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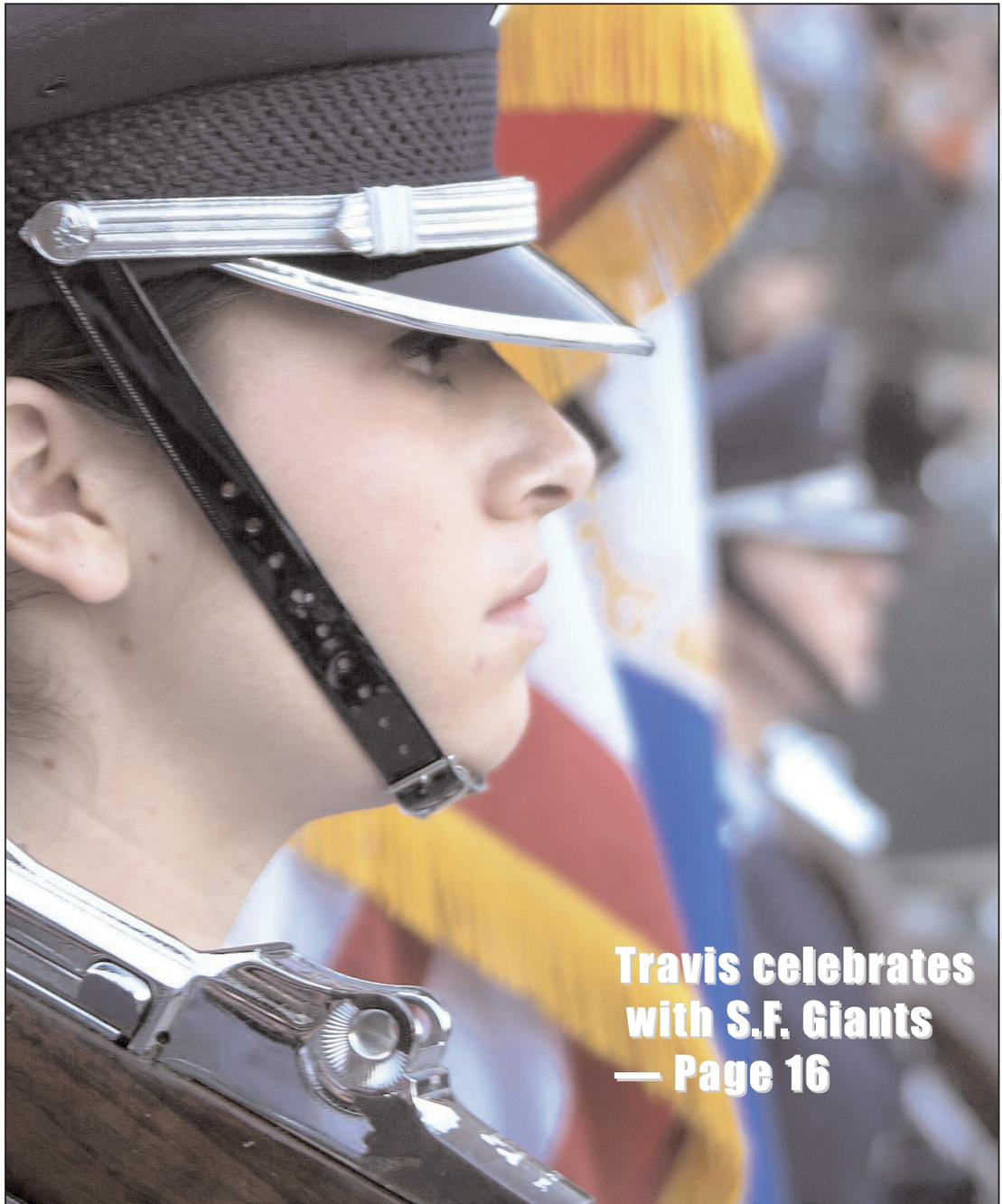
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Travis personnel get a once-in-a-lifetime chance at a recent Oakland A's game.

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# Commander's Corner

## Travis welcomes Secretary of the Air Force

By Brig. Gen. Brad Baker  
60th Air Mobility Wing commander

We're honored to welcome the Secretary of the Air Force, **Dr. James G. Roche** who will visit Travis while he's in Northern California next week.

While here, Dr. Roche will attend our **60th Operations Support Squadron** change of command, to be held on our airfield—arguably one of the Air Force's best flight lines—which is managed by this squadron of highly trained professionals. These dedicated warriors work in air traffic control, weather, intelligence, training, base operations airfield ops, tactics, current operations, aviation resource management, life support, combat crew training to name a few. They do a great job, day in and out, and we're glad the Secretary will have the chance to meet some of them.

This is a chance to recognize those unsung heroes, and join them in saying fond farewell to departing squadron commander **Lt. Col. Joe Herron**, as he departs for Germany. We also welcome **Lt. Col. Richard Murphy** who'll accept command of the squadron, then will have the rare honor of receiving the commander's pin from the Secretary. We sincerely appreciate Dr. Roche taking the time to deliver this distinctive insignia to one of our warriors!

### 101 Days of Summer Safety

As you know, we're well into the 101 days of summer safety, and I'm very proud of you—the Travis team—because there were no DUIs during the month of May.

It has been a top priority of mine to ensure people were aware of the hazards and consequences associated with drinking and driving. I commend commanders and first shirts for taking on this challenge with dedication. In addition, the realistic DUI enactments we've held, and the videos we've shown over our closed circuit channel and at commanders' calls have proven to be effective. However, the most important element is you—and your good judgment.

Despite our success in driving this problem into remission, this is an issue that still needs constant watch, because we are always turning over our work force, bringing in new people, and it never hurts to remind those who've been here a while **"DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE."**

### 60th Medical Group professionals earn top Air Force honors

It is my pleasure to recognize several outstanding, award winning organizations and individuals.

When it comes to delivering the best medical care—the **60th Medical Group** is the best, bar none. To prove this, we have several medical pros who won at the Air Force level, and it is with gratitude that I recognize them for their outstanding serv-



Senior Airman Matthew Bates / 60th AMW Public Affairs

Brig. Gen. Brad Baker welcomes Maj. Gen. Roger Brady, the Air Mobility Command director of operations, to Travis Monday.

ice. **Maj. Renee Carlson**, of the 60th Dental Squadron, won Outstanding Dental Junior Officer; **Capt. Juan Ramirez**, 60th Medical Group earned the Outstanding Company Grade Dietician Officer; **Capt. Amie Daryanani**, 60th Surgical Operations Squadron was selected as Outstanding Company Grade Occupational Therapist and **Senior Airman Jared Muasau** of 60th Diagnostics and Therapeutic Squadron, earned the Chief Master Sgt. Anton Zembrod Award for the Outstanding AF Diagnostic Imaging Airman of the Year.

### Family care is a top priority

My hat's off to the **60th Services Squadron** for earning AMC's Family Child Care Program of the Year for 2002! I can't express strongly enough, how important I feel it is to provide quality care for our children, and our team is doing a marvelous job.

We also are proud of and congratulate **Ms. Brytni Houston**, who was selected by AMC as the **Installation Youth of the Year** for 2003. We commend her parents, **Master Sgt. Rob Houston** and **Chief Master Sgt. Jacquelin Houston**, for doing a great job raising her.

### Travis' Honor Guard builds community ties

It's also my distinct pleasure to recognize Travis' Honor Guard superintendent, **Master Sgt. Laurence Maier**, who was selected as **AMC's Honor Guard representative of Year for 2002**. Sergeant Maier has a weighty responsibility to ensure our Honor Guard represents the world's best air

and space force with sublime "polish and shine" at local events on and off base, and he does a superb job. He will now compete at the Air Force level and we wish him good luck. Well done, Sergeant Maier and many thanks for all you do in our community and for our nation!

Another example of excellence at Travis can be found in the **6th Air Refueling Squadron** boom operator section, for earning Air Mobility Command's Senior Master Sgt. Albert L Evans Award. This was presented to the unit by 15th Air Force Commander, Maj. Gen. John Becker. Thanks also to those air warriors for their dedication and service!

