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City, military practice emergency response

By 1st Lt. Tracy Giles
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

One-hundred-forty city officials and military members met at the Colorado Springs Utilities Leon Young Service Center March 8 to discuss preparations for emergency situations or disasters.

The four-hour session involved a possible disaster scenario that called for

a C-130 cargo plane crash on Powers Blvd. outside the west gate of Peterson Air Force Base. Colorado Springs and Peterson AFB emergency responders were then asked to join together and develop a coordinated response.

The success of this exercise began when they came through the front door and met together as military and civilians in their different functions, said Vic Duckarmenn, 21st Space Wing exercise

director. 140 people attended, but more than 60 people had to be turned away. This was a definite step forward in mutual planning and preparation for future airshows and real world disasters.

Participants represented a wide spectrum of specialties including airport operations, fire departments, public health and emergency medical services, law enforcement, emergency management support, technical commu-

nications, public information, safety, public works and utilities and volunteer organizations.

We've always had strong relationships to start with, said Lt. Col. Terry Watkins, Civil Engineer Squadron commander. It was a very successful event. We got the right people together to understand and identify different organizational capabilities here at Peterson Air Force Base.

AFSPC commander awards GWOT medal to members

By Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Thibault
Air Force Space Command
Public Affairs



General Lance W. Lord, Air Force Space Command commander, recently approved the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal for all AFSPC U.S. military members, in recognition of the command's various contributions to the war.

Air Force Space Command maintains worldwide vigilance and global awareness around the clock and provides tailored effects to theater operations, the general said. Our space and missile operations are never business as usual - the capabilities we launch, operate and maintain truly equate to victory on the battlefield.

Space capabilities provide precision, speed and the ability to maneuver on the battlefield, while ICBM forces contribute the ultimate top cover. Additionally, security forces members and others protect the command's people, assets and installations from the terrorist threat at home.

The general emphasized that though the medal is for members in uniform, the command's success is due to teamwork among military members, civilian employees, and contractors.

The medal is authorized for active duty, Reserve, and Guard U.S. military members assigned, attached, or mobilized to Air Force Space Command for at least 30 consecutive or 60 nonconsecutive days at any time from Sept. 11, 2001, to a date to be determined in the future, according to Lt. Col. Keith Gay, HQ AFSPC Chief of Personnel Programs.

Local military personnel flights should be able to answer any questions regarding individual eligibility.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Mandy Weightman

Lt. Col. Bob Orwig, 21st Maintenance Group deputy commander, and Lon Matejczyk, Colorado Springs Military Newspaper Group and Colorado Springs Business Journal publisher, get to know each other during the co-commanders kick-off event at the Peterson Officers' Club March 8.

Event's success breaks new ground for co-commanders

By Senior Master Sgt. Ty Foster
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

The 21st Space Wing commander and 37 of the bases senior leaders joined 35 Colorado Springs civic leaders to kick off the wing's Co-Commanders Program at the Officer's Club from 5:30 to 7 p.m. March 8.

To get the program started, Brig. Gen. Richard Webber said, Today is an exciting day for the 21st Space Wing as we begin the Co-Commanders Program the first of its kind in the Colorado Springs community. The relationships we build here

today and in the coming years will last beyond your time as co-commanders.

Each of the wing's senior leaders paired up with their co-commander to learn about each other and talk about how they can be involved in each others lives.

It's my sincere hope that this program will make allies and friends in this body of community and military leaders, the general said.

Joan Sell, Software Engineering Services director of business development for Colorado Springs operations, was paired with her co-

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Stressed Airmen – Who's your Wingman?

By Gen. John P. Jumper
U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff

Stress is nothing new to military life and there are many factors that contribute to this. But lately, stress has been taking its toll on our Airmen.

Our jobs are inherently stressful. This is a fact of our profession. We have Airmen deployed across the globe, with some in a combat environment. Many Airmen are now on their sixth deployment in ten years. Those at home face increased work hours, inconsistent manning, and a continuous workload. More stress comes from uncertainty. In addition, increased AEF deployment periods, force restructuring, Non-Commissioned Officer retraining, and OSDs BRAC assessments and potential base closures may suggest an ambiguous or unstable future to some Airmen. This can often lead to other stress factors, like family or relationship problems, financial or legal problems, and substance abuse. We are taking steps to mitigate some of these factors, but stress will always be a concern. Stress is a problem we can manage.

