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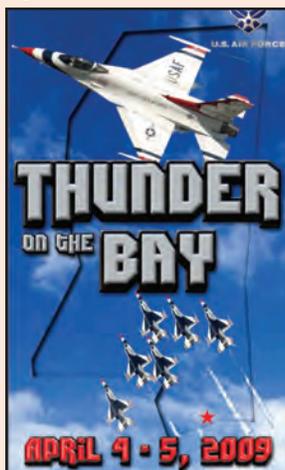
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Air Show  
this weekend!

Dragons deployed — 182

## Keesler gears up for Thunder on the Bay

Air show resumes after 5-year hiatus; Thunderbirds make first visit to base since 1995

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Eyes to the skies — the rumble for Keesler's Thunder on the Bay Air Show begins today.

Months of planning and preparation by Team Keesler kick into high gear today, as the Air Force Thunderbirds arrive about 1 p.m. for two days of pre-show practice, media interviews, school visits and other activities preceding the event, Saturday and Sunday

Ploesti Drive from the child development center to the north entrance of Bay Ridge housing area, including the marina and Bay Breeze Golf Course, is closed from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. today through Sunday's air show conclusion, according to Maj. Miki Gilloon, Keesler's public affairs coordinator for the show.

"Base personnel aren't permitted to watch practices or the air show from Bay Breeze or the marina during the show box closure times," she said.

Biloxi's Back Bay is closed during the same hours, according to Federal Aviation Administration regulations during practice times and air show performances.

The Army Golden Knights jump into their visit Friday with an appearance on an early morning television program, followed by media interviews and flights during the day.

Midday interviews with other air show performers are on Friday's agenda. Eight Keesler Airmen will reenlist in a ceremony with the Thunderbirds, followed by a Thunderbirds practice show about 2 p.m.



Air Force photo

The Thunderbirds are scheduled to perform at 3:20 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

## Air show information on the Web

Keesler's Web site, <http://www.keesler.af.mil>, and the air show Web site, <http://www.keesler.shultzairshows.com>, list the latest information for the free two-day event, including show schedule, performers, base entry, parking, approved and prohibited items for visitors and a map showing the layout of aircraft, viewing areas and other pertinent information.

WLOX-TV broadcasts its 4, 5 and 6 p.m. live weather reports from the flight line Friday.

"Even with all of the excitement and entertainment, this is still a military installation," Maj. Miki Gilloon, public affairs coordinator for the event, pointed out. "We want spectators to have a wonderful time, and we're doing all we can to ensure their safety."

"To maintain security, all bags will be inspected as spectators enter through airfield security points, and all individuals are subject to search," said Justin Cooper, Keesler's air show director.

Only people with Department of Defense identification cards can drive onto the base through the White Avenue Gate and the Pass Road Gate. Pedestrian

traffic isn't allowed at these gates, but walkers can access the base through the Oak Park Gate behind Keesler Medical Center and the Meadows Drive Gate off Forrest Avenue.

Residents of Thrower Park, West Falcon Park and Bay Ridge housing areas are encouraged to ride buses labeled "base housing shuttle" that will run regularly both days.

Handicapped visitors with official state license plates or placards are allowed to park on base by entering the Judge Sekul Avenue Gate, where uniformed personnel will guide them to special parking areas in front of Bryan Hall.

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## Lorenz on leadership: Creating candor

By Gen. Stephen Lorenz

Air Education and Training Command commander

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas

— If you ever have the chance to observe a flight debrief after a training sortie, you should jump at the chance. You will witness something special.

In the debrief, everyone makes constructive comments — positive and negative — regardless of their position or rank. If the flight lead did something that was incorrect or dangerous, the wingman is expected to say something about it. This is true even if the wingman is a lieutenant and the flight lead is a lieutenant colonel (or a lieutenant general). In the debrief, learning is more important than saving face.

In the flying business, it's imperative that the truth comes out — even if negative — and the best ideas are heard. That is why frankness in the debrief is so important. Perfection is the standard, and although we will never get there, we must always strive for it. This is why we are tough on each other. We discuss our shortcomings and make constructive suggestions on how to correct them. When the debrief is over and the door opens, however, we move forward as members of the same team.

Should it be any different for our other operations? I don't think so, but it takes a strong leader to create this atmosphere of candor.

In order to encourage our people to voice their alternative ideas and criticisms, we have to be confident enough in our people to listen to negative feedback and dissenting opinions, find the best way forward, then lead in a positive direction. We all like "warm fuzzies," when people agree with our ideas and give us positive feedback. We naturally dislike "cold pricklies," when people disagree and point out our shortcomings. As leaders, we have to be mature enough to deal with negative feedback without punishing the source ... the best leaders encourage frank feedback, especially when it is negative.

We all have blind spots — areas where we think things are better than they are — and to correct these, we need to be aware of them. This means that we need to encourage dissenting opinions and negative feedback. We should ask open-ended questions. What are we missing? How can we do this better? What's the downside? What will other people say?

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Within our organizations, candor makes us stronger ... there are things we can do to create this openness

while maintaining a sense of teamwork.

As leaders, we should strive to set an atmosphere where dissenting opinions are welcomed.

As followers, we should explain dissenting opinions with respect and objectivity.

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When our people answer, we should welcome their inputs, even when those inputs don't cast our leadership in the best light. In the end, our time as leaders will be judged by the quality of our decisions and the accomplishments of our people. The personal price we pay in the short term for creating candor in our organizations is well worth the long-term professional and institutional benefits of hearing the best ideas and eradicating our blind spots.

As followers, we must work at creating candor as well. While the leader must set the tone for open communication, it is important that those of us who voice dissenting opinions or give negative feedback do so in a way where it can have the most effect. We can't expect our leaders to be superhuman — this means we should speak in a way that doesn't turn them off immediately.

Practically speaking, this means that we should avoid using superlatives and personalizing an idea or position. For example, which critique would be easier to accept: "Boss, your decision is really stupid," or "Boss, this decision could have had consequences for our folks.?" Remember that your goal is to influence your boss to do the right thing. You don't want to close the line of communication before you begin.

When giving an alternative view or dissenting opinion, the more objective you are, the more effective you can be. You should avoid emotional arguments. Instead, use facts and logic to back up your position. The more homework that you do beforehand, the more likely you will win the argument.

In addition, when voicing your disagreement, be prepared to propose a solution or alternative path. This allows you to stay positive during a critique. If you can't come up with a solution, at least be honest about that up front.

If you are pointing out a blind spot for one of your leaders, strongly consider doing it in private. This is especially true if the issue is more personal in nature. It's much easier for a leader to listen to a criticism made in private — you want to avoid embarrassing your leader in public if at all possible.

We should also remember that the leader is ultimately responsible for the direction of the organization. If he or she decides to do something that you disagree with, you should voice your opinion, but be ready to accept the leader's decision. Remember, most decisions are decided based on personal experiences and are not right versus wrong, but right versus right. So long as the boss's decision isn't illegal or immoral, you should carry it out as though the idea was your own. That's the mark of a professional Airman.

Within our organizations, candor makes us stronger, and there are things we can do to create this openness while maintaining a sense of teamwork. As leaders, we should strive to set an atmosphere where dissenting opinions are welcomed. As followers, we should explain dissenting opinions with respect and objectivity. For both leaders and followers, the payoff will come as your organizations improve and grow. Consider it part of the price we pay to be the best.

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# Thunder on the Bay rolls

## Showcasing our rebuilding, renewing, reloading

By Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill

81st Training Wing commander

It is Air Show Week! After a five-year hiatus, Keesler welcomes the community back with what promises to be the best air show we've ever hosted.

Featuring the Air Force Thunderbirds, the "Thunder on the Bay" Air Show is our capstone event celebrating our ongoing mission of Rebuilding, Renewing and Reloading.

Here at Keesler, rebuilding is more than the construction that continues around our base. Rather, we're also rebuilding the processes, precision and pride that made our Air Force great. Our team has worked for months preparing for this air show, creating a plan that encompasses all aspects of the air show.

Details such as air operations, safety, refueling, fire protection, security, medical, communications, and finances are all a part of the plan. Checklists for contingencies have been created and rehearsed repeatedly to ensure our Airmen are prepared to host you safely and securely while showcasing the excitement of the nation's aviation capabilities.

Thunder on the Bay renews our ties with the community by attracting our fellow citizens from around the neighborhood as well as around the country to Keesler. We hope that our visitors from out of town will enjoy the hospitality of the Mississippi Gulf Coast by staying in local hotels, patronizing local businesses, and enjoying our local restaurants. No matter where we came from, from around the country or around the world, Keesler and the Mississippi Gulf Coast is now our home and we're proud to show it off!

Finally, the air show helps us fulfill our mission of reloading the Air Force with mission-ready Airmen.

A parade and decoration ceremony honoring Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander, is 9 a.m. Monday on the parade field behind the Levitow Training Support Facility.



Last year, Keesler graduated over 27,000 Airmen from its 391 courses supporting 38 different military specialties. Our training has worldwide impact as our graduates serve in every continent and in every operation around the globe. Recall the plan I mentioned? An essential part of training the next generation of Airmen to meet any and all tasks the nation assigns to

us includes teaching them how to create and execute plans with precision. Our team is ready! As our visitors tour the base and see our great Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines, I am confident they will be impressed by the high caliber of people proudly wearing the uniforms of our nation.

The conclusion of this Air Show Week will be bittersweet

for the Touhill family. On Monday, I will bid farewell to the 81st Training Wing and Keesler as I transition to my new assignment as the Chief of the Office of Military Cooperation, U.S. Embassy, Kuwait City, Kuwait. While it is a big job in a strategic location during a historic period of time, it will be hard to best my current position.

Being the wing command-

er at Keesler is a big job in a strategic location during a historic period as well.

During my tenure I have been renewed by the strength and resiliency of the people of the base and Mississippi Gulf Coast. I have been blessed to be a part of a community that asked for a hand up, not a hand out, and proved it has the mettle to soar and excel. Hurricane Katrina was indeed a horrible occurrence, yet it marks a point on a calendar; it does not define this great community or its people.

We've banded together, Keesler and the Mississippi Gulf Coast community, to bring our home back, bigger and better than ever! Thunder on the Bay is our opportunity to celebrate!

On behalf of Charlene and our children, I'd like to thank you for welcoming us back to Keesler and the Mississippi Gulf Coast. We've been blessed to serve with you and look forward to being with you again soon.

Enjoy the show!



### DRAGON ON THE STREET

By Kemberly Groue

Keesler News photographer

What is your most prized possession and why?



My family, because it's the only thing that will stick with you forever.

**Danielle Rivera, spouse of Senior Airman Robert Rivera, 81st Civil Engineer Squadron**



My family — they've helped me become who I am and have influenced some major decisions in my life.

**Senior Airman Jacob Lopez, 81st Communications Squadron**



My Apple computer — without it, I can't interact with global networks, news and information.

**Maj. Miki Gilloon, 93rd Fighter Squadron reservist serving as Thunder on the Bay public affairs director**

# TRAINING AND EDUCATION

## Keesler wins communications, information awards

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Keesler claimed four awards in Air Education and Training Command's communications and information awards competition for 2008:

**Staff Sgt. Jose Gonzalez**, 81st Training Support Squadron, noncommissioned officer.

**Maj. Carol Blackington**, 333rd Training Squadron, field grade officer.

**333rd TRS**, National Level Information Systems Security Award (organization).

**338th TRS**, Maj. Gen. Harold McClelland Award.

Sergeant Gonzalez, a curriculum developer, was stationed at Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., before arriving at Keesler in June. He coordinated Tyndall's Giant Voice project, upgrading 11 antiquated sites and increasing emergency warning coverage by 36 per-



**Sergeant Gonzales**

cent. He streamlined equipment management procedures, developed a tracking database for \$250,000 in assets and performed 215 preventive maintenance inspections. He trained eight Airmen on 77 tasks, increasing shop task coverage

by 50 percent. Sergeant Gonzalez also led two radio teams for Tyndall's air show last year, providing public address and air-to-ground communication for the Thunderbirds.

Major Blackington handles dual responsibilities as squadron director of operations and Scope Eagle director. She came to Keesler in June after serving a one-year assignment at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, where she directed Air Force Central Command's largest technical control facility and Air Combat Command's largest standard technical entry point. At Al Udeid, she led 55 technical flights and executed a \$12.5 contract that ensured reliable command, control, communication and computers at 35 Department of Defense sites in 12 countries and pioneered a \$1 million Defense Information System Agency router upgrade.

