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Pharmacy implements new medication guidelines

By Lt. Col. David W. Bobb
Office of the Air Force Surgeon General

Air Force pharmacies are implementing a new guideline, which includes the elimination of selected medications at Air Force pharmacies worldwide.

Major General (Dr.) Joseph E. Kelley has directed the change, due to an extremely challenging budget year for the Air Force Medical Service. General Kelley is the Assistant Surgeon General for Healthcare Operations, Office of the Surgeon General, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington D.C.

"In addition to being faced with more expensive drugs coming to market this year, there has been an 8-percent price increase in the approximately 150 high-use medications contained on the Department of Defense Veteran contract list," according to General Kelley.

To assist in meeting the Air Force medical Service fiscal parameters, General Kelley stated that several changes are being made to Military Treatment Facility formularies. For example, Allegra will be deleted from the formulary and replaced with loratadine. Celebrex and Bextra will be deleted from MTF formularies and patients switched to Vioxx. Patients using Humalog insulin will be converted to Novolog.

General Kelley believes the implementation of the new formulary guidelines provide sound clinical options with a very minimal impact of patient care.

For patients requesting refills on the medications

being deleted, a 30-day supply will be provided to enable the patient enough time to obtain a new prescription for another medication.

"At times, it can be a somewhat bewildering process to track what medications military treatment facility pharmacies keeps in stock," said Col. Phil L. Samples, pharmacy consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General.

"Not only can this be confusing at the local level, but as families PCS from base to base, situations arise where one pharmacy may carry a certain medication that another does not based on the scope of practice at any given facility," Colonel Samples said. "One of the functions of the Department of Defense Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and this policy letter is to minimize these variations."

The DoD Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee is comprised of physicians and pharmacists from all services who review classes of drugs and make recommendations regarding individual medications that must be carried at military pharmacies.

These medications, called Basic Core Formulary drugs, provide the foundation for all other formulary decisions, and represent the minimum number of drugs a pharmacy will carry. The intent is to ensure certain maintenance medications for conditions like blood pressure or diabetes are available throughout the DOD system.

Every MTF has its own pharmacy and therapeutics

committee consisting of local physicians and pharmacists that evaluates medications for addition to the formulary based upon the scope of practice at that particular facility. These medications are then available to augment those on the Basic Core Formulary.

A new way to compliment the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee's allows Air Force Medical Operations to make changes to Air Force pharmacies.

The advantages of this new process are that a medication can now be mandated for inclusion at all Air Force pharmacies thus standardizing the benefit. Air Force-wide savings and cost containment can be realized throughout the system.

Patients who desire medications not contained on the pharmacy formulary have two options.

First, the TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy will mail up to a three-month supply of medication directly to the patient's home for a small copay (\$3 or \$9 depending on generic or brand name medication). Second, the Managed Care Support Contract (retail network) pharmacies provide up to a 30-day supply of medication for a \$3 or \$9 copay.

Both of these options provide a broader range of medications than normally found at the MTF pharmacy. The combination of the MTF pharmacy, TRICARE Mail Order Pharmacy, and retail network pharmacies, patients are ensured they can receive a variety of medications.

For more information about pharmacy benefits, call the Peterson pharmacy at 556-1109.

Defense secretary sends message to troops in Iraq

Editor's note: The following is a commentary from Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld.

More than 15 months ago, a global coalition ended the regime of Saddam Hussein and liberated the people of Iraq.

As in all conflicts, this has come at a cost in lives. Some of your comrades made the ultimate sacrifice. For your sacrifices, our country and the president are deeply grateful.

In a free, democratic country we have vigorous debates over public policy issues – none more heated than a decision to go to war. But this should not distract us from the mission at hand or lessen the magnitude of your accomplishments.

The threat we face must be confronted. And you are doing so exceedingly well. Indeed it has been an historic demonstration of skill and military power.

On Sept. 11, 2001, 3,000 citizens were killed by extremists determined to

frighten and intimidate our people and civilized societies. The future danger is that, if the extremists gain the potential, the number of casualties would be far higher. Terrorists are continuing to plot attacks against the American people and against other civilized societies. This is a different kind of enemy and a different kind of world. And we must think and act differently in this new century.

These extremists think nothing of cutting off innocent people's heads to try to intimidate great nations. They have murdered citizens from many countries – South Korea, Japan, Spain, the United Kingdom and others – hoping to strike fear in the hearts of free people.

Theirs is an ideology of oppression and subjugation of women. They seek to create radical systems that impose their views on others. They accept no armistice with those who choose free systems.

They see the governments of the

Middle East, the United States and our stalwart allies all as targets.

Consider the background. In the span of 20 years, Hussein's Iraq invaded two neighbors, Iran and Kuwait, and launched ballistic missiles at two more. He employed poison gas against soldiers in Iran and against Kurdish villagers in his own country.

The United Nations and the U.S. Congress shared the view that Saddam's regime was a threat to the region and the world. Indeed, in 1998, our congress passed a resolution calling for the removal of the regime. And over the years the U.N. passed 17 resolutions condemning Saddam's regime and calling on him to tell the U.N. about his weapons program. He ignored every one.

Information gathered since the defeat of Saddam's regime last year confirms that his last declaration to the United Nations about his weapons pro-

grams was falsified. The U.N. resolutions had called for "serious consequences" should Saddam not comply. He did not.

The president issued a final ultimatum to Saddam to relinquish power to avoid war. Saddam chose war instead.

By your skill and courage, you have put a brutal dictator in the dock to be tried by the Iraqi people and restored freedom. By helping to repair infrastructure, rebuild schools, encourage democratic institutions and delivering educational and medical supplies, you have shown America's true character and given Iraq a chance at a new start. But most importantly, your fight – and ultimate victory – against the forces of terror and extremism in Iraq and the Middle East will have made America safer and more secure.

You are accomplished something noble and historic – and future generations of Americans will remember and thank you for it.

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A Moment in Time



- **Aug. 15, 1957** – General Nathan F. Twining becomes the first Air Force officer to serve as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
- **Aug. 16, 1960** – Captain Joseph W. Kittinger Jr. parachuted from 102,000 feet – a world record.
- **Aug. 17, 1990** – President Bush activates the Civil Reserve Air Fleet for the first time since it was authorized in 1952. The activation increases airlift availability for the Middle East.
- **Aug. 19, 1960** – Piloting a C-119, Capt. Harold F. Mitchell retrieves the Discoverer XIV re-entry capsule in midair. This is the first successful aerial recovery of a returning space capsule.

Space wing transition – not just a new name

By Staff Sgt. Christine Castillo
460th Public Affairs

The transition from air base wing to space wing is upon members of Buckley Air Base Wing. For some, this might just mean a new name. For others, it's something much more important – globally important.

The Space Based Infrared System is responsible for missile and space launch detection including strategic and theater warning, space launches, satellite commanding and ground system operation and maintenance.

The SBIRS is an integral part in the defense of the nation, allies and friends, according to Lt. Col.

