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CANCER AWARENESS

October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. The campaign focuses on education, prevention, and support groups.

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HAUNTED HOUSE

The Travis Haunted House, located in the old OSI building, offers screaming, squeamish fun.

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Weekend forecast

Travis AFB

Today

Hi 90
Low 54



Tomorrow

Hi 92
Low 50



Sunday

Hi 93
Low 54



Travis celebrates Fire Prevention Week - Pages 16 & 17



Commander's Corner

Travis team at the leading edge

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

We continue to take care of the mission at mach speed!

In recent operations, our KC-10s refueled numerous presidential banner aircraft, to include our C-5s supporting the President's travels to Southeast Asia.



General Baker

Presidential support is one of the most important missions we accomplish, ensuring the safe arrival of support staff and equipment.

It's truly an honor to be a part of this,

while ensuring the projection and protection of our vital, national interests.

Upcoming events

The **Travis Combined Federal Campaign** continues, and while we're making great strides towards our goal, I encourage those folks who haven't signed up yet to seriously consider this

opportunity to help.

Please see your group's coordinator (page 9) if you have not yet been contacted.

As I mentioned a couple weeks ago, I highly encourage folks to take part in the **Air Force Climate Survey**, which is available at www.afclimatesurvey.af.mil. Please contact the 60th Manpower Office at 424-2476 for more information.

In other upcoming events, we have a **Halloween Fun Run** for members and their families, scheduled Saturday at 9:30 a.m. starting at the Fitness Center.

Also, mark your calendars as the **Officer's Spouses Club** will be hosting a celebrity auction for charity, Nov. 14, 6-9 p.m. at the Travis Museum (page 20).

New 60th CES facility

We continue to improve the quality of work and home life at Travis.

Last week we cut the ribbon on a new **60th Civil Engineer Squadron** facility, and my hat's off to **Lt. Col. Patrick Smith, Chief Master Sgt. Ray Allen**, and the entire **60th Environmental**

Flight for this outstanding accomplishment!

Water Conservation

Our 60th CES folks work diligently to manage all of our environmental programs, to include the availability of our natural resources.

On that note, I highly encourage all Travis members to conserve water from Oct. 26 to Nov. 9, as the Vallejo water plant will be shut down for repair work. It's imperative that we do this in support of our local community and to fully ensure enough potable resources are available for all concerned.

Farewell

We bid fond adieu to **Chief Master Sgt. Randy Stone**, 60th Mission Support Group, who will retire next week after more than 26 years of distinguished service.

The entire Travis team wishes him and his family the best as they leave the Air Force and Travis.

That's a wrap for this week, God bless the Travis team and God bless America!

Fit to Fight: Air Force personnel readiness

By Gen. John Jumper
Air Force Chief of Staff

In July, I announced changes to our fitness program and asked everyone to be ready for January 2004. To be ready, you need to know how the new fitness program works. At my request, the Air Force Surgeon General has developed criteria to assess the fitness and readiness of our force.

These criteria will bring about significant change in the

way we currently manage our fitness and weight management programs. A new Air Force Instruction will be published in November 2003 detailing the changes. You can read the new fitness criteria tables at http://www.af.mil/news/USAF_Fitness_Chart_s.pdf. The tables give you a way to gauge your personal fit-



General Jumper

ness, and just as important, the testing gives commanders a measure of their overall unit fitness.

I want to make very clear that my focus is not on passing a fitness test once a year. More important, we are changing the culture of the Air Force. This is about our preparedness to deploy and fight. It's about warriors. It is about

instilling an expectation that makes fitness a daily standard — an essential part of your service.

Commanders, supervisors, and front-line leaders must lead the way — through unit physical training, personal involvement and, most important, by example.

The forthcoming Air Force Instruction will delineate responsibility and accountability at each level. Commanders must understand it.

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A young boy gets to try on a fire-fighter outfit during the Travis Fire Department's open house.

ACTION LINE

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

Call 424-3333

Base Noise Ordinance

Q I was wondering why there isn't a noise ordinance on base? Everywhere you go on base, you hear vehicles. I live on Travis Avenue, and it doesn't matter what time, it could be 1 a.m. in the morning or it could be 6 p.m. at night, vehicles are on the road.

A We appreciate your concern. This behavior is becoming more

widespread and does become a nuisance. Loud music is a violation of California Vehicle Code 27007 (see next column) when it can be heard outside a vehicle from 50 or more feet when the vehicle is being operated on our streets.

We do appreciate the support of the Travis community by reporting this type of violation through our Traffic Complaint Program.

Complainants may call the Law Enforcement Desk at 424-2800 to report violators by providing the vehicle license plate state and number. Security Forces can then obtain the owner's information and in turn, notify the respective First Sergeant.

California Vehicle Code 27007

"No driver of a vehicle shall operate, or permit the operation of, any sound amplification system which can be heard outside the vehicle from 50 or more feet when the vehicle is being operated upon a highway, unless that system is being operated to request assistance or warn of a hazardous situation.

This section does not apply to authorized emergency vehicles or vehicles operated by gas, electric, communications, or water utilities. This section does not apply to the sound systems of vehicles used for advertising, or in parades, political or other special events, except that the use of sound systems on those vehicles may be prohibited by a local authority by ordinance or resolution."

Breast Cancer Awareness Month: The facts save lives



Compiled by Staff Sgt. Megan Bouthot

60th AMW Public Affairs

With breast cancer being the second leading cause of death related to cancer in women, and with more than 200,000 cases diagnosed each year, it is important to know the risk factors, detection methods and treatment alternatives.

Breast cancer is a cancer affecting the mammary tissue. It is most commonly found in women, but men can be afflicted as well.

While the actual cause of breast cancer remains an unknown, scientists have been able to pinpoint some key factors that could put a patient more at risk for developing the serious disease.

Age

In the vast majority of women diagnosed with breast cancer, more than 80 percent, are over the age of 50.

Family History

The risk of developing cancer nearly doubles if a woman has an immediate family member (mother, sister or daughter) with the disease. The risk more than quadruples if the family member's cancer was diagnosed prior to menopause.

Genetic mutations

Scientists have been able to

identify certain gene mutations within breast tissue that put the patient at greater risk for developing cancerous tumors.

Hormones

Women who have a longer exposure to estrogen, are at greater risk. This applies to women who began menstruating before the age of 12, late menopause, no pregnancies, late pregnancies (after 30) and women who have used birth control pills (though the affects of birth control pills are hard to assess).

Alcohol use

Women who drink one or more alcoholic beverages a day run a slightly higher chance of developing cancer.

Other potential factors

High-fat diets, environmental pollutants, cigarette smoking, a history of miscarriages and above average height and weight can all put a patient at higher risk. Studies and findings have been inconclusive in these areas, but many doctors believe these factors do play a role in an increased risk of breast cancer.

Most doctors would agree that the best defense against breast cancer is practicing preventative measures and early detection, which allows for treatment when the cancer is

most treatable.

Two important methods of detection are self-breast examinations and mammograms:

► Self examinations are an important tool in detecting breast cancer. Women are urged to perform one every month because regular examinations makes it easier to identify a change in tissue.

► Mammograms are recommended yearly for all women over the age of 40. A mammogram is an x-ray that can help doctors determine irregularities in the breast tissue.

Once an abnormality has been found, and if a patient has been diagnosed with cancer, there are many treatment options available. More than one treatment may be used at a time depending on the stage of the cancer.

Surgery, chemotherapy, radiation treatments, biological therapy and hormone therapy can all be used in battling the disease. For more information on treatment options, it is best to speak directly to a doctor.

With early detection the survival rate is now nearly 90 percent, and with research efforts continuing, that number will continue to grow.

Information in this article was compiled with the use of the Breast Cancer Health Center at the Yahoo! Health Web site

Men at risk

By Jim Spellman

60th MDC Public Affairs

Breast cancer is traditionally thought of as a female-related problem. Though men are also susceptible to the disease, the reason many don't hear about male breast cancer is simply because it occurs less frequently.

This is also why researchers have a hard time studying the disease and its effects on the male population.

In the United States alone, approximately 1,300 new cases of male breast cancer will be diagnosed this year, according to data from the National Cancer Institute cancer registry. This accounts for one percent of cases of breast cancer, and it represents about 0.2 percent of all malignancies in men.

Neither men nor their physicians consider this risk during routine examinations. When men discover signs of this cancer, many tend to delay seeing a physician because they are reluctant to acknowledge its possible presence. This is exactly why men should ask their doctors to examine them for any signs of cancer during checkups.

A painless lump, usually discovered by the patient himself, is by far the most common first symptom of male breast cancer. Typically, the lump appears beneath the breast, where tissue is concentrated. A lump, however, is seldom the only symptom.

For more information, U.S. residents may call the National Cancer Institute's (NCI's) Cancer Information Service toll-free at 1-800-4-CANCER Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Hearing impaired callers with TTY equipment may call 1-800-332-8615.

The call is free and a trained Cancer Information Specialist is available to answer any questions.

Travis support group aids breast cancer survivors

By Christy Mann-Iames

60th Services Squadron

There are many reasons breast cancer patients and survivors join support groups. Some need advice and resources, others need someone to share their concerns with, still others are caregivers or family members who need support and some just want

to help others.

A clinical and medical social worker, Jeann McDougald, has been the Oncology social worker at David Grant USAF Medical Center for five years. She not only visits cancer patients in the hospital and at their homes, but she facilitates The Liz Group, a breast cancer support group that

meets at 7 p.m. at the Health and Wellness Center on the first and third Monday of each month.

"The most important thing is to be with people who are the same as you: People who can share common experiences, empathize and understand," Ms. McDougald said.

Ms. McDougald is a breast cancer survivor herself and knows how important support groups are.

A support group may have many people at different stages: from newly diagnosed to post surgery to advanced stages. The combined experience of group members can help someone else learn what questions to ask the doctor, what kinds of treatments are available, what are the likely side effects.

The Liz Group has a program called Breast Cancer Pathway where the newly diagnosed are paired with a survivor who gives them the tour and introduces the patient to the medical professionals at DGMC.

"It is a major thing to know that 24 hours a day you have someone you can talk to," Ms. McDougald said.

For more information about the Liz Group, call Ms. McDougald at 421-5056. For other cancer resources contact the American Cancer Society at (800)ACS-2345 or online at www.cancer.org.

One woman's story

By Karen Plumbley

Liz Group member

Having lumps in my breast tissue was normal for me. By the time I was in my mid thirties, I had already started having mammograms, and had undergone two separate biopsies. Both of which came back benign.

Then, just after my thirty-seventh birthday, the results of my third biopsy came back. The surgeon had removed one lump from each breast. While the lump from the right breast was benign, the lump from the left was cancerous.