The Air Force leadership is confronting this problem. We cannot relieve the tempo of deployment. When our nation calls, we must respond. However, we can and will work to provide our Airmen with the support they need to carry their load. We are reinvigorating our suicide prevention program that had dramatically dropped the number of suicides over the past seven years. The program worked, but it needs a shot in the arm. Along with suicide prevention, we re continuing to focus on safety and risk management, with zero mishaps as our goal.

However, this problem cannot be solved through programs and training sessions alone. It's going to take an effort from the whole force, from our commanders and supervisors to every Airman in the force. It will take your total commitment.

Commanders you bear the responsibility for the total welfare of our greatest asset Airmen. You are responsible for their physical, emotional, social, and spiritual well-being. Use your base resources. You should know when your Airmen need help, and where to send them to get it.

Supervisors you are our first line of defense. Like commanders, you are responsible for the well-being of the people you supervise. It is you who look every Airman in the eye every day. It is you who can spot the first signs of trouble, and you who are in the best position to listen and engage.

Airmen be good wingmen. Take care of yourself and those around you. Step in when your wingman needs help. Signs of stress and suicide should not be dismissed. Neither should senseless risks to life and limb because of improper safety and irresponsible behavior.

I need everyone's help on this. Take care of your wingmen on the ground so we can continue to confront America's enemies from air and space. Stress is not going away; it is a reality we must accept and manage. We are the world's greatest Air and Space Power because of you, America's Airmen. The needless loss of one Airman is one loss too many. Look out for each other look out for your wingman.

(Courtesy of Air Force Print News)



Gen. Jumper

Copenhagen keeps it going

Detachment 1 is a combined 21st Space Wing, U.S. Armed Forces Europe and Defense Logistics Agency team that primarily executes contracting and financial disbursement responsibilities on behalf of Thule Air Base, Greenland. In fact, the unit is about to finalize the Wings largest procurement ever, a 10-year, \$1 billion contract for continued comprehensive operations and maintenance support at the base.

Established in Copenhagen, Denmark on the basis of a 1962 aide memoir, Detachment 1 exists as the Department of Defense's only joint, overseas embassy-based acquisition activity in the world, and serves as the key lifeline to Thule AB. The unit annually awards and manages \$80 million in contracts for sealift, airlift, construction, and sustained base operations and maintenance services. Plus, it delivers crucial subsistence and supplies needed for day-to-day living. Its mission remains excitingly complex and challenging largely due to the base's remoteness, Greenland's harsh arctic climate, and the prevailing impact of international agreements.

Further, involvement in other activities has contributed to the detachment's uniqueness. For instance, the detachment commander engages weekly with the U.S. Ambassador to Denmark, and interfaces with key people from Danish Ministry of Defense and Foreign Affairs. Also, by identifying and presenting hard data demonstrating Thule's significant economic contributions to Greenland, the activity facilitated the landmark agreement (signed by Secretary of State Colin Powell in Greenland Aug. 6, 2004) that solidified the United States expanded use of Thule AB in support of missile defense. Additionally, the unit continues to help educate and mentor select Baltic States on contemporary contracting practices through the Baltic Environmental Acquisition Assistance Program and other efforts aimed at addressing post-Soviet Union legacy issues. Nevertheless, despite its overarching functions, involvement in these other areas remains secondary to the detachment's unwavering commitment to the people and mission of the 821st Air Base Group at Thule AB.



Photo by Claus Sorenson

Brig. Gen. Richard Webber, 21st Space Wing commander, meets with dignitaries and members from Detachment 1 at the U.S. Embassy in Denmark, Copenhagen to discuss the needs of Thule Air Base, Greenland.

A Moment in Time

March 13, 1917 - The Army Air Intelligence Subdivision Office is approved.

March 14, 1918 - The first aerial patrol by the 1st Pursuit Group flown in France.

March 15, 1916 - The first Aero Squadron commanded by Capt. B.D. Foulois began operations into Mexico.

March 15, 1950 - The U.S. Air Force takes responsibility for all strategic guided missiles.



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The Top 3... of the people, for the people

By Master Sgt. Chuck Meyer
21st Medical Group

Early in 2001, I received the exciting news that I had been selected for promotion to the rank of Master Sergeant. This was one of the goals I had set out for myself early in my career and I was pretty pleased with having attained it.

What I didn't fully understand at that time was the fellowship I was joining and what an impact I, along with other Senior NCOs could make within the base community.

That was until a friend dragged me kicking and screaming to my first Top 3 meeting.