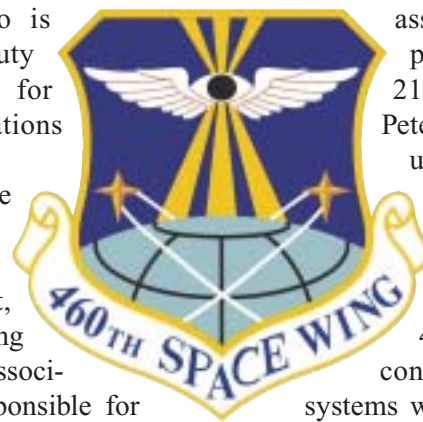
Robert Walker, who is set to assume deputy commander duties for the 460th Operations Group today.

The 2nd Space Warning Squadron, along with their reserve component, the 8th Space Warning Squadron and other associate agencies are responsible for the control of SBIRS.

“The dedicated operators, communicators and support personnel, together with a highly effective constellation of satellites and ground control stations, provide combatant commanders with continuous global surveillance, targeting and tracking capability,” said Colonel Walker.

The reorganization of the 2nd and 8th Space Warning Squadron is equally important.

The 2nd SWS, as well as other squadrons and tenant organizations



assigned to Buckley that previously fell under the 21st Space Wing at Peterson AFB, will now fall under the 460th Space Wing here, said Colonel Walker. “It also provides a tremendous opportunity for the 460th Space Wing to concentrate on emerging

systems within current and future mission areas while providing an immediate opportunity to focus on increased coordination and cooperation with all our mission partners at Buckley.”

But this isn't the end to the changes at Buckley.

“Assuming the SBIRS mission is a large step in the continuing importance of Buckley Air Force Base to our nation's defense. Members of Team Buckley are poised to assume this important mission as Air Force Space Command's newest operational wing,” said Colonel Walker.



Courtesy photo

The 460th Air Base Wing will soon become the 460th Space Wing. The redesignation ceremony is slated for 9 a.m. today.

Wing prepares for readiness inspection

By Senior Airman Shawn Clements
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

The 21st Space Wing will be vulnerable for an Expeditionary Readiness Inspection from Aug. 26 to Sept. 2.

An ERI is an exercise to test the wing's ability to process through a deployment line and operate in a simulated deployed environment.

The exercise consists of

two phases. Phase one is the deployment line and phase two is the field deployment exercise.

“During phase one of the exercise, unit deployment monitors are the center of attention,” said Vic Duckarmenn, 21st SW exercise director. “They are the ones that must ensure that their people are prepared to deploy.”

When phase two starts, the 21st SW will be put on cen-

ter stage, under the spotlight.

“I know the people in the field exercise will do well as a result of all the work that everyone has put in during previous exercises,” Mr. Duckarmenn said. “They have built the proper foundation for success, by participating in Red Devil and Global Mirror exercises.”

During the ERI, an Air Force Space Command inspection team will on hand to

evaluate the performance of exercise participants.

The 21st SW Inspector General's office offers the following ERI preparation tips: ensure that mobility bags are ready; have ancillary training, deployment and personal records up to date; be ready to deploy.

Even though this exercise may seem similar to others, it is the first one the wing will participate in of this kind.

“This exercise will further validate that the people here are ready to deploy,” said Col. Gary Shugart, 21st SW IG. “This also ensures we're sending professionals to deployed locations.”

The wing must simply be ready, Mr. Duckarmenn said, and he's confident that the wing will do well.

For more information, call the 21st SW IG office at 556-6253.



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Tracy L. DeMarco

Flying into the eye

ABOVE: OVER FLORIDA – This view of the outer wall of the eye of Hurricane Charley was taken from a C-130H aircraft Friday at 3 p.m. With the information the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron collected, the hurricane was upgraded to a Category 4 storm Aug. 13.

RIGHT: Staff Sgt. Scott Blair records weather data collected off the coast of Florida inside the eye of Hurricane Charley Friday. He is a dropsonde systems operator for the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, better known as the “Hurricane Hunters.”

The squadron is based at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., and provides surveillance of tropical storms and hurricanes in the Atlantic, Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico and Central Pacific for the National Hurricane Center in Miami.





Agencies participate in disaster response exercise

By Petty Officer 1st Class
Beverly K. Allen

NORAD and USNORTHCOM Public Affairs

It was a nightmare; worst-case scenario. But that's what U.S. Northern Command officials had intended for "Determined Promise '04."

The exercise was designed to test USNORTHCOM's ability to respond to multiple, simultaneous homeland defense and federal relief efforts.

This year's exercise was combined with North American Aerospace Defense Command's Amalgam Virgo '04, which is a bi-national, multi-agency air security exercise. The simulated attacks came from land, sea and air.

Scenarios in Virginia involved the simulated release of sarin and mustard gases, tunnel and bridge explosions and the crash of a truck hauling chlorine. Other targets were unmanned aerial vehicles, launched from an oil platform in the Gulf of Mexico, and multiple airliners with terrorists on board headed for Portland, Ore., and Ottawa, Canada.

The exercise also involved numerous incidents in California, including the simulated detonation of a "dirty bomb" in a Los Angeles harbor, derailment of a train loaded with hazardous chemicals in Ventura County and business jets swarming over San Diego in preparation for attack.

From Virginia to California, and Florida to Canada, the exercise tested the capabilities of NORAD and

USNORTHCOM, local, state and federal agencies, said Marine Col. Gene Pino, NORAD's and USNORTHCOM's director of training and exercises.

"We are at war with a smart thinking enemy and we must continue to stay just as smart and think just as hard about these events as they do. When we stop doing that, I think that's when we'll be in danger," Pino said.

He noted that every exercise scenario was built on a strong intelligence platform to test the synchronization and sharing of information from the local to national level to ensure "we are poised to engage a threat."

More than 60 agencies, including local first-responders and state and federal emergency services, participated in the exercise, along with the Department of Defense.

"The exercise was an extraordinary success, improving the seamless interaction of these agencies," said Lt. Gen. Joe Inge, the deputy commander for USNORTHCOM. "From intelligence gathering and sharing to consequence management, America is much safer today from the terrorist threat, due to the all-out effort of each and every participant in this massive exercise," Lieutenant Inge said. The exercise was the fifth semi-annual training session for NORAD and USNORTHCOM since the Sept. 11 attacks.

The bi-national Canadian and American command, NORAD, is responsible for the air defense of North



Photo by Mate 1st Class Shane Wallenda

Firefighters, police and military personnel from Los Angeles and the surrounding areas participated in the NORAD/USNORTHCOM sponsored exercise Determine Promise '04 and Amalgam Virgo '04.

America. NORAD has jet fighters on alert throughout North America, supported by air-to-air refueling tankers, airborne and ground-based radar, surveillance systems and satellites.

The NORAD command officially began operations on May 12, 1958, to defend the airspace of the United States and Canada from long-range Soviet bombers. NORAD's mission continues to evolve to protect the citizens of the United States and Canada. On the other hand, NORTHCOM has a

two-fold mission: homeland defense and civil support. Specifically, it conducts operations to deter, prevent, and defeat threats and aggression aimed at the United States, its territories, and interests within the assigned area of responsibility.