### C-5 crews head to Baghdad

Our hard-charging C-5 crews have been busy taking care of business in Baghdad, flying in during the night using night vision capabilities, to deliver forces and resources on demand.

While many crews are doing a great job, I'd like to acknowledge the first Travis crew to land in the Iraqi city, led by **21st Airlift Squadron C-5 instructor pilot, Maj. Keith Wagner**.

My hat's off to him and his crew, including **1st Lt. Curt Schumacher**, **1st Lt. Nicholas Delcour**, **Tech. Sgt. Dale Jackson**, **Tech. Sgt. John Cross**, **Staff Sgt. Matt Thomas** and **Staff Sgt. Chris Carson**. Good job, one and all!

Well, that about wraps it up for this week. Thanks to the entire Travis team for rising to the occasion, and meeting the mission demands the right way and on time.

God bless the Travis team and God bless America!

## TAILWIND

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### On the Cover



Senior Airman Matthew Bates / 60th AMW Public Affairs

**Airman 1st Class Deedra Sprecco** takes part in opening game ceremonies before a **Giants** baseball game May 31.



**Gen. John Jumper**

## A message from the Air Force Chief of Staff



CHIEF OF STAFF  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON

The men and women of Air Mobility Command performed superbly during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. The world witnessed joint warfighting at its best and the critical role played by well-trained and well-led airmen.

When our nation needed airlift the most, AMC delivered with the historic airdrop of 1000 "Sky Soldiers" from the 173<sup>rd</sup> Airborne Brigade with a 100% mission success rate. Throughout the entire conflict execution was perfect and airmen from AMC made it look easy.

Please relay my sincere appreciation to all the members of your command. May God bless our great Air Force and our great nation!

Sincerely



**JOHN P. JUMPER**  
General, USAF  
Chief of Staff

## AMC celebrates 11 years of rapid, global mobility

**By Gen. John Handy**  
Commander, AMC and Commander, U.S. Transportation Command

To the Men and Women of Air Mobility Command:

On June 1, 1992, elements of the former Military Airlift Command and Strategic Air Command combined to form Air Mobility Command.

Then and now, AMC's mission has been rapid, global mobility and sustainment for our nation's armed forces as the hub for airlift, aeromedical evacuation and air refueling missions.

No other force can match the accomplishments made every day by the men and women who are the heart and soul of this command.

AMC has made history supporting the Global War on Terrorism: the unprecedented high-altitude aerial delivery of 2.4 million

humanitarian daily rations to Afghanistan; the landmark night-time airdrop of 1,000 soldiers behind enemy lines in Northern Iraq; the aeromedical evacuation of well over 5,000 patients; the airlift of over 630,000 troops half way around the world and more than 7,300 tanker missions in our nation's skies to fuel combat air patrols.

America's air mobility team takes flight because of the unwavering patriotism, professionalism, innovation and dedication of all of our members, active duty, Guard, Reserve, defense civilians and contractors. Because of you, AMC proves its mettle time and again, giving our national leaders the rapid, tailored response they need in every situation — across the spectrum of conflict. I am proud of you and your accomplishments every day, and I am humbled to serve you as your commander.



**1992 — 2003**



**Gen. John Handy**

# Travis Summer Bash kicks off ATWIND



Lynn Larsen / Youth Center Photo Club

Two-year-old John Swanson shows off his plastic fish while his 6-year-old brother Jack waits patiently for a bite at the Travis Annual Fishing Derby at the Duck Pond on May 30. This year the Fishing Derby was part of the Summer Bash and ATWIND kick off.



## Cars, kids, food mix for exciting event

By Linda Mann-liames  
60th Services Squadron

This year's Summer Bash was a great hit with children, bikers, families and classic car fanatics.

There was a little of everything on May 31 at the Delta Breeze Club's Enlisted parking lot. Kids cheered on the wood block derby cars as they raced down the slot car track in a blur.

Classic car owners showed off their prized possessions and checked out the competition.

Kids and their dads flew balsa airplanes in the field while a wide variety of bands

kept the audience entertained.

The vendors were very generous, giving out free gifts including water bottles and hats from Orchard Supply Hardware, free tickets to Infineon Raceway from Infineon, gift certificates for a Bloomin' Onion from Outback Steakhouse, balls from USAA, pencils and key chains from the Air Force Recruiting office, and of course planes and wrist bands from the Mitchell Memorial Library.

Ribs, chicken and more was provided by the DBC staff at the Tropic of ATWIND barbecue at the end of the afternoon. All these events were just the

beginning of the AT WIND summer promotion. Check out [www.60thServices.com](http://www.60thServices.com).



Linda Mann-liames / 60th Services Squadron

Malik Mosley, age 7, pretends to ride Staff Sgt. Phil Thomas' 1999 Honda CBR 900 RR motorcycle at the Summer Bash last weekend.

## Travis Fishing Derby Winners Travis Duck Pond, May 30

### 3 to 6 Year Olds

First	Keith Dunton, Jr., 3 years	1.6 lbs
Second	Brielle Distefano, 3 years	1.2 lbs
Third	Kiann Moore, 5 years	1.0 lbs

### 7 to 9 Year Olds

First	Tyler Wilson, 8 years	3.15 lbs
Second	Salina Medina, 8 years	2.7 lbs
Third	Vincent Stround, 9 years	1.6 lbs

### 10 to 12 Year Olds

First	Jamie Rosenberg, 10 years	13.0 lbs
Second	Derek Gramling, 11 years	3.11 lbs
Third	Arthur Martinez, 12 years	3.7 lbs

### 13 to 15 Year Olds

First	James Lewis, 14 years	5.9 lbs
Second	Brandon Hunter, 13 years	2.7 lbs
Third	Andrew McGee, 13 years	1.11 lbs

### Biggest Fish Overall

James Ricks, 12 years	2.13 lbs
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For a complete list of Summer Bash winners, log onto [www.60thServices.com](http://www.60thServices.com).

## Festival brings cajun spice to Father's Day weekend



By Linda Mann-liames  
60th Services Squadron

Each year the small Delta town of Isleton, Calif. opens its streets to over 200,000 visitors on Father's Day weekend. For three days, people from all over come to this old-fashioned town to enjoy the sights, sounds and flavors of the Louisiana Bayou at the Crawdad Festival.

The 18th Annual Isleton Crawdad Festival, sponsored by Budweiser and KUIC, features Creole cooking, arts and crafts, Zydeco, Cajun and Blues music, crawdad races and a carnival for the entire family. Adults also

enjoy wine tasting and shopping at the vendor booths.

And of course, no Crawdad Festival would be complete without authentic Louisiana food: including Jambalaya, gumbo, alligator on a stick and about 22,000 pounds of crawdads.

Compete in the crawdad eating contest or the crawdad races. Notice all the crawdads on hats, shirts, buildings and flyers. It's no wonder Isleton is called Crawdad Town, USA.

But there is more to the festival than shellfish. Besides the crawdads, the authentic Cajun music is the biggest draw to the Crawdad Festival. This year local artists join performers from as far away as Texas and Louisiana to invade the stages and porches of Isleton with their guitars, fiddles and accordions. There are 12 bands performing almost continuously on four stages all three days.

Admission is free, but there is a fee for parking. Regular festival patrons recommend going early as the traffic on Highway 12 out to Isleton can get pret-

ty backed up as the afternoon goes on.

An easy way to beat the traffic and the parking problems is to go to the festival via Outdoor Recreation's bus on June 15. Transportation is only \$12 for adults and \$7 for children. Call 424-0971 or 424-5659 to sign up for the trip.

After gorging on Louisiana-style cooking for two days, festival-goers can run off those extra calories in the 5-mile fun run at 8 a.m. on June 15. The course runs over paved and dirt roads and is open to entrants of all ages. The race begins at the corner of Andrus Circle and Jackson Road and ends at Main Street. Advance registration is only \$16 if post-marked by June 9, and \$20 if after June 10. Race Day registration is from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. Proceeds benefit the Delta Area Schools. All runners will receive a souvenir tank top, trophies will be awarded to the first three places in each age division and a \$25 cash prize will go to the overall male and female winners.

Log onto [www.isletoncoc.org](http://www.isletoncoc.org) for more information.