The 333rd TRS informa-



**Major Blackington**

tion systems security team of 12 military and civilian members who prepared 634 network technicians in 80 classes that provided 7,388 hours of critical network security training. The team taught 400 hours of transient electromag-

netic pulse surveillance technology certification training for 80 emissions security managers, trained eight DOD instructor during the Bulwark Defender exercise and trained 170 computer security managers.

The 338th TRS was recognized as the command's most outstanding communications-electronics organization with the McClelland Award. The squadron managed more than \$200 million in training assets and deployed 42 mobile teams to train 303 Airmen, saving more than \$600,000 in temporary duty costs. The unit trained 6,000 students despite the loss of 35 percent of the military instructor core as 33 were deployed in support of the global war on terror. Earlier this year, the 338th TRS was recognized as AETC's training squadron of the year for 2008.

## 3 claim AETC technical training recognition

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Members of the 81st Training Group were recognized with three 2008 Air Education and Training Command technical training awards:

**Senior Airman Brandon Harris**, 335th Training Squadron, airman instructor.

**Staff Sgt. Marsheila Baker**, 336th TRS, noncommissioned officer instructor.

**Melissa Jane Dodson**, 81st Training Support Squadron, support civilian.

Airman Baker, an instructor for enlisted financial courses, was recognized as the 81st TRG's airman instructor of the quarter twice during 2008. The only airman block chief in the squadron, he logged 720 curriculum hours and graduated 161 students. He verified 960 pages of new course curriculum, correcting 10 errors. He served at 20 funerals as a mem-



**Airman Harris**

ber of the Keesler Honor Guard, invigorated the unit's physical training program and recruited 20 participants who raised \$17,000 for the American Heart Association's Heart Walk.

Sergeant Baker, an instructor in the communications-



**Sergeant Baker**

computer systems operations course, delivered 1,016 hours of instruction to 228 students with a 98 percent pass rate. She mentored 27 struggling students and all passed the course. She was recognized as an "outstanding performer" during the 81st TRG's standards/evalua-



**Ms. Dodson**

tions inspection and managed the Technical Training Management System with more than 1,500 error-free entries. She served as a physical training leader and was credited with preventing a student suicide. Her volunteer efforts include the AHA Heart Walk,

Vets4Vets, squadron booster club president, American Red Cross and Airman Against Drunk Driving dispatcher.

Ms. Dodson, an instructional systems specialist, is AETC's lead basic instructor course training developer for five bases responsible for standardizing courses to support 843 faculty members during the year. She interfaced with five training groups and 2nd Air Force to develop five courses enhancing the performance of 1,590 faculty members. During the 81st TRG standards/evaluations inspection, there were no discrepancies for the basic instructor course. She's a single mothers ministry mentor, science class resource person for a fifth grader class and participated in bowling fundraisers for Special Olympics, Project Cheer and first sergeants council.

# ***The Airman's Creed***

***I am an  
American Airman.***

***I am a warrior.  
I have answered my  
nation's call.***

***I am an  
American Airman.  
My mission is to fly,  
fight, and win.  
I am faithful to a  
proud heritage,  
A tradition of honor,  
And a legacy of valor.***

***I am an  
American Airman,  
Guardian of freedom  
and justice,  
My nation's  
sword and shield,  
Its sentry and avenger.  
I defend my country  
with my life.***

***I am an  
American Airman:  
Wingman, leader,  
warrior.  
I will never leave an  
Airman behind,  
I will never falter,  
And I will not fail.***

## Academic accomplishments



Tech. Sgt. Tyson Scholes, left, and Staff Sgt. Amy Koderá recently completed technical training courses with perfect scores March 25. Sergeant Scholes graduated from the electronic principles course in the 332nd Training Squadron and is headed to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, for 16 weeks of training as an avionics attack control system apprentice. He's assigned to the 142nd Fighter Wing, Portland Air National Guard Base, Oregon. Sergeant Koderá, originally from Hilo, Hawaii, is assigned to the command post for the 20th Fighter Wing, Shaw AFB, S.C.



## Sharing leadership insights

Maj. Gen. Alfred Flowers, right, 2nd Air Force commander, spoke to students at the Mathies NCO Academy, Friday.

Photo by Kemberly Groue

## TRAINING AND EDUCATION NOTES

### Pitsenbarger awards

The deadline for spring Community College of the Air Force graduates to apply for the \$400 Pitsenbarger Award is 4 p.m. today.

Applications are available in the education office, Room 224, Sablich Center, or at <http://www.afa.org/aef/aid/pit.asp>.

For more information, call 376-8708 or 8710.

### KSC scholarships

April 10 is the deadline to apply for six scholarships being offered by the Keesler Spouses Club.

High school and home-schooled seniors and spouses in Jackson, Harrison and Hancock

counties who are dependents of Keesler active-duty, Reserve, Guard, retirees, deceased members, and Defense Department civilians are eligible.

Applicants must enter an accredited two-year or four-year college this fall.

Applications are available at high school counselor offices, Keesler Thrift Shop and online at <http://www.keeslerspousesclub.com>.

### Drill downs, parades

The 81st Training Group conducts drill downs and parades on the parade field behind the Levitow Training Support Facility.

**Drill downs** — 8 a.m. April 17; 7 a.m. June 12 and Aug. 7; 8 a.m. Oct. 2.

**Parades** — 9 a.m. Monday and 6 p.m. June 25 and Sept. 17.

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

### Quarterly awards

The 81st Training Group's quarterly awards ceremony is 3:30 p.m. April 20 at Welch Auditorium.

Awards are presented to outstanding military, civilian and training instructor categories.

For more information, call Master Sgts. Peter Anthony, Christopher Mossor, 377-5528.



Sergeant Woodruff



Sergeant Khan



Sergeant Yocum

## Keesler NCOs receive Air Force recognition

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

Three Keesler noncommissioned officers took top honors in the Air Force's A1 Awards Program.

The program incorporates traditional mission support awards and services functional awards.

The Air Force award winners are:

**Tech. Sgt. Jessica Woodruff**, NCO in charge of family readiness for the airman and family readiness center, won the base-level intermediate award. Sergeant Woodruff wrote a grant proposal which secured \$10,000 for deployed family programs from the American Red Cross. She coordinated with seven base agencies to improve post-deployment briefings and orchestrated two Operation Hero events attended by more than 500 military family members. She coordinated 14 events for 400 families of deployed members.

Sergeant Woodruff coordinated Keesler's Hearts from Home Valentine's Day event that created care packages for 240 deployed members and created an Adopt an Airman program to send Christmas parcels to deployed Airmen.

She was a Make A Difference Day team leading 135 volunteers on two Salvation Army projects and partnered with the USO for a holiday event that benefited 1,000 interservice family members

**Tech. Sgt. Ezra Khan**, Airman Leadership School instructor of the year, filled the commandant role during a critical manning shortage and led graduations of three ALS classes. He provided training slots for three geographically separated units, saving \$44,000 in per diem costs. He designed the first ALS class

sponsor program and was instrumental in an Air Education and Training Award for best ALS productivity rate for the second consecutive year.

Sergeant Khan was selected by the chief of enlisted professional military education to author a new communications curriculum and testing strategy for 73 ALS units across the Air Force. He justified the award of \$30,000 disaster recovery funds to open a new enlisted heritage hall, was recognized as the 81st Training Wing's community service award winner and served as a Keesler ambassador during Salute to the Military.

**Staff Sgt. Joshua Yocum**, 81st Communications Squadron, is education and training manager of the year. He deployed for 120 days as test control/education service officer to Ali Al Salem Air Base, Kuwait. He administered 532 career development course and professional military education tests, a 45 percent increase from the previous rotation. He administered more than 500 CLEP/DANTES exams which saved the Air Force more than \$300,000 in tuition assistance.

At Keesler, Sergeant Yocum was the contact person for training base area migration in Air Education and Training Command and managed both the 81st CS and 81st Logistics Readiness Squadron training programs. He served as a self aid/buddy care instructor, taught swimming lessons on base and volunteered for the Air Force's bystander intervention training program.

As an active PTA council member, Sergeant Yocum organized five social and educational functions at Jeff Davis Elementary School.

## IN THE NEWS

### Air Force Assistance Fund report

As of Tuesday, Keesler has pledged \$30,768.25 in this year's Air Force Assistance Fund campaign.

That's more than 41 percent of the base's \$74,281 goal. The AFAF drive ends April 24.

### Today is National Prayer Breakfast

Brig. Gen. Greg Touhill, 81st Training Wing commander, is the guest speaker for the National Prayer Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. today in the Locker House Dragon's Lair.

### No ID cards issued

Identification cards won't be issued Monday through Wednesday while hardware for the Real-Time Automated Personnel Identification System is being replaced.

The Defense Manpower Data Center replaces about one-third of the RAPIDS hardware each year to maintain a viable operating capacity.

### Medical center business office moves

Keesler Medical Center's uniform business office has moved to Room 1A248, next to the medical center's Don Wylie auditorium near the first floor A tower entrance.

The office handles third-party collections, medical services accounts, third party liability, medical billing and reimbursements. Outprocessing personnel must clear the medical center's business office.

For more information, call 376-4356 or 4350

### Edwards pilot killed in F-22 crash

**Air Force News Service**

EDWARDS Air Force Base, Calif. — An Air Force F-22 Raptor crash March 25 claimed the life of a 21-year Air Force veteran and Lockheed Martin test pilot.

David Cooley, 49, of Palmdale, Calif., died when the F-22 he was piloting crashed northeast of the base here. He was a test pilot with Lockheed Martin since 2003 and employed at the 411th Flight Test Squadron at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif.

A board of officers is investigating the accident.

### New discrimination hotline

**Air Force Personnel Center**

The Air Force Discrimination Hotline has a new toll free number — 1-888-231-4058, commercial 210-565-5214 and DSN 665-5214 — that serves all active-duty, Guard, Reserve and civilian Airmen.

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

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

# New system speeds, simplifies PCS inprocessing

## 81st Comptroller Squadron

The days of waiting weeks to complete a permanent change of station in-processing voucher for active duty-Air Force members will soon become a thing of the past.

The Permanent Change of Station In-Processing System — PIPS for short — comes to Keesler April 27.

PIPS offers a secure, paperless way to submit PCS related financial documents with automated assistance to the member. This process is accomplished using a step-by-step guide by presenting an interactive interview session that explains PCS entitlements based on information provided by the member who is in-processing.

PIPS can be accessed via a secure Web site application, eFinance, using a common access card and personal identification number. Once a user navigates to the PIPS site, the system uses easy-to-understand question-and-answer sessions to take the member through the process of PCS travel from start to finish.

“The step-by-step ‘wizard’ technology makes it virtually impossible to overlook even the smallest detail when completing a

PCS voucher,” said Maj. Bob Paleo, 81st Comptroller Squadron commander.

When member start using PIPS, they’re asked whether they are PCSing to an overseas location or within the continental U.S. PIPS uses this response to present a briefing containing the correct information based on where they’re going. Included in this briefing are links to entitlements, rates payable, and frequently-asked questions related to the PCS move.

The information includes:

**Travel** entitlements, including mileage, per diem and dislocation allowance.

**Basic** allowance for housing

**Temporary** lodging expense

**Family** separation allowance

**Enlisted** meal deductions

**Advance** military pay

**Advance** BAH

**Cost** of living allowance

Outside the continental U.S.:

**Temporary** lodging allowance

**Overseas** housing allowance

**Hardship** duty pay - location

**Imminent** danger pay

**Combat** zone tax exclusion

PIPS also has a briefing area where the local financial services office can include a tailored briefing or provide information specif-

ic to its location for the member to review. The FSO can supply base-specific contact information, hours of operation or other information that customers may need.

For members arriving at their new duty station, PIPS automates and standardize the documentation portion of the financial services in-processing briefing. By using PIPS, members are able to initiate and complete their financial services in-processing from anywhere in the world using a CAC-enabled computer.

Active-duty personnel can view a demonstration video of PIPS by logging on to <https://www.my.af.mil/gcss-af/USAF/ep/globalTab.do?channelPageId=-1073755560>. The video is found under the “spotlight” section of the Web site.

“Air Force finance understands that a PCS can be a confusing period in a military career,” said Major Paleo. “That’s why this new initiative focuses on the need for a user-friendly information exchange.”

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Robert Carter, base finance officer, 376-8189.

Airman 1st Class David Salanitri, Keesler News editor, contributed to this report.



Air Force News Service illustration by Bob Goode

## Air Force creates Information Protection Directorate

By Shadi May

### Air Force Information Protection Directorate

WASHINGTON — As security forces Airmen continue to transform into a combat-focused, globally deployable force, they’ll transfer responsibility for information protection to a newly established organization, the Information Protection Directorate at Headquarters Air Force.