Additionally, as directed by the President or Secretary of Defense, the command provides military assistance to civil authorities, including consequence management operations, to help mitigate crisis situations.



Team Pete pumps up blood bank

By Airman Mandy Weightman
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

A combination of Colorado Springs Memorial Hospital employees and volunteers held a blood drive in Building 1 auditorium Aug. 12.

The drives are held quarterly, said Master Sgt. Jay Bardell, NCO in charge of the launch services office in the Air Force Space Command Headquarters building. He has been the blood-drive coordinator in Building 1 for the last three years.

A total of 20 people from downtown Colorado Springs, made up of nurses, medical technologists and volunteers were present, Sergeant Bardell said.

Approximately 50 blood donors turned out, but due to deferral issues they only received 25 units of blood, said Ellen Broughton, a registered nurse who was the on-site coordinator. Due to Food and Drug Administration regulations, people who were stationed or lived in European countries in the 1980s and early '90s may not be able to donate blood.

The downtown volunteers for the donors provided free snacks and juice. With few exceptions given during a screening process, such as deferrals, almost anyone can participate in a blood drive.

"The total process of giving blood, including the screening, donating and eating snacks took about 20 minutes," Sergeant Bardell said. "Each donor gave about one pint of blood."

Both military and civilians turned out to donate.

"I do this because I know they need it," said Lou Bena, a donor at the blood drive.

The blood from the drive will support the local community through the Memorial Hospital blood bank, Ms. Broughton said. It will benefit patients such as cancer patients, complicated surgery patients and trauma patients.

"With the population constantly growing in the Colorado Springs area, the demand for blood increases as well," she said.

For more information on donating blood, or the screening process, call the Blood Bank at 365-5411.



Photo by Airman Mandy Weightman

ABOVE: Major Chuck Wright donates blood at the drive Aug. 12. "I have always donated, but it has taken on more meaning since my wife had an ectopic pregnancy and needed a transfusion or she might not have made it," he said. "It is more of a personal reason now."

RIGHT: A donor squeezes a stress ball to help his blood flow quicker.





Officials open new guardhouse, visitor center at mountain

By Senior Master Sgt.
Ty Foster

21st Space Wing Public Affairs

With the snip of his scissors, the 21st Space Wing commander opened Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station's new installation entry control point and visitor's center during a ceremony at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 12.

During the ceremony, Brig. Gen. Richard Webber complimented the contractors and CMAFS people who dedicated long hours of planning and construction to ensure the facility's completion, according to Maj. David H. Patterson, Cheyenne Mountain Operations

Center Public Affairs director. Construction on the \$1.6 million project began in July 2003.

The new centers are about one-half mile from the old site.

The increased distance allows security forces to protect Air Force resources from the installation property line rather than well within the boundary, according to Major Patterson.

The new location of the centers preserves the integrity of the boundary line and provides increased jurisdiction of the access road, according to Major Patterson. New capabilities include anti-ramming, a covered vehicle search area and

a larger service area.

Although a small crowd of service members, civilian workers, family and friends of CMAFS - including CMOG Commander Brig. Gen. Duane Deal - were on hand for the festivities, one person was notably absent.

In his comments, General Webber recognized and honored Dick Meyers "who engineered every aspect of the project but recently lost his battle with cancer."

Upon completion of the official ceremony, guests toured the facilities and refreshments were served.

(Information provided by CMOG/CX)



Courtesy photo

Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station's new installation visitor's center.

Bush announces global posture changes during next decade

By John D. Banusiewicz

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON - The United States will redistribute forces now stationed at overseas locations "where the wars of the last century ended," President Bush announced in Cincinnati Monday.

The president's announcement came during an address to the national convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"The world has changed a great deal," President Bush said, "and our posture must change

with it for the sake of our military families, for the sake of our taxpayers, and so we can be more effective at projecting our strength and spreading freedom and peace."

America's current posture in Europe was designed to guard against Soviet aggression, the president said.

"The threat no longer exists," he said.

The decision to redistribute forces comes after three years of study and consultations, President Bush said. "We've consulted closely with

our allies and with Congress," he said. "We've examined the challenges posed by today's threats and emerging threats." The result, he said, will be "a more agile and flexible force." As the new global posture takes shape during the next 10 years, more U.S. troops will be stationed at, and deployed from, home bases in the United States, President Bush said. "We'll move some of our troops and capabilities to new locations so they can surge quickly to deal with unexpected threats," he said.

"We'll take advantage of 21st century military technologies to rapidly deploy increased combat power."

The new plan will strengthen U.S. alliances and build new partnerships worldwide, and it will reduce stress on military people and their families, the president said. "Although we'll still have a significant presence overseas, under the plan I'm announcing today, over the next 10 years, we will bring home about 60,000 to 70,000 uniformed personnel and about 100,000 family mem-

bers and civilian employees," President Bush said.

This would give service members more time on the home front, as well as more predictability and fewer moves during a career, he said. "Our military spouses will have fewer job changes, greater stability, more time for their kids and to spend time with their families at home," he said.

Taxpayers will benefit from cost savings realized by closing obsolete overseas bases and facilities, the president said.

MEDICAL GROUP ANNOUNCES TRAINING DAYS, CLOSURES

The Peterson Clinic will close from 7:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Aug. 26, Sept. 23 and Oct. 28. All 21st Medical Group facilities, including the Commissary Refill Pharmacy, will close at noon Friday due to an official function.

ASSOCIATION LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Noncommissioned Officer Association needs volunteers to assist selling seatbacks and programs during the U.S. Air Force Academy football season. To view the football schedule, visit www.airforcesports.com.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Bill Gardner at 554-2745 or e-mail william.gardner@peterson.af.mil.

ASSOCIATION HOLDS OPEN HOUSE, PICNIC

The Noncommissioned Officer Association will hold an open house and welcome back picnic at the NCOA Air Academy Chapter Clubhouse at the U.S. Air Force Academy from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday. The event celebrates the opening of their new facility and demonstrates

what activities the association has planned for next year. Prospective members are welcome. Free barbecued food will be available. For more information, call Master Sgt. Shelton Haskins at 554-2711, or e-mail shelton.haskins@peterson.af.mil.

FITNESS CENTER COLLECTS SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The Peterson Fitness and Sports Center will collect school supply donations for the 2004-2005 school year until Aug. 31. There are lists of supplies needed at the front desk of the center. For more information, call 556-1515.

BRIEFING FOR FUTURE MILITARY INSTRUCTORS

The NCO Academy is scheduled to host an Enlisted Professional Military Education Hire briefing at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday in the auditorium. The briefing is scheduled to last 40 minutes and contains information on what it is like to be a PME instructor, as well as the qualifications and application procedures. For more information, call 556-8439.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PLAN NCO WORKSHOP

Volunteers are needed to plan the

21st Space Wing NCO Workshop slated for Sept. 16 through 17. For more information or to volunteer, call Staff Sgt. Leticia Johnson at 556-1341 or e-mail leticia.johnson@peterson.af.mil.