From the pathology report, my team of doctors and nurses knew that there was still cancer in my left breast. The decision was mine to make. I could try to save my breast, and have a simple lumpectomy fol-

lowed by radiation. But, what about all the other lumps? My second option was to totally remove the left breast. Then there was option three. While no cancer had been found in the right breast, I had already undergone three biopsies on that breast for suspicious lumps. Option three was to remove both breasts at the same time. For days and days I weighed all my options. After great mental debate, one thing became clear to me: I could never forgive myself if I didn't do everything possible to beat the cancer. I chose to lose both my breasts. The pathology report came back weeks later. There had been a second cancer site that we didn't know about. It was, however, on the left breast. I sometimes wonder if I made the right decision, yet I'm happy that it was my decision to make.

Operation Salute ends soon

By Donna Miles
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Service members and their families have until Nov. 11 to take advantage of a highly popular program that offers free admission to Anheuser-Busch theme parks. Thousands of service members and their families have already taken advantage of "Operation Salute," which offers free tickets to Busch Gardens in Tampa, Fla., and Williamsburg, Va.; SeaWorld in Orlando, Fla.; San Antonio and San Diego; and Sesame Place in Langhorne, Pa., according to Anheuser-Busch officials.

On Sept. 5, Air Force Lt. Stephen Braddy became the 100,000th military guest to visit SeaWorld Orlando through the program. And although unable to give updated numbers about just how many additional service members have visited the parks, an Anheuser-Busch official said it has been "a lot."

Anheuser-Busch launched Operation Salute in May to honor military members for their role in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"It is our privilege to offer our parks to the men and women of our armed forces and their families," said Patrick Stokes, president and chief executive officer of Anheuser-Busch. "It is a small gesture of thanks for the hardships endured every day by our soldiers and those closest to them," he added.

"The men and women in our armed forces have made tremendous sacrifices, risking their lives and being separated from their families during

the war," agreed August A. Busch III, chairman of Anheuser-Busch. "We wanted to express our deep gratitude for their service, and this gives those who serve and their families some needed relaxation and enjoyment."

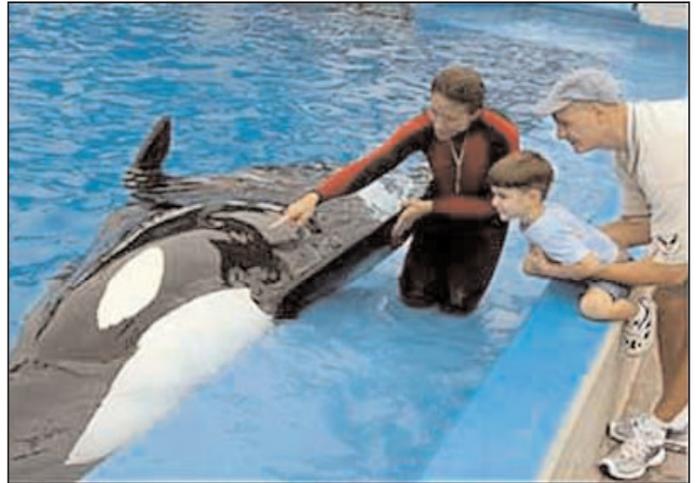
The free admission is offered to all active duty military, ready and stand-by reservists, U.S. Coast Guardsmen, National Guardsmen, coalition forces serving with U.S. troops in Operation Iraqi Freedom and foreign military personnel servicing with U.S. units.

Up to four of the service member's immediate family members also qualify for free admission tickets through the program, even if the service member is unable to accompany them.

To get the free tickets, requesters must visit their local morale, welfare and recreation ticket office to get an application form. Completed forms are redeemable at park ticket windows. Military identification cards are required.

As an extension of the program, Anheuser-Busch recently announced plans to donate its nonalcohol brews — O'Doul's and O'Doul's Amber — to service members in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The company also will donate its 180 Energy Drink and 180 Sport vitamin-enhanced water and more than 18,000 pieces of sporting equipment. Anheuser-Busch also donated \$1 million to create the Intrepid/Anheuser-Busch Fallen Heroes Fund, which will provide scholarships to spouses and children of U.S. and coalition forces killed during the war in Iraq.



Chris Gotshall / SeaWorld Orlando

Air Force Lt. Stephen Braddy, from Patrick Air Force Base, Fla., with his son Timothy, receives a one-flipper salute from Shamu the killer whale for being the 100,000th military guest at SeaWorld Orlando through Operation Salute, Sept. 5. The program provides free park admission to military members and their families.

The company also is matching its employees' contributions to the United Service Organizations through Veterans Day.

"Operation Salute is exactly what we mean at the USO when we talk about the incredible power of "Thank You," said Edward A. Powell, USO president and chief executive officer. "It is an extraordinary example of a company's recognition of the sacrifices our military makes on behalf of all Americans."

Anheuser-Busch officials said the company has a 150-year history of supporting the U.S. armed forces. Nearly 1 million service members and their families visited the company's parks without charge following the first Gulf War and during the Anheuser-Busch Salute to America's Heroes, a 9-11 tribute that included all branches of the U.S. military.

60th CES consolidates functions in new building

By Jennifer Brugman
60th AMW Public Affairs

The 60th Civil Engineer Squadron opened Bldg. 570 Oct. 16 in order to put four of the squadron's major administrative functions into one building.

"Thank you for coming," said Lt. Col. Patrick Smith, 60th CES commander, during the ceremony. "This has been a long term project to assemble our CE functions which have been spread across the base."

The environmental flight, the engineering flight, the resources flight and the command section all moved to building 570, according to Colonel Smith.

"These flights work hand in hand on a variety of issues," he said. "Having them all together makes it easier to communicate — people can walk down the hall instead of driving across the base to talk about a simple topic. That, to me, is a tremendous benefit."

Another benefit of the building's renovation is that CE finally gets to reap the fruits of their own labor.

"The cobbler's children always go without shoes," Colonel Smith said. "CE has gone out and improved facilities on base while their own facilities have suffered."

After the ribbon cutting, attendees were invited to tour the building.

Building 570 had previously been a machine shop which housed a zone shop, HVAC equipment, plumbing and carpentry equipment. The warehouse now



Nan Wylie / Visual Information

Lt. Col. Patrick Smith, 60th Civil Engineer Squadron commander and Chief Master Sgt. Ray Allen, 60th CES chief, cut the ribbon on Bldg. 570 Oct. 16. The building has 11,000 square feet of office space.

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"This is just the beginning," Colonel Smith said. Moving the four flights into one building has also allowed for the destruction of Bldg. 246, which will reduce maintenance costs on Travis and open up space for future development, according to Colonel Smith.



Nan Wylie / Visual Information

Members of the 60th Civil Engineer Squadron clap during the ribbon cutting ceremony Oct. 16.

DGMC celebrates Cardiopulmonary and Respiratory Care Week

By Tech. Sgt. Austin Delacruz, Jr.
Cardiopulmonary / Respiratory Therapy

National Respiratory Care Week, a yearly event designed to promote lung awareness and the work of cardiopulmonary and respiratory therapists in all care settings, is Oct. 19-25. The week, sponsored by the American Association for Respiratory Care (AARC), points out the many ways cardiopulmonary and respiratory therapists work to ensure the lung health of all Americans through advocacy, public education and research.”

Cardiopulmonary and Respiratory therapists all across the country and at David Grant USAF Medical Center are gearing up for this celebration,” says David Shelledy, PhD, Registered Respiratory Therapist, 2003 AARC President. “Since

1982, the AARC has celebrated the work of cardiopulmonary and respiratory therapists, the frontline health caregivers who treat respiratory diseases and conditions.”

Over the past few years the cardiopulmonary and respiratory therapy profession, like other health-related professions, has experienced a workforce shortage. Today, the respiratory therapy workforce is about 112,000 strong — but estimates from the Bureau of Labor and Statistics suggest that this workforce needs to grow by 21-35 percent by 2010 because of substantial growth in the middle-aged and elderly population — a development that will heighten the incidence of cardiopulmonary disease, Mr. Shelledy adds.

During Respiratory Care

Week 2003, the AARC and David Grant USAF Medical Center would like to point high school and college students who are interested in health care to the profession of cardiopulmonary and respiratory therapy.

The United States Air

Force offers training programs to those who are interested in becoming a cardiopulmonary and respiratory professional. Please contact Staff Sgt. Lisa Pickett, RRT, CPFT Cardiopulmonary Course Supervisor at 423-5011 or Tech. Sgt. Austin Delacruz, Jr. RRT-

NPS, Registered Pulmonary Function Technologist and American Association for Respiratory Care Ambassador at 423-5112. Interested individuals can also visit any local Air Force recruiting office and ask about Air Force Specialty Code 4H0X1.

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.

Job satisfaction starts with proper training

View Point

By Senior Master Sgt. Ray Hankins
65th Security Forces Squadron

LAJES FIELD, Azores — Senior NCOs are often asked what made them stay in the Air Force so long.

The answers I hear usually fall into one of two categories: either love for country or contribution to the mission.

However, many first-term airmen don't recognize their contributions as vital ones. Further, on many occasions, supervisors may fail to make their jobs exciting and challenging, and our newest recruits lose interest. This can deteriorate morale and leave our forces in a

training drought.

As we have surged to meet today's unpredictable threats, training after Sept. 11 has slipped.

The expertise needed to carry out the defense of our nation has drawn down. However, as we reconstitute and focus on the growth of our team, now is the time to focus on training.

The key to keeping our airmen's interest is commitment. We have to be committed to seeing first termers through their career development course studies while following the Career Field Education Training Plan.

Combining the two creates a recipe for success: A thorough understanding of the job, while gaining the fulfillment needed to be successful in every techni-

cal endeavor.

First, let's look at the importance of CDCs. Getting involved with the CDC process and ensuring the training and task accomplishment an individual needs relates to those study manuals cannot be overstated.

As such, it is imperative that time is spent with our young airmen to help them understand and fulfill the requirements of those study manuals.

Feedback is also essential; make the process interactive with take-home tests, verbal quizzes and researching areas of concern. In other words, get involved.

Next, show your troops how the CFETP brings it all together. The plan provides the timeline for individual success in an

airman's career. Get them invested in their on-the-job training.

Explaining each task to the airman, rather than just "signing off" tasks, will make a huge impact on the ability of our wings to carry out their missions.

As supervisors, we can make the difference by doing all of these things.

In return, we will reap huge rewards. The troop gets the personal gratification of learning a new trade, and the Air Force gets a certified warfighter.

There is no deeper satisfaction than seeing a newly trained airman doing a job. Just recently, I saw it here.

The power went out at the security forces building and we

had to call the civil engineer team power shop to fix it.

Their team of folks came in, changed out a transformer, strung the power lines and had power back on line within two hours.

These well-trained troops didn't fumble around. Supervisors had trained and certified these folks to turn the power back on, and they did so with professionalism, savvy and an acumen that reflected their training.

You don't think it makes a difference? Who do you think turned the power back on in Baghdad?

Ultimately, we want our troops to feel the same love of country and draw the same satisfaction of contribution we, as senior NCOs, feel.