The directorate emerged from Air Force officials’ recognition of the need for a single entity to report information protection matters to the Air Force’s senior security official, the administrative assistant to the secretary of the Air Force.

New directorate officials will develop Air Force-wide information protection policy, build a professional civilian workforce that is credentialed and work closely with major commands to build offices at both the major command headquarters and installation levels.

The directorate’s main focus is on Air Force’s information, personnel and industrial security programs.

“Our mission is to develop and implement security policy, provide oversight and develop a converged, enterprise approach across the Air Force to provide guidelines on how to protect information from cradle to grave,” said Daniel McGarvey, its director. “We’re here as the Air Force’s facilitator to orchestrate this coordinated policy development across multiple functional areas to ensure the protection of information for the Air Force.”

Directorate members concentrates on creating the infrastructure, policy and training necessary to ensure commanders at all levels are informed as to how their organizations are performing on all aspects of information protection and that their organizations have all the enablers to ensure mission success.

“Before one can affect change, the right structure must exist to apply the change,” Mr. McGarvey said. “Our mission is to provide every echelon with that structure. The effects may not be immediately obvious, but eventually, it will affect everyone. Information, personnel, and industrial

security programs are in transition to become the core of the information protection program, and we’re on the verge of restructure across the Air Force. It is complete at the Headquarters Air Force level, and restructure at all levels, from the major commands to base levels, is imminent.”

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz signed a memorandum directing all major commands, as well as wings, to establish an information protection office and staff by last December. The offices assume duties related to information, personnel and industrial security programs. At each level, the office will report directly to its respective wing or MAJCOM vice commander.

The 81st Training Wing’s information protection office is located in Room 246, Levitow Training Support Facility. Scott Buono is chief of information protection, and Tech. Sgts. Christopher Bowling and Lucas Applewhite and Staff Sgt. Wesenia Pena are on the staff.

Susan Griggs, Keesler News staff, contributed to this report.

## Air show,

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For people without regular base access, there’s free designated parking near the Oak Park Gate and the Meadows Drive Gate. Visitors are directed by uniformed personnel and local law enforcement officials. Shuttle buses run back and forth from the parking areas to the air show site.

Keesler’s annual Child Pride Day is being held Saturday in conjunction with the air show, with games, activities, arts and crafts, displays, military children’s art show and inflatable jumpers.

Other vendors and exhibits, including the Budweiser Clydesdales, are featured during the weekend.

## Involuntary NCO retraining

### 81st Force Support Squadron

Air Force officials have announced Phase II of the fiscal 2009 noncommissioned officer retraining program for retraining from Air Force Specialty Codes with overages to AFSCs with NCO shortage. This involuntary phase began Wednesday and runs through May 31.

For more information and a list of the affected AFSCs, visit the military personnel section or call 376-8739.

## 2009 selection boards

**May 18-22, Sept. 21-25** — special selection boards.

**June 8** — lieutenant colonel and major BSC/NC.

**July 13-24** — senior noncommissioned officer supplemental.

**Aug. 17-28** — command screening.

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

**Oct. 13-26** — chief master sergeant evaluation.

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

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

## Total Force Service Center

### Air Force Personnel Center

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Members of the total force now have one central phone number for personnel questions.

Air Force members can call the Total Force Service Center, 1-800-525-0102, to reach a customer service counselor to discuss issues ranging from retraining, promotions and identification cards to leave, retirements and civilian benefits.

When calling from outside the U.S., dial the toll-free AT&T direct access number for the country they are located, then dial 1-800-525-0102. Direct access numbers are found at [http://www.business.att.com/bt/dial\\_guide.jsp](http://www.business.att.com/bt/dial_guide.jsp).

There's no change for individuals with hearing impairments. They can still reach the civilian Benefits and Entitlements Service Team and AFPC's Personnel Systems Operations Control Center and ask employment questions, by calling the Telephone Device for the Deaf number, 1-800-382-0893 or 1-210-565-2276.

For answers to many personnel questions, log on to <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil> or <http://www.arpc.afrc.af.mil>.

## Medical appointments

People needing appointments at Keesler Medical Center can book them online instead of calling the central appointment desk.

Log on to <http://www.tricareonline.com> and click on "My Health" to complete registration. Common access card holders may use their cards and personal identification numbers, while others must set up a username and password.

The site allows users to book urgent and non-urgent appointments based on their needs.

Appointments are automatically booked with the individual's primary care manager. If the PCM is unavailable, the user is given the option to make the appointment with another provider in the same clinic.

All active-duty members should register themselves at the online site when they arrive at Keesler.

Family members must be registered separately.

For more information, call 376-3101.

### Air Force Personnel Center

RANDOLPH Air Force Base, Texas — Successful career progression for Airmen requires hard work, planning, dedication — and an accurate personnel record.

Of all the actions Airmen can take to affect their chances for promotion and professional development, the most important is ensuring their personal information is correct. Missing or inaccurate information, such as enlisted or officer performance reports, decorations, awards and citations, can affect promotion scores and developmental team vectors for senior airmen through general officers.

Anyone can check and correct their records online through the virtual military personnel flight or a call to the Total Force Service Center, 1-800-525-0102.

"Every Airmen should make it a priority to review his or her record on a routine basis and prior to any board where the record may be reviewed," said Maj. Gen. K.C. McClain, Air Force Personnel Center commander.

Airmen receive e-mail notifications around their birthday each year advising them to review their electronic personnel records maintained within the Military Personnel Data System.

To complete a records review, log in to vMPF, read through all records and print a hard copy for personal safekeeping. If errors are discovered, Airmen can often make needed changes to the record in vMPF, where update links are provided. For errors not correctable online, the Total Force Service Center is avail-

able 24/7 for assistance.

The electronic version of a member's record is printed and maintained at the Selection Board Secretariat at the Air Force Personnel Center. Officer Selection Records or Senior Noncommissioned Officer Selection Record are kept for promotion and evaluation boards.

"While the Selection Board Secretariat will do its best to ensure your records are complete and accurate, your personal involvement and due diligence are the key to getting corrections made to a record prior to a promotion or evaluation board," said Lt. Col. Robin McKinley, Selection Board Secretariat operations chief.

"We also recommend officers and senior NCOs, as a minimum, request a copy of their selection record prior to their promotion or evaluation board to ensure all necessary documents are filed and all information is correct," Colonel McKinley added.

Requesting a copy of your record can be done several ways. Air Force Instruction 36-3003 allows members to request a permissive temporary duty to view the hard copy of their records. If unable to go permissive TDY, call DSN 665-2371 for a records review via phone. To obtain a copy of your record, you may fax a signed request with your name, Social Security number and signature, to DSN 665-2421. You may also request an e-copy by sending a digitally-signed e-mail request to [records.review@randolph.af.mil](mailto:records.review@randolph.af.mil).

For more information, visit the 81st Force Support Squadron or call 1-800-525-0102.

To  
report  
sexual  
assaults  
at  
Keesler,  
call  
377-7278.

## DRAGON OF THE WEEK

**Name** — Senior Airman Richard Contreras

**Unit** — 81st Inpatient Operations Squadron

**Position** — command support staff

**Time in the Air Force** — five years

**Time at Keesler** — one year

**Hometown** — Orlando, Fla., by way of Queens, N.Y.

**Why did you join the Air Force?** — for a better life

**What are your short- and long-term goals** — short-term, complete Community College of the Air Force degree; long-term, finish business management degree and start my own business

**What's your favorite quote?** — "The dictionary is the only place where suc-



Photo by Steve Pivnick

cess comes before work."

**What are your hobbies?** anything involving basket-

ball and producing music in the recording studio of my house.

## DIAMOND NOTES

Be tough. Get out from behind your desk.

Search out the problems.

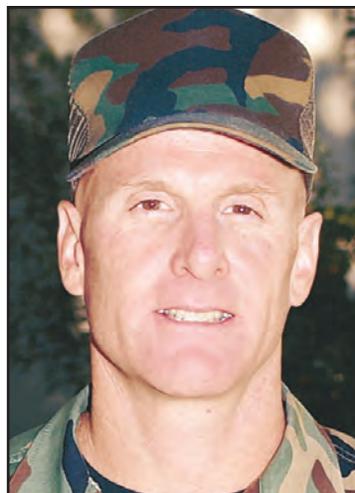
Find the critical path to success. Be sensitive.

Do not take things for granted.

Do not alibi. Do not procrastinate.

Do not tolerate incompetence. Be honest.

Any questions?



Master Sgt. Gerald Cross, 335th Training Squadron first sergeant

## MEMORABLE MOMENTS



**April-June 1946**

The War Department deactivated all Army Air Forces airplane mechanics schools except for Keesler.

# Pay incentives help military prevent nursing shortage

By Sara Moore

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Army, Navy and Air Force nurse corps members are highly trained, capable and critical to the wartime mission of each service, leaders told a congressional committee March 18.

The Senate Appropriations Committee's defense subcommittee heard testimony from the services' nursing chiefs, and each reported a healthy force that plays a vital role in maintaining the health of America's servicemembers and saves lives on the battlefield.

Despite a nationwide nursing shortage, all three services have had success in recruiting and retaining nurses, leaders said. New incentive and training programs will help boost those numbers even further, they noted.

The Air Force has had success in recruiting nurses, particularly novice nurses, Maj. Gen. Kimberly Siniscalchi, chief of the Air Force nurse corps, told the committee. Accession bonuses, loan repayment programs, scholarships and incentive special pay programs will help the Air Force continue its recruiting success and boost retention, where it has been lacking.

"The key to successful peacetime and wartime nursing operations is a robust nursing force, a force with the right numbers, right experience and the right skills," General Siniscalchi said. "Recruiting experienced nurses continues to be a significant challenge."

The active-duty Navy nurse corps is staffed at 96 percent and made its accession goal for the third year in a row, according to Rear Adm. Christine Bruzek-Kohler, director of the Navy nurse corps. The Reserve component met 107 percent of its recruiting goal in 2008, but deficits from the three previous years have led to challenges filling junior officer billets.

After establishing a brigade in 2007 to focus on recruiting nurses, the Army last year exceeded its goal for active-duty nurses by 147 percent, said Maj. Gen. Patricia Horoho, chief of the Army nurse corps.

Rear Adm. Christine Bruzek-Kohler, director of the Navy nurse corps, and Maj. Gen. Patricia Horoho, chief of the Army nurse corps, also praised their nurses' performance during deployments.

Admiral Bruzek-Kohler noted the many Navy nurses she has spoken to after they return from deployments talked about how positive their experiences were and express a desire to go back.

"A maturity, sense of personal fulfillment and confidence of having done something that their peers have not done is readily identifiable among my nurses returning from these unique deployments," she said.

The Army deploys 400 to 500 nurses a year,



Photo by Steve Pivnick

**Capt. Victor Ngujo, a nurse with the 81st Inpatient Operations Squadron's medical inpatient unit at Keesler Medical Center, infuses antibiotics for a patient.**

so maintaining a robust force focused on specialties like emergency care and intensive care unit skills is important, General Horoho said.

Through their many deployment experiences, Army nurses have been able to apply lessons learned and improve services, General Horoho said. She cited the example of flight nurses who have decreased the incidents of hypothermia among medical evacuation patients from 20 percent to fewer than 5 percent.

General Siniscalchi recalled several stories of heroics by Air Force nurses, including one who treated a colleague's son and was able to let him speak to his father on the phone before undergoing surgery, and the delivery of the first Afghan baby at Craig Joint Theater Hospital in Bagram, Afghanistan.

"Our warriors and their families deserve the best possible care we can provide," she said. "It is the nurses' touch, compassion and care that often wills a patient to recovery or softens the transition from life to death. There has never been a better time to be a member of this great Air Force nursing team."



## April 15 deadline to collect refunds for '05 tax returns

### Base tax office

The Internal Revenue Service has \$1.3 billion for people who haven't filed a 2005 federal tax return.

In cases where a tax return wasn't filed, the law provides most taxpayers with a three-year window of opportunity for claiming their refund.

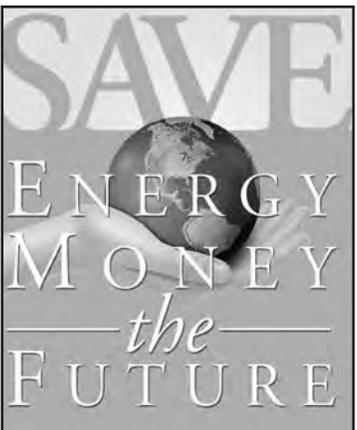
If no return is filed to claim the refund within three years, the money becomes property of the U.S. Treasury. For 2005 returns, the window closes on April 15, 2009. The law requires that the return be properly addressed, postmarked and mailed by that date.