As is customary in any meeting, there were briefings and plans made for upcoming events. Then introductions of all new master sergeant selects were made, followed by a collection of dues and our welcome into the Top 3.

After the meeting, as we drove back to our work section, I asked my friend, What exactly did we accomplish in that meeting? To me it seemed like we didn't get a whole lot accomplished.

His words to me were simple, but had a lasting affect on how I viewed my position as a SNCO and my involvement with the Top 3. He simply said, It's not what we accomplish in the meetings, it's what we accomplish, as a whole, outside the meetings. He went on to explain to me that now, as a SNCO, I would come to see that things get accomplished much easier when you network with other SNCOs. He also explained that it was one of my general responsibilities as an NCO to support and participate in installation and unit activities, and this was one of the best ways I could do just that.

Through my relatively few years as a SNCO, I have come to realize

the many contributions I can make being an active member of the Top 3. Getting out and doing great things for our junior enlisted is the greatest contribution I can think of. Anyone can pay their dues and say they are a member of an organization, but it's what you do for and with that organization that makes a difference.

The Top 3 is involved in almost every event or activity on Peterson Air Force Base, to include: monthly promotion ceremonies, quarterly and annual awards, Airman Leadership School awards programs, ALS and NCO Academy class icebreakers, SNCO and NCO workshops, dorm cookouts, and our scholarship awards program.

The Top 3 is more than just an organization that helps fund events, we also offer mentorship for our enlisted corps through professional development classes and as a collective group, work

to better the lives of our enlisted as their voice to wing leadership.

Being an active member does have expectations though. We expect our members to make an effort to be at all meetings, to be open and voice their opinions within the meetings, support at least one of our many fundraisers throughout the year, and attempt to bring other SNCOs to our meetings to see what we're all about. If this organization sounds like it might be right for you, why not come to our next meeting and see what you have to contribute. The Top 3 meets the first Thursday of every month at the Enlisted Club, at 3 p.m. Currently we are looking for eager SNCOs to step up and take on committee positions within the organization. I hope to see many new faces at our next meeting and look forward to meeting you all. For questions, call Master Sgt. Meyer at 556-4657.

Who are they?

By Master Sgt. Kristin Clark
Career Assistance Advisor

Who are they?

They are the 250-plus first duty station Airmen that I had the sincere pleasure of training and mentoring during my time as the NCO in charge of the Team Pete First Term Airmen Center. But they are so much more than just our newest Airmen.

They are our future... they are the Air Force's future.

They are men and women, husbands and wives, mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, best friends and caregivers. They come from wealth and poverty, cities and farms, mansions and housing projects, military families, divorced households, and alcoholic or abusive parents.

They barely finished high school, have associate or bachelor degrees, dropped out of college for lack of money or lack of interest, earned a master's degree, or they have only their General Education Development. They enlisted for patriotism, to see the world, to make a better life for themselves and/or their family, because the rest of their family is military, to fulfill a parent's dying wish, or for the education and benefits.

They want to retrain or don't plan to reenlist, they want to become Chiefs, they want to become Generals, they are not sure yet about the Air Force. They are proud Americans, they voted as soon as they were old enough or did not know they could vote until their FTAC voting brief, they look forward to the day they become United States citizens.

They stand guard at our gates or inside Cheyenne Mountain, they clean our teeth or adjust our air conditioning, they run crisis checklists in the command post or write for our base newspaper. They draw blood at the lab or take the temperature of sick children, they teach us how to wear gas masks or they respond to fire alarms, they ensure our telephones and computers work. They install electrical outlets or manifest passengers, they work on military communications satellites or the Military Personnel Data System and they negotiate million-dollar contracts or scramble our breakfasts and serve our Meals Ready to Eat.



Photo by Master Sgt. Kristin Clark

Peterson Air Force Base members from a First Term Airmen Center class get together for a 'Who are they?' class photo at the Air Force Space Command headquarters.

They go to college or work part-time jobs; they coach our kids, raise money for overseas disaster victims, pack boxes at the food bank, or help with Enlisted Against Drunk Driving. They are unit physical training leaders, they are workgroup managers and they are Government Purchase Card holders. They are members of the Junior Enlisted Association, Air Force Sergeant's Association, and their unit booster club.

They party too much or sit alone in their dorms day after day. They deploy to places like Iraq, Qatar, sometimes with Career Development Courses still in hand, and they get homesick.

They are wingmen they take care of each other.