Travis personnel earn CCAF degrees

The following individuals graduated with a degree from the Community College of the Air Force:

Amschler, Crystal
Anderson, Mark
Anspacher, Donald
Aquino, Nyel
Atkins, Gregory
Attaran, Farid
Bennett, Kris
Biemeret, Adam
Bladow, Andrew
Boyer, Robert
Buno, Edward
Burnett, Kevin
Cassidy, James
Chavez, Jennifer
Clark, Nancy
Costanich, Mary
Davidson, Matthew
Davidson, Matthew
Deruyter, Martin
Dodge, Cari
Elliott, Deborah
Frevort, Carlos
Fariss, Theodore
Gallegos, Luis
Galvez, Rafael

Gonzalez, Joaquin
Guetter, John
Guiao, Arnold
Harris, Paul
Hawkins, Wayne
Helton, Mark
Hensley, Patricia
Hernandez, Adolfo
Hernandez, Andrea
Hester, Irish
Horay, William
Horvath, Joseph
Hunter, Claudia
Jackson, Adria
Jackson, Darrel
Jackson, Jon
Janke, Scott
Jepson, Robert
Jepson, Robert
Jones, Michael
Keylon, Lance
Krause, Paul
Kuzia, Stephen
Lamb, John
Lawson, Xavier
Lucier, Russella
Luethe, Aaron
Lutat, Melissa
Macho, Dennis
Maurer, David



McClafferty, James
Mckay, Dana
Merritt, Sarah
Miller, Geoffrey
Miller, James
Muasau, Jarad
Munger, Timothy
Myers, Joel
Myers, Nathaniel
Nelson, Timothy
Okelo, Vania
Oneal, Kimberly
Ortiz, Arthur
Orton, Mark

Pereira, Ila
Perry, Alexander
Plamenco, Paul
Pope, Charles
Porter, Jeremy
Ramirez, Melanie
Ramirez, Melanie
Ramsey, Jack
Rayos, Darrell
Reschke, Matthew
Roelofs, Perry
Saavedra, Albert
Sanders, Bobby
Seidl, Benjamin
Smith, Michael
South, Gerald
Stoves, Kenneth
Strube, Stephen
Thackston, Robert
Tharp, Franklin
Thiel, Tiffany
Thomas, Michael
Thomas, Ronald
Vogt, Adam
Voorhees, Corey
Voorhees, Keli
Walker, Dwayne
Williams, Christina
Worrall, Jeffrey
Yerger, Chad

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60th Maintenance Group

Senior Master Sgt. Richard Colson, 424-0911

60th Operations Group

Capt. Jason Torgerson, 424-0212

60th Mission Support Group

2nd Lt. Pauline Nguyen, 424-4773

60th Medical Group

Capt. Paul Valdez, 424-2314

615th Air Mobility Operations Group

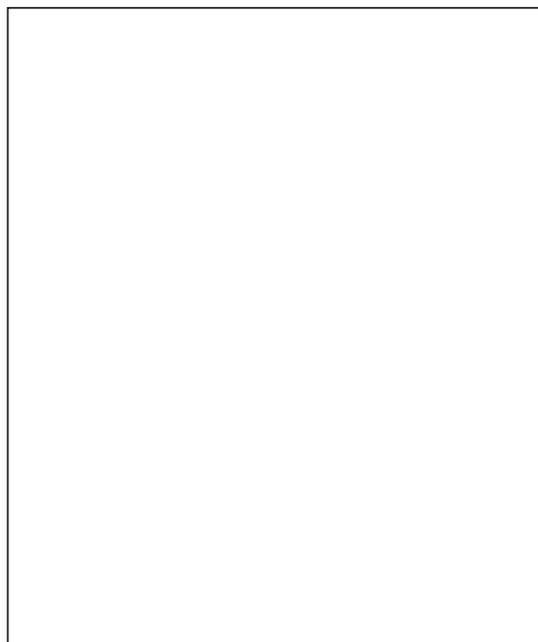
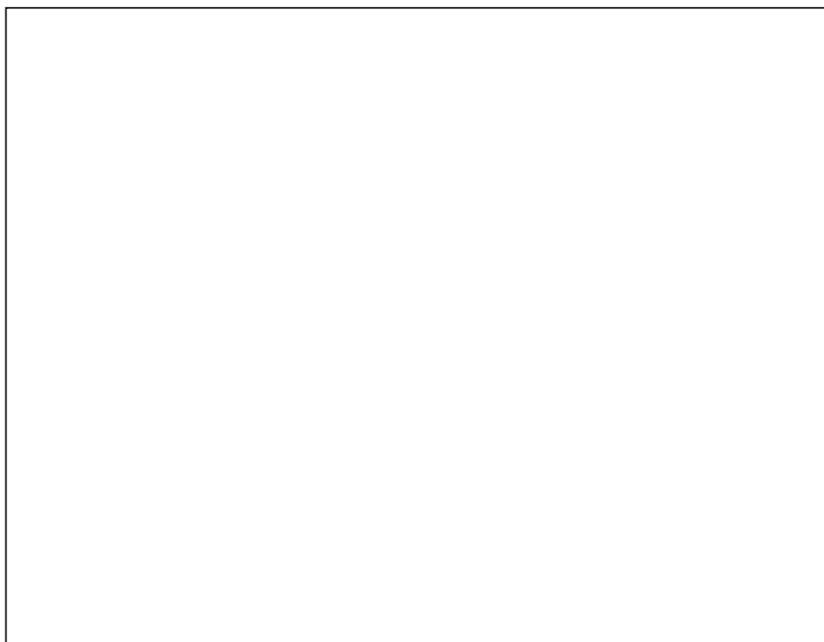
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349th Air Mobility Wing

Senior Master Sgt. David Taillon, 424-0715

349th Mission Support Group

Capt. Lynn Klink, 424-8260



NEWS NOTES

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

"809" Telephone Scam

Military members and their families should be aware of the recent renewal of an old telephone scam using the 809 area code. The perpetrators of this scam leave various messages on the answering machines of potential victims. There are many different messages that have been reported, but all lure the victim to call in some way. Victims are lead to believe that they need to call for some important reason such as receiving information about a death or arrest of someone, avoiding a lawsuit, winning a prize, getting a job, etc. Once people call the number, their phone line is billed at exorbitant rates.

It is important to note that the 809 area code is a valid Dominican Republic area code that requires no special long distance dialing codes.

The 809 area code can be used as a "pay-per-call" number, similar to 900 numbers in the U.S. Since 809 is not in the U.S., it is not covered by U.S. regulations of 900 numbers, which require that callers be notified and warned of charges and rates involved when calling a "pay-per-call" number.

The following is a link to the Federal Trade Commission Web site providing more information on this issue: <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/pubs/tmarkg/intlphon.htm>.

It's important to prevent becoming a victim of this scam, since trying to fight the charges afterwards can be very difficult.

For those wishing to learn more about other consumer fraud issues, the Federal Trade Commission has a very informative Web site at <http://www.ftc.gov>.

Food drive

The Travis Boy and Girl Scouts will be traveling through base housing Nov. 1, as they collect food donations for the Travis Emergency Food Pantry. The food pantry is managed by the Travis Family Support Center and helps many base families in need each year. Scouts will be positioned outside the Commissary to take donations, and will also walk neighborhoods on foot. For people who won't be home during the day, they can leave food donations in bags hanging on their front doors.

The food bank is requesting

non-perishable food donations that are sealed in their original packaging. All participating Travis Boy and Girl Scouts should meet at the Travis Scout Hut at 9 a.m. to be assigned a collection area.

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

Hit and run information

On Tuesday, Oct. 7, between 1-1:30 p.m., an unoccupied vehicle was hit and run in the southside of the Commissary Parking lot. The vehicle, a 1992 red Ford Mustand LX, was parked in the disabled parking space. About \$1,650 in damage was done to the left, back panel.

Please call 426-4255 if you have any information on this incident.

Donations/Artists wanted

The 60th and 349th Maintenance Operations Squadrons are seeking base organizations to once again donate decorated

Christmas trees or paint holiday scenes on the windows of our atrium for the 2nd Annual Festival of Trees Fundraiser to be held Dec. 2. The trees will be silent auctioned to festival attendees with all proceeds being donated to the Travis Fisher House.

Interested organizations should contact Denise Pochini at 424-2719 or Becky Austria at 424-3271

Veterans Day volunteers

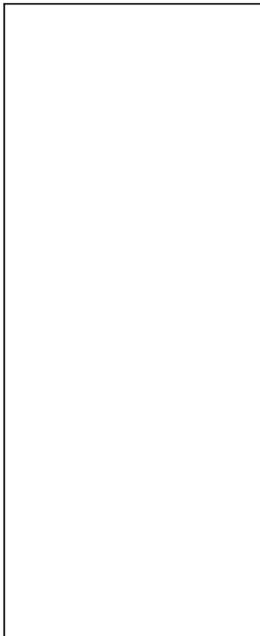
The Travis TOP 3 Association is privileged to participate in the City of Fairfield's Veterans Day Parade Nov. 11. This is an opportunity to present Travis warriors to the citizens of the local community. The TOP 3 is now accepting Senior NCO volunteers to form a TOP 3 flight in the Fairfield Veterans Day Parade.

For more information, call Senior Master Sgt. Clifford Costello at 424-5730.

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Conquer the world of words.
Read a book at the base library.



Imagine: Enough school slots for every officer candidate

By Maj. John Thomas
Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER — Things are already changing.

New ideas about Force Development are already fixing a longtime frustration of many officers who carried the official 'school candidate' label — that

they couldn't get a slot for in-residence professional military education even with a three-year window to attend. This year the Air Force has

told more than 750 majors they will be going to developmental assignments in-residence — more than a 50 percent increase. As recently as three years ago, only about 480 slots existed for majors to attend in-residence intermediate-level programs. And that meant about 30 percent of those who had been dubbed 'candidates' didn't actually get to go to school.

"From now on it looks like we're going to be able to send every officer who is school-selected during the promotion board. And that's only how it should have been all along," said Lt. Gen. Tex Brown, the service's top personnel officer and acting assistant vice chief of staff.

"Last week we got to give good news to more than 250 additional officers than in previous years. And that's good news for the Air Force as a whole."

"What got the pig through the python and allowed us to permanently clear this backlog was that so many great folks have worked so hard at implementing the Secretary [of the Air Force]'s vision of creating more slots, more school opportunities," General Brown said.

The reason this is all possible, officials say, is that the Air

Force has re-defined what it means to send someone to developmental education. It used to be Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base's Air University was the hallmark of intermediate training. Other services' schools, plus a few fellowships here and there added to the opportunities, but ACSC was the place the service looked to send most of its most promising majors.