There is no penalty assessed by the IRS for filing a late return qualifying for a refund.

The Keesler Tax Office can assist military members, retirees and other Defense Department identification card holders with current or prior year tax returns.

Walk-ins are taken during regular hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and working Fridays.

For an appointment, call 376-8141.





For a list of  
Air Force  
Assistance  
Fund  
unit  
representatives,  
see Digest,  
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## Long may they wave



Photo by Kemberly Groue

Airman 1st Class Larico Brownlee, 81st Logistics Readiness Squadron, hangs the Arkansas state flag along the Larcher Avenue of Flags March 24. He was assisting members of Keesler 5/6 in replacing all state flags, a twice-yearly undertaking.

## Holy Week services planned

The Keesler Chapel has announced its Holy Week worship schedule.

### Catholic

All services are held at the Triangle Chapel.

**Sunday** — 9 a.m., Palm Sunday Mass.

**April 9** — 5:30 p.m., Holy Thursday Mass.

**April 10** — noon, Good Friday service.

**April 11** — 8 p.m., Easter Vigil Mass.

**April 12** — 9 a.m., Easter Mass.

### Protestant

**April 12** — 6:30 a.m., Sunrise Service, marina park



(inclement weather moves service to Triangle Chapel); 8:30 p.m., traditional service, Larcher Chapel; 10:30 a.m., contemporary service, Triangle Chapel; noon, gospel service, Triangle Chapel; 2 p.m., Latter-Day Saints, Triangle Chapel.

### Jewish

Passover is April 9-16. For more information on services, call Master Sgt. Michael Raff, 377-5235 or 273-2226.

# Don't risk your future with problem gambling

By Paula Tracy

81st Medical Operations Squadron

The economy is really taking a beating — every day there are more job cuts, businesses folding and foreclosures. It's stressful, particularly since there's no end in sight.

It's important that we find effective ways to recharge our batteries. For some, casinos represent that opportunity: a chance to socialize, relax and pleasantly pass an evening. For many people, that doesn't pose a problem — they know when to stop, and more importantly, they do stop. Some gamblers aren't so fortunate.

The National Council on Problem Gambling estimates that 1 percent of the population are pathological gamblers, and another 2-3 percent problem gamblers. What does that mean? How can we recognize if it is becoming detrimental to us?

Gambling is regarded as a "hidden addiction," meaning that the signs of a problem often go unnoticed until the gambler is in way over his or her head. Fortunately, screening tools exist to help us identify potential problems before it is too late. Consider the following:

- Have you gambled until your last dollar is gone?
- Have you borrowed money to finance gambling?



- Have you often gambled longer than you had planned?
- Have you lied about your gambling to friends or family?
- Have you used your income or savings to gamble while letting bills go unpaid?
- Have you made repeated attempts to stop gambling?
- Have you broken the law or considered breaking the law to get money to gamble?
- Have you felt depressed or suicidal because of your gambling losses?
- Have you been remorseful after gambling?
- Have you gambled to try to get money to meet your financial obligations?

If you or someone you know can answer "yes" to any of these questions, consider seeking assistance from a professional specifically trained in gambling issues. It's critical to understand that problem gambling doesn't represent weak moral character, nor is it "just a bad habit."

Gambling has become a problem when it begins to disrupt the stability or quality of one's life. It can cause the gambler to lose a great deal more than just money; health, career, spouse, children and future security can all be forfeited if gambling can't be controlled. Some turn to criminal activity such as fraud, extortion or theft to finance a growing compulsion. Additionally, 76 percent of pathological gamblers have been found to suffer from a major depressive disorder, which greatly increases the risk of suicide, according to the NCPG.

Families of problem gamblers suffer, as well. There's a greater likelihood of child abuse or neglect, marital breakdown, domestic violence, financial problems and substance abuse.

Many resources exist to provide support, treatment, education and hope. For help, call the National Council on Problem Gambling, 1-800-522-4700 or the Mississippi Gamblers Anonymous hotline, 1-228-864-0442.

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

## **Base, community hold observance for Crime Victims Rights Week**

Keesler's sexual assault prevention and response program team joins victim assistance specialists from the Seabee Base, Mississippi and Federal Bureaus of Investigation and the Gulf Coast Women's Center for Non-violence for a National Crime Victims Rights Week observance, 1 p.m. April 27 in front of the federal courthouse in Gulfport.

Liz Waters, Keesler's sexual assault response coordinator, noted that the week from April 26 to May 2 marks the adoption of the Victims of Crime Act in 1984 which has improved legal rights, protections and services for victims of violent crime.

For details on the April 27 observance, call 868-4150.

# KEESLER NOTES

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## Housing office closed

The housing office, Room 118, Sablich Center, is closed 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. today for an official function.

## Easter in the Park

Easter in the Park is April 11 in marina park.

A 9 a.m. parade with the Easter Bunny is followed by a 10 a.m. egg hunt with four age groups — 4 years and younger, 5-8 and 9-12. More than 5,000 eggs are being hidden and prizes are featured for each age group.

The event is sponsored by Keesler Federal Credit Union.

For more information, call 377-3160.

## Commissary closed

The commissary is closed April 12 for Easter.

## Play group

A children's playgroup for ages 5 and younger meets 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesdays at the youth center.

For more information, call Andi Hunter, 313-9822.

## Travel clinic

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

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

For more information, call 376-3550.

## Root canal treatment

The endodontics department at the Keesler Dental Clinic is seeking patients that require root canal treatment.

All authorized beneficiaries including military retirees and dependents of active duty and retired are eligible for care.

Patients accepted for treatment are treated by either the endodontic specialty program residents or the residents in the general dentistry program.

Referral from a dentist for root canal treatment is required.

For more information, call 376-5227

# SPORTS AND RECREATION



## Volleyball action heats up

By Susan Griggs

Keesler News staff

As of March 26, the 81st Dental Squadron has the early season lead in the eight-member intramural volleyball league.

The 81st DS is 2-0, with victories last week against the 333rd Training Squadron and 81st Training Support Squadron.

The other two undefeated teams, the 334th TRS and 81st Logistics Readiness Squadron, had only played one match.

The 81st Training Support Squadron is 2-1, the 338th TRS is 1-1, the 333rd TRS and 81st LRS-B both lost the one match they've played.

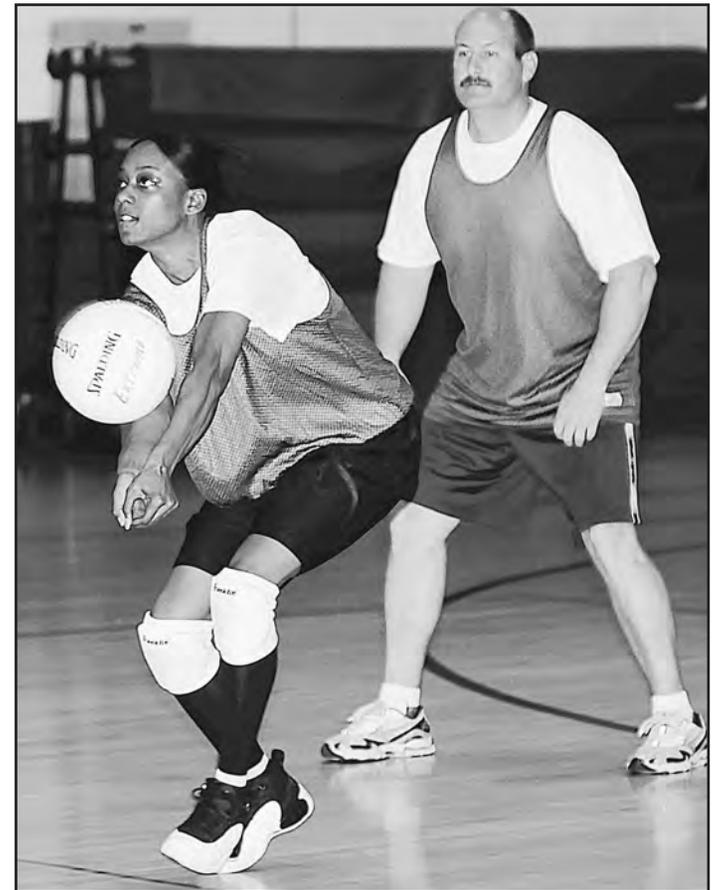
The 81st Force Support Squadron is still looking for its first win after three contests.

For standings, scores and schedules, see Page 20.

**Left, Jason Cunningham returns a shot for the 338th TRS during a March 25 game against the 81st FSS.**

**Right, Kéasha Williams, 81st FSS, bumps the ball during the game, with backup from Eric Gibson. The 338th TRS took the match, 2-0.**

Photos by Kemberly Groue



# SCORES AND MORE

## Bowling

### Monday Night Budweiser

(as of March 23)

Team	Won	Lost
New Meat	123	52
Perry's Refrigeration	122	53
Hit 9 Get 9	105	70
DOG Squad	101	74
Robbie's Rejects	98	77
Wrong Foot Forward	94	81
Man On!	94	81
All Screwed Up	89	86
Pot Luck	89	86
Slater's Shooters	87	88
Ricky's Rookies	86.5	88.5
403rd Strykers	84.5	90.5
Our Gang	84	91
Sandy's Gang	80	95
Martini's	79	96
Hoops Gang	77	98
Why Not	71	104
Team 12	66	109
Team 18	66	109
Unpredictables	54	121

### Tuesday Night Mixed

(as of March 10)

Team	Won	Lost
Mark's Gals	98	54
Peddiattack	84	68
Gutter Dusters	82	70
Lab Rats	68	84
The Dealers	64	88
Vacant	60	92

### Wednesday Night Mixed

(as of March 25)

Team	Won	Lost
Dee's Crew	113	69
Wild Gang	108	74
Any Takers	98	84
Neighbors Plus 1	96.5	85.5
Clyde's Crew	94	88
Ichi Ban	91	91
MUDD	85	97
Team 6	79	103
70s Plus	73	109
Guys and Dolls	72.5	109.5

### Thursday Retired Seniors

(as of March 26)

Team	Won	Lost
Kitty and Kats	113	69
6-Pack	113	69
Team 12	103	79
TBB Express	98	84
Team 16	98	84
Two He's and a She	93	89
Team 14	93	89
CHMATO	92	90
Team 13	90	92
Team 8	89	93
Three's Company	86.5	95.5
Team 5	84	98
2 Kings and A Queen	80	102
Team 11	79	103
3-70s Plus	74	108
Lucky Trio	68.5	113.5

### Friday Night Mixed

(as of March 27)

Team	Won	Lost
Rose and Her Thorns	123	59
Frustrated	108	74
The Strikers	94	88
Mixed Nuts	93	89
Sandbaggers	93	89
Fun Timers	90	92
We Take Ugly	89	93
3 Guys and a Babe	86	96
Lady and the Tramps	85	97
Pin Pals	85	97
Pin Busters	78	104
Beyond Control	68	114

## Other

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

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

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

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

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

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

**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

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

**Certified personal trainers** — on staff at Blake, Dragon and Triangle Fitness Centers; free service.

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

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

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

**Massage appointments** — at

Triangle Fitness Center, call 263-5515.

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

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

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

## Golf

**Intramural league** — letter of intent due April 30. Preliminary coaches meeting, 3 p.m. April 30; coaches meeting 3 p.m. May 7, Vandenberg Community Center. Tentative start date May 12 at Bay Breeze Golf Course. For more information, call 377-2444.

**Youth special** — ages 6-12, accompanied by a parent, play golf free in April.

**Spring break special** — free golf lessons April 13-25. Reservations required. Call 377-3832 or 3827.

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

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

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

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

## Outdoor recreation

**Preregister for swimming lessons** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., April 14-16, Building 6734, marina park. Lessons begin in June.

**Kids fishing rodeo** — 6 a.m. April 25 for children and grandchildren of active duty/retired military and Department of Defense civilians. Categories for boys and girls ages 2-6,

7-11 and 12-15. Fish must be caught from Keesler marina docks. Scales open at noon and close at 3 p.m. Prizes and trophies for each group. For more information, call 377-3160.

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

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

**April fish of the month** — weigh in the largest white trout, take home a \$100 savings bond. Minimum three participants.

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

**Back Bay fishing trip** — \$20 per person. Mississippi fishing license required; minimum six, maximum five people. For date and time, 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.

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

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

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

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

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

**Deep sea fishing trips** — Fridays and Sundays on the Keesler Dolphin II.

\$75 per person includes everything you need to fish. Payment due upon reservation. Minimum 10, maximum 22 people. For reservation, call 377-3160.

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

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

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

**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.

## Softball

**Women's varsity team signup** — for personnel and dependents ages 18 and older. For more information, call Cindy Hayes, 376-8715 or 365-2917.