They drive those without cars, they welcome new arrivals, they call for help when someone talks of suicide. They get into trouble and they keep each other out of trouble. They are happy, sad, scared, lonely, motivated, dedicated, sometimes all of the above. They are leaders, they are followers and they are professionals. They are amazing, inspiring, entertaining, and full of potential.

They taught me more about life than I could ever have hoped to teach them and they make me proud each and every day.

They are our future. They are Team Pete's newest members and I will always treasure the brief time I got to spend with each of them.

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Photo by Anthony LaCombe

U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Captain Chris Hall speaks to the attendees of Falcon High School's first annual Military Ball about the importance of Air Force core values.

Future leaders celebrate in style

By Tech. Sgt. Matt Gilreath

21st Space Wing Public Affairs

Falcon High School JROTC hosted their first annual military ball at the Peterson Air Force Base Officers Club Friday.

The cadets learned about Gen. Henry Hap Arnold's tradition of having Dining-ins or Dining-outs during one of their classes. They decided to put together their own wing ding after the New Year holiday.

FHS began its JROTC program in January of 2004, retired Colonel Bill Van Meter, FHS JROTC cadet commander said.

There were opportunities for everyone to excel and have fun while preparing for the big event.

It gives the kids a chance to dress-up, retired Chief Master Sgt. Robert Dalzell, FHS JROTC instructor said. Usually freshman and sophomores don't get to go to the prom unless they are invited, but all the cadets, no matter what grade get to attend the Military Ball.

Chief Dalzell said the cadets were in the driver's seat while planning for the big event.

Empowerment is part of the program and the cadets get to make the decisions, Dalzell said.

The task of finding a guest speaker for the event was an easy choice for the cadets. Their top pick was a graduate from FHS, Chris Hall, now a U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet and Captain of Squadron 21.

I was surprised when they asked me, said Cadet Captain Hall. I would come to their drill competitions as a judge and do a drill down with them. Most of the time, when they saw me, I was yelling out drill commands to them. I'm honored that they asked me to be the guest

speaker tonight.

Cadet Captain Hall spoke to the FHS cadets about the Air Force's core values and how he works to apply them to his life each day.

I get up in the morning and the first thing I do is look in the mirror. I ask myself, how can I improve myself today? At the end of the day I look in the mirror again and ask myself, did I work out enough, study hard enough, work to the best of my ability? I want the answer to these questions to be yes, but I always know that I can improve.


Following Cadet Captain Hall's speech, the JROTC capped the event with a dance. The night was a success, but only after the hard work of some highly motivated cadets.

Cadet 1st Lt. Loren Derrico and Cadet 1st Lt. Dustin Keller volunteered for the Special Projects Division, the division tasked with coordinating the Ball.

We owe a lot to Chief Dalzell, Cadet 1st Lt. Derrico said. He really helped us get things started and gave us guidance on how things should be done. The first thing we had to do was pick the date and the place to have the Ball. We coordinated everything through the group special projects officer, Cadet Capt. Genelle Martinez. She had a lot to do with putting everything together and there was a lot to do.

With a plan in hand and backing of their leadership, the Special Programs Division had a lot to do in a short amount of time.

Cadet 1st Lt. Keller said, It was a joint effort from all the cadets, everybody helped out, even if they weren't part of the division.

It was really great to see it all come together, Cadet 1st Lt. Derrico said. 

Personnel Corner

MILITARY PERSONNEL FLIGHT ANNOUNCES NEW HOURS

Starting April 4, the Military Personnel Flight servicing Team Peterson, including all tenant units, front range retirees, etc. will move to standardized hours. The MPF will be open for customer service walk-ins and appointments from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. MPF encourages everyone to utilize these core open hours to conduct business. MPF can accommodate exceptions on a case by case basis by making appointments with the appropriate MPF representative any time from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. For questions concerning the new hours of operation, contact Maj. Jeff Boleng, 21st Mission Support Squadron commander at 556-4023, or Capt. Debbie Horne, 21st Military Personnel Flight commander at 556-7135.

AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER ANNOUNCES O-5 BOARD SCHEDULE

Air Force officials have approved the following changes to the schedule for selection boards convening in calendar year 2005. The Col. selection board will not convene on Sept. 12 as previously scheduled. The Maj. selection board will convene on Sept. 12. One board has been moved: The Lt. Col. selection boards previously scheduled to convene on July 6, will now convene on Sept. 12. Additional questions can be answered by visiting www.randolph.afpc.af.mil officer promotion section.