PIKES PEAK ROAD RUNNERS OFFER MILITARY DISCOUNT

The Pikes Peak Road Runners offer a \$10 discount for any entries for the Discovery Trail Marathon or Half-Marathon for all active-duty military and their dependents in the Pikes Peak region. Entries must be received before Aug. 27. For information, visit www.pprun.org.

CIVIL ENGINEERS ANNOUNCE POWER OUTAGES

Electrical power outages in select military family housing units are scheduled through Sept. 2. Residents who are impacted will receive direct written notification. For information, call Roger Williams at 491-4183.

CHANGE IN AIR WAR COLLEGE

There has been a change in format this year for Air War College. There is no


formal seminar as in the past. If those who have signed up for AWC seminar would like to meet to form study groups, the Education Center will have Room 102 available at 3 p.m. Monday. Students will receive study material at their students' home address.

AIR COMMAND AND STAFF COLLEGE SEMINARS

Members interested in participating in an Air Command and Staff College seminar group should plan to attend an organizational meeting from 3 to 4 p.m. Monday at the Peterson Education Office.

ACSC seminars can start at any time there are three or more students available to start the program. They are composed of three to 18 members and may begin any time of the year.

The ACSC provides the framework for conducting the seminar program by providing an 11-month schedule for the seminars to follow. Seminar groups will select their own seminar leader, meeting place and schedule. Majors or major selects are eligible to enroll as well as GS-11s and above. To enroll, visit the PAFB Education Office and complete a Maxwell AFB Form 117.

For more information, call Lisa Simon at 566-7392. 

Chapel Schedule



Protestant Worship Services:

Liturgical Service, 6:30 p.m. Saturday
Traditional Worship Service, 8 a.m. Sunday
Sunday School 9:35 a.m. Sunday
Contemporary/Inspirational Service, 11 a.m. Sunday

Catholic

Weekday Mass, 11:35 a.m. (except Monday)
Saturdays, 5 p.m.
Sundays, 9:30 a.m.
Reconciliation Saturdays, 4 p.m.

*For more information -
Call the chapel at
556-4442 for
available chapel programs.



Blotter

The following real-life events with real individuals from around Peterson are to inform you of crimes, accidents, and events occurring on base. These entries are from hundreds recorded in the Peterson Police Blotter:

*** Editor's note: Although the Space Observer staff may make light of some blotter entries, the intent is to call attention to our security and law enforcement concerns. However, rest assured, our professional Security Forces treat each incident seriously.*

DISAPPEARING DESTRUCTOR – Aug. 6

A military member reported his vehicle was the victim of a hit and run. The damage developed overnight leaving only white paint behind. The identity of the attacking vehicle is unknown.

PROTESTERS POSTURE – Aug. 6

Approximately 30 to 40 individuals assembled to practice their Fifth Amendment Rights just outside the installation. Patrolmen responded on-scene and contacted the El Paso County Sheriff's Office who also responded to the scene. The group spouted their anti-war messages for about an hour before disbanding when it started to rain. The patrols conducted a sweep of the protest area with negative findings.

CRACKED COLLAR – Aug. 6

A military passenger arrived at the West Gate requesting assistance for a possible broken collar-

bone. The Fire Department and American Medical Response services responded and the injured was transported to Memorial Hospital for treatment.

FORBIDDEN FIREWORKS – Aug. 7

Security forces members responded to a tip that three minors were putting on their own fireworks show on base. Security forces located the assailants and cancelled the rest of the show. The misbehaving minors were returned to their sponsors via military escort.

NEW SHADE OF RED – Aug. 7

A dependent decided to skip the checkout at the Base Exchange with three new tubes of lipstick. Army Air Force Exchange Services personnel detained the thievin' heathen until patrols arrived. Colorado Springs Police Department also responded and issued a summons for shoplifting.

BARRIER STILL THE CHAMP – Aug. 7

Patrolmen responded to yet another run-in with a barrier at the West Gate. The barrier remained unscathed as a driver, blinded by the sun, collided with it. No citation was issued because the responding officer agreed with the blinding light theory.

BARKING COMPLAINT – Aug. 7

A call from a base resident led security forces members to a howling and barking disturbance. The responders informed the dog's best friend to bring him in so as not to disturb his neighbors.

BUILDING UNSECURED – Aug. 7

Patrollers responded to a building to find its doors unlocked and card reader run amuck. The building was searched and secured prior to the departure of the security forces members.

HERC'S ENGINE FAILS – Aug. 8

Fire department personnel called security forces personnel to report an in-flight emergency involving engine failure on a C-130 aircraft. Fortunately, the emergency didn't prevent the aircraft from landing safely.

DORM DRINKING – Aug. 10

Security forces responded to a loud noise complaint at the dormitories. Upon arrival, responders noticed the parties responsible for the hoopla reaked of alcohol. The illegal imbibers admitted to consuming alcohol swiped from a previous party, but they were so plastered they couldn't remember where it was. The suspects were charged with disorderly conduct and underage drinking.

DAYROOM DAMAGE – Aug. 11

Security forces responded to a vandalism report at a dormitory. Responders discovered three holes in the wall during a walk through.

RECKLESS ROADSTER – Aug. 11

Patrollers initiated a traffic stop on a speedy steerer cruising across base. Security forces members issued citations for reckless driving and excessive speed as well as a notice of preliminary suspension of installation driving.

ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL – Aug. 12

Security forces patrollers discovered a military member sleeping in a parking lot. Though the camper was inside his vehicle, he had apparently dozed off with the driver's side door wide open. Further investigation revealed the dreamer had been drinking alcohol and was underage. Security forces charged the sleepy suspect with disorderly conduct and underage drinking.

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Personnel Corner

NEWCOMERS NEED TO TURN IN RECORDS

All inbound members should turn in their Field Record Group (includes member's personnel, medical, and dental records) to Commander's Support Staff personnel upon checking in to their unit. After check in, CSS personnel will schedule the newcomer for an in-processing appointment with the Military Personnel Flight at either 8 a.m. Monday or 10 a.m. Wednesday. During the summer months, inbound members can also be scheduled for the Friday MPF in-processing session at 8 a.m. Finance in-processing is held separately. Finance appointments can be scheduled via email: 21CPTS.FMFC@Peterson.AF.MIL; telephone, DSN 834-4770; commercial, 556-4770; or by visiting the Finance Office in Building 350, Room 2009 weekdays, except Wednesdays, from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. The office is open Wednesdays from 9:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

MILITARY PERSONNEL FLIGHT OFFERS IN-HOUSE TRAINING

The Military Personnel Flight hosts in-house training for all personnelists from 7:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Wednesdays in Building 350. Commanders Support Staff are invited to attend every session. The last Wednesday of the month is mandatory training for all CSS and MPF Personnel.

AIR FORCE ANNOUNCES NCO RETRAINING PROGRAM

The Air Force has announced the start of the fiscal year 2005 Noncommissioned Officer Retraining Program. Fiscal 2005 NCORP looks to retrain 1,098 NCOs from Air Force Specialty Codes with overages to

shortage AFSCs. The voluntary phase of the program runs Aug. 3 through Sep. 30. A complete list of retraining opportunities is available at the Military Personnel Flight. For more information, call the retraining office at 556-6251.