## Volleyball

(as of March 26)

Team	Won	Lost	Tied
81st DS	2	0	0
81st TRSS	2	1	0
81st LRS-A	1	0	0
334th TRS	1	0	0
338th TRS	1	1	0
333rd TRS	0	1	0
81st LRS-B	0	1	0
81st FSS	0	3	0

**All games at Blake Fitness Center.**

**March 23** — 81st DS over 333rd TRS, 2-1; 81st TRSS over 338th TRS, 2-1; 81st LRS over 81st FSS, 2-0.

**March 25** — 338th TRS over 81st FSS, 2-0; 334th TRS vs. 333rd TRS, rescheduled; 81st DS over 81st TRSS, 2-1.

**Monday** — 6 p.m., 81st FSS vs. 81st TRSS; 7 p.m., 81st LRS-B vs. 334th TRS; 8 p.m., 338th TRS vs. 81st DS.

**Wednesday** — 6 p.m., 81st LRS-A vs. 81st FSS; 7 p.m., 333rd TRS vs. 81st DS; 8 p.m., 334th TRS vs. 338th TRS.

## HONORS

### Student honor roll

#### 332nd Training Squadron

**Electronic principles** — Airmen Basic Kyle Acierto, Joshua Aragon, Max Bachicha, Jonathan Bailey, Anthony Balmer, Alex Berry, Christopher Black, Caleb Bohnsack, Paul Borja, Michael Branch, Thomas Breeden, Remington Burnette, Sean Carnahan, Matthew Carter, Diego Casillas, Andrew Chadbourn, Kevin Collmar, Evan Corzine, Kurtis Cox, Richard Crumley, Anthony Cucchiara, Jimmy Dalzell, Nicholas Deasey, Shawn Diviney, Narvin Dohi, David Domine, Christopher Farrell, Daniel Gaudetta, Timothy Gensure, Eric Gentry, William Graham, Joel Gregory, Kara Harlow, Charles Henderson, Jose Hernandez, Cordero Jackson, Karel Jackson, Eric Joski, Leonard King, Adam Koethe, Samuel Laird, Colin Langston, Brian Lawrence, Albert Lewis, George Lind, Wesley Llanes, Jacob Lober, Sean Lopez, Andrew Luckey, Daniel Ly, Kyle Mercer, Thomas Miller, Regina Mingo, Zachariah Miniea, David Montroy, Dennis Morala, Joshua Newell, Kenneth Noel, Paul Pearson, Daniel Poelking, Marc Porter, Bobby Price, Kyle Puls, Adrian Ramirez, Joshua Reyes, Joshenna Richardson, Eric Robles, Jonathan Ross, Riley Roy, Chad Sebal, Stephen Semple, Miesha Shepard, Matthew Smith, Joshua Snow, Michael Stevenson, Richard Synger, Nicholas Taghon, Cullen Tracy, Abel Tuinei, Isaac Turner, Travis Tyler, Cedric Valdez, Brandon Vance, Richard Velez and Adrian Wilson; Pvt. Matthew Wojtowicz; Airmen Dominick Alfano, Seth Beattie, Kaylee Bledsoe, Adam Bushman, Dante Butler, Tyler Carey, Josef Christman, Truth Clark, Corey Daugherty, Marissa Grace, Nathanael Guy, Matthew Johnson, Sean Johnson, Eric Joice, Aaron Potts, James Schiano, Joshua Shannon, Jared Stevens, Matthew Thelen, Jonathan Thompson, Ryan Thompson and Jared Wineland; Airmen 1st Class Jesse Adams, Kevin Amberson, Kyle Axley, Donald Baker, Norman Basurto, Keith Bohn, Kyle Bradford, Michael Branch, Justin Brooks, David Burgoon, Timothy Carey, Jared Carter, Calixto Cassas, Charrich Charlemagne, Kelvin Ciprian, David Clarkson, Jason Cordell, Nathan Cox, Donald Crawford, Gabriel Cruz-LaFontaine, Natalie Dacunha, Logan Davis, Jonathan Day, Andre Demere, Joseph Dunavant, Thomas Dunlap, Johnathon Edgerton, Nicholas Ervin, Thomas Estes, Darryl Fancher, Jeffery Farmer, Joseph Frantz, Michael Gilmore, Marvin Green, Joseph Guthrie, David Haas, Eric Hagerty, Christopher Halubka, Corey Harrell, Joshua Hatcher, Charles Jamison, Nathan Jessee, Quyntrell Johnson, Jeremy Jolliff, Christopher Joren, Benjamin Kalies, Theodore Kaminski, Nigel Kosnow, Travis Livingston, Steven Lyons, Shantelle Manuel, Richard Melcher, Craig Miller, Zachary Montgomery, Reggie Mooreman, Justin Morgan, Mark Murray, James Myer, Tyler Owens, Gregory Pagan, Ethan Richardson, Antonino Sanchez, Howard Schilling, Jacob Sinovic, Christopher Smith, Douglas Sponsky, Stephen Stenseth, Michael Taunton, Shawn Thompson, Dominique Tran, Jason Uranga, Tyler Vaughn, Kyle Walden, Joshua Watson, Hart Weber, Bryan Whitlock, Diana Wickman, Jonathan Williams, Michael Williams and Daniel Wright; Pfc. John Gordon; Senior Airmen Sara Beale, Kevin Brengle, Ronald Coleman, Ronald Forest, Robert Halloway, Shad Hines, Scott Hirazumi, Horacio Martinez, Jeremy Nagy, Nicholas Neenan, Matthew Place, Taya Schram, Syretta Smith, William Vandermate, Erik Waters, Kory Whitmore and Jeffery Zuercher.

#### 334th TRS

**Air traffic control operations training flight** — Airmen Basic Jessica Blossom, Joseph Fierro, Joseph Garcia, Joshua Grill, Jason Mink, Eric Ormson, Michael Percy, Shane Porter, Daniel Reigert, Thomas Robinson, Blake Shoen, Shontece Wesley, Joshua Wilson and Michael Zinser; Airmen Joanne Enriquez, Nicole McDaniel, Wayne Meade and Manuel Sanchez; Airmen 1st Class Aaric Ballard, Cory Davis, Andrew Groff, Ryan Keany and Karla Maldonado; Staff Sgt. Steven Haro.

**Command post apprentice course** — Airmen Basic Joshua Hebert and Maura Tunney; Airman 1st Class Heather Burge; Senior Airmen Brian Franklin and Timothy Kutz; Staff Sgts. Angelo Brightwell, Adam Crogan, Maggie Kasun, Matthew Lynn, and Shawn Wentz; Tech. Sgts. Robert Allen, Jeffery Benenhaley, Moira Howerton, Richard Kennedy and Christopher Simon; Master Sgts Jeffrey Cummings and Daniel Tracy.

#### 335th TRS

**Comptroller training flight** — Airmen Basic Nancy Ervin, Gina Hayes and Michael Peak; Airmen Kristopher Barrientes and

Julia Fomina; Airmen 1st Class Lanita Collins, Carlos Esguerra, Jesse Hughes, Alfred Lee, Petra Reid, Pete Sanchez, Douglas Vice and April Williams; Senior Airmen Ryan Ferguson, Joshua Krueger and Elisabeth Peshek; Staff Sgts. Russell Carr, Rasheem Cephas, Martin Hanley, Jerry Madriaga, Howard McGriff and Rodney McInnis; Master Sgt. Doris Hagan.

**Weather training flight** — Navy Airmen Recruit Preston Frazier and James Lawson; Airmen Basic Shane Bortz, Ritchie Clemmons, Jesse Hagler, Heather Nehring, Erin O'Connell, Jessica Patton, Steven Phillips, Laura Puffaff, Keith Roger, Codi Travis; Pfc. Mario Morales; Navy Airmen Apprentice Cory Cook, Nathan Rodriguez and Tyler Terrell; Airman Steven Vasko; Navy Airmen Cory Cook and William Lacy; Marine Cpl. Hans Hanner; Airmen 1st Class Michael Avalar, John Commissaris, Will Cross, Douglas Cuff, Jennifer Hampton, Thomas Heath, Matthew Karabinos, Christopher Murdock, Jonathan Steigerwald and Zachary Sura; Senior Airman Chris Dobyne, Amanda Lund and Breeana McDonald; Staff Sgts. Robert Abbott, John Dickson, Travis Geiger, Tyler Iteen, Jeffery Guenin, Jason Ratliff, Johnie Smith and Aaron Stein; Marine Sgt. Scott Newman; Coast Guard Chief William Stewart.

#### 336th TRS

**Communications-computer systems flight** — Airmen Basic Kerry Boner, Sean Hofstadter, Denver Moore and Jordan Moore; Airman Steven Jakus; Airmen 1st Class Michael Anderton, Benjamin Braker, Ryan Brewer, Anthony Clark, Brian Davis, Aaron Graff, Jenna Horton, Chadwick McGuire, Benjamin Paddock, Anna Picken and Joshua Stewart; Senior Airmen Jeremy Kaufmann and Paul San; Staff Sgts. Jonathan Jones, Mario Chavez-Rivas, Joseph Shinaver, Chad Stanley, Jeffrey Whitaker and Harvey Williams; Tech Sgts. Pelayo Llanos-Lopez and Stephen Wall; Master Sgts. Allen Faust, Toby Igo, Michael Nabolts and Scott Russell.

**Communications and information flight** — Airmen Basic Brett Adams, Jason Bartok, Spencer Eades, Grace Enriquez, Joseph Goddard, Nicholas Hoover, Barry Hopkins, Jonathan Howard, Nikki Licuanan, David Linden, Jenna Miller, Justin Munzing, Zackery Nuvy, Jeremy Osinski, Christopher Rushing, Michell'le Terrelonge, Brandon Tyler and Jarrod Villareal; Airmen Noah Blach, Michael Cook and Anthony Wellens; Airmen 1st Class Michael Ashley, Raeann Batz, Ryan Briggs, Jonathan Brown, Michael D'Amico, Jacquelyn DeLauder, Joshua Deville, Reed Esslinger, Brian Haddad, Kyle Harvey, David Hickox, Kellie Hinkle, Lindsay Holt, Christopher Kattner, Meredith Long, Michael Pazarena, William Randall, Kevin Reynolds, Jayme Rodriguez, Angel Sanchez, Daniel Simmons, Stephen Tritten, Aaron Vondeharr, Barry Westmoreland, Jerry Williams and Matthew Zeltman; Senior Airmen Karol Bakowski, Kenneth Butler, Travis Casey, Chrystal

## 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-Jummah congregational prayer, noon Friday.

For more information, call 377-2520 or 0327.

### Latter-Day Saints

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

Gusler, Jeffrey Hicks, Claude Jackson, Joshua Konakowitz, Thomas Melvin, Corey Ross and Wesley Sobczyk; Staff Sgts. Daniel Ball, Charles Clayton, Aaron Copeland, Cameron Davis, Alicia Dunn, Kansas Franks, Charlie Freeman, Thomas Knoll, Nathan Langston, Peter MacMillan, Joseph Michael, Qadir Phillips and Dylan Young; Tech. Sgts. William Hartung, Kevin Hicks, Gerardo Rodriguez and Eric Turner; Master Sgts. Christina Hutchins and Marnie Jewell; Senior Master Sgts. David Robles and Robert Tice; Chief Master Sgt. James Boswell; Sherice Stovall.

#### 338th TRS

**Ground radar** — Airmen Basic Richard Dale and Scott Kababik; Airman Quaye Meisenhelder; Airmen 1st Class Justin McCormick, Daniel Nichols and Alex Parker; Senior Airman Christopher Bartlett.

**Ground radio** — Airmen Basic Neema Borji, Justin Bowden, Patricia Capps, Dylan Crowell, Nathaniel Dykstra, Forrest Edelman, Christofer Floyd, Herman Hoffman, Joseph Kaufmann, Jack Kemp, Hamzah Khan, Joseph Mason, Joshua Miller, Vincent Mosby, Frank Olszynski, Zachary Raak, Ryan Rodriguez, Tyler Starkey and Anthony Thornton; Airmen Ross Odonnell, Jason Stephan and Bruce Wade; Airman 1st Class Zachary Bergsma, Larry Bigner, Ian Daniel, Lori Dentremont, Matthew Grove, Logan Kees, Steven Linscott, Vincent Lowman, Jared Lucci, Julia Massi, Bryan North, Adalys Ramirez, Troy Sanders, John Shirah, Bryan Summy and Elroy Tereyama; Senior Airmen Justin Apple, Kenneth Barbera, Rachel Chamberland, Ryan David and Perry Wilson; Staff Sgts. Patrick McCorkell, Anthony Mutchler and Robert Walker; Tech. Sgts. Eric Lewis, Greg Mihalko and James Moore; Master Sgt. Paul Gunnoe.