"Now we've come to realize that the best developmental education for someone may well be to go for an advanced academic degree at [Air Force Institute of Technology] or Naval Post Graduate School and that one size doesn't fit all," the general said. "The Force Development concept is allowing us to build the framework we need to give us that flexibility, and then to leverage our officers' education."

Officials say soon, under Force Development, each officer will be considered for developmental assignments at several phases in his or her career, based on their performance, rank, years in service and the needs of their career fields and the Air Force.



Looking for information or telephone numbers?

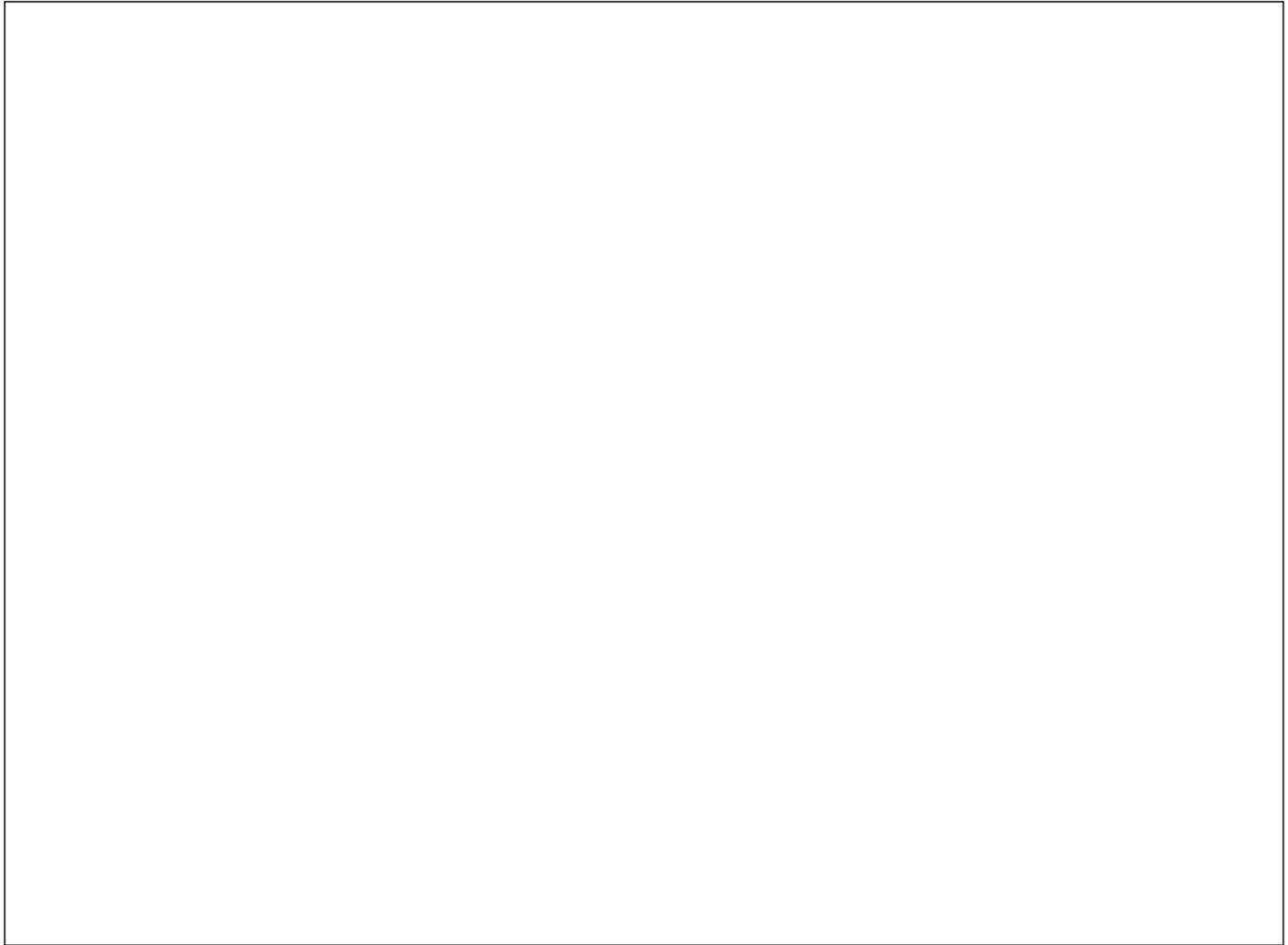
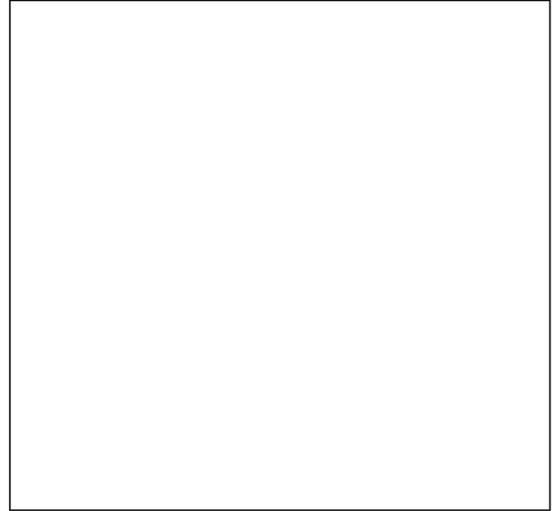
**Call the Base Operator
424 - 1110**

Ready for inspection



Capt. Tammy McEhoney / 60th LRS

2nd Lt. Gary Charland, with the 660th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, conducts a uniform inspection of a group of local Boy Scouts. The group was part of more than 300 local scouts who were taking part in an annual summer camp held at the Contra Loma Regional Park in Antioch to earn merit badges.



Environmental regulators visit Travis



The Environmental Flight of the 60th Civil Engineer Squadron recently hosted a base tour for environmental regulators. The regulators visited several environmental restoration sites and also toured a KC-10 Extender aircraft.

Ariel Kohn / Visual Information

SHINING STAR

AIR MOBILITY COMMAND

By Staff Sgt. Megan Bouthot
60th AMW Public Affairs

Senior Airman JJ Fajardo, a travel pay technician with the 60th Comptroller Squadron, was deployed for nearly 300 days last year, earning him many awards and much respect within the finance community here.

Airman Fajardo's time was served during two separate deployments, totaling 298 days. He deployed in support of Operations Southern Watch and Enduring Freedom in July of 2002. After returning in



Staff Sgt. Megan Bouthot /
60th AMW Public Affairs

Senior Airman Fajardo

September of 2002, he volunteered for another deployment and left in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom in December of 2002. Airman

Fajardo did not return to the United States until July of 2003. While deployed, Airman Fajardo served as a deployed finance liason for all servicemembers at his deployed location.

He took care of military pay problems and questions, travel payments and fulfilled cashier duties.

"Airman Fajardo's positive

attitude accomplishing the mission in the most efficient way possible, along with the dedication of his extra time toward self improvement never once faltered throughout a deployment which extended from 90 to 207 days," said Capt. Ray Reynosa, the 405th Air Expeditionary Wing's comptroller, who was deployed with Airman Fajardo.

Recently, in recognition of Airman Fajardo's personal sacrifice, he was awarded the Warrior Coin by Col. Michael Sevier, the vice wing commander, at wing stand-up.

"It's rewarding to know that I was able to serve my country, and received recognition for my hard work at such a high level," Airman Fajardo said.

The SWAP ADS deadline is noon Monday for that Friday's TAILWIND. Ads can be dropped off in Bldg. 51. Submissions do not guarantee publication.

New awards on tap for military

By **Bonnie Powell**
Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. — Know a military spouse who exemplifies support to the community, volunteerism, selflessness or strength? A new military spouse

award is now open for nominations and time is of the essence. Nominations are due by Nov. 9 for four new awards honoring active duty, retiree, Guard or Reserve, and veteran spouses. The active duty category

includes Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine and Coast Guard spouses.

Nominations can be made online through a front page link at the Web site of the Defense Commissary Agency at

<http://www.commissaries.com>, at <http://www.militaryshoppers.com>, or <http://www.avashow.com>.

Nomination forms will also be available Nov. 1 on Procter & Gamble product displays in commissaries, or the form can be downloaded now at <http://www.commissaries.com>. The nomination process includes a requirement for a 500-word essay addressing one or more of the award criteria.

It's no coincidence that nominations are due just in time for Veterans Day. The inaugural American Military Spouse awards are part of the ninth annual American Veteran Awards, to be broadcast on The History Channel in February 2004 and also on American Forces Network at a later date. The spouse award recipients will attend the awards ceremony and taping in California, Nov. 20-23. The actual awards ceremony is Nov. 21.

The awards ceremony also includes "veteran" entertainers who support America's military personnel. Past ceremonies have included such stars as Kris Kristofferson, Willie Nelson, Dennis Franz, Chuck Norris and Dan Rather as recipi-

ents and presenters.

The new military spouse awards are being sponsored through a Veterans Day commissary promotion. "Procter & Gamble has tremendous respect for the men and women serving the U.S. Armed Forces," said Paula Parsons, marketing manager for P&G Military Markets. "We recognize the enormous sacrifices they make during lengthy deployments. They have faced these tasks with courage, discipline, leadership and dignity. But we also recognize the hardships their families endure during these difficult periods; they, too, deserve respect and admiration.

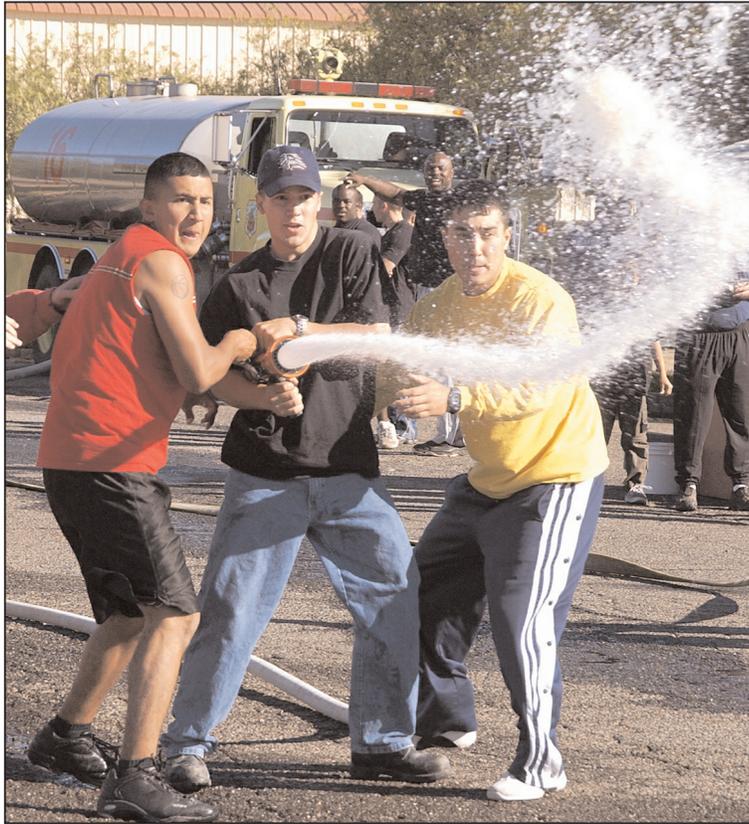
"For this reason, P&G Military Markets has chosen to join the American Veteran Awards by sponsoring the American Military Spouse Award, honoring those spouses who have demonstrated exceptional volunteer accomplishments; exuded ongoing strength during lengthy deployments, family separations and frequent moves; or fortitude in supporting other military families and their community," said Parsons.