FAMILY MEMBER GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

Family Member Group Life Insurance automatically enrolls family members until the sponsor specifically declines or reduces the coverage; this includes a spouse whether or not they are a military member. For this purpose, a military member's spouse is covered effective from the date of marriage or the member's entry date whichever is more recent. All military sponsors have the responsibility to report any additions or changes to the Customer Service section in the Military Personnel Flight to ensure the system is updated appropriately. It is strongly suggested that this requirement become a part of the squadron's marriage checklist.

PRESEPARATION BRIEFING MANDATORY FOR RETIRING, SEPERATING MEMBERS

The Family Support Center will host this briefing from 3 to 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Family Support Center. This is a mandatory briefing offered every other week for those who are retiring or separating from the military. Members must receive this briefing no later than 90 days before separation or retirement. This briefing is necessary to ensure that you have sufficient information and time to take full advantage of your benefits as a veteran and to explain the services of the Transition Assistance Program.

AFPC OFFERS IMPROVED AIRMAN PROMOTION DVR PROCESS

The Military Personnel Flight is no longer required to print and distribute data verification records for Airmen. Members may view and print their

own DVRs via the vMPF. Members requiring assistance should contact their Commanders Support Staff for help.


MILITARY PERSONNEL FLIGHT OFFERS UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Sideburns must be neatly trimmed and tapered in the same manner as the haircut. The haircut must be straight and of even width, not flared, and end in a clean-shaven horizontal line. Sideburns will not extend below the lowest part of the exterior ear opening. This does not apply to individuals with shaving waivers.

FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER OFFERS ESTATE PLANNING

A seminar will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Family Support Center to learn how to estimate the value of your estate and plan for your future business, personal and health care needs. This seminar provides an estate planning sampler, as well as information on disability planning, powers of attorney, living will, long-term care and death taxes. The presenter is Attorney Skip Morgan. This Seminar is offered every other month.

DEPLOYING, REMOTE TOUR READINESS BRIEFING MANDATORY

The Family Support Center briefing is offered every week and will be held from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday at the Family Support Center. This is a mandatory briefing for those that are being deployed or going on a remote tour. This briefing educates members on the three phases involved with separation and the programs that are available for the families left behind. Spouses are encouraged to attend. 

Peterson Air Force Base Chapel - Holy Week schedule

Catholic

Saturday, 5 p.m. - Anticipatory Mass for Palm Sunday
Sunday, 9:30 p.m. - Passion or Palm Sunday Mass
March 24, 7 p.m. - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
March 24, 8:30 p.m. to midnight - Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
March 25, noon and 7 p.m. - Celebration of the Lord's Passion
March 26, 7 p.m. - Easter Vigil
March 27, 9:30 p.m. - Easter Sunday Mass and Blessing of Children's Easter Baskets

Protestant

Sunday, 8 a.m. - Liturgical Service
Sunday, 11 a.m. - Palm Sunday Service
Sunday, 12:30 p.m. - Inspirational Service
Sunday, 5 p.m. - Contemporary Service
March 27, 7 a.m. - Easter Sunrise Service
March 27, 7:45 a.m. - Easter Breakfast
March 27, 11 a.m. - Easter Unity Service
April 3, 11 a.m. - Unity Music Service

Chapel-Wide Events

Wednesday, 7 p.m. - Drama Performance
"The Living Last Supper"
March 27, 10:30 a.m. - Easter Egg Hunt

For information, call the Peterson Air Force Base Chapel at 556-4442.

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WILL WITNESSES NEEDED

The 21st Space Wing legal office needs volunteers to witness and sign wills at the base legal office in Building 350 at 10:30 a.m. at 1:30 p.m. every Wednesday beginning March 30. People must be 18 years of age. To volunteer and receive information, call Master Sgt. Marna Brasili at 556-1710.

CDC OPENINGS

The Peterson Main Child Development Center has openings for early infants, ages six weeks to six months. Interested parents should call Heather Roberts at 556-7460 for details.

SUICIDE PREVENTION/ VIOLENCE AWARENESS BRIEFINGS

Briefings will be held March 25, 7 a.m., noon and 4 p.m. at the base auditorium. For information, call the Life Skills Support Center at 556-7804.

OFFICER SELECTION BOARDS POSTPONED

Air Force Recruiting Service officials announced, due to fiscal 2005 Air Force force-shaping efforts, the non-rated (both non-technical and technical) portions of the March 28, 2005, and May 10, 2005, Officer Training School selection boards (05OT04 and 05OT05) have been rescheduled for August 2005.