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER ANNOUNCES APPROVAL OF MEDAL

The Humanitarian Service Medal is approved to recognize the accomplishments of individual members of the Air Force who participated in, or were in direct support of Operation Enduring Freedom humanitarian operations during the period of Oct. 7, 2001, to May 31, 2002. The HSM is approved for those Air Force members who were physically present at the immediate site of humanitarian operations within the land area, air-space and waters of Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Pakistan, Gulf of Oman and that portion of the Arabian Sea north of 20 degrees north latitude and west of 68 degrees longitude and provided direct, hands-on participation in the relief actions at those designated locations/sites. Any questions regarding this medal can be directed to unit orderly rooms.

CIVILIAN DEATH PROCESSING PROCEDURES


In the event a civilian employee dies, the supervisor should immediately notify the Civilian Personnel Flight to provide the following information: name of the employee; date of death; cause of death; names of any dependent children; and the name, address and telephone number of the employee's next of kin. Most of this information is contained in the Supervisor's Employee Work Folder. The supervisor also prepares a Request for Personnel Action and provides it to the CPF. The supervisor must also ensure the employee's time card is coded as "LX" on the date of the employee's

death and a copy is faxed to the Civilian Payroll Office.

The CPF provides the information to the Benefits and Entitlement Service Team at AFPC where a benefits counselor is assigned to process the death and assist the next of kin with any benefits issues. The benefits counselor contacts the employee's next of kin and lets him or her know the counselor is available for assistance during the process. The CPF sends a letter of condolence to the next of kin with AFPC contact information, a letter to the deceased employee's supervisor notifying him/her of the steps that have been initiated (including the name and telephone number of the assigned benefits counselor) and notifies AFSPC/DPC of any AFSPC employee's death.

If an employee dies of work-related circumstances, the CPF Injury Compensation Program Administrator immediately notifies the Office of Worker's Compensation Program and advises the family of the procedures for filing a Claim for Compensation by Widow, Widower and/or Children. The ICPA also assists the supervisor in completing an Official Superior's Report of Employee's Death. The applicable regulatory references are AFI 36-809 and Air Force Space Command Supplement 1. For more information, call Bonnie Kemp, 21st Mission Support Squadron, at 556-7073.

CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS FOR COMMON ACCESS CARDS

Organizations requiring contractors to obtain Common Access Cards must meet the following criteria: contracts must last more than one year; authorized government sponsors must have a DD Form 1172-2 on file at the Military Personnel Flight Customer Service Section; contractors must have a dot-mil e-mail account or traveling overseas to be eligible. 



Space Command takes over Milstar project

On April 22, 1983, Air Force Space Command was chosen to be the lead agent for the Milstar satellite system.

Milstar is a joint service, satellite communications system that provides secure, jam resistant, worldwide communications to meet essential wartime requirements for high-priority military users. The multi-satellite constellation links command authorities with a wide variety of resources, including ships, submarines, aircraft and ground stations.

The first Milstar satellite was launched Feb. 7, 1994, aboard a Titan IV expendable launch vehicle. The Milstar system is composed of three segments: space (the satellites), terminal (the users) and mission control. Air Force Space Command's Space and Missile Systems Center at Los Angeles Air Force Base, Calif., is responsible for development and acquisition of the Milstar space and mission control segments. The Electronics Systems Center at Hanscom AFB, Mass., is responsible for the Air Force portion of the terminal segment development and acquisition.

The 4th Space Operations Squadron at Schriever AFB, Colo., is the organization providing real-time satellite platform control and communications payload management.



Photo by Russ Underwood

A Milstar II satellite sits in a highbay hangar in Sunnyvale, Calif. A Milstar is a joint service, satellite communications system that provides secure, jam resistant, worldwide communications to meet essential wartime requirements for high priority military users. The first Milstar satellite was launched Feb. 7, 1994.

Overseas officer study available

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – The Air Force is offering the opportunity for three officers to study overseas for two years through the Olmsted Scholar Program. Those selected will begin study for the 2005-2006 school year.

The program provides participants with an in-depth understanding of a foreign language and culture so they will be knowledgeable and sensitive to the viewpoints and concerns of people around the world as they progress within their Air Force career.

The program involves cultural immersion by an officer and their family (if applicable), as well as study at a university in the native language. Officials are selecting officers with demonstrated leadership and scholastic abilities.

Applicants must be a regular or Reserve line officer on active duty with between three and 11 years of commissioned service, and no more than 11 years' total service by April 1, 2005. Officers must have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale for their undergraduate degree. They must have achieved at least a 550 on each portion (verbal and quantitative) on the Graduate Record Examination. Finally, they must have scored at least a 110 on the Defense Language Aptitude Battery.

All applications must arrive by Oct. 15. Applicants should send completed applications to the following address: HQ AFPC/DPAPE, 550 C Street West, Ste 32, Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4734.

For more information, visit the local MPF or the Officer Developmental Education website at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/pme/0-Olmsted.htm>. (Courtesy of the Air Force Personnel Center News Service)

Technical Control spans Pete, globe

By Airman Mandy Weightman
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

"They are the circuits that run to off-base locations."

When almost any type of communication on Peterson goes down, who ya gonna call? Technical Control.

The 21st Space Communication Squadron's Technical Control Shop supports Peterson's mission of space surveillance by providing and maintaining both secured and unsecured data lines and voice communication lines where needed, said Staff Sgt. Cory Leathers, the circuit actions supervisor for tech. control.

They also support Air Force Space Command Headquarters, Northern Command, Army Strategic Command, NORAD North American Aerospace Defense Command, the 21st Space Wing, Geographically Separated Units and 19,000 customers spanning four continents, Sergeant Leathers said.

Not only do they support military facilities, tech. control also provides services to various government customers such as the Colorado Springs Federal Building downtown and the FBI Colorado Division. They serve other bases through the Defense Information Systems Agency, which is an agency that oversees all DoD communication standards.

"We have about 592 circuits running through here that have designators, or are DISA dedicated," Sergeant Leathers said.



There are 200 to 300 circuits that run for Peterson only. The 30 Airmen, 15 NCO's and one officer who make up the tech. control team give all of the customers on Peterson a central location for outages, said Master Sgt. John E. Bloodgood, the NCO In Charge of tech. control. If something goes wrong, tech. control represents any and all issues to the commercial side of the business.

In a state-side tech. control shop, there are many people who are needed to complete the mission. Deployment, however, can be a different story.

There are often few people on-site in a deployment for the tech. control career field, Sergeant Leathers said.

"In deployment, we help spread communications from one site to another," said Sergeant Leathers.

"We provide satellite communication networking and manage activity in multiple areas," said Sergeant Bloodgood.

"No matter what the situation is, or where it is, the men and women of tech. control get the job done," said Sergeant Leathers. "I feel that our Airmen don't get the glory they deserve, but I appreciate them and everything they do."