For more information about the American Veteran Awards, go to <http://www.avashow.com>.

Knowledge is power!

Read a book at the base library.

Fire Prevention week Fire child



A fire muster team competes in the water joust during the competition. The competition gives Travis' squadrons a chance to take part in firefighting activities.

By Staff Sgt. Megan Bouthot
60th AMW Public Affairs

The Travis Fire Department hosted its annual Fire Prevention Week Oct. 6 - 11.

Fire Prevention Week is a national annual event geared at educating all base personnel and especially the children on fire prevention and fire safety.

The event is always held the week of October 9th, to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire of 1871.

This year's event week kicked off with displays at the Base Exchange. Personnel from the fire department handed out safety information, as well as gifts for children. Smokey the Bear and Sparky the Fire Dog were on hand, and a classic fire truck was on display at the front entrance of the BX.

Tuesday and Wednesday, members of the fire department traveled to each of the base's three elementary schools to enact skits displaying proper fire prevention and safety techniques.

The skits capitalized on this year's event motto, "When Fire Strikes, get out, stay out," and utilized characters like the comic book hero The Hulk, to prevent

people from re-entering fires.

The fire department hosted the third annual Fire Muster Oct. 10, where teams from Travis' various squadrons competed in "fire-fighting related" events for prizes.

Teams of five competed in events to include a stretcher run, a bucket brigade, a make-n-break event that involves rolling out a fire hose and shooting down a target, a tug-of-war and finally, a water joust.

This year's trophy winner was the 60th Equipment Maintenance Squadron's Isochronal unit.

The parade kicked off Oct. 11 with 16 vehicles on display. Participants in the event included the Travis Fire Department and Explosive Ordnance Disposal, as well as the Travis Police Department, the David Grant USAF Medical Center's emergency responders and other emergency response vehicles from Suisun City and Fairfield.

Smokey the Bear and Sparky the Fire Dog were also among the more than 300 people who attended this year's event. A free raffle also offered attendees the chance to win one of 50 prizes that were donated by various base agencies.

The fire department handed out safety information, stickers and fire hats in an attempt to educate the base population about fire safety and prevention.

The fire department displayed emergency response vehicles and classic fire trucks. They also performed an auto extraction to simulate a rescue from a crushed vehicle.

Col. Tracy Hardwick, the 60th Support Group Deputy Commander, and Lt. Col. Patrick Smith, the 60th Civil Engineer Squadron Commander, were on hand to officiate the event.

According to officials with the Travis Fire Department, this year's event was a huge success, to say the least.

"Fire prevention week was simply phenomenal. The goal was to make us smarter about fire safety, and our Fire Department did this using this simple theme: 'Get out and stay out.' I'm very proud of the professional program the Travis Fire Department put on — they met their goals and we all had fun and learned a lot in the process," said Colonel Hardwick.



Fire trucks drove down Travis Avenue during the annual parade in support of Fire Prevention Week. Fire Prevention Week is held annually to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire of 1871.



Smokey the Bear and Sparky the Fire Dog spent time with children at Child Development Centers around the base.



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Firefight vehicle

fighters educate base personnel, children on fire prevention, safety



Photos by Arielle Kohn /Visual Information

Children play in a classic fire truck that was on display at the firehouse during their open house Oct. 11.



Firefighters give a demonstration on extrication



Participants in the Third Annual Fire Muster compete in a tug-of-war.

The Travis Fire Department would like to extend a special thank you to the various base organizations that made Fire Prevention Week a success, including:

- Army and Air Force Exchange Service
- Alphabets Specialty Gifts & Engraving
- The Sweet Shop
- Outdoor Recreation
- The Travis Bowl



Courtesy photo

Winners of the 9th ARS "Warrior Award" from left to right are: Staff Sgt. Mike Hinton, boom operator, Maj. Mike Butler, aircraft commander, and Capt. Jeff Hilfiker, co-pilot. Master Sgt. Robbie Wellbaum, flight engineer, was not available for a photo.

9th ARS launches new award

Lt. Col. David Avery
9th Air Refueling Squadron

A new tradition in the 9th Air Refueling Squadron identifies the best of the best in the heavily decorated unit.

The Warrior Award is an honor given to one crewmember in each crew position on the KC-10. Squadron members vote for the pilot, copilot, boom operator and flight engineer who they would want to fly into combat with.

Three of the winners have risen from basic crewmember positions to instructor and evaluator positions.

Those three winners were Maj. Mike Butler, aircraft commander, Staff Sgt. Mike Hinton, boom operator, and Master Sgt. Robbie Wellbaum, flight engineer. Capt. Jeff Hilfiker, copilot, was very surprised and humbled.

Captain Hilfiker said he truly appreciates the award, but added, "I was singled out for this award, but to me everyone in the 9th ARS is a true warrior."

At its core, the Warrior Award winners are crewmembers who fellow flyers would want to surround themselves with during the toughest combat sortie.

Noteworthy is the fact that most 9th ARS members actually flew during the buildup to Operation Iraqi Freedom or flew combat missions during the height of the conflict. All Travis KC-10 crews, from the 9th, 6th, 70th and 79th ARS flew numerous hours in challenging conditions deep into Iraq and sometimes at low altitudes. The missions were far from routine and courageous actions in support of the air war were exhibited on a daily basis by these aircrews.

The flight engineer Warrior Award winner, Sergeant Wellbaum, like most of his peers, has been in the line of fire during recent combat oper-

ations.

Sergeant Wellbaum stated that seeing anti-aircraft fire over Afghanistan while flying missions in support of Operation Enduring Freedom was a very memorable event.

Sergeant Hinton, the boom operator award recipient, adds the Warrior Award to his already impressive credentials. He was the 9th ARS boom operator on the aircrew selected by Air Mobility Command for the 2002 Gen. James H. Doolittle Aircrew of the Year.

His professionalism, courage and "extremely meritorious service" vaulted him and his crew to that award for an extraordinary sortie in support of heavy bombers in Operation Enduring Freedom.

The gravity and honor of the award was compounded for these four "crew dogs" because they were selected for the Warrior Award by their fellow squadron members — combat-proven aviators who were also recognized earlier this year as Air Mobility Command's best air refueling squadron earning the 2002 Spaatz Trophy.

Major Butler, the aircraft commander Warrior Award winner, was very grateful for his selection. "I'm completely humbled. This award means more to me than if I'd been awarded a Silver Star. I'm proud to be a part of such a fabulous squadron," he said.

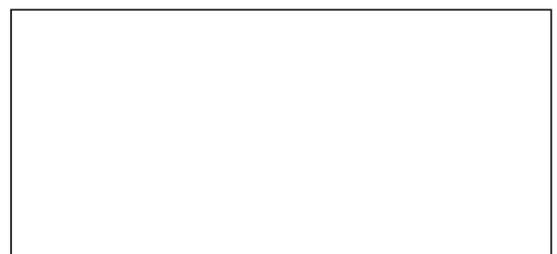
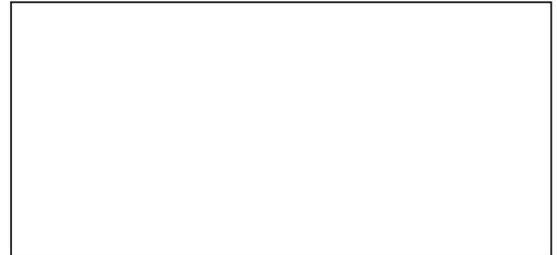


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Does work have you stressed out?



The Health and Wellness Center has stress-relieving massage chairs available by appointment or walk-ins. Call **424-4332**.



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

Announcements

New RV storage rates

This month the Travis RV Storage rates increased to \$180. Current tenants must pay their fees by the end of the month or they will lose their space. Tenants whose payment isn't due until later in the year will have their space rent prorated. For more information, call Outdoor Recreation at 424-5659.

Teen and Family Talent Show

Youth and their families are invited to participate in the Travis Annual Teen and Family Talent Show on Thursday, Nov. 6. The show takes place at 7 p.m. in the base theater. For more information, call the Youth Center at 424-5392.

Learn to Make a Music Video

All dependents of active duty members and activated reservists are invited to participate in this free class to learn videography and photography skills. Learn to make a music video or take pictures of the stars. Youth ages 6 to 18 may sign up for these classes at the Youth Center or the Teen Zone. For more information, call 424-5392.

Duck Pond Closed

The Duck Pond is closed for three months for landscaping and maintenance. This closure includes the playground, trails and pond.

Weekly Events

Today

▲ The Delta Breeze Club's annual Masquerade Monte Carlo Night is tonight from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission is \$10 for non-members, \$8 for members, and includes \$500 in gaming tokens, food and beverage coupons and a chance at great prizes. Wear a costume and get an additional \$100 in gaming tokens. This is an all ranks event, but attendees must be over 21. For more information, call 437-3711.

▲ Tonight is also a special Parents Night Out at the Travis Child Development Center. Pay \$4 per hour from 6:45 to 11:15 p.m. for childcare so parents can attend the DBC's Monte Carlo Night or have a night on the town. Space is limited. For more information, call 424-0341.

▲ Take a Haunted Hay Ride at the Travis Equestrian Center from 6 to 11 p.m. tonight and Saturday. Each ride is about 25 minutes and costs \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. For more information, call Barb Brewer at 424-1278.

Saturday

▲ Come view the work of Travis artists and photographers at the Artists and Photo Contest from noon to 3 p.m. at the Travis Conference Center. For more information, contact Caroline Hay at 424-4391.

▲ Dress in costume and join the rest of the clowns, ninjas and goblins on the Free Halloween Fun Run. The race starts at the Fitness Center at 10 a.m. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. There will be prizes for individual and group costumes as well as race winners. For more information, call 424-2008.

▲ The Travis Equestrian Center offers pony rides, crafts, games and a hay ride from 1 to 6 p.m. at their Harvest Fest. Pony rides are \$3 with a picture and \$1 without. Short hay rides are only \$2. For more information, call Barb Brewer at 424-

1278.

Monday

▲ Watch all the fun and excitement of Monday Night Football on the big screen TV at 5 p.m. in the Gold Rush Lounge at the DBC. All ranks are welcome. There will be free snacks and drink specials.

▲ 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. For more information, call 424-2486.

