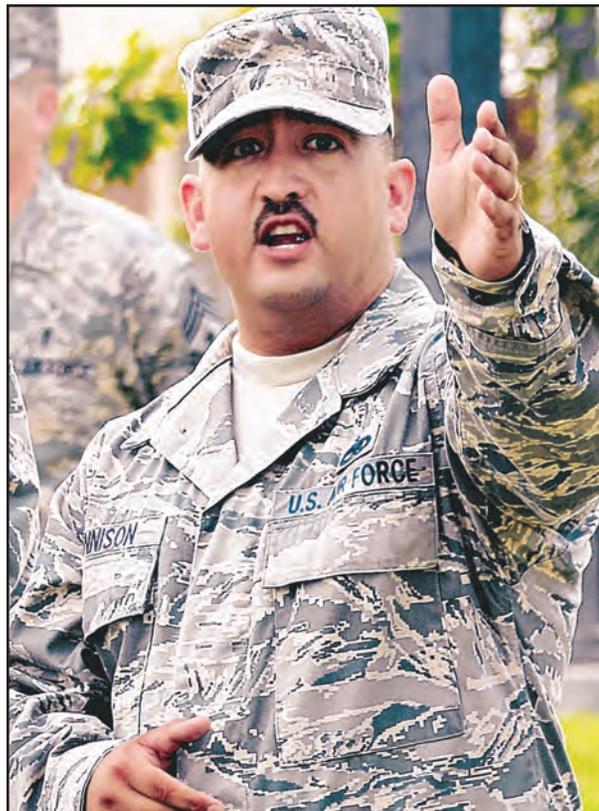


Photo by Kemberly Groue

DIAMOND NOTES

When walking together,
the senior ranking member
should always be to the right
and
slightly in front
of the junior member.



Master Sgt. Scott Passman, 81st Force Support Squadron first sergeant

MEMORABLE MOMENTS



July 1, 1971

Kitchen patrol, or KP,
ended at Keesler
when civilian contractors
assumed responsibility
for food preparation.

Upgrade makes electronic forms easier to use

By Richard Salomon

AFPC Public Affairs

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Air Force officials recently rolled out a new software upgrade that makes it easier for Airmen to view and print electronic forms.

Feedback from Airmen revealed problems with blank lines appearing on paper copies of electronic forms that weren't visible on digital versions.

“The issue was with the PureEdge forms program, not the actual form itself,” said Master Sgt. Jason Malec, superintendent of Air Force evaluations at the Air Force Personnel Center. “The new viewer allows users to more effectively ‘print what they see’ on screen, and it gives them the ability to open electronic forms that were created in prior versions.”

In August 2007, Air Force officials began phasing in new, streamlined officer and enlisted evaluation forms. These changes were directed at reducing the workload associated with preparing the reports while providing an accurate portrayal of performance.

“Because of the hard work of our systems folks and IBM developers, we were able to forge an Air Force-wide solution,” said Col. Glenn Rattell, AFPC personnel data systems director. “It’s been a total team effort.”

The LOTUS Form Viewer 3.0 is available at [http:// www.e-publishing.af.mil](http://www.e-publishing.af.mil) under the Items of Interest tab. See your client support administrator for installation details.

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Wednesdays.**

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No flu for you



Photo by Steve Pivnick

Master Sgt. Rhonda Taylor, left, 81st Medical Operations Squadron, sprays flu mist into Airman Basic Michael Brockington's nose Monday at Bryan Hall. Airman Brockington is a student in the 338th Training Squadron. Members of the 81st Medical Operations Squadron were scheduled to provide flu mist and inoculations to students and faculty at several 81st Training Group buildings this week. Keesler has received a large portion of this year's vaccine supply and Keesler Medical Center currently is immunizing all eligible members. Flu mist is available for patients ages 2-49 years and is mandatory for active-duty members, unless precluded by a serious medical condition. All squadrons are being scheduled with the immunization office. To set up a time and date, squadron representatives can call Master Sgt. Henry Owes, 376-3560. For more information about the vaccine, call the immunization office, 376-3553.

Exceptions to Keesler's

25 mph

speed limit:

15 mph

in housing areas,
Ploesti Drive construction site,
flight line and unpaved surfaces;

10 mph

in close proximity to marching formations
and when waved through base gates;

5 mph

in parking lots and

35 mph

in some sections of perimeter roads.

Exercise takes health care to patients in Ecuador

81st Medical Group

Seventeen Keesler medics recently returned from a 10-day medical readiness training exercise in Ecuador.

Led by Lt. Col. (Dr.) Steve Nelson, 81st Medical Operations Squadron and deployed commander, and Maj. Paul Valdez, deployed deputy commander from the 81st Medical Support Squadron, the team consisted of Air Force specialists providing general medicine, pediatrics, dermatology, optometry, dentistry and pharmaceutical services.

From Sept. 16-26, they treated more than 4,700 patients at several sites.

Two team members, Lt. Col. (Dr.) Steven Ritter and Maj. (Dr.) Robert Holmes, 81st MDOS, sent e-mails from Ecuador which provided some details about the team's work there.

Sept. 19, Colonel Ritter commented, "We're having a great experience, having seen nearly 2,400 patients in four days, a very good showing. We were in Santa Rosa and today started in Cotalo. There have been nine admissions to local hospitals for pneumonia, pediatric traumatic amputated finger and two cancer patients.

"We have had great cooperation with the host-nation military. The country is incredibly beautiful and the people very friendly," Colonel Ritter continued. "There's been training with the Ecuadorian doctor and dentist. Colonel Novak mentioned he's learned new techniques with limited equipment and Colonel Gasque said he worked closely with the host-nation doctor with a pneumonia admission."



Photos by 1st Lt. Brett Mazey

Captain Mauro-Small treats a young patient.

"We're losing track of the days — all we know is today was the first day at a new site," Major Holmes said. "This one is a school, so at least there were enough chairs to go around," noting that many of the 1,700 patient encounters at the first site were conducted while standing.