"The bottom line is that we are here to help people, and our team gives 110 percent to do just that," he said.



Photo by Airman Mandy Weightman

Airman 1st Class Jeremy Sielken, a system control apprentice, removes a multiplexing card from circuit routing equipment to change settings for troubleshooting.

Army specialist adopts canine veteran

By Airman
Mandy Weightman
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

Military working dogs can be some of the hardest working members of the military.

Among the many services the dogs provide, they conduct searches, go into situations that may be too dangerous for their handlers and above all, they provide protection.

But what happens when it's time for these heroes to retire? Where do they go? What do they do?

Bobbie was a military working dog for the 21st Security Forces Squadron for 10 years before retiring due to medical reasons. In one of his routine trips to the veterinary clinic at Fort Carson, Army Specialist Erica Gillispie, a veterinary technician at the clinic, treated him for the first time. Little did she know, that this visit was the start of a life-long relationship.

Specialist Gillispie treated Bobbie for a year and a half before hearing of his retirement and adoption availability.

Bobbie had to retire because he was losing his hearing said Master Sgt. Richard

Vanwinkle, noncommissioned officer in charge of the 21st Security Forces Squadron Military Working Dog Section.

"When the kennel master told me he was up for adoption, I put my name in right away," Specialist Gillispie said.

Typically the military working dogs are only offered for adoption to dog handlers or former dog handlers. Specialist Gillispie was able to adopt Bobbie because she had experience working with the dogs.

Specialist Gillispie took Bobbie home in the beginning of March to her 6-pound dog and two cats.

"They all get along very well," Specialist Gillispie said. "Bobbie is very relaxed and not bothered by much."

There are a few challenges that come with adopting a military working dog.

Helping Bobbie to adapt to house life was one challenge.

"At first, he was very antsy and paced up and down the hall all night," she said. "Also, he was so excited about having toys for the first time, that he would carry them with him everywhere and was very nervous about having them taken away."

Another challenge is that

she has to be very careful with Bobbie around dogs he is not familiar with because he can be aggressive.

There are also benefits that make up for the challenges Bobbie brought with him.

Providing a relaxing and fun environment for a dog that has never had that before is a large reward for Specialist Gillispie.

"He is so joyful everyday and seems genuinely appreciative to be able to do the fun things that most non-working dogs have enjoyed their whole lives," she said.

Adopting a military working dog is a different situation then adopting a dog from the pound, and it is not for everyone, she said. Most of the dogs eligible for adoption have specific medical needs and require special attention and care.

"Retirement for a dog should be just that," Specialist Gillispie said. "They should be doing nothing more than lounging around, chasing balls and Frisbees and going for hikes in the woods. These are all things these dogs have never done before and should be able to enjoy, because they've worked so hard their whole lives."



Photo by Senior Airman Shawn Clements

Specialist Erica Gillispie plays with Bobbie on Fort Carson, one of the many ways she helps him to enjoy his retirement.

Annual rodeo rides into town



A cowboy flips over a calf to tie it up during the tie-down competition. Trevor Brazile was named the all around champion. He won the tie-down and team roping competitions.



A contestant tries to hang on during the bull-riding event. Participants must stay on the bull for eight seconds to receive a score.



By Staff Sgt. Jennifer Thibault
21st Space Wing, IMA

Western-themed hats and boots were pulled out of the closet this past week as Air Force members headed out to the Air Force Night at the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo.

This year marks the 64th year for the rodeo that raises money to fund programs and services benefiting local military personnel and their families.

"We're indebted to the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo for its tradition of generous military support," said Brig. Gen. Richard E. Webber, 21st Space Wing commander. "Our quality-of-life programs are bolstered due to the

proceeds from the rodeo and I personally look forward to continuing our relationship."

Before the night was through, Air Force members and their families witnessed steer wrestling, bareback riding, team roping barrel racing and bull riding and some of their own trying to milk wild cows. The wild cow milking, a new addition to this year's rodeo, had teams vying to be the first to cross the finish line with a very fresh bottle of milk. The Air Force Space Command Team, "Space Cowboys," took home the first place title on Air Force night.

"This was my first rodeo ever," said Emile Bradley, Space Cowboy team member. "I have never been that close to a

cow, especially not a wild one with horns."

The Space Cowboys returned Sunday night to compete in the championship match and earned a second place standing.

"Our team was awesome and we gave it our best shot. Next year we plan to bring the first place trophy home to Building 1 and Air Force Space Command," said Mr. Bradley.

The partnership between the rodeo and the local Air Force installations wasn't just visible on Air Force Night. Prior to the first cowboy trying to hold on for eight seconds, nearly 70 members from the 21st SW marched in the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo Parade.

"What a great feeling it was

to walk in the parade and have people want to shake your hand," said Staff Sgt. Karolyn Allen, 21st Services Squadron. "All the kids wanted to give high fives and the people were all saying 'thank you.'"

"The 21st Space Wing and the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo – two outstanding organizations committed to the Colorado Springs area and its people," said Gen. Webber. "Our partnership is time-honored and we are dedicated to the livelihood of the military community, Colorado Springs and of course, the wild, wild west."



ABOVE: A participant gets on a horse during the saddle bronc event at the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo.

LEFT: Lt. Gen. Daniel Leaf, Air Force Space Command vice commander, opens the festivities during AFSPC night at the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo.



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Ken Bergmann

A barrel racer reins her horse around a barrel during a race. The rodeo held seven events including: bull riding, bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, tie-down roping, barrel racing and saddle bronc riding.



A roper lassos a steer before tying it down. The five-day event took place from Aug. 11 to 15 at the World Arena in Colorado Springs.



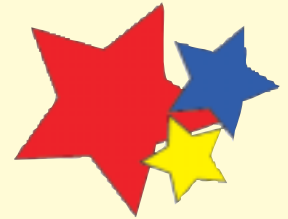
Team Pete's noteworthy events

Aug. 31

- The Silver Spruce Golf Course tournament deadline for registration. The tournament will be held over the holiday weekend. For more information, call the Pro Shop at 556-7414.



Sept. 6
Labor Day – Holiday



Sept. 13

- Football Frenzy at the Enlisted Club will kick off the football season. The Enlisted Club will be open for Monday Night Football throughout the season. This will also be the start of the club's membership drive.

Sept. 14

- POW/MIA day

Sept. 18

- Air Force Birthday



Sept. 25

- Base-wide historic aviation day with various activities, static displays of vintage aircraft and vendors selling food and souvenirs.
- "Sunset in the Park" – celebrate the 50th anniversary of the space and missiles at Airpark Museum

This Week

Today

- Play Group, 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Youth Center.
- Family Swim Night, 6 p.m. at the Aquatics Center.*

Friday

- Social Hour, 5 to 7 p.m. at the Enlisted Club.
- A 5K/10K run is set to start at 11:30 a.m., anyone interested can sign up in the fitness center by the start of the event.