## Quality-of-life survey results

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The results of the 2002 Chief of Staff Quality-of-Life Survey have been compiled and show an increase in satisfaction with the Air Force as a job and way of life, survey officials said.

The survey, sent to more than 100,000 active-duty airmen and civilian employees in September, included questions about the job, career intent and quality-of-life priorities such as manpower, work environment and compensation, said Shonelle Rivers, chief of the Air Force quality-of-life program at the Pentagon.

Charles Hamilton, chief of the Air Force Personnel Center's survey branch at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, said the 2002 survey shows increased satisfaction, virtually across the board.

"The survey responses were more positive than the 2000 survey," Mr. Hamilton said. "And career intent was up among all demographic groups."

Overall, 90 percent of airmen, including pilots, and 89 percent of civilians believe the Air Force is a good place to work and 81 percent of military and 91 percent of civilians report that their families are supportive of their careers, Miss Rivers said. The responses are each higher than the previous two survey results.

The survey also showed that career intent increased among all groups from previous years, she said. Nearly 75 percent of all officers, 66 percent of the enlisted force and 82 percent of civilians report they will make the Air Force a career. However, a common quality-of-life concern among all groups surveyed was manpower, Mr. Hamilton said.

"Nearly one-half of the people reported they feel there are too few people in the workplace to get the job done, and the majority of military airmen and half of the civilians reported they are performing additional duties," Mr. Hamilton explained.

Survey results indicate officers spend 7.9 hours per week, and enlisted members 8.3 hours per week, on additional duties. Civilians reported spending 3.3 hours per week on additional duties.

In spite of these numbers, the 2002 survey showed a 2.6-hour reduction in the average military workweek from the 2000 survey. Civilians reported a two-hour increase in their workweek.

### Correction to May 30 issue of Tailwind

The bottom left picture on Page 2 was run with the wrong information. It should have read: Captain Craig Babbitt sits with his 5-year-old niece Allison Pereida as she gets "inked" by the 6th Air Refueling Squadron commander's wife Stacey Kilb.

### HOMETOWN NEWS RELEASES

Fill out the Department of Defense Form 2266 and bring it in to the Public Affairs Office in Bldg. 51, Room 232.

# NEWS NOTES

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

## APS change of command

Col. Tracy Hardwick will relinquish command of the 60th Aerial Port Squadron to Lt. Col. Melvin Holland III June 20 at 2 p.m. in Bldg. 977, the Cargo Processing Facility. Uniform of the day for all military members is acceptable. A reception immediately follows the ceremony. For more information, contact Cecilia Manibog 424-4495.

## MSS change of command

Lt. Col. Katherine Hahn will relinquish command of the 60th Mission Support Squadron to Lt. Col. Mark Whinnery June 9 at the auditorium in Bldg. 381. Uniform of the day for all military members is acceptable. A reception immediately follows the ceremony. For more information, contact 2nd Lt. Jason Munro at 424-2880.

## New DMV procedures

The California Department of Motor Vehicles reminds military personnel, whose legal state of residence is outside California, they can take advantage of a program that exempts them from the state's vehicle license fee.

The DMV has recently changed the application procedures and altered the form required to request the exemption, but it can still be used to save non-resident, active-duty service members a substantial amount of money.

As of April 30, a new application form is required. Applicants must now complete a revised Statement of Facts (Form REG 256), which requires branch of service, duty station, unit assigned to, commanding officer's phone number and current state of legal residence.

The revised form can be downloaded from the DMV's Web site at [www.dmv.ca.gov/forms/reg/reg256.htm](http://www.dmv.ca.gov/forms/reg/reg256.htm). In addition to filing out this form, new procedures also call for non-resident military applicants to show an active-duty ID card when requesting the exemption in person.

When a dependent requests the exemption, their sponsor must be on active duty and be listed as one of the registered owners or lessees of the vehicle. Dependents are also required to show their military ID card. The qualifications for receiving exemption from the California

license fee have not changed. Applicants must still be the registered owner of the vehicle, be on active duty, have a state of legal residence outside of California and be stationed in California.

For more information, contact the DMV at 1-800-777-0133.

## Commissary case lot sale

The Travis commissary will hold a case lot sale June 21 and 22 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Prices will be lower than those listed by the manufacturers, providing additional savings over normal commissary prices. For more information, contact Valerie Rogers at 424-5553.

## Scouting programs

Travis Scouting programs are available for boys and girls in grades first through 12th, and are designed to build character while having fun.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Scott Stewart at 424-7525.

## FTAC position open

The 60th Air Mobility Wing is looking for a sharp, highly motivated master sergeant to fill a flight chief position at the First Term Airman Center. The position is a one-year special duty assignment with an option for an additional year of service. This position affords applicants the opportunity to mentor future leaders of the Air Force while assisting with young airmen's transition into life on Travis.

For more information or to schedule an interview, call Staff Sgt. Cari Dodge at 424-5005.



# CRIME STOPPER

TRAVIS SECURITY FORCES ACTIVITY

## May 26

- » Vehicle accident at the Base Exchange
- » Drunk and disorderly person at Bldg. 403
- » False statements and contributing to the delinquency of a minor at Bldg. 1304

## May 27

- » Vehicle accident on Broadway Street
- » Damage to private property in the P-3 parking lot
- » Vehicle accident at Hanger and Ragsdale streets
- » Damage to government property at the Forbes Gate
- » Hit and run at the BX

## May 28

- » Theft of private property on Travis Avenue
- » Theft of private property at the Fitness Center
- » Vehicle accident at Bldg. 791
- » Animal control on Cassidy Street
- » Medical emergency on Maine Street
- » Drunk in public and resisting arrest involving Air Force personnel in Suisun City

## May 29

- » Damage to private property at Bldg. 1331
- » Theft of private property at Bldg. 841
- » Damage to private property at Bldg. 845

## May 30

- » Damage to private property at Bldg. 791
- » Medical emergency at Child Development Center 3
- » Fire caused by juveniles on Vermont Street
- » Air Force personnel assaulted in Vacaville

## May 31

- » Underage drinking
- » Damage to private property at Bldg. 484
- » Damage to government property and a vehicle accident at the Main Gate
- » Animal control (dog picked up) on Illinois Street
- » Animal control (dog picked up) on Illinois Street
- » Vehicle accident, reckless driving and fleeing the scene of an accident on Perimeter Road
- » Drunk and disorderly at Bldg. 1355

## June 1

- » Medical emergency at Bldg. 150
- » Damage to private property (hit and run) at the BX
- » Theft of private property at the Sierra Inn dining facility
- » Suspect apprehended following vehicle accident on May 31
- » Malicious mischief on Vermont Street

### Crime tip

Hit and run vehicle accidents at Travis are unacceptably high. Get the license plate and color of vehicles parked next to you, especially at the BX.

## Commander's Access Channel

Channel 15

### TV LISTINGS



### DUI prevention

At 2 a.m., and 2:30 a.m.,  
8 a.m., 2:06 p.m., 2:35 p.m.  
and 4 p.m.

### Air Force News

At 6:30a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:30  
a.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.,  
4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m.  
and 10:30 p.m.

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# DUI Prevention: Commitment to a plan

## 6th Air Refueling Squadron

He'd just returned home from a deployment — a long one and it felt good to be back. So good in fact, he decided to go out and celebrate with some of his buddies.

Later that night, on his way home from the bar, he swerved

off the road and hit a telephone pole.

This tragic scenario is reenacted over and over throughout America. For many individuals who make the choice to drink and drive, evenings of fun quickly turn into evenings of anguish over wrecking a vehicle, ruining a career, and worse

yet, killing another human being.

Whenever someone drinks and drives, they're running the risk of being a person who has to live with this anguish. They are not only gambling with their own lives, but with the lives of every other individual on the road. Yet, every year,

thousands of people are charged with a DUI. Why? Because no one thinks it can happen to them.

However, the key to DUI prevention is simple: Commit to a plan before having that first drink.

Of course, the best way to avoid becoming a statistic is to avoid drinking — but while this may work for some people, for others it isn't even an option. Still, even those who drink can avoid ever being caught behind the wheel drunk by simply identifying a designated driver before leaving for the night.