Tuesday

▲ It's Story time at the Mitchell Memorial Library from 9-10 a.m. This week a guest will read "Winnie the Pooh's Halloween" and the children will make Spider Pops and Tissue Paper Ghosts.

▲ Join the Halloween Parade at the Mitchell Memorial Library at 3:30 p.m. All ages are invited. There will be games, prizes, treats, a costume contest and each child will receive a trick or treat bag. For more information, call 424-3279.

▲ The FSC Readiness NCO will conduct Personal Preparedness Briefings at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. for those tasked with TDYs or contingencies.

For more information or reservations, call 424-2486.

▲ Bundles 'n' books for babies class from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Family Support Center. For more information, call 424-2486.

Wednesday

▲ Watch the Golden State Warriors take on the Dallas Mavericks at 7 p.m. at the Oakland Arena. Tickets are available for \$18 each at Information, Tickets and Travel. For more information, call 424-5659.

▲ Beginning Tap & Ballet will be taught at the Youth Center Wednesdays from 6:15 to 7 p.m. for ages 5 to 7 and from 7 to 7:45 p.m. for ages 8 and up. The cost is \$24 per month per student. For more information, call the

I want this one



Christy Mann-Ilames / 60th Services Squadron

Travis celebrates the season with Harvest Festivals at the Equestrian Center on Saturday. There will also be costume parties at the Skate Rink, Delta Breeze Club, Travis Marina, Fitness Center and Mitchell Memorial Library in upcoming weeks. Log onto www.60thService.com for details.

Youth Center at 424-5392.

▲ The Wood Shop is now open every Wednesday from 4 to 8 p.m. It is also open every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 424-1338.

Thursday

▲ The FSC Readiness NCO will conduct Personal Preparedness Briefings at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. for those tasked with TDYs or contingencies.

For more information or reservations, call 424-2486.

▲ Informed Decisions lasts from 8 a.m. to noon. This is a mandatory seminar for all 1st and 2nd term enlisted within 15 months of Date of Separation (DOS). Topics cover AF benefits, retraining, TRICARE and Guard/Reserve opportunities. For more information, call 424-2486.

Weekly

▲ This year the Air Force is providing additional funding to provide free classes to active duty dependents so children can document their lives while a parent is deployed. Youth will be able to learn to use still and moving pictures, web pages and scrapbooks to record their lives to share with their deployed parent. Youth ages 6 to 18 may sign up for the videography/photography class at the Youth Center or the Teen Zone. For more information, call 424-5392.

▲ The www.afcrossroads.com Web site pools

Web resources from across the Air Force and Department of Defense into a single location and provides a virtual community atmosphere where visitors can participate in bulletin board discussions, chat rooms, post resumes online or search for information on a variety of topics such as education, employment, military installations, family separation and readiness, finance, leisure, medical and dental, parenting and relocation. For more information, call the Family Support Center at 424-2486.

▲ The Air Force Aid Society pays for an 18-point safety inspection, oil and lube for the primary vehicle used by the spouse of an active duty member who is TDY, deployed or serving a remote tour for 30 days or longer. Spouses whose sponsor is TDY or deployed for 90 nonconsecutive days per year are also eligible. Eligible individuals can pick up a voucher at the Family Support Center. First term airmen at their first duty station also receive a voucher for this care during the financial briefing at FTAC, if they present their orders at the briefing. For more information, call the Family Support Center at 424-2486.

Chapel Services

Catholic

▲ Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 11:30 a.m., Catholic Mass, Chapel Center.

▲ Wednesday, noon, Catholic Mass, DGMC Chapel.

▲ Saturday, 4:15 to 4:45 p.m., confessions, Chapel One.

▲ Saturday Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel One.

▲ Sunday Mass, 9 a.m., 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, 10:30 a.m., community worship service, Chapel Center.

▲ Sunday, 5 p.m., Inside Out, Chapel Center. Children's program provided. For more information, contact Chaplain (Capt.) Abner Valenzuela at 423-3939.

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

For Jewish information please call Maj. Sarah Futterman at 423-3456.

For other religious activities, call Chapel Center at 424-3217

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Celebrity auction

The Travis Officer Spouses Club is holding a Celebrity Auction Nov. 14 at the Travis Air Museum. The event will begin at 6 p.m. with a silent auction and there will be an oral auction starting at 7:45 p.m. Admission is \$5 and proceeds will go toward scholarship funds.

Smoking Cessation Class

Are you a trying to quit smoking? The Health and Wellness Center can help. The HAWC offers a Tobacco Cessation Class taught by physicians.

During the seven-week class you will learn how to cope with urges of smoking, be given patches, learn how to control

weight gain during the process, and how to abstain ... for life! Simply contact the HAWC at 424-HAWC (4292) to register. The next class begins Oct. 29 and is only an hour a week. Did we mention you get a free water jug when you complete the class?

Water plant closure

From Oct. 26 Oct to Nov. 9 the Vallejo water plant will be shut down while the Califor-

nia Department of Water Resources performs work. Because the base will be providing its water from the Travis well field, all residents are encouraged to regulate their water usage during this time. Please keep automobile washing and lawn watering to a minimum.

Coaches needed

The Youth Center's Flag Football and Cheerleading programs need volunteer coaches. Call the Youth Center at 424-5392. No experience required.

Eye on Progress

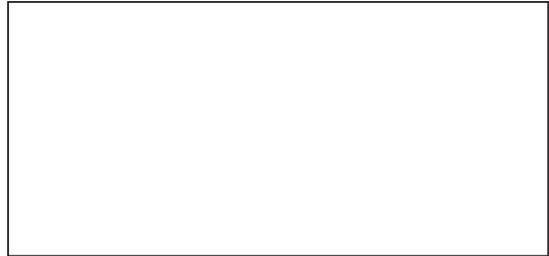
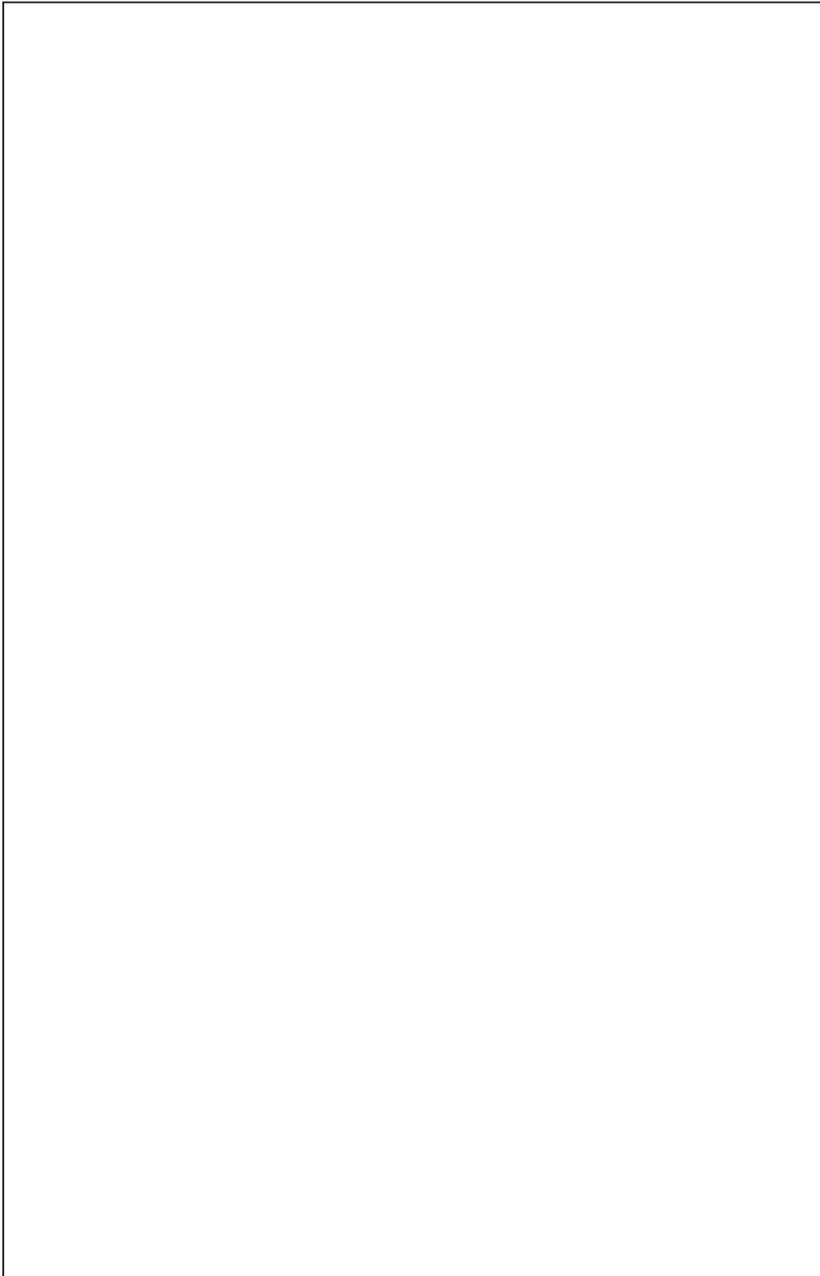
60th Civil Engineer Squadron

New construction has begun near the corner of Eucalyptus Park and Hanger Boulevard. Two facilities will be erected at the site of the old general purpose repair shop, Bldg. 550.

The complex includes a POL Operations facility and three maintenance bays split by a parking area for R11 and R12 refueler trucks.

The 4,500 square foot operations facility will accommodate 85 personnel responsible for 24-hour refueling operations .

Located adjacent to the 300 ramp, the future operations hub is closer to bulk fuel storage than Bldg. 1202, which is located near the northeast corner of the ramp. 60th Logistics Readiness Squadron veteran, Chief Master Sgt. Stephen Gowin, says that the strategic location of the future complex "greatly enhances the mission, because refueler response time to the farthest customers will be reduced from 12 to six minutes."



CRIME STOPPER

TRAVIS SECURITY FORCES ACTIVITY

Oct. 13
Escort violation in the Mass Parking Area

Oct. 14
Animal control on Wyoming Street
Unsecured building on Maine Street
Juvenile arson and brush fire at the Duck Pond
Shoplifting at the Base Exchange

Oct. 15
Damage to private property at the space available parking lot
Suicide Attempt on Bond Street

Oct. 16
Vehicle accident on Ragsdale Street
Vehicle accident in the Visitor Center parking lot
Harassing phone calls on Texas Street

Oct. 17
Animal Control on Bond Street
Theft of private property in the Commissary parking lot
Suspicious person at TACAMO
Vehicle accident at the BX parking lot
Marijuana found at David Grant Medical Center
Theft of government property at Bldg. 878
Contraband found at the south gate
Damage to government property on Collins Drive
Animal Control on Hieser Court

Oct. 18
Unauthorized Solicitation at Dorm 1309
Canine bite at the north gate

Oct. 19
Driving on a suspended license at the Sierra Inn
Vehicle accident at the BX parking lot
Child abuse/unfounded on Diablo Drive
Military in civil custody on I-80

Crime Tip: Crime Tip: Solicitation is not authorized on base and individuals sponsoring solicitors will be held accountable.