Saturday

- Thunder Alley, 8:30 p.m. at the Bowling Center.*

Sunday

- For vehicle maintenance, use the Automotive Skills Center.*

Monday

- Water aerobics class, 6 p.m. at the Aquatics Center.*

Tuesday

- Family Swim Night, 6 p.m. at the Aquatics Center.*

Wednesday

- Eat the weekly ethnic meal at the Aragon Dining Facility.*
- Take an aerobics class at 12:05 or 5:10 p.m.*

* denotes ATWIND event

Helpful Numbers

Family Advocacy 556-8943
Education Center 556-4064
Library 556-7462
Community Center 556-7671
Aquatics Center 556-4608
Fitness Center 556-4462
Officers' Club 556-4181
Enlisted Club 556-4194
Youth Center 556-7220
Family Support 556-6141
Red Cross 556-9201
Outdoor Recreation 556-4487
Golf Course 556-7810

at your SERVICE

Fun in the sun at Silver Spruce Golf Course



Photos by Joseph Fischer

Retired Chief Master Sgt. Mike Rice works to improve his long-ball skills on the driving range at the Silver Spruce Golf Course.

August will be a busy month for the golf course on Peterson. There are activities available for all ages. This month's fun in the sun includes:

- Today, kids golf for children ages 11 through 13, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. For more information, or to register, call Larry Mullis at 556-7233.
- Aug. 24-27 and Aug. 31, Intramurals will take place from 11:30 a.m. - 1:07 p.m.
- Ladies Day is today and Aug. 26 from 7-9 a.m.
- Sandbaggers will be today and Aug. 26, from 4:30-5:15 p.m.
- A course championship is scheduled for Labor Day weekend, Sept. 3-6, registration deadline is Aug. 27. The play is limited to 100. For more information, call the Pro Shop at 556-7414.
- The golf course will hold a tournament in honor of the Aero Club's 50th anniversary.
- Labor Day weekend, the Pro Shop will be holding a championship throughout the weekend. For information, call the Pro Shop at 556-7414.

There are also private golf lessons available by appointment. To participate, get information on future events or just play a round of golf, stop in the Pro Shop or call 556-7414.

ARAGON DINING FACILITY MENU

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>Lunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tomato Bouillon Herbed Baked Chicken Stuffed Cabbage Southern Fried Catfish Black-eyed Peas with Rice Mashed Potatoes Sweet Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Peas <p>Dinner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roast Loin of Pork Jaeger with Mushroom Sauce Glazed Cornish Hen Potato Halves Orange Rice Carrots Simmered Pinto Beans Corn Combination 	<p>Lunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mexican Baked Chicken Swiss Steak with Tomato Sauce Stuffed Green Peppers Baked Macaroni and Cheese Steamed Rice Corn on the Cob Spanish Style Beans Peas and Carrots <p>Dinner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lasagna Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Sweet Italian Sausage Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Polonaise Cauliflower Italian Style Baked Beans 	<p>Brunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crispy Baked Chicken Cajun Meat Loaf Rib eye Steak Baked Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Peas Glazed Carrots 	<p>Brunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuna and Noodles Sauerbraten Chicken Breast Parmesan Au Gratin Potato Steamed Rice Cauliflower Combination Peas Fried Cabbage
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	
<p>Lunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swiss Steak with Tomato Sauce Baked Chicken Hot Italian Sausage Peppers and Onions Steamed Rice Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Polonaise Carrots <p>Dinner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roast Turkey Baked Can Ham Raisin Sauce Fish and Fries Mashed Potatoes Corn Bread Dressing Succotash Tempura Vegetables Herbed Green Beans 	<p>Lunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Onion-Lemon Baked Fish Steak and Pork Schnitzel Yakisoba Beef and Spaghetti Baked Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Simmered Pinto Beans Spinach Stewed Tomatoes <p>Dinner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paprika Beef Barbecue Beef Cubes Chicken Fajitas O'Brien Potatoes Steamed Rice Cauliflower Corn on the Cob Lima Beans 	<p>Lunch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caribbean Jerk Chicken Beef Porcupines Chicken Enchiladas Scalloped Potatoes Steamed Rice Mexican Corn Peas and Onions Savory Baked Beans <p>Dinner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pita Pizzas Country Style Steak Fried Chicken Oven Brown Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Fried Cauliflower Bean Combination Cabbage 	



Engineers end 18-year drought, capture trophy

By Senior Airman Shawn Clements

21st Space Wing Public Affairs

The 21st Civil Engineer Squadron won the Longball Tournament that took place July 30, 31 and Aug. 1 here.

The event is a softball tournament that attracted

civil engineers from around the country to Peterson for a weekend of great competition and camaraderie amongst friends and rivals. There's one rule that's different from normal softball tournaments.

"As the tournament's name implies there is no limit on the amount of homeruns a team can hit," said Mark Johnson, from the 21st Civil Engineer Squadron.

"During normal tournaments, homeruns are limited and teams are penalized for hitting it out."

Round-robin brackets were played the first day to determine where teams would end up during the weekend double-

elimination round. This format also guaranteed that the teams that made the trip out this year would play a lot of softball, Mr. Johnson said.

"The idea was launched by some chief master sergeants touting how good their base civil engineer teams were and a tradition was born," Mr. Johnson added.

Peterson has hosted 18 of the tournaments since they began in 1984 and hadn't won until this year when they knocked of the Hill Air Force Base, Utah, team 47-22 and 26-20.

"The feeling I got after we finally won was unbelievable," said Stephen O'Connell, 21st CES systems administrator and tournament director. "The CE gods finally shined their light on the twenty-first after all these years,"

However, the tournament wouldn't have been a success without help.

"There are a special few volunteers who bust tail to make this tournament come together. It's a lot of work, but also a lot of fun," Sergeant Johnson said. "Volunteers drive it's success and ensures that teams keep returning each year."

Volunteers kept score, sold concessions, provided field maintenance, cleaning and many other things.

"I'd like to thank all those people who helped make this tournament successful," Mr. Johnson said.



Photos by Robb Linglely

Above: Steve O'Connell, 21st Civil Engineer Squadron, tosses a pitch during one of the longball tournament games. The 21st CES won the tournament after an 18-year drought.

Right: Rodney Manwarren, 20th Civil Engineer Squadron, Shaw Air Force Base S.C., slides safely into home while David Knighten, 820th Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron, Nellis AFB, Nev., attempts to make the tag. The Nellis team won the game 10-9.



Team Pete softball playoffs underway

Recreational softball standings

Division #1			Division #2		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
1. AFOTEC DET4	13	2	8. USAF BAND	3	11
2. 1 SPCS	11	4	9. Canadian Forces	1	14
2. 21 SCS	10	4	1. 21 CPTS/DS	9	1
4. 21 SFS	11	5	2. AFSPC/CSS	8	3
5. 21 SVS	8	8	3. ARSTART	5	7
6. N-NC J8	5	8	4. 544 IOG/SF	3	8
7. Team Colorado	311		5. NORTHCOM J6	3	7

Answers to the puzzle on Page 18



Sports Shorts

FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNEY

The Fitness Center is hosting a flag football tournament Sept. 7 through 9. Contact the Fitness Center Special Programs division at 556-4462 for more information or to sign up.