In California, in legal terms, "drunk driving" is defined as either having a blood alcohol content of .08 or greater, or as having any amount of alcohol in the body which causes one's physical abilities to be impaired. This determination is made by the arresting officer. Always have a backup plan in case the designated driver does not remain sober. There are many resources available in the event

the designated driver is not safe to drive. These include public transportation, calling a cab, calling friends or family, getting a hotel in the area, or calling a first sergeant or commander. In any case, formulate a backup plan before going out.

There are many excuses which become barriers to having a solid plan. One such excuse is that options such as cabs, public transportation and hotel rooms are expensive. In reality, these are very affordable options with prior planning. More importantly, the cost of hotels and cabs does not compare to the cost of a \$5,000.00 fine, imprisonment or a human life lost.

DUI prevention has become synonymous with mind-numbing statistics about thousands of lives lost, but often these stats fail to uncover the most powerful truth about drinking and driving. DUI prevention is about understanding the consequences of one's choices and actions.



## Rumsfeld: Cut safety mishap rates in half

By Master Sgt. Scott Elliott

Air Force Print News

Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld challenged the military services to cut the number of mishaps by 50 percent in the next two years.

"World-class organizations do not tolerate preventable accidents," Secretary Rumsfeld wrote in a May 19 memorandum to the heads of military departments and defense agencies. The secretary sent the memo in response to recent hikes in Department of Defense mishap rates.

According to DOD safety officials, 82 military members died in aviation accidents in fiscal 2002, an increase of 17 from the previous year. In addition, the number of aircraft destroyed in mishaps rose from 46 in fiscal 2001 to 63 in 2002. Those figures do not include the 182 deaths due to the 2001 terrorist attack on the Pentagon.

Secretary Rumsfeld's directive applies to all DOD agencies and includes active duty, reserve and National Guard military members, both on and off-duty, and all civilian employees. The mishap rate reduction goal applies to all operations of aircraft, weapons, ordnance, motor vehicles, maritime assets and installations.

According to Air Force safety officials, the Air Force has not suffered a space, weapons or explosives Class A mishap since late 2001. Mishaps are defined as Class A if they result in death or permanent total disability, destruction of a DOD aircraft or cause \$1 million or more in damage.

"Our biggest fatality issues are off-duty motor vehicle accidents," said Col. Jeff Blanchette, vice commander of the Air Force Safety Center at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

Despite ongoing safety awareness programs, such as the "101 Critical Days of Summer," airmen are just as susceptible to driving while impaired, while overly fatigued, with a lack of proficiency or while not paying enough attention to the task at hand as other Americans, Colonel Blanchette said.

"We are a cross-section of society," he said. "We have significant societal issues that must be affected."

The Air Force already has several initiatives for alleviating aircraft mishaps, and officials are also looking into training and human behavior modification programs to address the off-duty motor-vehicle accident concern. Colonel Blanchette said shortages in manpower and funding are limiting factors to diminishing both.

According to DOD safety officials, Secretary Rumsfeld's initiative includes applying commercial technologies on high-risk equipment and finding ways to implement "best practices" from both industry and other government agencies into DOD activities.

"These goals are achievable and will directly increase our operational readiness," Secretary Rumsfeld wrote. "We owe no less to the men and women who defend our nation."



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## Easy summer safety tips

60th Civil Engineer Squadron

With the onset of summer in the Travis area, many people here will be rushing out to take full advantage of the warm weather. The Travis Fire Prevention Office wants to remind personnel here to be safe while performing the many activities that make summer fun. Following is a brief guide to keep in mind when out and about during the warmer months.

### Grilling

When it comes to grilling, remember to keep the grill away from other things, including the house and any shrubs or bushes. When using a charcoal grill, use only starter fluid made for barbecue grills. Never use gasoline and never add liquid fuel to reignite or build up a fire. For a gas grill, always keep the valves turned off when it's

not in use and store the gas cylinder outside, away from any buildings. Follow the manufacturer's operating instructions, and if repairs are needed, use a trained professional. No matter which type of grill is being operated, never leave it unattended once it is lit.

### Pool Chemical Safety

Hydrogen chloride pool-care products, particularly liquid and solid chlorine-based oxidizers, can in some instances, spontaneously combust. The chances of spontaneous combustion increases when the chemicals are contaminated by organic materials, such as body fluids, acid rain, or hydrocarbon liquids, such as motor oil. If a fire does occur, the fumes will be toxic. Always follow manufacturer's use and storage directions. Always store chemicals outside, in a dry place and away

from any heat source. If the chemical container is punctured or damaged, dispose of the chemicals properly.

### Gasoline Safety

Store any containers containing gasoline outside — preferably in a locked, detached shed. Keep it up high, inside a clearly marked container that's labeled and approved for gasoline storage. Keep it and all flammable liquids away from any heat source or open flame, including pilot lights. Use gasoline as a motor fuel only, and only keep as much as needed to power any gasoline-fueled equipment. Before fueling, extinguish smoking materials and take the piece of equipment outside into an open area. Wipe up any spills immediately, and move the equipment at least 10 feet from the fueling area before starting it. Before refueling, turn the piece of equipment off and let it cool completely.

### Camping

People should use a flame-retardant tent, and always pitch it away from the camp fire. Inside the tent, use only battery-powered lanterns or flashlights. Do not use liquid-fueled heaters or lanterns inside a tent or any other enclosed space. This is not only a fire hazard, but a carbon monoxide hazard as well. Build campfires downwind of any tents, clearing away all dry vegetation and digging a pit surrounded by rocks. Before retiring for the night or leaving the campsite, pour water on the fire or cover it with dirt. Look for signs in national forests or campgrounds that warn of potential fire hazards and always obey park service rules.

### Boating

Before fueling a boat, extinguish smoking materials and shut off all motors, fans and heating devices. Make sure the fueling nozzle is grounded to the fuel intake. When filling the tank, don't fill it up all the way; leave room for expansion. Wipe up any spills immediately and check the bilge for fuel leaks and odors. Before starting the engine, ventilate with the blower for at least four minutes. If the boat is covered, install a smoke detector and check its battery each time the boat is used and replace the battery at least once a year.

For more information about these or any other fire safety topics, contact the 60th CES fire prevention branch at 424-3683.

## Passing down tradition



Michael "SpiritWalker" Moseley, an Apache Indian from Roswell, N.M., answers questions for a fourth-grade class at Center Elementary School on Travis. The students are studying Native American customs, traditions, crafts, games and foods.

Tech. Sgt. Scott King / 60th AMW Public Affairs



## Split disbursement now mandatory for military travelers

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker  
Air Force Print News

All military travelers must now select the split disbursement option on their travel voucher claims to directly pay their government travel card expenses, according to finance officials.

Split disbursement requires travelers to tally up their GTC expenses and authorize enough funds to be sent automatically to Bank of America to pay off their charges, said Michael Weber, Air Force travel card program manager at the Pentagon. Any remaining travel settlement will still be sent to the traveler's personal account.

"Although this change was mandated by the 2003 National Defense Authorization Act to reduce the number of delinquent travel card accounts, split disbursement really is a win-win for everyone," Mr. Weber said. "It simplifies the payment process for travelers, gets the bank their money more quickly and reduces the number of delinquent accounts."

Nearly half of all Air Force travelers already use split disbursement on a regular basis when

filing their vouchers because it simplifies the process for them, said Mr. Weber.

"Airmen no longer have to wait for their travel money to be credited to their personal accounts before they can mail a check to the bank," he said. "It saves them the cost of a stamp or a trip to a bank branch and gets the money to the bank within two or three days."

By having all travelers pay off their travel card bills automatically, the Air Force should see a decrease in the number of delinquent accounts, he said. This is especially true if a traveler returns from a TDY as a billing cycle is about to turn over, because they can pay off the card before their account becomes 30 days past due.

If a traveler charges more to their GTC than they were authorized, they still must select split disbursement and also reimburse the bank any additional charges, he added.

Although split disbursement is not yet mandatory for civilian employees, Mr. Weber encouraged them to take advantage of its timesaving benefit.

For more information, Air Force travelers can contact their finance office.