## CLASSES

### Airman Leadership School

**Class 09-4** — April 14 -May 21.

### Mathies NCO Academy

**Class 09-3** — graduates today.

**Class 09-4** — April 14 -May 21.

### Airman and family readiness center

**Editor's note: All classes open to anyone with base access. To register or for more information, call 376-8728.**

**Resume writing class** — 9-11 a.m. April 20, Room 108A, Sablich Center. Be prepared to stay for the entire class; bring job announcement or help-wanted advertisement and any performance evaluations or other past employment accomplishments.

**Federal resume writing class** — 2:30-4:30 p.m. April 20, Room 108A, Sablich Center. Bring a complete Federal job announcement, even if that job isn't open at Keesler, and information about job accomplishments.

**College financial aid class** — 3:30-5 p.m. April 21, Room 108A, Sablich Center, presented by Rose Bremerkamp, University of Southern Mississippi, and Searcy Taylor, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

**Veterans Administration home loan guaranty entitlements** — 9-11 a.m. April 23, Room 108A, Sablich Center.

**Smooth Move seminars** — 9-10:30 a.m. April 29, Sablich Center Room 108B. Covers permanent changes of station process, including recent changes. Spouses encouraged to attend.

### Arts and crafts center

**Bob Ross painting** — 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 11 and 25. Wet on wet painting technique on 16x 20-inch canvas. \$65 including all supplies and light refreshments. Class size limited.

**Scrapbooking/card making** — 10:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday and April 18. \$10 including materials.

**Mosaic art** — one class, two sessions, 5:30 p.m. today and April 9. \$15 including all materials.

**Jewelry making** — 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday and April 18. \$30 including materials. Learn wire wrapping and tooling.

**Beginning intarsia woodworking** — 10 a.m. Saturday and April 18. \$15 including materials. Intarsia is the art of piecing wood in a decorative pattern.

**Advanced intarsia woodworking** — 10 a.m. April 11 and 25. \$20 including materials and tool use.

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**Beginning woodworking** — April 15 and 29. \$25 including shop use and materials. Class provides certification for future equipment use. Call for time.

**Beginning framing** — one class, three sessions, 5:30 p.m. April 16, 23 and 30. \$60 per potter. Bring your favorite photograph or art work, no larger than 11x14 inches.

**Thursday crafting** — 5-7:30 p.m. crafting pleasure, painting, pottery, scrapbooking.

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

**Engraving shop** — squadron, office and individual orders are our business.

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

## Auto hobby shop

### Open shop use.

**Vehicle storage lot** — for a secure place to store your vehicle, call 377-3872.

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

**Stalls and lifts** — indoor and outdoor available.

**Collection site** — for privately owned vehicle oil, antifreeze, transmission and brake fluids. No tires or batteries.

**24/7 tire service/air machine** — coin-operated; located at the vacuum station.

## Vehicle resale lot

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

## Chapel

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

**Catholic religious education** — after 9 a.m. Sunday Mass.

**Protestant Sunday School** — 10:30-11:30 a.m. for pre-school, elementary, teens and adults.

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

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

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

## McBride Library

**Story time** — today and April 23. 11 a.m. ages 3-5, 4 p.m. ages 6 and older. Stories, activities and special events.

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

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

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

**Volunteers needed** — dancers, singers, musicians, artists to share their talent with the children during the summer reading program. For more information, call 377-2604.

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

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

**Wireless Internet** — information available at the front desk.

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

**Tours/orientations** — call 377-2604.

**Orientations for teens and older** — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Basic information on Ebsco and Gale Group.

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

# CLUBS AND CENTERS

## Vandenberg Community Center

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

**UBU party** — 8 p.m. April 17 for nonprior service students only. Prizes and giveaways.

**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.

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

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

## Katrina Kantina

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

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

**Tuesday special** — 5 p.m., red beans and rice, \$1 bowl.

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

## Youth center

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

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

**Free basketball clinic** — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 18, ages 5-14.

**Cheerleading instruction** — 1-6 p.m. April 18.

**Free youth career fair** — 1-4 p.m. April 25. Information on a variety of careers, college opportunities, grants and admission requirements. Food, games and giveaways.

**Keystone Club** — 6 p.m. Mondays for teens.

**Teen aviation camp** — applications available now. For more information, call 377-4116.

**Friday night fun** — 6:30-9:30 p.m., ages 6-12. Free skating music and games.

**Youth center action council** — meets monthly. If you're interested in military youth programs and have a child age 6-18, call and join this focus group.

**Military home schoolers** — meet monthly at the youth center. For more information, call 377-4116.

**Classes** — gymnastics, karate, children's theater and guitar; \$50 month. Classes meet Saturday mornings. For more information, call 377-4116.

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

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

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

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

**Shuttle service** — parents interested in a shuttle service for ages 9 and older for Biloxi area schools and base housing to youth center, sign up at the center as soon as possible.

# TRANSITIONS

## Workshops, briefings

**Spring Southern Region Military and Civilian Job Fair** — 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 14, Mississippi Coast Coliseum and Convention Center, Biloxi. More than 100 employers expected. For more information, visit <http://>

**Congressionally-mandated pre-separation briefings** — counseling by airman and family readiness center for active-duty military members of any branch of service who'll receive honorable discharges and no extra transition benefits. Briefings are Tuesdays in Room 111, Sablich Center, 1 p.m. for those who are separating and 2:30 p.m. for those who are retiring. If someone is separating/retiring under special circumstances, they can schedule an appointment by calling 376-8728.

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# DINING HALL MENUS

## Today

**Lunch** — baked chicken, pepper steak, pasta primavera, mashed potatoes, rice, gravy, mixed vegetables, fried okra, green beans, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, pasta fagioli soup, frontier chicken chili, buffalo wings and roast beef sub.

**Dinner** — pork chops with mushroom gravy, braised liver with onions, salmon cakes, rissole potatoes, rice, gravy, broccoli, peas and carrots, corn, fruit salad, potato salad, cream of broccoli soup, pasta fagioli soup, frontier chicken chili, buffalo wings and roast beef subs.

## Friday

**Lunch** — chili macaroni, barbecue chicken, fried catfish, potato wedges, Spanish rice, gravy, fried cabbage, carrots, broccoli, pasta salad, three-bean salad, chicken and wild rice soup, French onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwich and burritos.

**Dinner** — shrimp scampi, beef stew, turkey, egg noodles, rice, gravy, corn on the cob, cauliflower, collard greens, three-bean salad, chicken and wild rice soup, French onion soup, chili, barbecue pork sandwich and burritos.

## Saturday

**Lunch** — baked fish, knockwurst, Chinese five-spice chicken, potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, stir-fry vegetables, baked beans, spinach, fruit salad, kidney bean salad, clam chowder, frontier chicken chili and chicken nuggets.

**Dinner** — baked chicken, Swedish meatballs, creole shrimp, mashed potatoes, rice, gravy, creamed corn, asparagus, steamed squash, fruit salad, kidney bean salad, clam chowder, tomato florentine soup, frontier chicken chili and chicken nuggets.

## Sunday

**Lunch** — stir-fry beef with broccoli, turkey nuggets, orange honey glazed pork, sauteed mushrooms and onions, baked potatoes, rice pilaf, gravy, corn on the cob, green beans, German coleslaw, tomato salad, cheesy chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza

**Dinner** — oven fried fish, spareribs, chicken breast parmesan, macaroni and cheese, O'Brien potatoes, gravy, peas, sweet potatoes, broccoli combo, German coleslaw, tomato salad, chicken tortilla soup, baked potato chowder, chili and cheese pizza

## Monday

**Lunch** — spaghetti with meat sauce, loin strip steak, turkey, baked potatoes, pea and pepper rice, gravy, squash, carrots, broccoli, sauteed mushrooms and onions, macaroni salad, cucumber/onion salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone, chili with beans, grilled sausage and steak and cheese subs.

**Dinner** — beef pot roast, baked stuffed fish, roast pork loin, potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower combo, succotash, green beans, cucumber/onion salad, chicken dumpling soup, minestrone, chili with beans, grilled sausage and steak and cheese subs.

## Tuesday

**Lunch** — country captain chicken, meatloaf, turkey a la king, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, tempura vegetables, mustard greens, okra tomato gumbo, macaroni salad, cottage cheese salad, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, frontier chicken chili, sloppy joes and roast beef subs.

**Dinner** — teriyaki chicken, veal parmesan, baked fish, rice, parsley buttered potatoes, gravy, fried cabbage, succotash, steamed carrots, macaroni salad, cottage cheese salad, beef pot roast soup, vegetable soup, chicken chili, sloppy joes and roast beef subs.

## Wednesday

**Lunch** — fried chicken, cajun baked fish, jalapeno cornbread, barbecue ribs, rice, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn on the cob, okra and tomato gumbo, fried cabbage, cole slaw, garden cottage cheese salad, pasta fagioli soup, chicken tortilla soup, vegetarian chili, cheese fishwich and cheese pizza.

**Dinner** — lemon-herb chicken, pork chalupe, jambalaya, scalloped potatoes, rice, gravy, cauliflower combo, Mexican corn, Mexican coleslaw, broccoli, frijole salad, chicken noodle soup, cream of potato soup, chili, cheese fishwich and pizza.

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**Transition assistance program** — briefings for 2009 are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 13-16, May 11-14, June 8-11, July 13-16, Aug. 10-13, Sept. 14-17, Oct. 19-22, Nov. 16-19 and Dec. 14-17, Room 108A, Sablich Center. For military personnel who are 12 months or less from separation or 24 months or less from retirement, and Department of Defense civilians; spouses welcome. Military members should complete congressionally-mandated pre-separation counseling in advance. Attire is business casual — no uniforms, jeans, shorts or T-shirts. To sign up, call 376-8728.

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

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

## Employment opportunities

**Career focus program for spouses** — information on area employment opportunities, job Web sites, human resources contacts, temporary jobs, on-base listings and free training programs. Computer lab available for resume preparation or job search in Room 108B, Sablich Center. For an appointment, call 376-8728.

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

**Air Force Office of Special Investigations** — senior airmen with less than six years time in service, and staff and technical sergeants with less than 12 years time in service are eligible. Foreign language, computer or technical skills are desired, but not required. Those accepted attend the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Brunswick, Ga. for training in instruction in law, report writing, forensics, interview techniques, firearms and defensive tactics and other subjects related to the challenges of investigative duty. For more information on applying, contact AFOSI Detachment 407, 377-3420.

## Web sites

**Defense Manpower Data Center** — <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/dors> or <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/tbb>.

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

**Air Force Federal Employment Resume and Information** — <http://www.afpcrandolph.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.

**Southern Region Military and Civilian Job Fair** — <http://www.mesc.state.ms.us/jobfair>.

**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](mailto:vince@militaryadvantage.com).

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

**America's Job Bank** — <http://www.ajb.dni.us>.

## TICKETS AND TRIPS

**Editor's note:** Now located in arts and crafts center.

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

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

**Free Disney World tickets** — for information, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.

**Disney special continues** — Salute to Military program continues. Order your tickets now. For more information, call 377-3818.

## MEETINGS

**African-American Heritage Committee** — 3:30 p.m. second Tuesday of the month, Room 109, Taylor Logistics Building. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Yolanda Jerry, 377-2157, or Kurt Higgins, 377-5250.

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

**Air Force Sergeants Association Auxiliary** — 6 p.m. third Tuesday of the month. For more information, call Michelle Foster, 273-4591, or e-mail [auxiliary.president@afsa652.org](mailto: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](mailto:dewi.clark2@keesler.af.mil); Arleen Stewart, 377-2440, or visit <http://www.toastmasters.org>.

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

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

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

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

**Keesler 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](mailto:gmosby1@bellsouth.net), or Charles Bowers, 860-3665.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Movies

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

**Friday** — 6:30 p.m., Friday the 13th (R, 98 minutes).

**Saturday** — 2 p.m., The Pink Panther 2 (PG, 92 minutes); 6:30 p.m., The International (R, 118 minutes).

**Sunday** — 1 p.m., Fired Up (PG-13, 90 minutes).

### AFAF representatives

**Installation project officer** — 2nd Lt. Laura Piranio, 81st Logistics Readiness Squadron, 376-3007.

**Assistant project officers** — 2nd Lts. Dan Nwaelele, 81st Contracting Squadron, 377-1830, and Aileen Koukal, 81st LRS, 376-3007.