Influenza vaccine program underway

The 60th Medical Group would like to lend a hand to combat influenza by offering the flu shot to eligible beneficiaries. Please make sure to come on the scheduled days, since only a certain amount of the vaccine will be furnished. A valid military ID card is mandatory and will be checked for each person that walks through the door.

► Active Duty personnel must have their immunization record for documentation purposes.

► For all personnel and beneficiaries who miss the scheduled times, the flu vaccine will be offered at your respective Primary Care Clinic after Nov. 2.

Schedule for flu shots at Base Chapel One

<p>Oct. 24 Times: 8-11 a.m. Important notice! Time correction.</p>	<p>Oct. 27 Times: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. *All Active Duty Personnel</p>	<p>Oct. 28 Times: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. *All Active Duty Personnel</p>	<p>Oct. 28 Times: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. *All Active Duty Personnel</p>
<p>Oct. 29 Times: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. *All Active Duty Personnel *All Beneficiaries (while supplies last)</p>	<p>Oct. 30 Times: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. *All Active Duty Personnel *All Beneficiaries (while supplies last)</p>	<p>Oct. 31 Times: 8-11 a.m. *All Active Duty Personnel *All Beneficiaries (while supplies last)</p>	



Haunted house

This year's haunted house, named the "Knight's Inn," is a spectacular maze full of room after room of scary scenes right out of a horror movie. The Haunted House opens today through Oct. 31.

"Knight's Inn" promises scare

By Airman 1st Class
Alice Moore
60th AMW Public Affairs

Goblins, witches and ghosts have made their way back to Travis for the annual Knights of the Galaxy Haunted House.

The haunted house is scheduled to open today and run through Oct. 31 at the old OSI building (Bldg. 106).

Various members of the 60th Maintenance Group gathered to put together the largest haunted house event ever held at the base, said Tech. Sgt. Charles Langbehn, project manager for the haunted house.

"We've got really amazing individuals working this year. Its just been phenomenal to see everyone here being able to put together something of this size in such a short amount of time," Sergeant Langbehn said.

Although the details of the house are being kept a secret, Sergeant Langbehn said spectators can definitely expect to be scared.

"This gives families a chance to relieve stress. It's great to see the husband hiding behind the wife or the parents hiding behind



All of the "monsters" for the haunted house are volunteers from the 60th Maintenance Group.

their kids. I really think this is something the base community enjoys," Sergeant Langbehn said. "It's fun to watch people laughing and having a blast as they leave the haunted house."

Not only is the haunted house expected to be fun for all who attend, individuals volunteering are already enjoying providing the support for the event, Sergeant Langbehn said.

"I had a great time volunteering for the haunted house last year. It was great scaring people and I definitely wanted to do it again this year. This is



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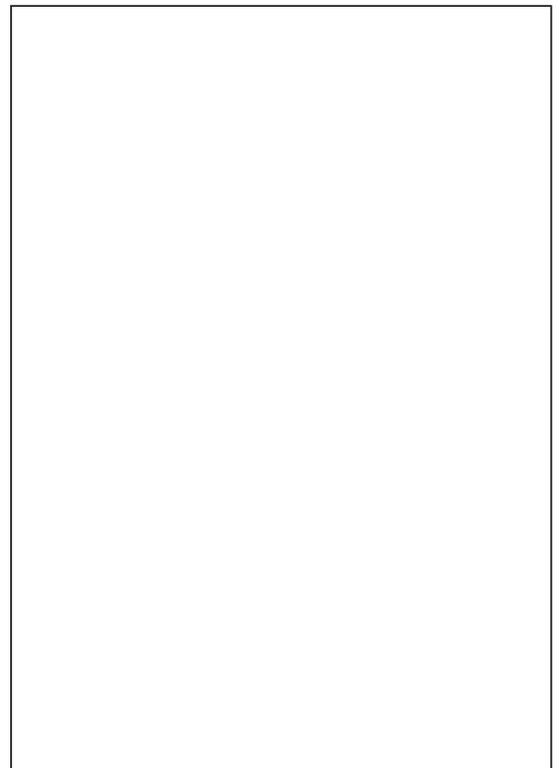
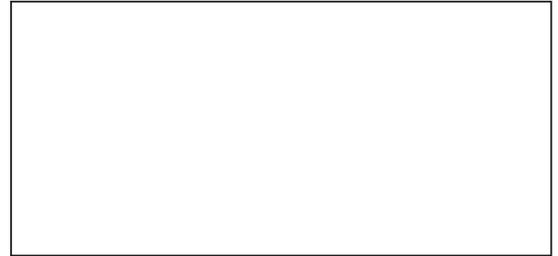
Haunted house visitors can expect to be greeted by ghouls, goblins and all sorts of scary creatures on their journey through "Knight's Inn."

also a good way to support my squadron and a good way to volunteer," said Airman 1st Class Courtney Correa, 60th AMXS.

Sergeant Langbehn also said the money raised from the haunted house will go toward a number of things such as the 60th AMXS booster club functions and the

squadron's Christmas party, subsidizing the cost for the troops who are able to attend.

The haunted house will be open from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Entrance fees to the Knights Inn this year will be \$5 per adult 15 and over and \$2 per child 14 and under. Ages 5 and under are free.



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, 8 a.m. - noon, multi-family yard sale, 111 Kansas street.

Saturday, 7 a.m. - noon, multi-family, 626 Valley View Way

Saturday, 7 a.m. - noon, multi-family, PCS yard sale, 319 Fairchild

Saturday, 9 a.m. - noon, 109 Kansas off 1st

Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon, garage/moving sale, 108 Bradley Blvd

Saturday, 8 a.m. - noon, multi-family block sale, 108 Cannon Dr.

Saturday, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m., multi-family, PCSing, 117 Arizona.

Saturday/Sunday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. 3 family, 2078 Eagle Way, off Nightingale, Fairfield.

Vehicles

2002 Honda CBR Fi 3200 miles frame sliders, cowl cover, Yoshi pipe, double bubble wind shield, \$7000. Call 437-4495.

1998 Nissan Altima GLE, 45,000 miles, new brakes, tires and battery, fully loaded, \$9,500. Call 290-8695.

Harley-Davidson 1200 Sportster, 2001, very low miles, all factory equipment, must sell, \$7,000 obo. Call 439-9324 or 208-8671.

1973 Ford Ltd 4 dr, \$3,500 obo. Call 448-5317.

1986 Volkswagon Cabriolet, 132K miles, new tires, rims, doors panels and other extras, \$1500 obo. Call 446-8336.

2001 Chrysler town and country minivan, inferno red, warranty 31K miles, power windows, locks, door, hatch, quad seats, CD player, AC, and more, \$15,000 obo. Call 455-0654.

1991 Nissan Maxima, pearl white, must sell. Call 437-0441 or 718-3051 ask for Jessica.

2001 Mazda 626, CD player, AC, extended warranty, \$9,300. Call 451-0820.

1995 Dodge Ram van, 105k miles, \$7000 obo. Call 693-8354.

1988 Nissan Pathfinder, \$7,500 obo. Call 437-1110.

1996 Kawasaki Eliminator 600 cc, yellow w/purple flames 5,500 miles, \$3250. Call 916-595-1927.

Vehicle Accessories

703 Karma 20" rims by Alba, \$1500 obo. Call 437-4495.

Two pair snow chains for 14 inch nd

15 inch tires, call for specific sizes, \$15/set. Call 437-9310.

Campershell (red) fits 89-93 Toyota, carpet kit, like new, \$475 obo. Call 592-7030.

Four Michelin tires m/s P235-70r-15 new, \$300. Call 437-9310.

Miscellaneous

Bissel carpet shampooer w/attach to hook to faucet, \$38 obo. Call 447-7858.

Piano, \$300. Call 451-0904.

Little Tykes Outdoor playhouse, \$60. Call 437-4775.

Kids playground swing set, \$150 obo. Kids clothes (ages 1-3 years). Kids toys (ages 6 months - 3 years old. Call 439-0668.

Refurbished 1969 Kirby vacuum, \$45. Call 427-1381.

Blue Recliner, \$50. Boys clothes, sizes vary from 5-8s, everything \$1. Rollerblades, recreational men's size 11, \$15. Call 437-4049.

Large swing set including monkey bars and adult swing, on one end, must sell, \$250 new, selling for \$50 obo. Call 447-7858.

Large sack of girls clothes 2t and 3t, \$20 for whole sack, \$1/outfit. Call 447-7858.

2 X-large dog carriers, \$40 each. Call 427-1381.

Moving, must sell, Disney Hall-loween decor, tupperware, clothes, shoes, Disney movies, and many more items. Call 439-0975.

Playpen in original box, \$20. Call 447-6024.

Hoover upright vacuum \$75, Kenmore upright vacuum \$75. Call 449-1626.

Canon EOS Rebel G 35 mm camera \$125, red campershell for mini truck, \$125. Chrome brush guard for mini truck, \$125. Call 428-5920.

Graco stroller w/basket, \$15, ladies size x-large straight-waist leather jacket-tags still on, \$70 obo. Call 437-3115.

Baker's rack, white with light colored wood, \$55. Wilton character cake pans, \$2-6 each. Call 437-3115.

Graco pack n ply w/bassinet, \$20. Kenmore window a/c \$50, Graco stroller \$20, Rescue Heroes Aquatic Command Center \$20. Call 437-1210.

Athletic equipment

Boys 16" bike, \$25. Call 437-2725.

Ladies Diamond Back mountain bike, \$50. Call 427-1381.

AerobicRider excerser, \$150. Call 421-2004.

Bowflex Motivator w/lat bar and leg curl extension, \$750 obo. Call 439-9578.

Furniture

Light oak kitchen table with four upholstered rolling chairs, \$100. Call 437-4775.

Twin loft, metal frame, \$50. Rosewood table. Call 437-3278.

Sauder L-shaped office desk, \$80. Call 427-1381.

New queen four-poster bed and mattress set, \$750. TV, stereo unit, \$50. Call 290-1748.

Leather, rocker recliner (dark forest

green), \$100. call 447-6024.

Matching end tables, entertainment center and coffee table. Call 437-2360.

Six-piece bedroom set, queen size, \$250, mattress not included. Call 437-3778.

Two cherry armchairs with upholstered seats, \$75. Call 437-4079.

Entertainment center/bookshelves, cabinets, three sections, \$750. Oak dining room table, four chairs, \$200. Couch, double recliner, \$150. Large bookshelf, \$50, four-drawer nightstands, \$10. Call 451-0820.

Solid oak table and four chairs for \$125. call 437-0555.

Queen size brass bed w/ top mattress, must sell, \$40. Call 447-7858.