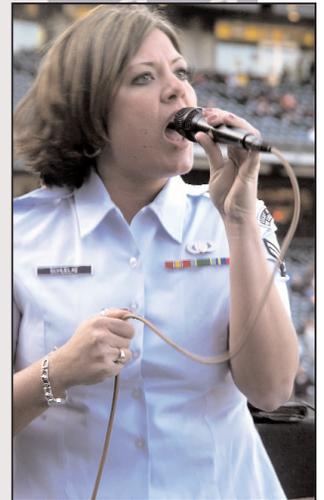
# honoring **Travis**

**Honor Guard, Band of the Golden West  
represent base at Giants baseball game**



Left to right — Travis Honor Guard members Airman 1st Class Deedra Sprecco, Tech. Sgt. Andre Mortan, Staff Sgt. Malik Favors and Staff Sgt. Teresa Gomez wait to participate in the opening game ceremonies at Pacific Bell Park Sunday.

Airman 1st Class Bonnie Schuelke, Galaxy band member, performs a song before a Giants baseball game Sunday.



Staff Sgt. Theo Ramsey, U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West's Galaxy band member, sings for the pre-game crowd at Pacific Bell Stadium Sunday.



Airman 1st Class Deedra Sprecco takes part in opening game ceremonies before a Giants baseball game Sunday.



Left to right — Galaxy band members Airman 1st Classes Josh Holdridge, Bonnie Shuelke, Staff Sgt. Theo Ramsey, Senior Airman Troy Griffin and Staff Sgt. Gary Rosenak perform for the crowd during pre-game ceremonies at Pacific Bell Park Sunday.

Photos by Senior Airman Matthew Bates / 60th AMW Public Affairs



# Foreign attachés visit Travis, local community

**By Capt. Angela Smith**  
60th AMW Public Affairs

The Travis team hosted 31 foreign air attachés May 29 for a hands-on tour of the base and local community. The group was accompanied by Lt. Gen. Joseph Wehrle Jr., U.S. Air Force Assistant Vice Chief of Staff.

The U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff invited members of the international air attaché corps to participate in the 2003 air attaché spring short tour, which took place May 27 to 31.

The tour program is designed to provide the attachés a broad view of military, industrial, cultural and societal aspects of the United States. The program highlights the U.S. Air Force and its culture at several locations.

The group started their journey at Andrews Air Force Base, Md. then stopped in Colorado Springs, Colo. for an in-depth tour of Peterson AFB and to attend the Air Force Academy graduation May 28. The group traveled to Travis aboard a McGuire KC-10 and they observed a mid-air refueling with a Travis KC-10 before landing here.

At Travis, the attachés ate lunch at the Delta Breeze Club, witnessed a C-5 engine running offload and toured facilities such as the aerial port and the isochronal dock. The group got a taste of American culture by touring San

Francisco and taking in a baseball game. They returned to Andrews AFB May 31.

The C-5 ERO was especially rewarding because many of the attachés had never seen a C-5 in action.

"This is truly remarkable," said Col. Emmanuel Okyere, the Defense, Military, Naval and Air Attaché from Ghana. "It shows the United States' placement as a world power. Through global reach, the U.S. can respond to any country's needs."

The C-5 ERO also gave Travis members a chance to demonstrate their professional skills.

"An ERO can take about 30 minutes," said Staff Sgt. Rodney Ramsey, a loadmaster from the 21st Airlift Squadron. "As soon as one vehicle gets off, another vehicle is getting ready to move. The main thing is time."

The C-5 ERO demonstration included the offloading of eight M-series pickup trucks, one M-series five-ton truck and one forklift. EROs are necessary during real-world missions to minimize the time a plane spends on the ground. Ground time may be limited due to lack of parking space or hostile airfields.

The attachés represented 29 nations from the Americas, Africa, Europe, Asia, Australia and the Pacific Islands.



Photos by Nann Wylie / Visual Information

**Left** — Col. Michael Sevier, 60th AMW vice commander, Col. Richard Perraut, the 15th Air Force vice commander and the Travis Honor Guard welcomed 31 foreign attachés to the base May 26.

**Top** — A loadmaster marshals a truck off a C-5 during an Engine Running Offload May 27 for an attaché tour. The 30-minute C-5 ERO demonstration included the offloading of eight M-series pickup trucks, one M-series five-ton truck and one forklift.

## USAF graduates 45th class

### Air Force Print News

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — As parade caps flew and the Thunderbirds soared overhead, the Air Force Academy Class of 2003 added 974 names to the 45th list of academy alumni at graduation ceremonies May 28.

Guest speakers were Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper.

The new Air Force second lieutenants will report to a variety of assignments, including 540 to pilot training and 40 to navigator training. Eighteen will attend medical, nursing or dental school. Thirty-five will enter into space and missile operations, 46 into developmental engineering, 30 into civil engineering, 41 into intelligence, 45 into communications-computers, and 32 into acquisitions. Others will go immediately to other nonrated assignments Air Force-wide.

In addition, six graduates

accepted commissions in other military services. Four went to the Army, one to the Navy and one to the Marine Corps.

The class also boasted 100 distinguished graduates, 62 cadets earning academic distinction, 59 earning military distinction and 62 earning athletic distinction.



## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

### Announcements

#### E-Money

Last weekend, five people won \$100 each from First Command and USAA for signing up for the "e-Snapshot," the 60th Services Squadron's electronic newsletter. More cash and prizes will be given out over the summer, leading up to the Welcome Home Party/ATWIND Family Fun Day Picnic Aug. 15. To be eligible to win e-Money prizes, sign up at [www.60thServices.com](http://www.60thServices.com).

#### School Age Program

The Youth Center is accepting applications for the School Age Program and Open Recreation for children who are currently enrolled in the Youth Center's School Age Program or summer school and kindergarten's currently attending the Child Development Center. Children on the waiting list must update their applications each school year. Call the Youth Center at 424-5392 for more information.

#### Father's Day brunch

There will be two seatings for the Father's Day brunch at the Delta Breeze Club June 15 at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. The brunch will be a all-you-care-to-eat buffet including baron of beef, baked ham, barbecued ribs, shrimp, salmon, salads, fresh breads, champagne and more. Non-members pay \$18.50 for adults and \$8.50 for children ages 6 to 12. Members pay \$12.95 for adults and \$5.95 for children ages 6 to 12. All children 5 and younger are free. Call (888) 322-6084 or 437-3711 for reservations.

#### Library programs

▲ The Mitchell Memorial Library celebrates Flag Day June 13 at 2 p.m. The Travis Honor Guard and the U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West Brass Quartet will participate in the event. The first 100 people at the library will receive a miniature American Flag.

▲ Youth are invited to sign up for the library's summer reading program from June 16 to Aug 15. There will be a pizza party at the end of the program and the first 50 kids in each age group to fulfill the reading requirements will receive a prize. Call 424-3279.

#### Late Night Skate

The Travis Skating Rink will host a Late Night Skate for youth 6 to 13 June 20 from 5 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door and include skate rental, pizza, games, music and races. Call 424-3891 for details.

#### Scholarships

Air Force club members and their dependents can apply for college scholarships at the Delta Breeze Club, Mitchell Memorial Library, Teen Zone, Travis Bowl, Education Center and Family Support Center. The deadline is July 15. Call 437-3711 for details.

#### Services

##### Saturday

▲ Dance to hip-hop, R&B and old school at the DBC's Late Niter from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. in the Gold Rush Lounge. There is a \$6 cover or \$2 member's price, drink specials, dance contests, door prizes and snacks.

##### Sunday

▲ The DBC celebrates Children's Day with a free kids buffet for children 12 and younger whose parent is a club member. Parents and other guests older than 12 dine at the Sunday champagne brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The members price is \$12.95, and non-members pay \$18.50 for adults and \$8.50 for ages 6 to 12.

##### Tuesday

▲ The DBC is holding its weekly club card drawing for a chance to win cash for being there. The Enlisted Club has Cook Your Own Steak Night from 5 to 8 p.m. Call 437-3711 for more information.

##### Wednesday

▲ Bowl unlimited games for \$5 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Travis Bowl. Stop by the Strike Zone for a soda and a chance to win NASCAR and Coke prizes with the Fast Lanes promotion.