"There's a breathtaking volcano nearby and the folks are absolutely thrilled and thankful we're here," the

major added. "Several of us (including me) suffered a short gastroenteritis but all are improved or completely recovered by now."

Sept. 21, Colonel Ritter lauded the talents of Lieutenant Villalobos, "a remarkably talented (physician's assistant) from family practice and a key translator for the team."

"We're going to our last site way up in the mountains — as opposed to just 'up in the mountains,'" Major Holmes reported Sept. 22. "Today it will take over an hour just to get to the site via twisting switchbacks. We'll take two smaller vans, but it may be difficult even then as it poured rain all night long. Half of the road to the site is already blocked by previous landslides and the people will be lining the road to get in."

Later he added, "You didn't want to sit next to a window getting to the site today — elevation of 11,000 feet in a large bus doing hairpin switchbacks. It was most picturesque, though, with the snow-capped Andes visible in the distance."

"This was an outstanding opportunity for all members involved," said Colonel Nelson. "The mission afforded us the opportunity to work in less than ideal conditions, providing real experience to practice medicine outside of a medical center in a deployed set-

Team members

81st Medical Operations Squadron — Lt. Col. (Dr.) Stephen Nelson, chief of pediatric neurology; Lt. Col. (Dr.) Steven Ritter, dermatologist; Maj. (Dr.) Robert Holmes, medical director for infectious diseases; Capt. (Dr.) Melissa Mauro-Small, pediatrician; Capt. (Dr.) Mark Burbridge, internal medicine resident; Capt. (Dr.) Kathryn Taylor, pediatric resident; 1st Lt. Danny Villalobos, physician assistant; and Airman 1st Class Fabian Consbruck, mental health technician.

81st Medical Support Squadron — Maj. Paul Valdez, medical logistics flight commander, and 1st Lt. Brett Mazey, TRICARE operations and patient administration flight operations manager.

81st Dental Squadron — Col. (Dr.) Joseph Novak and Maj. (Dr.) Karyn Young, dentists, and Airman 1st Class Veronica Reese, dental technician.

81st Aerospace Medicine Squadron — Capt. (Dr.) Mark Kahrhoff, optometrist, and Airman 1st Class Bradley Louk, optometry technician.

81st Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron — Staff Sgt. William McDuffey, pharmacy technician.

81st Medical Group — Col. (Dr.) James Gasque, internal medicine support.



Colonel Novak, left, prepares to pull a tooth with Airman Reese's assistance.

ting. We were able to promote a long-term relationship between the United States and Ecuador, help populations in need of medical care, train residents and junior providers, test our abilities and knowledge and form friendships within the team and between the nations — all great reasons to practice medicine within the Air Force.

"I've never been prouder to wear the uniform than during this mission, and appreciate being allowed to lead this outstanding group from Keesler," Colonel Nelson emphasized.

"I was very proud of this team representing the 81st Medical Group," stated Major Valdez. "The numbers speak for themselves. These Air Force specialists worked out of buildings of opportunity at elevations of 10,000 to 12,000 feet. Some days it was 40 degrees. We used interpreters to facilitate treatment. Although conditions were austere, the team performed exceptionally. There is no doubt that our mission will have a lasting impact."

Reducing risk of infant deaths



Photo by Steve Pivnick
Debra Howe, left, First Candle coordinator and program director for the National SIDS and Infant Death Program Support Center, watches as Maj. Ada Collier, 81st Medical Group education and training flight, completes a post-instruction test at the end of a sudden infant death syndrome risk-reduction class. Keesler Medical Center's pediatric subspecialties clinic hosted the classes Oct. 8-9.

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assaults,
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assault
response
coordinator
hotline,
377-7278.**



Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Erik Barker
Sergeant Sarris shares a moment with a Colombian boy and his mother at the Candalaria Medical Clinic, a site used to provide humanitarian aid by men and women embarked aboard USS Kearsarge.

Continuing Promise 2008

Medics involved in humanitarian mission

81st Medical Group Public Affairs and U.S. Southern Command Public Affairs

Seven members of the 81st Medical Group put on their sea legs recently as participants in a U.S. Southern Command humanitarian mission.

Capt. Vonda Goodison, 2nd Lt. Sherry Arboneaux and Mary Scott and Senior Master Sgt. Cipriano Zarate, 81st Inpatient Operations Squadron; 2nd Lt. Natalie McLendon, 81st Surgical Operations Squadron; and Master Sgt. Mary Sarris and Staff Sgt. Douglas Cox, 81st Medical Support Squadron, are serving as augmentees aboard the Navy amphibious ship USS Kearsarge during a four-month deployment.

The Kearsarge departed its homeport of Norfolk, Va., Aug. 6 to support the second phase of "Continuing Promise 2008." The humanitarian assistance mission includes assisting partner nations impacted by natural disasters and other emergencies resulting in human suffering or danger to human lives.

During the mission, the ship is scheduled to visit six countries during the deployment — Nicaragua, Colombia, Panama, Dominican Republic, Trinidad and Tobago and Guyana.

Sergeant Sarris e-mailed her colleagues in the medical readiness flight to let them know the ship had added Haiti to its ports of call to assist with relief efforts in areas affected by flooding due to tropical storm activity in the Caribbean. Sept. 7, the Kearsarge departed Santa Marta, Colombia, to join other U.S. assistance operations near Port au Prince.

"Hope the hurricanes stay away from our ship," she wrote. "I don't want to weather a hurricane aboard any ship, even one as large as this one."

Kearsarge is capable of rapid movement of personnel and cargo by helicopter and landing craft, making it an ideal platform to support humanitarian relief missions on short notice.

Airlift assets embarked aboard Kearsarge include the CH-53 Super Stallion and the MH-60S Seahawk.

The crew of the Kearsarge includes a team of medical personnel who can provide first-aid and other health-related services to communities impacted by conditions associated with storm-produced flooding. Medical facilities aboard Kearsarge include four operating rooms, 13 intensive-care unit beds, 40 medical ward beds, a laboratory, X-ray equipment and a blood bank.