**332nd Training Squadron** — Gregory Hunter, 377-1976, and Tech. Sgt. Julie Sargent, 377-1529.

**333rd TRS** — Capt. Joseph Manning, 377-0672, and Master Sgt. Troy Edwards, 377-1919.

**334th TRS** — Staff Sgt. Thomas Crowther, 377-3456, and Capt. Mark Kraemer, 377-9385.

**335th TRS** — Tech. Sgt. Yolanda Heyward, 377-7674, and Staff Sgt. Kenyatta Williams, 377-0337.

**336th TRS** — Tech. Sgt. Felix Rodriguez, 377-4315 or 4167; Senior Airman Cornelio Flores, 377-9349; and Tech. Sgt. James Briney, 377-7723.

**338th TRS** — Staff Sgt. Marcus Palmer, 377-4688, and Tech. Sgt. Kyle Ganey, 377-2337.

**45th Airlift Squadron** — Capt. Jason Eddy, 3775682, and Airman 1st Class Jill Balderas, 377-2577.

**81st Aerospace Medicine Squadron** — 2nd Lt. Kristy Rakes, 376-3218, and Airman 1st Class Harold Tamodong, 376-3211.

**81st Civil Engineer Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Kendell Jones, 861-4964, and Staff Sgt. Christopher Perry, 377-1348.

**81st Communications Squadron** — Senior Master Sgt. Jores Hinojos, 377-8885, and Master Sgt. Anthony Parisi, 377-8058.

**81st Comptroller Squadron** — Staff Sgt. Celestine Russell, 376-8223.

**81st Contracting Squadron** — Senior Airman Alex Potter, 377-1823, and Airman 1st Class Zakk Young, 377-1809.

**81st Dental Squadron** — Master Sgt. Laura Leos, 375-5138, and Staff Sgt. Natasha Carter, 376-5138.

**81st Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Phillip Diroma, 376-3808, and Staff Sgt. Chad Robbins, 375-5056 or 5064.

**81st Force Support Squadron** — Tech. Sgt. Estrada Santiago and Staff Sgt. Thomas Clark, 376-8357.

**81st Inpatient Operations Squadron** — Airman 1st Class Kimberly Delus, 376-3327, and Senior Airman Johann Bermudez, 376-5612.

**81st Medical Group** — Maj. Debra Zinsmeyer, 376-3876; Capt. Robert Curtis, 376-4446, and Senior Master Sgt. Steven Runyon, 3766-5008.

**81st Medical Operations Squadron** — Senior Airman Niguel Pulley, 376-3302.

**81st Medical Support Squadron** — Master Sgt. Mary Sarris, 376-3333; Staff Sgt. Tawnie Miller, 376-3275.

**81st Mission Support Group** — Master Sgt. Jodi Evans, 377-4845.

**81st Security Forces Squadron** — Master Sgt. Steven Jones-Johnson, 376-5677; Tech. Sgt. Jeremy Davis, 376-6649.

**81st Surgical Operations Squadron** — Staff Sgt. Luis Vasquez, 376-0466; Airman 1st Class Adam Hall, 376-6649.

**81st Training Group** — Master Sgt. Stephanie Messer, 377-7367; Master Sgt. Darold Graham, 377-9307.

**81st Training Support Squadron** — Master Sgt. Maurice Quick, 377-1463; Tech. Sgt. Marcus Hosten, 377-5044.

**81st Training Wing staff agencies** — Capt. Jeff Phillips, 376-8125.

**85th Engineering Installation Squadron** — Master Sgt. Trevor Kearns, 377-1127; Tech. Sgt. John Weimer, 377-4997.

**Air Force Office of Special Investigations Detachment 407** — Master Sgt. Roger Applegate, 377-3420.

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**2nd Air Force** — Howard Antoine, 377-1341.

**81st Aerospace Medicine Squadron** — Clinton Anderson, 377-6161.

**81st Comptroller Squadron** — Susie Cagle, 377-8209.

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**81st Force Support Squadron** — Ian Johnson, 376-8362; Matt Stapley, 243-1336.

**81st Logistics Readiness Squadron** — Larico Brownlee, 377-2430.

**81st Medical Operations Squadron** — Shane McDonald, 376-0438; Jacqueline Scott, 376-0438.

**81st Training Group** — Vickie Simants, 377-2108.

**81st Training Support Squadron** — Jerold Strauss, 377-9401.

**81st Training Wing** — Sheila Alexander, 377-2975; John Smith, 376-8123; Wanda Tisdale, 377-4349.

**332nd Training Squadron** — Enrico Fiorentino, 377-0186.

**333rd TRS** — Michael Chappell, 377-0186; Cedric Lynum, 377-1871.

**334th TRS** — Shiree Holder, 377-3456; Deanna Pylant, 377-3275; Erica Stokes, 377-2002.

**335th TRS** — Kerry Bartels, 377-0342; Veronica Bird, 377-0216; Gloria Lewis, 377-0153.

**336th TRS** — Karla Proper, 377-5160.

**338th TRS** — Robert Blaze, 373-3474; Sharon Floyd, 377-2220; Eve Redd, 377-3371.

**Center for Naval Aviation Technical Training Unit** — Kristine Ingle, 377-3080; Jonathan Pickett, 377-0547.

**Keesler Marine Corps Detachment** — 377-1489.

# Dolphin II delivers fun, fishing, relaxation

By Earlene Smith  
81st Force Support Squadron

Ah, it's a beautiful day — a soft breeze is blowing, sunbeams are dancing on the gulf, and the smell of saltwater fills the air. The fish are biting, and all's right with the world.

You left the Keesler marina at 7 a.m. aboard the Dolphin II deep sea fishing boat. The twin diesel engines propelled you through the water and an hour and a half later you were between 30 and 40 miles off shore and ready to fish.

You've never been deep sea fishing before, and you couldn't pass up the great deal. All it cost was \$75 including everything you need to fish — bait, tackle, fishing gear, ice and instructions. You didn't even need a fishing license. All you had to bring was food, beverage, suntan lotion, tennis or deck shoes, a camera (to verify the size of the one that got away) and patience.

This scenario is repeated every nonworking Friday and Sunday when outdoor recreation hosts a minimum of 10 people on an individual sign up tour.

The Dolphin is also available for private fishing charters. Customers pay \$750 for the first 10 people and \$50 for each additional person, with a \$100 deposit required when making the reservation. The cost includes the same amenities offered on the tour.

The captain and mate take up to 22 passengers on a full day of deep sea fishing to the barrier islands, artificial fishing reefs, or oil platforms — wherever the fish are biting.

White trout, red snapper, red fish, grouper, shark, king and Spanish mackerel, cobia and Jack Cravalle are some of the fish you can expect to catch. You can clean and fillet the edible fish yourself, or the crew will do it for you for



Photo by Dave Bowers

**Airman 1st Class Shaun Thompson, 332nd Training Squadron, third from left, and his wife Rebekah, are the first couple to be married aboard the Keesler Dolphin II. Guests for the March 21 ceremony included, left to right, Airman 1st Class Robert Stein, 338th TRS; Martha Thompson, the groom's mother, and Ruth and Dwight Koopmans, the bride's parents.**

an additional fee. Nonedible fish are released immediately.

If you prefer to go deep sea fishing with a smaller group, consider chartering the marina's 25-foot Boston whaler. The cost is \$500 per day for up to six passengers, with a \$100 deposit required. No fishing license is required and all tackle is provided. The whaler is an open boat with no conveniences, so it's suggested customers look at the boat before booking it.

The minimum age is 6 for deep sea fishing on the Dolphin. However, any age is welcome for a picnic trip to Horn Island Saturdays following nonworking Fridays. Enjoy fishing, surf casting, collecting shells and barbecuing. Reservations can be made as much as two months, or as little as 48 hours in advance. You pay \$30 per person, and bring your own tackle, food and beverages. Outdoor recreation provides a barbecue grill, charcoal and ice.

What about an overnight trip for the whole family to Cat Island? You can fish from one of the two skiffs towed by the Dolphin and camp out at night. Bring food and beverages, light tackle and camping

gear — your own or rented from outdoor recreation. If you prefer you can live on the boat which is equipped with air conditioning, showers and bunks. The number of passengers is restricted to eight due to limited onboard sleeping arrangements.

The Boston Whaler can be booked for overnight trips to Cat Island. If you use the whaler, camping out is the only option. Cost for the two day, one night trip includes tents, a cooking stove, cooler with ice and rods and reels. You bring food, beverages and tackle.

The Dolphin can also be chartered for team building and sightseeing cruises, weddings, receptions, proposals, promotion parties or other special occasions. Use your imagination.

Other boats at outdoor recreation include pontoon boats and a 17-foot Palm Beach cruiser which can be rented by the full or half day; and skiffs with outboard motors, canoes and kayaks available for rent by the day, weekend or week.

For more information call 377-3160, or log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>.



Photo by Jim Smith

**Josh Wedin, a technical sergeant in the 81st Communications Squadron who works as the Dolphin's first mate, and Cortney Stone, 13, daughter of Capt. Mike and Michelle Stone, 335th Training Squadron, display a red snapper the Stone family caught on a recent deep sea fishing trip.**

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## 11TH FRAME CAFÉ

**Editor's note:** Located inside Gaudé Lanes Bowling Center, 377-2036. Contractors welcome. Menu is subject to change without notice.

**Breakfast** — now available 6:30-10:30 a.m. Mondays-Fridays.  
**Daily specials \$6.95** — 10:30 a.m. to close Mondays-work Fridays. Different menu daily. Call-in orders accepted 10-11 a.m.  
**Punch card** — pick one up next time you visit. Purchase nine combos or Kingpin daily specials and your tenth is free.

## BAY BREEZE GOLF COURSE

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

**Open play** — come play our new, challenging 18 hole, par 71 course. Call for tee time. For fees list, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on the Bay Breeze link.

**Driving range** — open daily 7 a.m. to dusk. \$2 for a bucket of 40 balls. The yardage markers are accurate from the hitting mats.

**Pro shop** — gloves, golf balls, tees, gift certificates and more.  
**Golf lessons** — \$25 for a half hour of instruction.

**Spring break special** — call for information on free golf lessons April 13-25. Reservations required.

**New daylight saving time twilight special** — 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday pay one price and golf until closing. E1-E4, \$12.; E5-O3, \$20; O4 and up, \$22, and guests, \$22.

**“UBU” nonprior service students special** — \$15 for 18 holes or \$10 for nine holes includes greens fee and cart; \$20 for 18 holes or \$15 for nine holes includes greens fee, cart, and rental clubs.

**Free golf for youth** — Ages 6-12 play golf free any time in April. Must be accompanied by a parent.

**Intramural golf** — for more information, look under Fitness heading.

## DINING FACILITIES

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

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

**Monthly birthday celebration** — 5 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month for all nonprior service students, permanent party enlisted, and Essential Station Messing members. Reservations must be made in advance by the 25th of the previous month; call 377-3854. Personnel collecting Basic Allowance for Subsistence must pay cash and surcharge.

## FITNESS

**Intramural golf** — letter of intent due April 30. Preliminary coaches meeting 3 p.m. April 30; coaches meeting 3 p.m. May 7 at Vandenberg Community Center. League tentative start date is May 12 at Bay Breeze Golf Course with tee times starting at 7 a.m. and every 12 minutes thereafter on Tuesdays.

**Free professional certified personal trainers** — on staff at Blake, Dragon and Triangle Fitness Centers.

**Fit to fight incentive program** — Register at any of the three fitness centers. Log miles throughout the year. Win prizes for 100, 500 and 1,000 miles logged.

**Free fitness classes at Dragon Fitness Center** — for class descriptions and schedule, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on the link for fitness centers, or call 377-2907.

**Computerized fitness assessments and counseling** — by appointment at Dragon Fitness Center, 377-2907 or 377-4409.

**Parent/child fitness room** — at Dragon Fitness Center. Workout equipment. Play area for ages 6 month to 7 years. Children must be supervised at all times.

**Massage therapist now available** — by appointment only at Triangle Fitness Center. To schedule, call 263-5515.

## HELP WANTED

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

**Nonappropriated fund jobs** — apply Mondays-work Fridays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the human resource office, Room 211, Sablich Center. For job openings, log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us>, click on human resource office or call the 24-hour job line, 377-9055.

## INFORMATION, TICKETS AND TOURS

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-3818.

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

**Free Disney World tickets** — stop by, call or log on for more information.

## INNS OF KEESLER

**Editor's note:** For reservations and lodging information, call 377-4900 or 9986. For the mini-mart, call 377-2752.

**Rooms available** — “Space-Available” reservations can be made 24 hours in advance. Rooms offered are visiting airmen's quarters \$23.25 with a queen bed, refrigerator, microwave and shared bathroom; visitor's quarters \$27 with a queen bed, refrigerator, microwave and private bathroom; and temporary lodging facility (TLF) \$41.50 for one and two bedroom family units with full kitchen. Pet TLFs available for an additional \$10 per night.