##### Thursday

▲ Sign up to go to the Isleton Crowdad Festival on Father's Day with Information, Tickets and Travel. Transportation is \$12 for adults and \$7 for children. Call 424-5659 for details.

### Youth Center's shining talent



Audrey Quillen / Visual Information

Travis Youth Center members sing, dance and show off their talents at the 2003 "See Me Shine" fashion and talent show April 18. The Youth Center is currently accepting applications for the School Age Program. Call 424-5392 for details.

### Family Support

#### Monday

▲ Spouse Employment Orientation is from 9 to 10 a.m. for newly arrived spouses. Topics include employment and career development programs at the Family Support Center. Call 424-2486.

#### Tuesday

▲ The FSC Readiness NCO will conduct deployment briefings at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. for personnel tasked for deployment or TDY. Call 424-2486 for reservations. Those unable to make scheduled briefings, can call to arrange a one-on-one briefing.

▲ Career Portfolio Development is at 8 a.m.

▲ Change Management is from 1 to 4 p.m. Topics include coping skills for career changes, lifestyle changes, relocating to a new base and job changes. Call 424-2486.

#### Wednesday

▲ WIC representatives will be at the FSC from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only. Call 435-2200.

▲ Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens, for ages 11 to 14, is at the FSC from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 424-2486.

#### Thursday

▲ Women, Infants, and Children program representatives will be at the FSC from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only. Call 435-2200.

▲ The FSC Readiness NCO will conduct a deployment briefing at 2 p.m. Call 424-2486 for reservations. Those unable to make scheduled briefings, can call to arrange a one-on-one briefing.

▲ The Financial Planning seminar is from 9 to 11 a.m. at

the FSC. Call 424-2486.

▲ Resume Writing Skills is from 9 a.m. to noon. Topics include effective formats, cover letters and marketing plans. Individual resume review sessions are available.

#### Friday

Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens, for ages 15 to 18, is at the FSC from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 424-2486.

### Family Advocacy

#### Playgroups

Playgroups for parents and their children are held at the Chapel One Annex on First Street. The first Tuesday and Wednesday of each month, the playgroups meet at the Duck Pond for a stroller stroll. During rainy weather they meet at the McDonald's on the second floor of Solano Mall. The Toddlers Playgroup is Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. for children 18 months to 3 years. Tuesdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. is the Time For Us Playgroup, for children 3 to 5. Thursdays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. is the Rattles to Raspberries Playgroup, for infants up to 18 months old. Registration is not necessary. Call 423-5168.

#### Dads boot camp

Boot Camp for new Dads is a program in which veterans (new fathers who bring their babies) show rookies (fathers-to-be) the ropes of fatherhood. The program is for men only. Classes are held quarterly. Call 423-5168.

#### Parenting classes

Parenting classes are offered as a six-week program geared toward parents of children 3 and older. Classes are held at David Grant Medical Center. Call 423-5168.

### Chapel Services

#### Catholic

▲ Monday through Friday, 11:30 a.m., communion service or Mass, Chapel Center.

▲ Thursday, noon, Catholic communion service, DGMC Chapel.

▲ Saturday, 4 to 4:45 p.m., confessions, Chapel One.

▲ Saturday Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel One.

▲ Sunday Mass, 9 a.m., Chapel One.

▲ Sunday, 9 a.m., children's liturgy of the Word, Chapel One.

▲ Sunday Mass, 12:30 p.m., Chapel Center.

#### Protestant

▲ Friday, noon, 30-minute worship service, DGMC Chapel.

▲ Sunday, 8 a.m., community, praise and worship service, Chapel Center.

▲ Sunday, 9 a.m., liturgical/traditional service, Chapel One

▲ Sunday, 10:30 a.m., community worship service, Chapel Center. Nursery class for kids 3 months to 3 years.

▲ Sunday, 11 a.m., community Gospel service, Chapel One.

#### Contemporary

Sundays, 5 p.m., Inside Out, Chapel Center. Children's program provided. For more information, contact Chaplain (Capt.) Herb Shao at 424-3943.

#### Wicca

Classes are held at various locations and times due to deployments. E-mail Beltane@prodigy.net for current information.

**Important Notice**

In the interest of base beautification, base housing residents are asked to refrain from putting up signs to advertise on-base yard sales. Posting yard sale signs on utility poles is a violation of 60 AMWI 90-3 and the California Utilities Commission's Code of Regulations. Do not post yard sale signs on utility poles around the base. Notices can be posted at the shoppette or announced in the TAILWIND.

**Yard Sales**

Saturday, 7 a.m. to noon, multi-fam, 400-402 Diablo Dr.  
Saturday, 8 a.m., multi-fam, 104/106 Fitzgerald Dr.  
Saturday, 8 a.m., 112 Georgia St.  
Saturday, 8 a.m., 236 Carlton Ct.  
Saturday, 8 a.m., 952 McCoy Creek Cir, Suisun  
Saturday, 187 Cannon Dr.  
Saturday, 244 Carlton Ct.  
Saturday, 312 Hackett Ave.  
Saturday & Sunday, 1706 River Oaks Cir, Fairfield  
7 a.m., 118 Chennault St.  
8 a.m. to noon, 163 Collins Dr.

**Furniture**

Sofa, oversized, off-white/tan, subdued floral pattern, \$300 obo. 434-1352  
Bar stools (3), black aluminum frame/cushions, 3' tall, \$25. 437-0114  
Solid oak table, inlaid top, drop leaf, 3'x3' square, 2 chairs, \$50. 448-5609  
Sofa & love seat, cream/white stripes, \$300 obo. 454-0556  
Long dresser, 6 drawers, walnut finish, \$25. 437-2461  
End table, round, glass display, missing 2 panes, \$20. 437-2461  
Octagonal smoked dining table, chairs, \$275. 422-7644  
Kitchen island, wine storage, towel rack, drawers, \$99. 422-7644  
Chrome office chair, \$35 obo. 422-7644  
Oak bunk bed, mattresses, bunk boards, \$175. 448-4963  
Queen bed, mattress, box spring, canopy, \$375. 208-1798  
Entertainment center, wooden, glass doors, \$250 obo. 437-1203  
Sleeper sofa, love seat, \$250. 373-2798  
Dining table, glass, \$150. 373-2798  
Wooden hutch, brown, \$75. 373-2798  
Bunk bed set, captain drawers, \$500. 421-1279

**Appliances**

Hoover SteamVac Max Extract LS, F6055-900, \$225 obo. 434-1352  
Sears Kenmore refrigerator, 18.5 cu ft, icemaker, \$350 obo. 432-2556

**Household/Misc. Items**

Wedding dress, never worn or altered, sz. 12, ivory shantung, long sleeve, v-neck, long train, peplum waist, 2 yds. extra fabric, \$650 obo. 399-7001

Southwest motif dishes, 4pc, for 16 places, 2 serving bowls, salt/pepper shakers, sugar, creamer, 4 canisters, chip/dip bowl, \$100. 448-5609  
CD rack, \$5. 448-5609  
JC Penny home collection curtains, best offer. 454-0556  
Children's chifforobe, white, \$35. 437-2461  
Right Start jogging stroller, \$70. 437-0717  
Combo stroller, 4in1, \$40. 437-0717  
King Tut Egyptian theme mask, \$50; Nefertiti bust, \$25; Obelisk, \$50; \$100/all. 437-7748  
Aluminum shed, 7.5'x10', \$100. 437-7748  
Wather dispenser, \$30. 208-1798  
Free items: picnic table, swing set, Little Tykes playhouse/picnic table, caramel color recliner. 437-3527  
Little Tykes kitchen, \$10. 437-3527  
Boy's bike, \$35. 421-1279

**Sports/Athletic Equipment**

Aerobic step, green, set of black risers, \$15. 422-4573  
Scuba gear: regulator, octopus, Sunato 3-gauge console, fins, mask, wet suit, Prodigy dive computer, dive bag, \$450 obo. 437-0987  
Assorted golf clubs, bag, \$25. 448-5609  
Gila Huffly mountain bike, dual suspension, \$70 obo. 437-2461  
Treadmill, \$160. 422-7644  
Body by Jake bun & thigh rocker, vhs, \$100. 208-1798  
Portable basketball goal, free. 437-3493