SOUTHCOM last directed an amphibious ship to assist a partner nation impacted by a natural disaster a year ago.

In September 2007, SOUTHCOM dispatched the USS Wasp to provide assistance to victims of Hurricane Felix in Nicaragua.

SOUTHCOM military planners continue to work with interagency partners and their counterparts in countries affected by the recent tropical cyclone activity to assess recovery needs in the impacted areas and identify additional U.S. military units that may be able to provide assistance.

Scary chills and thrills at civil engineers' haunted house

By Staff Sgt. Carlos Rodriguez

Keesler Public Affairs

Silent Hill ... Dawn of the Dead ... Halloween (the movie) ... Keesler Air Force Base ... What is the common link? All feature terrorized citizens running for their lives from zombies and killers!

This Halloween, the faint-hearted are advised to steer clear of the former Officers Club as it's transformed into "The Asylum."

The 81st Civil Engineer Squadron, in a tradition dating back almost 25 years, are once again providing a haunted house for Keesler members this Halloween — except this time, they've pulled out all the stops.

"This will be the last haunted house at Keesler put on by the 81st CES," said Senior Airman Christopher Freimann, a construction inspector and haunted house committee leader. "For our last haunted house, we wanted to go out with a bang."

It's the final haunted house being created by the unit, since civil engineering functions on base are being assumed by a contractor.

"This is actually the largest haunted house ever provided to Keesler," he added. "We have 2,200 square feet to work with, allowing for 14 huge rooms with unlimited possibilities. By contrast, last year we only had seven small rooms."

The idea for "The Asylum" came from a haunted house Airman Freimann visited in Colorado.

"There's always a big haunted house in downtown Denver, and I thought it would be good to try something like that here," said Airman Freimann. "Our haunted house will definitely rival the big one they have in downtown Gulfport."

Anyone expecting a garden-variety haunted house with "scares" that aren't very scary are in for a shock, though.

"You're going to encounter your worst nightmares, and we're going to take advantage of your worst fears," Airman Freimann said. "If you're not strong-willed, do not enter."

All safety precautions are in place.

"We'll post all relevant warnings and every member of the team will be in full radio contact the entire time," Airman Freimann noted.

Airman Freimann made it clear that other agencies are assisting the 81st CES.

"Because of the low manning levels in CE, the 335th Training Squadron kindly donated some students to help with the manual labor in setting up the house," said

Airman Freimann. "Outdoor recreation was also very supportive and helpful."

As scary as "The Asylum" may be, Airman Freimann always had one goal in mind for the last 81st CES haunted house.

"We wanted to offer something to the members and families of Team Keesler," explained Airman Freimann. "Our haunted house is a great thing for the base and will be perfect fun for the whole family."

The Asylum opens Sunday and runs through Nov. 1.

Hours and prices vary during the week. For more information on hours and admission prices, call 377-9590.

Right, Senior Airman Brian Boder attaches an arm restraint to a simulated electric chair inside the haunted house being sponsored by the 81st CES. Airman Boder is on temporary duty at Keesler from the 97th CES, Altus Air Force Base, Okla. The site is the old Officers Club on Larcher Boulevard just north of the 81st Security Forces Squadron Building.

Photo by Kemberly Groue



Halloween happenings

Haunted house — for more information, see page 20.

Pumpkin carving contest — squadron competition. Today's the deadline to reserve a pumpkin. Pick it up at Vandenberg Community Center Oct. 27 and return by 4 p.m. Oct. 31. Prizes for first and second place. For more information or to reserve a pumpkin, call 377-4355.

Halloween special — 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 31, McBride Library, showing of Godzilla; 6-7 p.m., trick or treat.

Halloween party — 5-10 p.m. Saturday, youth center, ages 6 and older. Admission \$5. Costume party, dance and games.

Halloween party — 5-7 p.m. Oct. 30, Katrina Kantina. Scary snacks, drink specials and door prizes.

Halloween party — 7 p.m. Oct. 31 at Vandenberg Community Center; nonprior service students only. Costume contest with prizes.

Day for dads and daughters



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Fifty dad-and-daughter couples participate in an ice-breaker at "Because We Have Daughters," a free workshop Saturday at the youth center. The event was designed to strengthen father/daughter relationships, boost communication skills and address safety and self-esteem challenges that girls face. The program was sponsored by family advocacy.

AAFES offers opportunity for gift wrapping fundraising

AAFES Corporate Communications
DALLAS — Community groups can raise funds for their worthy causes while spreading some holiday cheer as exchanges across the globe are actively soliciting partners for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service's annual community gift wrap program.

"Our research confirms what we've long suspected; exchange shoppers are time stressed," said Chief Master Sgt. Jeffry Helm, AAFES senior enlisted adviser. "In order to make the holidays a little easier, we partner with local groups to ensure gifts purchased at the exchange are wrapped up before they even leave the store. Beyond offering a one-stop solution for busy military shoppers, this effort also helps raise tens of thousands of dollars for local military support initiatives."

During peak holiday seasons, exchanges set up tables and provide supplies that community volunteer groups can use to wrap gifts in exchange for donations.

Dates and hours of operation for gift wrapping services vary from location to location, but interested organizations can call their local exchange for information on scheduling a time to participate.

Contact information for all AAFES exchanges is available through the "store locator" link at <http://www.aafes.com>.

For more news,
photos and
videos,
log on to
[http://www.
keesler.af.mil](http://www.keesler.af.mil).

Adoption options

An adoption options seminar is 5:15-7 p.m. today at the Mississippi State University Coastal Research Center on Poppo Ferry Road in Biloxi.

Topics for the event includes information on adoption procedures, legal issues, home studies and reimbursement.

For more information, call 376-8728 or e-mail sandra.brzovic@keesler.af.mil.

Harvest festival

The chapel hosts a harvest festival, 5-7 p.m. Oct. 31 in the Triangle Chapel Annex, features crafts, food, games, an air bouncer and prizes.