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

## GAUDÉ LANES BOWLING CENTER

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

**Youth bowling** — any child old enough to throw the bowling ball down the alley is eligible to participate. League meets at 9:30 a.m. Saturdays. Instruction is available.

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Birthday parties** — 1:30-3 p.m. or 3:30-5 p.m. Saturdays. Choose one of three packages, the birthday child is free. Basic party, \$8.95 per child, includes bowling, and food for each child. Mid party, \$11.95 per child, includes bowling, food for each child, table supplies and T-shirt for the birthday child. Premium party, \$15.95 per child, includes bowling, food and games for each child, table supplies and a T-shirt and bowling pin for the birthday child. Reservations are required two weeks in advance.

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

**Plan a fund raiser** — make money for your organization and have fun doing it.

## KATRINA KANTINA

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

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

**Monday madness lunch buffets** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$6 for members, nonmembers add \$2. Lunch specials include dessert and iced tea. Buy nine and your tenth lunch special is free. Monday, lasagna, corn, tossed salad, and garlic bread; April 13, fried and baked chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, salad, and rolls; April 20, red beans and rice, salad, and French bread; April 27, hot wings and fried wings, mac-and-cheese, salad, and rolls.

**Red beans and rice** — 5-7 p.m. Tuesdays, \$1 a bowl.

**Catering** — let our professional assist you with planning weddings, holidays, birthdays, official functions and other special occasions. Club membership is not required.

## LEGENDS CAFÉ

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

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

**Lunch special punch card** — buy nine lunch combos or buffets and your tenth is free.

**Rotisserie chicken** — Tuesdays and Thursdays get a half chicken for \$3.50, or a whole chicken for \$7 (chicken only). Lunch special, \$6 for half chicken or \$10 for whole chicken includes one side item and a roll.

**Lunch buffets** — Wednesdays \$8, call for menu. Work Fridays feature fried catfish, \$9. Buffets include entree, dessert and fountain drink.

## MCBRIDE LIBRARY

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-2181.

**Orientations for teens and older** — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Basic information about how to access, search, locate and save/use information in Ebsco and Gale Group online data bases.

**Story time** — today and April 23. 11 a.m. for ages 3-5, 4 p.m. for ages 6 and older, with stories, activities and special events. Focus today is on moving — new and old friends and new schools. Health will be the theme on April 23 — eating the right foods and avoiding bad snacks.

**Search our online catalog** — to search our huge inventory of books (print and audio), DVDs, CDs, VHS, magazines, periodicals and more, just log on to <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on the link for McBride Library, then the link for our online catalog.

**Overdrive audio online book program** — individual person/family accounts can be set up to allow download/playing of full length audio books on a PC. They work for 10 days. Some can be burned to a CD. Check with the library staff to get an account and instructions to access Overdrive.

**Rosetta stone on-line language learning center** — learn any of 30 foreign languages including Spanish. Check with the staff for information on how to log into an access account on a PC on internet.

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

**Paperback swap** — bring in your used paperbacks and swap one for one. Books must be in good condition and of same genre.

**Large study and meeting rooms** — Two large meeting rooms, two audio rooms and a typing room are available.

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

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

## OUTDOOR RECREATION AND MARINA

**Note:** For more information, call 377-3160.

**Marina slips** — wet slip fees: boats in excess of 32 feet are charged \$3.75 per foot. Boats 32 feet and below are charged \$2.50 per foot. Overnight is \$5.

**Pre-register for swimming lessons** — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 14-16 in Building 6734, marina park. Sessions begin in June.

**Kids fishing rodeo** — April 25 at the marina docks for children and grandchildren of active duty/retired military and DoD civilian personnel. Rod, reel and first cup of bait provided. Fishing begins at 6 a.m. Scales open at noon and close at 3 p.m. Three categories for boys and girls: ages 2-6, 7-11 and 12-15. Fish must be caught from the Keesler marina docks with a rod and reel only and must meet the state legal size requirements. All saltwater fish, except catfish, are eligible. First, second and third place prizes and trophies awarded in each group. Call for more information.

**Trips to Horn Island aboard the Keesler Dolphin** — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays following down Fridays, weather permitting. \$30 per person including a barbecue grill, charcoal and ice. Bring food, drinks, sun screen, and fishing equipment. Minimum 15 passengers. Group rates available.

**Deep sea fishing trips** — nonworking Fridays and Sundays aboard the Keesler Dolphin II. \$75 including everything you need to fish. Bring food, beverages, sun screen, etc. Payment due upon reservation. Minimum 10, maximum 22 people.

**Deep sea fishing charter trips** — aboard the Keesler Dolphin II. \$750 for first 10 people, \$50 for each additional person. No license required. \$100 deposit required upon reservation.

**Sixth annual Cruisin' Keesler** — Sept. 26 in the marina park with cars, trucks, bikes and street rods. Enter your ride. Prizes awarded. Sign up early at outdoor recreation.

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

**“UBU” weekend special** — show your UBU Card and rent a 3500 Trek, seven-speed bike, \$5 for the weekend (Friday-Sunday).

**April special** — receive a 10 percent discount on our No. 1 camping package. Package includes a four-person tent, four sleeping bags, lantern, stove, 48-quart ice chest and a camper's bow saw.

**Back Bay fishing trips** — \$20 per person. Mississippi fishing license required. Minimum four, maximum six participants. Call for date and time.

**Fishing camps in Delacroix, La.** — one of the best places to fish in the South. Rent one of two travel trailers. \$50 per night. Maximum of 4 per trailer. Trailers are ready to occupy, bring linens, cooking utensils and a Louisiana fishing license.

**Fish of the month contest** — largest white trout in April wins a \$100 savings bond. Minimum three participants.

**Retail store** — cold drinks, snacks, fishing equipment, bait, sun screen, Mississippi hunting and fishing licenses, and more.

**Rental campers** — one sleeps six, one sleeps eight. \$50 per day. Tow to your destination. Call for towing requirements.

**Recreational vehicle, boat, trailer storage** — \$20 monthly.

**Paintball course** — reservations only, call to schedule play.

**Disc golf** — distance, fairway, multi-purpose, putt and approach discs available for rent or sale.

**Fam-camp** — park is open 24 hours daily. Office hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. For more information, call 594-0543.

### Child Pride Day

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 4

Child Pride Day 2009

in conjunction with Keesler's Air Show & Open House

Games Fun Activities Arts & Crafts Displays Military Children's Art Show

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### Easter Celebration

April 11 in marina park

9 a.m. Parade with Easter Bunny

10 a.m. Easter egg hunt

Age groups are: 4 and younger, 5-8 and 9-12

More than 5,000 eggs to hunt

Prizes in each age group.

*Bring your camera for pictures with the Easter Bunny.*

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For more information, call 377-3160.

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**To reserve** — log on to <http://www.afvclub.com> or call 1-800-724-9988. Keesler's installation number, 121, is required at time of reservation. No membership, enrollment or annual fees.

## ARTS AND CRAFTS CENTER

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

### Multi-crafts shop

**Editor's note:** Potter's wheels, ceramic molds, air brushing, and tools are available for use in the shop.

**Mosaic art** — one class, two sessions, 5:30 p.m. today and April 9. \$15 including all materials. Learn the basics of working with tile and make a trivet.

**Bob Ross painting** — 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., April 11 and 25. Wet-on-wet painting technique on 16x20-inch canvas. \$65 including all supplies and light refreshments. Class size is limited.

**Scrapbooking/card making** — 10:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday and April 18. \$10 including materials.

**Jewelry making** — 10:30 a.m. to noon April 9 and 23. \$25 including materials. Learn wire wrapping and tooling.

### Frame shop

**Beginning framing** — 12:30-4 p.m. April 17. \$30 per person. Bring your favorite photograph or art work, no larger than 11 inches by 14 inches.

**Custom orders** — Our staff will customize all work according to individual orders. We can also coordinate framing awards with engraving shop accessories. Customized shadow boxes make great retirement gifts

### Auto hobby shop

**Editor's note:** Indoor and outdoor stalls and lifts available. For more information, call 377-3872.

**Collection site** — for privately owned vehicle oil, antifreeze, transmission and brake fluids. No tires or batteries.

**Tire service/air machine** — coin-operated, available 24-7. Located at the vacuum station.

**Vehicle storage lot** — store your vehicle with us when going TDY.

**24-hour coin-operated car care** — vacuum station and car wash featuring foamy brush wash, high pressure rinse, wax, towelettes and Armorall.

### Wood shop

**Editor's note:** Hardwoods and plywood in stock for sale. Stock includes walnut, oak, mahogany, pecan, maple, poplar, cypress and cedar.

**Beginning intarsia** — 10 a.m. Saturday and April 18. \$15 including materials. Intarsia is the art of piecing wood in a decorative pattern.

**Advanced intarsia** — 10 a.m. April 11 and 25. \$20 including materials and tool use.

**Beginning woodworking** — Wednesday and April 15, 22, and 29. \$25 including shop use and materials. This class will certify you to use the equipment in the future.

### Engraving shop

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

**Ready-made gifts to go** — get a décor mug filled with goodies; a variety available for \$10 each.

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

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

**Give parents a break** — 4-10 p.m. April 18. Air Force Aid Society program offers free child care at for Air Force families referred by base helping agencies such as the airman and family readiness center and family advocacy, as well as first sergeants, commanders and chaplains. Certificates must be coordinated through the airman and family readiness center.

## FAMILY CHILD CARE

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

**Child care slots** — available now. Call for assistance in locating a provider; it's like having extended family.

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

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

## RESALE LOT

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

**Buy, sell, trade** — \$10 per month to place your vehicle on the lot, \$20 for recreational vehicles and boats. Registration, proof of ownership and insurance required. Register at the arts and crafts center's multi-craft shop 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays. Must show proof of ownership and insurance.

## VANDENBERG COMMUNITY CENTER

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

**"UBU" house party** — 8 p.m. April 17. Nonprior service students pick up a UBU card, or show your current UBU card, and become eligible for prizes and giveaways. Those joining the Keesler Club become eligible for additional giveaways. You could win a 32-inch Sharp flat screen television. Sponsored by Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Keesler Federal Credit Union.

**Free pool tournaments** — 7 p.m. Mondays 8-ball, Tuesdays 9-ball.

**Free movie night** — each Wednesday. Free popcorn.

**Late night dances** — 6:30-midnight Thursdays before nonworking Fridays, and Fridays and Saturdays. Non prior service students only.

**Birthday dance** — 6:30-midnight April 17. Nonprior service students with April birthdays show identification and enter the dance free.

**Nonprior service students webpage** — visit <http://www.keeslerservices.us> and click on Leon the chameleon for the "UBU" link to Services programs tailored especially for you.

## VETERINARY SERVICES

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

**One-day special low cost spay/neuter clinic** — April 19. Male cats \$10, female cats \$30. Male dogs \$25, female dogs \$30. Preregistration is required. Appointments are limited. Call to schedule and for more information.

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

**Heartworm prevention** — to purchase, pets must have current negative heartworm check and have been seen by the base vet in the past 12 months.

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

**Microchip identification** — \$25. Protect your pet with this tiny microchip injected under the skin.

**Flea and tick control** — Buy one or stock up.

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Editor's note:** For more information, call 377-4116. All children registered in a youth center program receive free membership.

**Give parents a break** — 4-10 p.m. April 18.

**Free basketball clinic** — 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., April 18 for ages 5-14.

**Cheerleading instruction** — 1-6 p.m. April 18.

**Commissioners/coaches needed** — for all youth sports.

**Keystone Club** — 6 p.m. Mondays for teens. Games, snacks and fun.

**Open recreation (free and supervised)** — 3-7 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 3-6 p.m. Fridays, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays for ages 9 and older. Exciting Boys and Girls Club programs including, computer media center, homework assistance, sports and recreation activities. Youths sign themselves in at the front desk.

**Free Friday night fun** — 6:30-9:30 p.m. for ages 6-12. Music, games and supervised activities.

**Military home schoolers** — meet monthly.

**Ride to rec** — if you're interested in a shuttle service for ages 9 and older from Biloxi area schools or base housing to the Youth Center, sign up today.

**Instructional classes** — 9 a.m. to noon Saturdays. Ages 3 and older for gymnastics, karate and children's theater. Guitar for ages 6 and older. All classes are \$50 per month. Call to register.

**Teen aviation camp** — applications available now. Call for more information.

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