**Electronic/Computer Items**

Dell Precision 220 computer, Pentium III, 128mb ram, tv card, dvd, \$600. 437-0114  
Sony tower speakers (2), multiple hookups, \$200 obo. 437-7748

**Vehicle**

2003 Lincoln Towncar, \$35,000. 425-6924  
2003 VW Passat GLS, 1.8 turbo, silver, 8.5k mi, \$23,500 obo. 437-4479  
2002 Spectra GSX, 5700 mi, black, tint, am/fm/cd, pw, ac, 1.8ltr, 5sp, \$9,950 obo. 425-7814  
1999 Chevy Camaro, 41k mi, v6, pewter gray, leather, chrome wheels, cd, alarm, keyless entry, \$10,800. 422-4089  
1998 Honda Accord, v-tech-6, 86k mi, dk green, beige leather, \$11,200. 925-872-2977  
1995 Ford Aspire, 2dr, hatchback, 73k mi, ac, am/fm/cas, \$1,700 obo. 451-8970  
1992 Jeep Cherokee Laredo, 4x4, 180k mi, ac, pw, pl, tw, \$3,000 obo. 209-996-7715  
1991 F-150, flomaster exhaust, suspension lift, \$5,300 obo. 437-3590  
1990 Toyota Corolla DX, 4dr sedan, am/fm/cas, \$2,500 obo. 446-7383  
1989 Pontiac 6000LE, ac, ps, pb, pw, 85k mi, \$1,500 obo. 437-4452  
1979 Honda CX500, \$700 obo. 451-8970  
1974 Alfa Romeo Spider convertible, \$5,800 obo. 650-342-2113  
1973 Triumph TR6, 38.9k mi, removable hard top, \$8,000 obo. 209-996-

7715  
1966 Ford F-150 pickup, v8, 110k mi, \$1,750. 446-7383  
Suzuki TL 1000S sport bike, D&D carbon-filled exhaust system, zero gravity wind screen, 12k mi, Arai helmet, Joe Rocket Kevlar jacket, Alpine Star leather gloves, \$5,400 obo. 437-0987

**Vehicle Accessories**

Honda Odyssey/Isuzu Oasis/minivan dashboard mat, gray, \$15. 449-6910  
Mitsubishi Eclipse car cover, \$80. 437-3776  
Mazda Miata rims, \$50. 437-3776

**Trailers/Boats/Campers**

2001 aluminum Bass Tracker boat, 17.5', Bimini canvass top, 50hp Mercury motor, 30hrs on motor, Trailston trailer, fish finder, extra battery, \$8,500 obo. 429-4303  
1998 Sting Ray boat, 22', 5.7ltr v8, in/outboard motor, cuddly cabin, 1999 dual axle trailer, toilet, sink, stove, 108hrs, \$19,500 obo. 437-3776  
2002 Endura 46 Minn Kota boat motor, battery, charger, \$175. 447-6876

**Pets/Pet Accessories**

Cockatiels, 1 male, 1 female, cages, accessories, \$50/ea or \$90/pr. 437-1132  
Green-cheeked Conure, reinforced metal cage, rolling mobile play gym, \$150 obo. 449-0470  
Cat, 4yr old, spayed, declawed, female, free. 432-0313

**House/Room for Sale/Rent**

House for rent, 2 story, 2,450 sq ft, 4br/2.5ba, den, game room, 2-car garage, across from park/lake, \$2,200/mo + dep. 399-9056  
House for rent, 3br/2ba, washer/dryer, no pets, military discount, \$1,450/mo + \$500/dep. 429-5542  
Room for rent in 3br/2ba house, female w/w/o child, washer/dryer, military discount, no pets. 425-4715  
Room for rent in Vacaville, no smoking, \$450/mo + share utilities. 290-2510  
Rooms for rent (2), no smoking, \$450/mo ea or \$700/mo for both + share PG&E. 452-9639  
Room for rent in Vacaville, 4br/3ba, swimming pool, no smoking, house priv, no pets, \$550/mo. 592-1978

**SWAP AD TIP**

The following tips should make using the Swap Ads easier.

◆ Describe the product with the **facts only**. Phrases like "Brand New," "Must See," "Runs Good," and other subjective descriptions will not be printed. What is "brand new" to one person may not be to another person. The Tailwind reserves the right to alter any add for clarification, continuity or brevity.

# SPORTS SHORTS

## TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

### Fisher House Classic

Reserve a spot in the third annual Fisher House Classic June 13 at Cypress Lakes Golf Course. The \$125 fee covers greens fees, a golf cart, a buffet breakfast, a barbecue lunch, a windbreaker and more.

It is one of the major fundraisers for the Fisher House and features a four-person scramble with a blind bogey handicap and a shotgun start. For more information call 423-7550.

### Travis horse show

The Travis Equestrian Cen-

ter horse show is June 14. There will be 46 horse classes showcased including western, English, hunter, halter and sport. Spectators are welcome to attend. Call Barb Brewer at 424-1278 or e-mail her at NCBC5@aol.com for more information.

### Travis bike race

The Travis annual bike race will be June 21 with check in at 8 a.m. in the Fitness Center parking lot. The race starts at 9 a.m. Categories are ages 18 to 29, 30 to 39 and 40 and older; for men's and women's categories. Entrance fee is \$20

before June 14 and \$25 after. Each racer will receive a T-shirt and other giveaways. Each participant must provide one adult volunteer to serve as a road guard. To register or get more information, call Master Sgt. Dennis Jones at 424-0989.

### Viking Challenge

The annual Viking Challenge is July 26 and 27 at Vandenberg High School. Teams of 10 members will run one-mile relays for 24 hours continuously starting at 10 a.m. For more information, call 2nd Lt. Renae Pierre at 424-3908.

# FITNESS CENTER CLASSES

## TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

### Aerobics room

#### Monday

- » Core cycling, 5:30 to 6:30 a.m.
- » Strength Fusion, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- » Core step aerobics, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- » Squadron cycle, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
- » Phat Fitness for 12 and older, 4 to 5 p.m.
- » Core step aerobics, 5 to 6 p.m.
- » Kickboxing aerobics, 6 to 7 p.m.
- » Cycling, 7 to 8 p.m.

#### Tuesday

- » Core step aerobics, 5:30 to 6:30 a.m.
- » EZ Does It, 9 to 10 a.m.
- » Core cycling, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- » Body conditioning, 1 to 3 p.m., Solano College
- » Squadron cycle, 3 to 4 p.m.
- » Squadron cycle, 4 to 5 p.m.
- » Core step aerobics, 5 to 6 p.m.
- » Core PiYo, 6 to 7 p.m.
- » Cycling, 7 to 8 p.m.

#### Wednesday

- » Core cycling, 5:30 to 6:30 a.m.

- » Yoga, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- » Core step aerobics, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- » Squadron cycle, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
- » Squadron cycle, 3 to 4 p.m.
- » Phat Fitness for 12 and older, 4 to 5 p.m.
- » Core step aerobics, 5 to 6 p.m.
- » Hip hop aerobics, 6 to 7 p.m.
- » Cycling, 7 to 8 p.m.

#### Thursday

- » Core step aerobics, 5:30 to 6:30 a.m.
- » EZ Does It, 9 to 10 a.m.
- » Core cycling, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- » Squadron cycle, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
- » Squadron cycle, 3 to 4 p.m.
- » Squadron cycle, 4 to 5 p.m.
- » Core cycling, 5 to 6 p.m.
- » Yoga, 6 to 7 p.m.
- » Cycling from 7 to 8 p.m.

#### Friday

- » Cycling, 5:30 to 6:30 a.m.
- » Strength Fusion, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.
- » Core step aerobics, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
- » Core kickboxing aerobics, 5 to 6 p.m.

- » PiYo, 6 to 7 p.m.

#### Saturday

- » Cycling, 8 to 9 a.m.
- » Total Fitness, 9 to 10 a.m.

#### Martial arts dojo

##### Monday

- » Introduction to PiYo, noon to 1:30 p.m.
- » Kung Fu San Soo, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- » Kickboxing, 7 to 9 p.m.