Children and adults are encouraged to dress up as a biblical hero or heroine.

For more information, call 377-2520 or 0834.

Housing maintenance

As of Nov. 1, the new phone numbers for family housing maintenance service calls will be 377-5561, 5562 and 5563.

Heart Link

Heart Link, an orientation program specifically for spouses with less than five years of Air Force affiliation, is Nov. 13.

The free event is intended to familiarize spouses with Air Force mission, customs, traditions and base and community resources and services.

Lunch is served, prizes are given and assistance with child care is offered.

To register, call 376-8728.

Thanksgiving guests

For the 12th year, the base chapel is sponsoring the Home Away from Home Thanksgiving dinner program for nonprior service Airmen.

Host families volunteer to provide a "home away from home" and holiday meal for two or more students. Active-duty, civil service and retirees are invited to participate.

Host sign-up forms must be turned by Nov. 24 at the Triangle Chapel or the Fishbowl Student Center in the

Levitow Training Support Facility, by e-mail to charles.mallory@keesler.af.mil, or by calling 377-8256 or 2331.

Student sign-up forms are available only at the Fishbowl.

Pediatric dentistry

The 81st Dental Squadron's pediatric dentistry clinic is looking for patients for the advanced education in general dentistry residency.

Children 4-12 are evaluated for restorative needs. No orthodontic treatment or use of oral sedation is available. Patients must be available for treatment on Thursday mornings.

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

Thrift shop

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

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

For more information, call 377-3217.

Airman's Attic

The Top III is looking for volunteers to support Airman's Attic, a program that assists junior enlisted members with free basic household supplies.

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.

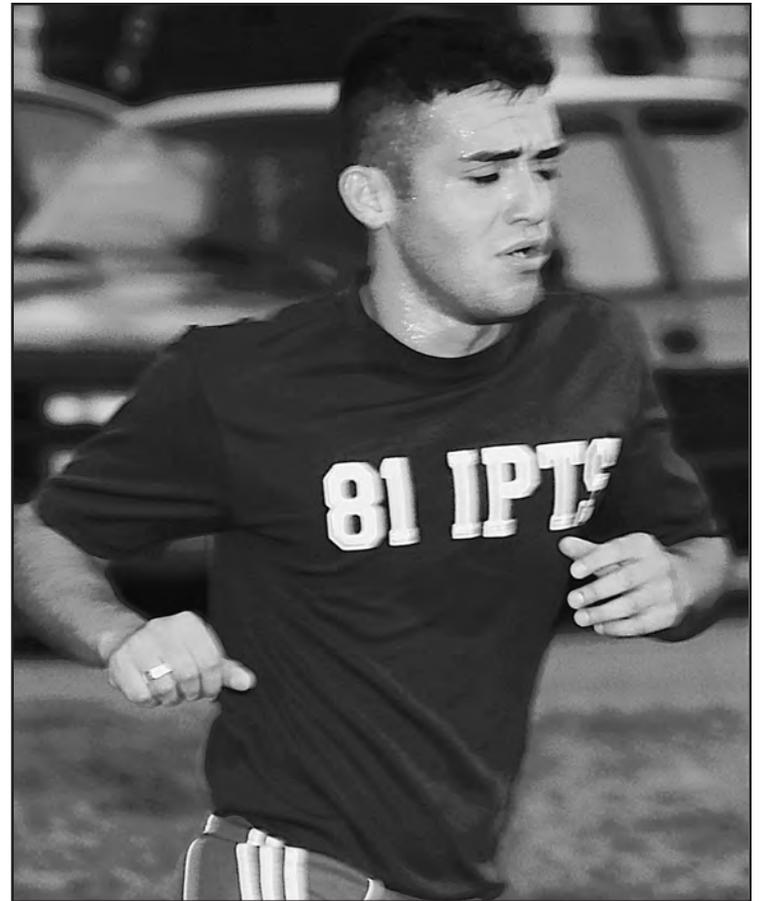
For more information, call 377-3814 or 7801.

Honor guard

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.

SPORTS AND RECREATION



Fast feet for fun run

Francisco Jimenez, top, and Laura Chighizola, left, were the first place finishers in the Physical Therapy Month fun run, Oct. 15. Jimenez, 81st Inpatient Support Squadron, finished the 5-kilometer course in 20 minutes, 13 seconds. Chighizola, 81st Operations Support Flight, crossed the finish line in 22:23.

SCORES AND MORE

Bowling

Monday Night Budweiser (as of Oct. 6)

Team	Won	Lost
New Meat	28	7
Martini's	24	11
403rd Strykers	23	12
Ricky's Rookies	23	12
Wrong Foot Forward	21	14
Hit 9 Get 9	21	14
Robbie's Rejects	19	16
Team 15	19	16
DOG Squad	19	16
Sandy's Gang	18	17
Hang Chucky	18	17
Perry's Refrigeration	17	11
All Screwed Up	16	19
Man On!	15	20
Pot Luck	15	20
Team 18	12	16
Unpredictables	11	24
Slater's Shooters	11	24
Our Gang	8	27
Hoops Gang	5	30

Wednesday Night Mixed (as of Oct. 15)

Team	Won	Lost
Wild Gang	28	14
MUDD	25	17
Clyde's Crew	23	19
70s Plus	23	19
Dee's Crew	22	20
Any Takers	20	22
Neighbors Plus 1	20	22
Team 6	19	23
Guys and Dolls	16	26
Ichi Ban	14	28

Thursday Retired Seniors (as of Oct. 16)

Team	Won	Lost
Kitty and Kats	28	14
6-Pack	26	16
Team 11	24	18
Team 16	23	19
Team 14	23	10
3-70s Plus	22	20
TBS Express	22	20
Team 12	22	20
Three's Company	19.5	22.5
Team 13	19	23
Team 5	19	23
Two He's and a She	19	23
Lucky Trio	18.5	23.5
CHMATO	18	24
2 Kings and A Queen	17	25
Team 8	14	28

Friday Night Mixed (as of Oct. 17)

Team	Won	Lost
3 Guys and a Babe	28	14
Fun Timers	28	14
Frustrated	25	17
We Take Ugly	25	17
Lady and the Tramps	24	18
Rose and Her Thorns	24	18
Mixed Nuts	20	22
Pin Busters	20	22
Sandbaggers	18	24
The Strikers	18	24
Beyond Control	15	27
Pin Pals	9	33

Other

Youth bowling — registration is 10 a.m. Saturday, Gaudé Lanes.