INTRAMURAL BOWLING SET

The Peterson Air Force Base Intramural Bowling meeting begins at 3 p.m. Friday at the Enlisted Club ballroom. Attendees will discuss by laws, instructions, and teams. The league begins Sept. 8 through 10 at the Bowling Alley here. For more information, call 556-4607.

WALL CLIMBING

Climbing Wall Safety Classes are 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays in the Fitness Center. For more information, call 556-1515.

OPEN CLIMBING

Open climbing for certified climbers is from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call 556-1515.

TAE KWON DO

Tae kwon do classes are from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for children ages 7 to 12, and 7 to 8 p.m. for people ages 13 and older. Cost is \$40 per month for the first family member, and \$30 per month for addi-

tional family members. For more information, call 556-1515.

BACK-TO-BASICS CIRCUIT COURSE

The Back-to-Basics Circuit Course is 11 a.m. Mondays, 5:10 p.m. Tuesdays, 6 a.m. and 11 a.m. Wednesdays, and 11 a.m. and 6:15 p.m. Fridays. The course features 15 exercises and self-paced training.

WEDNESDAY AEROBICS

The Health and Wellness Center offers Aerobics classes at noon and 5 p.m. Wednesdays at the Fitness Center.

FRIDAY SPINNING CLASSES

The HAWC offers Spinning classes at 11 a.m. and noon Fridays at the Fitness Center.

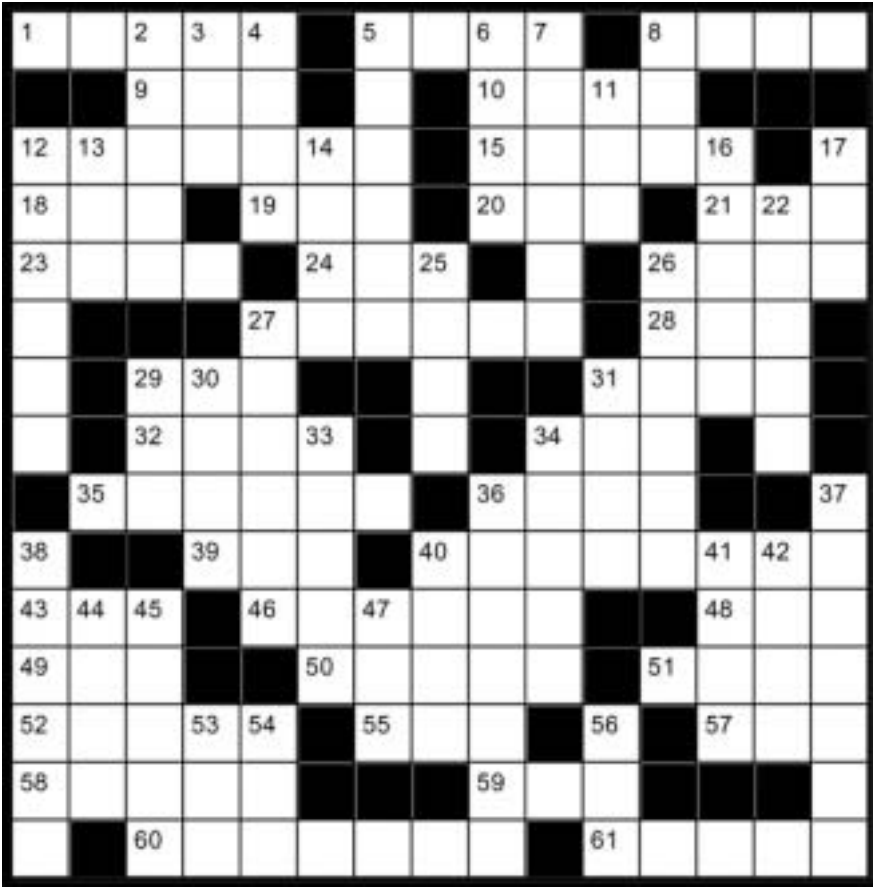
ROCKY MOUNTAIN STATE GAMES OFFER DISCOUNTS

The Colorado Springs Sports Corporation is offering a 50 percent discount on entry fees to military dependents under age 18 and seniors 55 and older for the 2004 Rocky Mountain State Games now through Aug. 31. There will be a registration discount for any military dependents or seniors who wish to compete in the games. For more information, call Brian Schell at 634-7333, or visit www.TheSportsCorp.org.



In the Field

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ACROSS

- 1. Part of discipline to avoid enemy attention (AFMAN 10-100)
- 5. Used to prevent openings, as in doors or vaults
- 8. Vest worn by deployed troops
- 9. Father
- 10. X marks the spot?
- 12. Item worn by food preparer
- 15. Swears
- 18. Bother
- 19. Model Carol
- 20. Attention, with regard to loved ones, briefly
- 21. Field ration, in brief
- 23. Duty, in the Navy
- 24. Body of water
- 26. Dues
- 27. Anchorage
- 28. Popular Algerian music form
- 29. Air carrier, briefly
- 31. Euphemism for d—d
- 32. Singing group Kingston
- 34. Tag carried by deployed military people
- 35. Deployment positions for troops to depart
- 36. Mountain lion
- 39. Each
- 40. Bags given to deploying troops

43. Center of a hurricane

- 46. North or South state?
 - 48. Fuel type, in short
 - 49. Actor Stephen of "Michael Collins"
 - 50. Links southwest Asia with northeast Africa
 - 51. Indian princess
 - 52. Impudent
 - 55. Capture, as in crooks
 - 57. Sault ___ Marie
 - 58. French pancake
 - 59. Backtalk slang
 - 60. Deployment bathroom site
 - 61. Escape capture from the enemy
- DOWN**
- 2. Dolt
 - 3. Acronym for rescuing downed pilots
 - 4. American poet ___ Saint Vincent Millay
 - 5. Part of discipline to avoid enemy attention (AFMAN 10-100)
 - 6. Talk
 - 7. Material in helmets of deployed troops
 - 8. Limited
 - 11. Mythical bird with huge size and strength
 - 12. Protect shelters against weapons
 - 13. Oklahoma town
 - 14. Italian-born fashion de-

- signer Schiaparelli
- 16. Slander
- 17. Pay statement needed for deployment, briefly
- 22. Needed to control horse
- 25. Competent
- 26. Thrifty
- 27. Saluted
- 29. To the ___ degree; infinity
- 30. Covering
- 31. Maple Leaf enforcer Tie
- 33. Tall annual plants used in soups and stews
- 34. Sheikdom of eastern United Arab Emirates
- 36. Type of water deployed troops should drink
- 37. Deployment necessity to prevent illness and improve morale
- 38. Deployment team that handles Personnel Accountability Kits
- 40. "___ Lisa"
- 41. Retirement accts.
- 42. Made of canvas fabric over support poles (GP)
- 44. 365 equals 1
- 45. Art stand
- 47. Relative
- 53. Health resort
- 54. Still
- 56. Mock

(Courtesy of Alaskan Command Public Affairs)