Hunter green, La-Z Boy rocker/recliner, 1-year-old, \$50 obo. Twin flat top canopy bed, powder white iron, 1-year-old, \$100. Call 455-0654.

Roommate wanted

5 bd, 3 ba in Vacaville, \$450/month with \$600 deposit, full use of kitchen and garage, available end of Oct. Call Jason at 449-0288.

Citrus Heights, \$450/month, \$150 deposit, util. included, male preferred. Call Jamie at 916-726-0237.

Female roommate to share two bd, 1.5 ba duplex in Vacaville, asking \$500/month plus half of utilities. Call 448-0495.

Female roommate to share 3 bd, 2.5 ba, pool/spa, non-smoker, no pets, \$800/month utilities included, North Vacaville, pref. Air Force person. Call 249-1666.

Looking for female roommate, \$350/month, split utilities, alarm. Call 365-5490.

For Rent

4/3 2,200 square feet, 7 miles to base in Meadowlands, \$2000/month. Call 451-0820.

4 bd, 2 ba, \$1550 and deposit, avail. 11/1/03 no pets, Suisun City. Call 619-934-0807.

In Suisun, 4 bd, 2 ba, living room, kitchen, dining room, garage, 1700 sq ft fenced back yard, \$1500/month plus deposit. Call 707-330-9443 or 707-235-5246.

Trailers/Boats/Campers

1990 Four Winns 21' boat, V8, Cobra outdrive, wakeboard tower, new carpet, am/fm/cd, \$8,700. Call 448-6503.

Pets

Large Malamute/Lab mix, very high spirited and loving, free to a good home. Call 437-8599.

Free to good home, two hamsters, cages included. Call 439-9254.

One pair of zebra finches, 1 male, female, \$20. Call 439-9254.

Appliances

Kenmore extra large capacity stacked washer and dryer unit, 27" wide x 28.5" d x 74" high, 1.5 years old, \$600 obo. Call 437-4079. New GE washer/dryer set \$300, Murray lawn mower, \$50. Call 439-9095.

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DON'T MIX

CSU grounds Falcons, 30-20

By John Van Winkle
U.S. Air Force Academy Public Affairs

FORT COLLINS, Colo. — The pros and the nation were watching as the Colorado State University Rams grounded the Air Force Academy Falcons on Oct. 16, 30-20.

The nationally-televised game featured 994 yards of offense. Air Force pounded out 276 of its 430 total yards on the ground, but Falcons quarterback Cadet Chance Harridge was 3 of 12 passing, for only 85 yards and was intercepted twice. Two of those passes went to running backs.

With the passing game stilled, the Falcons were perpetually left facing a strong run defense and with many third-and-long situations. Without a solid passing attack to take the heat off the run, the Falcons weren't able to put the game away.

"I thought we played hard; we never gave up. But we didn't make plays when we had the opportunity," said Fisher DeBerry, the Falcons head coach.

"It seemed like every time their offense came up, they were second and two or second and one, or it was always third down and short," Mr.



Air Force Academy linebackers Kenny Smith (45) and Marchello Graddy (58) join defensive back Larry Duncan (29) in bringing down Colorado State University running back Marcus Houston during their conference game Oct. 16. CSU won the game 30-20.

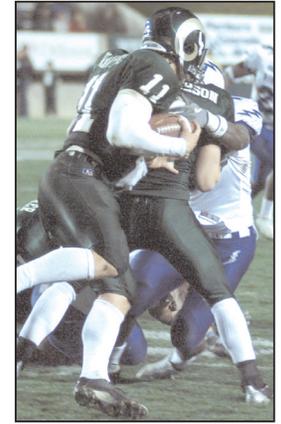
DeBerry said. "We never could get them in that long yardage situation — and then the times when we did ... (CSU's) Bradlee Van Pelt did a great job in throwing the post-corner route. He caught us when we were trying to stop the run and didn't have enough coverage, and sometimes he just threw it in there very, very well."

Van Pelt passed for 258 yards and one touchdown. The Falcons will be looking to rebound during their next game, against Utah. That game against the Utes has conference title implications, as Utah is 5-1 overall and now leads the Mountain West Conference standings with a 2-0 conference record. The Falcons fall to 6-2 with the

loss to CSU and are second in the conference with a 3-1 conference record.

However, the Air Force-Utah game isn't until Nov. 1, and the Utes have two conference games Oct. 18 and 25, while the Falcons have two weeks off.

"It's going to be a good time for us to hopefully get some guys well. It will also be a



Colorado State University quarterback Bradlee Van Pelt (11) heads for a mid-field show-down. The Rams advance to 5-3 with the win, while the Falcons fall to 6-2.

time for us to study — as coaches — what we've gotten done the first eight ball games and see what we've got to do to make a run down the stretch in these last four games," Mr. DeBerry said.

"I think we've got a good football team; we've got a competitive football team," he said. "But tonight we were not the better football team."

Dwarf cars offer speed, excitement at partial size

By Jennifer Brugman
60th AMW Public Affairs

It's about the thrill of speed. "The thrill of speed and the competi-

tion — to be able to push the limits of a piece of machinery," said Staff Sgt. Art Hall, 60th Maintenance Operations Squadron, jet engine mechanic instruc-

tor. "A lot of the guys are very, very good drivers. They're right beside you and they've been doing this for six years."

Hall races dwarf cars competitively. These scaled down coupes, sedans and trucks which are modeled after vehicle designs from 1928 to 1948, are powered by motorcycle engines. They are raced on dirt tracks.

"We have one of the highest power to weight ratios of any class," said Staff Sgt. Mike Grenert, 60th Maintenance Operations Squadron, Quality Assurance Inspector. The engines typically are 180 to 220 horsepower while the vehicle weighs about 1000 pounds, according to Sergeant Grenert.

The fastest the cars go is 120 mph. The average speed is 80 mph.

"It's pure adrenaline," Sergeant Grenert said.

Sergeant Hall and Sergeant Grenert have been racing together and against each other for more than two years. Sergeant Hall became interested in the sport in his home state of Pennsylvania. He had been a member of a dirt track team there. When he

came to Travis, he decided he wanted to drive his own car. While doing research, he discovered dwarf car racing.

"It seemed interesting to me," he said.

Sergeant Grenert has been racing for six years. He began racing modified midget cars when he was hired to drive a dwarf car. After three years, he bought his own car and picked up a sponsorship.

The dwarf car season lasts from March through October. Sergeant Hall finished 12th in points for the year out of 35 people. Sergeant Grenert finished fourth this year for northern California.

Sergeants Grenert and Hall race with the California Dwarf Car Association. The racing rotates through four tracks in Northern California. Every driver is required to wear a fire-proof suit, gloves and shoes. Each vehicle is also equipped with a five-point harness. It is possible to build a car for under \$10,000, according to Sergeant Hall.

For more information, visit www.dwarfworld.com.



Courtesy photo

Staff Sgt. Art Hall, 60th Maintenance Operations Squadron, jet engine mechanic instructor, races dwarf cars in his spare time.

SPORTS SHORTS

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE

Free personal fitness training for youth

Personal Trainers at the Fitness Center are offering free sessions to Travis youth ages 16 to 18 to help them get in shape for sports, track, swimming, physical activities or to lose weight.

Sign up at the Teen Zone in the mini-mall. Appointments are available from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Monday through Friday. For more information, call the Teen Zone at 424-3131 or Patty McMorro at 424-2008.

Halloween Fun Run

Each year, children and adults dress in costume and run around the base in the Fitness Center's Halloween Fun Run.

This year the event starts at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Pre-registration is at 9:30 a.m. at the Fitness Center. For more information, call 424-2008.

Warriors Tickets at ITT

See the Golden State Warriors play the Dallas Mavericks on Wednesday. Tickets are available for \$18 at the Information, Tickets and Travel office. For more information, call 424-5659.



Flag football 2003 Standings

Small Division		Large Division	
60th OSS	5-0	60th EMS	4-0
60th SVS	4-1	60th MDTs	4-1
60th CES (B)	4-1	60th LRS	3-2
60th CMS	3-2	60th AMXS	3-2
60th SFS	1-4	615th AMOG	2-2
60th CS	1-4	60th APS	2-3
6th ARS	1-4	660th AMX	0-5
Band	0-5	60th CES (A)	0-5

Aerobics Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5:30 - 6:30 a.m. Core cycling	5:30 - 6:30 a.m. Core step aerobics	5:30 - 6:30 a.m. Core cycling.	5:30 - 6:30 a.m. Core step aerobics	5:30 - 6:30 a.m. Cycling
11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Core step aerobics	9 - 10 a.m. EZ Does It	9 - 10 a.m. Yoga	9 - 10 a.m. EZ Does It	8:30 - 9:30 a.m. Strength Fusion
12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Squadron cycle	11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Core cycling	11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Core step aerobics	11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Core cycling	11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Core step aerobics
3 - 4 p.m. Squadron cycle	1 - 3 p.m. Body conditioning, Solano College	12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Squadron cycle	12:30 - 1:30 p.m. Squadron cycle	12:30 - 5 - 6 p.m. Core kickboxing aerobics
4 - 5 p.m. 'Phat' Fitness	3 - 4 p.m. Squadron cycle	3 - 4 p.m. Squadron cycle	3 - 4 p.m. Squadron cycle	6 - 7 p.m. PIYo
5 - 6 p.m. Core step aerobics	4 - 5 p.m. Squadron cycle	4 - 5 p.m. 'Phat' Fitness	4 - 5 p.m. Squadron cycle	Saturday
6 - 7 p.m. Turbo Kick	5 - 6 p.m. Core step aerobics	5 - 6 p.m. Core step aerobics	5 - 6 p.m. Core cycling	8 - 9 a.m. Cycling
7 - 8 p.m. Cycling	6 - 7 p.m. Core PiYo	6 - 7 p.m. Turbo Kick	6 - 7 p.m. Yoga	9 - 10 a.m. Total Fitness
7 - 8 p.m. Kung Fu San Soo	7 - 8 p.m. Cycling	7 - 8 p.m. Cycling	7 - 8 p.m. Cycling	
7 - 9 p.m. Kickboxing	9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Pregnancy/Postpartum class at the HAWC	9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Yoga	9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Pregnancy/Postpartum class at the HAWC	11:15 - 12:45 a.m. Gym in a Bag, 1st & 3rd Friday at the HAWC
	11:30 - 12:30 p.m. PIYo	12 - 1 p.m. Intro to Yoga, 1st & 3rd	11:30 - 12:30 p.m. Pilates	
	5 - 7 p.m. Kickboxing	12 - 1 p.m. Intro to FitBall, 2nd & 4th	5 - 7 p.m. Kickboxing	
		1 - 2 p.m. Intro to Pilates		
		7 - 8 p.m. Kickboxing		
		7 - 8 p.m. Kung Fu San Soo		

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Tomorrow
7 p.m. — *My Boss's Daughter (PG-13)*

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