The league meets at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays. Instruction is available.

Any child old enough to throw the bowling ball down the alley is eligible.

For more information, including fees, call Darian Miller, 264-9854.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Fitness centers

Slugfest VI registration and tryouts — Nov. 1. For more information, call 377-7858.

Monster circuit challenge — Oct. 30, Dragon Fitness Center. Sessions: 6:30-8:30 a.m., 11 a.m. to noon and 5:15-6:15 p.m. Choose time and at which level to do each station. First 50 to show up participate.

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

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

For more information, call 377-3056.

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.

Golf

Membership drive — through Nov. 15. Giveaways and special prizes or new members. Current members in good standing who enlist new member eligible for special prizes.

Twilight golf special — 2 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.

Outdoor recreation

Back Bay fishing trip — 7 a.m. to noon Saturday. \$20 per person. Bring food and drinks. Mississippi license required. Minimum four, maximum seven people.

Discount on skiff rental — bring a friend, get 10 percent discount.

Overnight trip to Chandeleur Islands — Tuesday-Wednesday. Bring food, drink and lures. Reserve early. Call for current prices.

Fish of the month — weigh in largest speckled trout for the month and win \$100 savings bond.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Deep sea fishing trips — compressed work schedule Fridays and Sundays on the Keesler Dolphin II. \$75 per person includes everything you need to fish. Payment due upon reservation. Minimum 15, maximum 22 people. For reservation, call 377-3160.

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

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

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

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

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

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

GRADUATIONS

Community College of the Air Force

2nd Air Force — Staff Sgt. Britney Canezaro; Tech. Sgt. Vernon Forde; Master Sgt. Thomas Sawyer.

45th Airlift Squadron — Tech. Sgts. Matthew McCombs and Christina Wolfe.

81st Aerospace Medicine Squadron — Senior Airman George Williams; Staff Sgts. Kinmberly Coleman, Rommel Hernandez and Christine Hopkins.

81st Civil Engineer Squadron — Senior Airman Adam Smith; Staff Sgts. Rick Blayney, Carlos Padro, Christopher Perr and Sherwin Sterling.

81st Contracting Squadron — Staff Sgt. Kimberly Sturdivant and Master Sgt. Kimberly Alvarez.

81st Comptroller Squadron — Senior Airman Thomas Hutchins.

81st Communications Squadron — Senior Airman Taveres Simpson; Staff Sgts. Lashaun Logan, Dustin Reed and James Reeves; Tech. Sgts. Fernando Duque, Allen Nix and Michael Raby; Master Sgt. Robert O'Dea.

81st Dental Squadron — Senior Airman Rachel White; Staff Sgts. Lachaune Alexander, Wayne King and Joana Trotti; Tech. Sgts. Conrad McCloskey and Elvin Munizbonilla; Master Sgt. Christopher Rash.

81st Force Support Squadron — Senior Airman Jacob Williams; Staff Sgt. Anthony Amaker; Tech. Sgts. Ezra Khan and Stephanie Rivers; Master Sgts. Kreig Cressione, Scott Passman and Robert Worley.

81st Logistics Readiness Squadron — Airman 1st Class Israel Walker; Staff Sgts. Hershawn Griffith and Kimmery Merriman; Tech. Sgt. Robert Clements; Master Sgts. Gordon Comerford and Michael Demoulin.

81st Medical Group — Tech. Sgt. Stephanie Rivers.

81st Medical Operations Squadron — Airman 1st Class Thomas Sandoz; Senior Airmen Richard Bonsra, Kristopher Iovieno, Terrence Marshall, Deshyra Maxwell and Matthew Oropeza; Staff Sgts. Stephanie Browne, Kimberly Criuckshank, Phillip Diroma, Grandver Everett, Ernest Farmer, Tameka Hill, Kerry Keller-Peoples, Alana Rayon, Dustin Vannoy, Stephanie Yarberough and Kimberly Zimlich; Tech. Sgts. Eric Person and Joaquin Robledo; Master Sgts. John Davis and Alvin Holland.

81st Medical Support Squadron — Senior Airmen Norites Bittig, Naicema Colon, Pamela Rose and David Turner; Staff Sgts. Jihan Brown, Navora Edmonds, Nathan Roy, Audrey Smith and Michael Southam; Tech. Sgts. Holly Brose, Lerry Forester and Earnest Mann; Master Sgt. David Pace.

81st Operations Support Flight — Senior Airman Michelle Clark.

81st Surgical Operations Squadron — Senior Airman Laquita Hambrick; Staff Sgt. Jennifer Azzizzi and Janel Kumse; Tech. Sgts. Donelle Clark and Brandon Williams; Master Sgts. James Gray and Rickey Mann.

81st Security Forces Squadron — Staff Sgts. Alisha Knott, Douglas Wickline and Sterling Wynn; Tech. Sgt. Derek Dingle; Master Sgt. Aurther Deborger.

81st Training Group — Master Sgt. Maria Taylor.

81st Training Support Squadron — Senior Airmen Kevin Brawley and Dallas Ebanex; Staff Sgts. Karl Knowlton, Bradley Mills and Alberto Trujillo; Master Sgt. Craig Pogue.

81st Training Wing — Staff Sgts. Tanya Holditch, Carlos Rodriguez and Ashante Shivers; Master Sgt. Kristina Keeton.

85th Engineering Installation Squadron — Staff Sgts. John Ballard and Michael Sweet; Tech. Sgt. Aaron Bernard; Master Sgt. David Brown.