##### Tuesday

- » Pregnancy/Postpartum class, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- » PiYo, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
- » Kickboxing, 5 to 7 p.m.

##### Wednesday

- » Kajukembo, 5 to 6:30 p.m.
- » Kung Fu San Soo, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- » Kickboxing, 7 to 9 p.m.

##### Thursday

- » Pregnancy/Postpartum class, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- » PiYo, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
- » Kickboxing, 5 to 7 p.m.

##### Friday

- » Yoga, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- » Kajukembo, 5 to 8:30 p.m.

## TRAVIS CINEMA

**The Travis theater is closed for renovation until early August. During the renovation, seats will be upgraded, soundproofing will be incorporated, and the building will undergo upgrades to meet base standards. Watch the *Tailwind* for details on its re-opening.**

Visit [www.aafes.com/ems](http://www.aafes.com/ems).

*American pride flows through all of us  
It's in our blood  
Give a little pride  
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*Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Walk-ins are welcome  
Appointments are available  
For more information, call 423 - 7766*

### Savings Bonds

Did you know that U.S. Savings Bond information is available on the Internet? The address is [www.public.debt.treas.gov](http://www.public.debt.treas.gov). Find out about maturity periods, tax benefits and the values of your savings bonds.

Check with the Fitness Center for updated seasonal changes for all fitness programs. Core classes are free for active-duty military, who must present a valid military ID in order to attend. All other classes are available to both active-duty and dependents, however, a pass purchased through the Fitness Center is required. For details, call 424-2008.

# Travis duo shines on the diamond

By Tech. Sgt. Scott King  
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Two Travis personnel, flanked by the Travis Honor Guard, had an opportunity of a lifetime May 25th as they were featured as part of pre-game festivities during an Oakland A's Major League Baseball game.

Master Sgt. Jack Lemmons, a 60th Operations Group boom operator, has been an A's fan since '87 when he

attended games while stationed at Castle Air Force Base, Calif. Over the years, he has witnessed the great support the A's have shown Travis personnel and wanted to give something back to show his appreciation.

"While I was recently deployed, the team sent more than 500 A's hats to my location," Sergeant Lemmons said. "It really boosted the morale of everyone and I thought it would be a good idea to return the favor by presenting a U.S. flag that has flown with our crew in a KC-10 over Iraq. I thought this could be a small token of appreciation for all the support they have shown Travis over the years," he said.

Before the game started, Sergeant Lemmons presented A's manager, Ken Mocha, with the encased U.S. flag he and his crew had proudly flown during one of their missions over Iraq.

"It was a great thrill being down on the field in front of more than 37 thousand fans and the A's players," Sergeant Lemmons said. "I really felt the energy on the field and in the stands, especially when I presented the flag and the crowd stood up an applauded — it was once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

Following the flag presentation, Senior Airman Mechelle Dogan, an information manager for the 60th Communications Squadron, was recognized as part of PepsiCo's "Hero" program and was chosen to throw out the first pitch before the game started.

"The fact I was chosen to represent Travis and the Air Force was quite an honor," said Airman Dogan. "I had just returned from a long deployment when I found out about this opportunity. What a great thing I thought — then my nerves started kicking in when I realized that I would be throwing out the first pitch in front of thousands of people."

Airman Dogan actually practiced pitching with her dad days prior to the game, she said. On the way to the game, she said she really started getting nervous, but her dad helped calm her down.

"The practice paid off," she said. "The pitch went over the plate and the crowd responded with loud

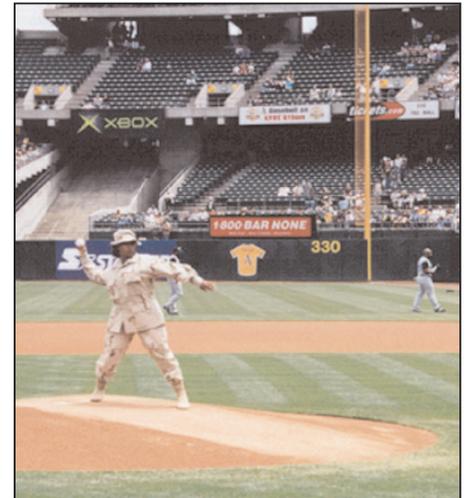
cheers. It was great, people came up to me throughout the game and thanked me for serving my country and told me I had thrown a nice pitch."

Over the past several years, the Oakland A's have been strong supporters of the military and Travis. July 5th will be Travis Day with the A's. The U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West, Galaxy band, and the Travis Honor Guard will be performing pre-game ceremonies.



Courtesy Photo

Master Sgt. Jack Lemmons, a 60th Operations Group boom operator presented a U.S. flag that was flown over the skies of Iraq to Oakland A's manager Ken Mocha.



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Senior Airman Mechelle Dogan, an information manager for the 60th Communications Squadron throws out the first pitch.

# NASCAR race honors military personnel and their families

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SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. — Storm clouds parted after torrential rains and hail threatened to put the skids on the May 10 "God, Family and Country" NASCAR Charter Pipeline 250 at Gateway International Raceway, Madison, Ill. honoring military service men and women and their families.

More than 1,000 military people from Scott Air Force Base, Ill., and the surrounding area where invited to attend the race and a post-race concert by country music group Lonestar.

Col. Darren McDew, 375th Airlift Wing commander, administered the oath of enlistment to more than 30 new recruits as part of the festivities.

"Today these new recruits make a commitment to each and every one of you as they swear to protect this, the greatest nation on earth against all who threaten the freedoms we enjoy today, and they freely undertake the chal-

lenges of our nations defense in the global war on terrorism," said Colonel McDew.

Pre-race activities included the presentation of the colors by the U.S. Transportation Command's Joint Color Guard, and "God Bless America" performed by the U.S. Air Force's Band of Mid-America's vocalist Master Sgt. Dan Smalley.

"It was awesome," said Debra Young, wife Senior Master Sgt. Scott Young, 375th Civil Engineer Squadron first sergeant, who was there with her sons.

"We were there right on at the end of pit row on the fan walk when the cars started their engines. We could feel the vibrations of the cars."

Ms. Young explained that the young military people handing out small memento U.S. flags to the arriving patrons impressed her.

"It was nice to see our military people handing out the flags," she said. "Seeing those uniforms brought it back home knowing that there are still military people serving in Opera-

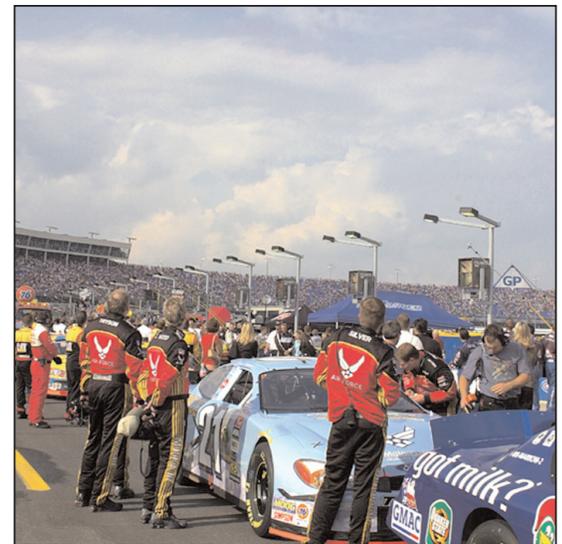
tion Iraqi Freedom.

She said the flags were put to use during the post-race concert when Lonestar played their hit song "I'm Already There."

"Many people raised their flag and waved them [during the song]," said Ms. Young. "It was awesome to see those flags; to know that people realize the sacrifices of all our family members still there ... still separated from their love ones."

During his pre-race remarks, Colonel McDew commented on the outpouring of affection Scott AFB has received from grateful citizens.

"I thank everyone here for the tremendous support you and your communities have provided us through the year, and particularly, the support and friendship you've demonstrated here today," said Colonel McDew. "Never before have I, nor my fellow servicemembers, felt such an overwhelming sense of unity, brotherhood and patriotism. And we are deeply moved."



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Members of the Wood Brothers Race Team stand next to the Air Force Centennial of Flight race car during pre-race ceremonies for the NASCAR Coca-Cola 600 at Lowe's Motor Speedway May 25.