332nd Training Squadron — Senior Airman Ryan Bush; Staff Sgts. Wyatt Cherry, Steven Clinton and Birch Rypka; Tech. Sgt. Joel Desjardin.

333rd TRS — Senior Airmen Dustin Borden, Samuel Smith, Shoua Yang; Staff Sgts. Christopher Bouker, Jerome Dyer, Jeffrey Jones, Christopher Judge, Shannon Smith, Rich Striggow, Michael Sylvester and Mark Yonkin; Tech. Sgts. Michael Chappell, John Lane and Daniel Robinson; Master Sgt. David Smith.

334th TRS — Senior Airmen Acacia Oudinot, Christopher Simpson and Tiffany Thompson; Staff Sgts. Kasey Crowe, Michelle Davis, Nicholas Day, Tiequanda Hayes, Michael Hubert, Gerald Kelley, Lagaydra Killingsworth, Bethany Lorenz, Jessica Martin,

Stephanie Meda, Martinni Taylor, Jonathan Neidigh, Sherita Outsey, Jacqueline Pena, Deanna Pylant and Scott Ross; Tech. Sgts. Jacob Chandler, Tonya Jones, John Morris, Tameka Smalls, David Speed and Tracy Truman.

335th TRS — Staff Sgts. Nicholas Bassett, Amy Bond, Richard Boyd, Scott Capodice, Jason Mincolla, Evan Mosley, Malcolm Summers, Jan Turner, Noah Vaughan and Kyle Wohlwend; Petty Officer 2nd Class Marblanch Giardini; Tech. Sgts. Jacob Arfa, Kristopher Coats, Jennifer Desjardin, David Hale, Todd Martin, Stephanie Messer, David Rife, Jeremy Stanger, Nikole Tipton and Richard Wade; Petty Officer 1st Class Stephanie Olcott; Master Sgts. Charlafinette Dukes, Lee Utsey and Sharon Utsey; Senior Master Sgt. Robert Silvernail.

336th TRS — Staff Sgts. Jenira Boykin, Robert Carroll, Scott Cook, James Desgrange, Jessica Mathias, Steven McCaslin, Jonathon McCullar, Shirmica Ndeti, Cassandra Raby, Jonathon Tom and Chris Vernon; Tech. Sgts. Antonio Archuleta, Larry Bright, James Briney, Christina Burkett, James Campbell, Matthew Cook, Shane Crema, David Hughes, Matthew Jones, Donald Mosley, Marcus Neal and Felix Rodriguez; Gunnery Sgt. Jeffrey Abrahamson.

338th TRS — Senior Airmen Jay Alston, Joshua Baker, Kevin Emerich, Ashley Klejmont and Tobiah Walter; Staff Sgts. Ashley Campbell, Gabriel Carlson, Theyer Castro, Robert Causer, Lawrence Dizon, Anthony Encao, Donald Fidler, Kyle Ganey, Joseph Pesantes, Adam Runquist, James Spears and W.V. Struglinski; Tech Sgts. Wendy Carlson, John Denny, Jeffrey Jaques and James Musgrove; Master Sgt. Robert Rodriguez.

366th TRS — Staff Sgts. Wesley Boyd, Thomas Chesnes, Ronald Eaves and Chad Shaw; Tech. Sgt. Shawn Mitchell.

403rd Wing — Senior Airman Krystal Knight; Staff Sgts. Jordan Dole, Jeffrey Gillespie, Hubert Howard, Crystal Irving, Timothy Mars, Wanda McGee, Shannon Smith, Jeremy Walker and Angela Wuest; Tech. Sgts. Eric Hattenford, Vincent Hawkins, Gregory Jones, Eric Rodriguez and Danielle Turner; Master Sgts. Althea Beverly, Mark Compton, Calvin Galloway, Ray King, Alce Martin, Roseanne Peterson, Katherine Wheelock and Michael Wieckowski; Senior Master Sgt. Michael Herbert and Jonathon Sexton.

Air National Guard Combat Readiness Training Center, Gulfport — Tech. Sgt. Ellis Campbell.

Mathies NCO Academy — Tech. Sgts. Connie Sanchez and Christopher Troyer.

CHAPEL SERVICES

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

Protestant

Sunday worship

Larcher Chapel traditional with children's ministry.....8:30 a.m.

Triangle Chapel contemporary service.....10:30 a.m.

Triangle Chapel gospel service.....Noon

Roman Catholic

Sunday Mass

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

Weekday Mass

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

Jewish

For worship opportunities, call Master Sgt. Michael Raff, 377-5235 or 273-2226.

Islamic

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

For more information, call 377-2520 or 0327.

Latter-Day Saints

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints — student group service, 2 p.m. Sundays, Triangle Chapel. For more information, call 396-5274 or 801-787-1990.

HONORS

Quarterly awards, July-September

81st Training Group

Airman — Senior Airman Brandon Harris, 335th Training Squadron.

Noncommissioned officer — Staff Sgt. Stephen Muller, 338th TRS.

Senior NCO — Master Sgt. Chad Heilman, 332nd TRS.

Company grade officer — Capt. Kelly Just, 81st Training Support Squadron.

Civilian category 1 — Kyndall Hoover, 334th TRS.

Civilian category 2 — Rudolph Dean Jr., 81st TRSS.

Civilian supervisor — Peter MacNaughton, 334th TRS.

Airman instructor — Senior Airman Kathrine Voirol, 333rd TRS.

NCO instructor — Staff Sgt. Janet Presley, 335th TRS.

Senior NCO instructor — Master Sgt. Michael Babbitt, 332nd TRS.

Officer instructor — Capt. Harry James, 334th TRS.

Civilian instructor — Dan Cameron, 332nd TRS.

Military training leader — Master Sgt. Donald McNair, 81st TRSS.

Student honor roll

332nd Training Squadron

Electronic principles — Airmen Basic Adriana Abbott, Sinan Ahmed, Alex Alexander, Don Baize, Keith Bivens, Brandon Brookshire, David Bruening, Royce Bruggeman, Taylor Buse, Brandon Capley, Katherine Cavuto, Jessica Clark, Michael Clary, Enrique Conchas, Dale Coy, Kevin Derrickson, Christopher Diaz, Joshua Dungan, William Earnest, Richard Eidermiller, Juan Esteban, Michael Evans, Seth Evans, Daniel Felice, Robert Franchino, Dustin Freeman, Lucas Gamache, Jesse Greb, Mathew Williams, Eric Guzman, Cody Hall, Kurtis Harrison, Timothy Hartsock, Jeremy Hoagland, Jeremy Huether, Montgomery Huus, Emily Johnson, Courtney Katafias, Nathaniel Kenney, Hamzah Khan, John Koenig, Quinton Krueger, Khaleen Laubaugh, Donald Leavell, Cheetarah Lee, Michael Magnotta, Reese Massey, Adam Maynard, Michael Meisenhelder, Bradley Moore, Michael Plummer, Anyssa Powell, Kenneth Ramsey, Zachery Riffill, John Robert, Robert Robertson, Michael Rosenberger, Nathaniel Rosenthal, Michael Rowe, Bryan Senger, Sean Stewart, Lloyd Swagerty, Joshua Swanson, Mitchell Upton, Edgar Vasquez, Kyle Vaught and Amalya Velez; Airmen Curtis Andrist, Zachary Archer, Richard Atright, Orville Bongat, Ryan Dowler, Dale Haeger, Justin Hemsworth, Gregory Johnson, Vance Kendrick, Justin Rosen, Patrick Shiver and Jevan Zetina; Airmen 1st Class Tyler Annetts, Aaron Azar, Brandon Blide, Jeffrey Briggs, Jason Britten, William Cashman, Benjamin Dellheim, Ashley English, Justin Jones, David Lindsay, Lauren List, Ryan Marcum, Joseph Martini, Nicholas Morris, Taiki Murakami, Eric OteroHernandez, Brian Pak, Harlon Patton, Andrew Pence, Alexander Ryder, Nastasha Smith, Nathaniel Veals, Jessica Weaver, Kevin Weaver, Matthew Weber, Bryce Wenger, Shaun Williams and Matthew Wyant; Senior Airmen Russell Fry, Christopher Lovato, Matthew Martin, Steven Scott and Bradley Wetherell; Staff Sgts Devin Card, Thomas Elliott and Joshua Gonser; Master Sgt Wu Jeong.

334th TRS

Aerospace control and warning systems — Airmen Basic William Heines; Senior Airmen Naziroh Kreil; Staff Sgt. Angelina Christianson.

Aviation resource apprentice course — Airman Basic Jonathan Redondo; Airmen 1st Class Misty Goodrick and Nicholas Tumleson; Senior Airman Johnny Edson; Staff Sgt. Sandra Mathis; Tech Sgts. Alison Schier and David Spears; Jerry Price.

Air traffic control operations training flight — Airmen Basic Jon Bryant, Samuel Hall, Joshua Kovacs, Barton Lazaro, Robert Lugo, Candice Masnic, Adam Slone, Jeremiah Storey, Lucas Wells and Tyler Yensel; Airmen Joshua Cassels and Nathan Tackett; Airmen 1st Class Ty Boyd, Hugh Cross, Jose Gomez, Kip Guidry, Justin Kobler, Matthew Miller, Matthew Nabors,

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Whitney Parker, Leon Thompson, Nicole Walker and William Walton; Senior Airmen Creg Kinkead and Ramsay Gonzalez; Staff Sgts. Christopher Donaldson and Juan Sanchez; Tech. Sgt. John Barr; 1st Lt. Maitree Muangtong.

Command post apprentice course — Airmen 1st Class Alek Escobedo, Shauna McMahon; Senior Airmen Chad Bailey and Brittany Faulk; Staff Sgts Erica Huls, Randy Jeffrey and Matthew Tirrell; Tech Sgt Candace Skalet; Chief Master Sgt Stephen Bell.

335th TRS

Weather training flight — Airmen Basic Kayla Comer and Joseph Stalnakier III; Navy Airman Brian Norton.

336th TRS

Communications-computer systems flight — Airmen Basic Charles Beaver and Jason Marshall; Airman James Frazier; Airmen 1st Class Jacob Corrigan, Justin Lail, Marc Rhodes and Robert Robinson; Senior Airman Joseph Sparks; Staff Sgt. Christopher Back; Senior Master Sgt. Stanley Walker.

Communications and information management flight — Airmen Basic Christopher Barrow, Zachary Boles, Gregory Bowman, Steven Campbell, Daniel Chaffee, Jennifer Correa, Darren Diones, Lashanay Dubose, Ian Fischer, Jessica Hurley, Bryan Napier, Barbara Maloney, Alexis Rivera, Francisco Serrano, Brandon Smith, Cody Trenda, William Twomey and Daniel Yockey; Airmen Eric Byrne, Eric Leyva, Mark Quinlan and Jelaina Walker; Airmen 1st Class Austin Carroll, John Delarma, Benjamin Harmon, Chelsea Kline, Jonathan Martin, Kevaughn Murray, Ryan Poster, Ashley Tison, Patrick Weller and David Whittaker; Senior Airmen Jose Alvarez-Vargas, Christopher Enright, Hyun Lee and Tracie Oster; Staff Sgts. Pedro Cancel and Jayson Maxwell; Tech. Sgts. Jay Goodman, Sarah Soliz, Herry Stallings and Miguel Valdivia; Master Sgts. Timothy Norton and Daniel Whalen.

338th TRS

Airfield systems — Airmen 1st Class William McCloskey and Chad Zucchetto.

Ground radar — Airman 1st Class Drew Manoram; Senior Master Sgt. Daniel Finchum.

Ground radio — Airmen Basic Jonathon Hunziker and Brody Wilcock; Airman Adam Razani; Airmen 1st Class David Caudle, Christine Granados, Joseph Harkins, Courtney Pfeifer, Eric Ronning and Michal Szczepanik; Senior Airman Tom Kwiczor; Master Sgt. Brian Bunce.

Network infrastructure systems — Airmen Andrew Heckerman, Alan Schumacher and William Thompson; Airmen 1st Class Jessica George, Steven Hodges, Peter Mendenhall, Christopher Richerson and Alexander Starleaf; Senior Airmen Micah French and Gary Thornhill; Staff Sgts. James Raines and Adrian Wade; Technical Sgt. Michael Paquette; Master Sgt. Randall Sloniker; Senior Master Sgt. James Brown.

CLASSES

Airman Leadership School

Class 08-7 — graduates Tuesday.

Class 09-1 — Nov. 5-Dec. 16.

Mathies NCO Academy

Class 08-7 — graduates Oct. 30.

Class 09-1 — Nov. 6 Nov-Dec. 18

Arts and crafts center

Multicraft shop

Fall festival and craft fair — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 15. Booth reservations now accepted. Costume contest, fall and holiday crafts for sale, turkey bingo, door prizes, fun and food.

Teen time crafts — 3:30-5:30 p.m., Thursdays. Bring a friend and make a project for the holidays. Projects and costs on display, or make your own creation.

Fall and holiday crafting — 5-7:30 p.m. Thursdays. Get ready for the November craft fair. Make project, share a project for holiday gift-giving.

Ceramic turkey centerpiece — 5-7:30 p.m. today. \$28 including bisque, paint and firing.

Beginners pottery — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Clay work and sculpting. \$60 including four pounds of clay and first firing.

Wood shop

Advanced intarsia — 10 a.m. Saturday. \$20 including all materials and tool use. New project each month.

McBride Library

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

Halloween special — 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Oct 31 showing of Godzilla, 6-7 p.m. trick or treat.

Fax special — 50 cents a page this month.

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

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

Free wireless Internet — check at circulation desk.

Tours/orientations — call 377-2181.

CLUBS AND CENTERS

Vandenberg Community Center

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

Football frenzy — 7 p.m. Mondays. Club members are eligible for prizes.

Pumpkin carving contest — Base-wide squadron competition. Today's the deadline to reserve a pumpkin. Pick up Monday and return by 4 p.m. Oct. 31. Prizes for first and second place.

Tops in Blue — 7 p.m. Oct. 30, Mississippi Coast Coliseum.

Halloween party — 7 p.m. Oct. 31, nonprior service students only. Costume contest; prizes in each category.

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

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

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

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

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

Katrina Kantina

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

Luncheon specials — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays; \$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 nonworking Fridays.

Halloween party — 5-7 p.m. Oct. 30. Scary snacks, drink specials, door prizes.

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

Youth center

Costume party, dance and games — 5-10 p.m. Saturday, ages 6 and older. Admission \$5.

Teen career expo — 6-8 p.m. Monday. Representatives from local businesses and base units talk about careers and career opportunities. Door prizes, snacks, music, displays and giveaways.

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

TRANSITIONS

Workshops, briefings

Congressionally-mandated pre-separation briefings — counseling by airman and family readiness center for active-duty military members of any branch of service who'll receive honorable discharges and no extra transition benefits. Briefings are Thursdays in Room 111, Sablich Center, 1 p.m. for those who are separating and 2:30 p.m. for those who are retiring. Those with less than honorable discharges, receiving extra benefits such as second enrollment opportunity in Montgomery GI Bill, Reserve or Guard personnel

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DINING HALL MENUS

Today

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

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

Friday

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

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

Saturday

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

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

Sunday

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

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

Monday

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

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

Tuesday

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

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

Wednesday

Lunch — lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken cacciatore, 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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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. 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-man-

dated prepreparation 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. 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.

Air Force Reserve opportunities — for members separating within 180 days, call Master Sgt. Neil Sherman, 377-7116; e-mail anthony.sherman@keesler.af.mil or visit Room 130, Sablich Center.

Palace Chase — for information

about how to apply for a program to attend college full time and work part time, visit Room 216, Sablich Center. For more information, call Master Sgt. Neil Sherman, 377-7116; e-mail anthony.sherman@keesler.af.mil or visit Room 130, Sablich Center.

Web sites

Air Force Blue to Corporate Gray — <http://www.bluetogray.com>.

Air Force Federal Employment Resume and Information — <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/resweb>.

Civilian job certification and licensing requirements for military personnel and veterans — <http://www.dol.gov/dol/vets>.

Department of Veterans Affairs — <http://www.vba.va.gov/efif/index.htm>; for members returning from Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

New military spouse career center — <http://www.military.com/spouse>. Extensive job board including public and private sectors. For more information, call Vince Patton, 703-269-0154, or e-mail at vince@militaryadvantage.com.

Military Connection — online resources database for military family members seeking civilian employment at <http://www.military>

connection.com.

Southern Region Military and Civilian Job Fair — <http://www.jobfairs.ms.gov>.

Department of Defense Transition Assistance Program — <http://www.Turbotap.org>.

Military Homefront — <http://www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil>.

Military One Source — <http://www.militaryonesource.com>.

MEETINGS

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

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

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

Airmen Against Drunk Driving

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

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

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

Civil Air Patrol Col. Berta A. Edge Composite Squadron — 7 p.m. Tuesdays upstairs in Hangar 3 for youth and adults. For more information, call 1-601-528-4337, e-mail 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 5.6 — 3:15 p.m. third Wednesday of the month; location varies. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Toyshaline Young or Tech. Sgt. Jodi Evans, 377-4885.

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

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

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

Top III — 3 p.m. third Thursday of the month, Katrina Kantina. For more information, call Master Sgt. Michael Krejci, 377-4451.

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

MISCELLANEOUS

Movies

Editor's note: Movies are shown at Welch Auditorium. Tickets are \$3 adults and \$1.50 children for regular features, and \$2.50 adults and \$1 children for matinees.