CMI'S ON THE RISE

The number of Classified Message Incidents has seen an increase the last two months. Users must continue to be vigilant protecting classified information and remain aware that only unclassified information can be processed on the unclassified network. According to AFI 33-138, Table 6.1, personnel discovering an electronic file, document, presentation, etc., containing information classified above the level the system is cleared for, must cease all operations on the affected system immediately and report the security incident to their Workgroup Manager via secure means. If the WM is

unavailable, report the security incident to the next network/security professional (e.g., Functional System Administrator, Information System Security Officer, Information System Security Manager, Unit Security Manager) in the chain-of-command or to the servicing NCC via secure means. These procedures are outlined on the 21SWVA33-3 that should be found on each computer. Direct questions to your WM, ISSO or the 21st Space Wing Information Assurance office at 556-4253.

TOUR GUIDES NEEDED

The 21st Space Wing Public Affairs office is currently seeking sharp officers and airmen E-4 and above who have been on Peterson for at least one year to interview for positions in the base tour guide program. Each year Peterson is host to more than 1,000 base tour visitors. Share your Air Force experience with potential recruits of all ages coming on base from local schools, ROTC units nationwide. Tours typically last four hours and are hosted Monday through Friday between 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Interviewees must have their supervisors permission to become part of this elite team. Tour dates will be e-mailed each week as far as three months out so that members can sign up to escort the tours. For information, call 556-6208.

POTENTIAL SCAM

The Peterson Legal Office has received a report of a potential awards scam. The individual reporting the possible scam received a notification in the mail that she had won a prize over \$3 million. The company, Las Vegas Nevada Actionable Award Program, claims that a \$20 payment is required in order to receive the prize. The Better Business Bureau has not been able to find a business license for this business and has received complaints regarding its practice. You should not be required to pay any fee if you win a prize. If you receive an announcement like this from this business or any other, please contact the Better Business Bureau or the Colorado Attorney General's Office. For questions about this article or any other legal issue, call the Peterson

Legal Office at 556-4871.

PIKES PEAK COMBINED SPOUSES CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

The Pikes Peak Combined Spouses Club is offering several merit-based scholarships to dependents of retired and active duty military members and DoD civilians. If you are a high school senior or non-traditional student, you may be eligible to apply for these scholarships (specific guidelines are available at the Peterson AFB Family Support Center or Education Office). Scholarships usually range in amounts of \$500 to \$1,000, but vary year to year based on the number of students who apply and the amount of funding available. You do not have to be seeking a career in the military to be eligible for this scholarship. Applications must be received by March 15 to receive consideration. For information and applications, logon to www.geocities.com/pikespeakcsc.

SPACE FOUNDATION SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR SYMPOSIUM

The Space Foundation is seeking volunteers to fill a variety of roles supporting the 21st National Space Symposium, to be held April 4 to 7, at the Broadmoor in Colorado Springs. More than 300 military-related members support the National Space Symposium annually in a volunteer capacity. Symposium volunteers gain space industry knowledge, as well as access to the symposium conference sessions and the 34,000 square-foot exhibit center. Volunteers can assist in registration, security, transportation, and support for speakers, exhibitors and media. Military members and Department of Defense civilians and their families are encouraged to apply. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. A volunteer application and more information can be found at www.spacesymposium.org/national05. Interested organizations or individuals may also call Jennifer Picard at the Space Foundation at 719-576-8000 or toll free in the United States and Canada at 800-691-4000.

Blotter

The following real-life events from around Peterson are to inform Peterson members of crimes, accidents and events occurring on base. These entries are recorded in the Peterson Police Blotter and reprinted for situational awareness.

SHOPPETTE GAS AND GO – MARCH 5

A Shoppette employee reported a vehicle had left the Shoppette without paying for gasoline. The license plate number was given to security forces to track down the owner of the suspected vehicle. The owner was contacted and escorted to the Shoppette for visual verification. Further investigation of the video recorder revealed the individual was not the suspect and was released.

SECURITY CHECK REVEALS UNSECURE DOOR – MARCH 5

During a walk-around of the Commissary, a patrolman noticed that the Pharmacy at the commissary was left unsecured. A medical group member was contacted and directed to respond to the facility. The member arrived and conducted an interior search of the facility with the patrolman to find nothing missing or out of order. The member relayed the name of the last person to leave the facility. The member last to leave was contacted and asked to respond. The member arrived at the security forces control center and said she thought she had secured the facility.

SUPPORT THE TROOPS SHOPLIFTER – MARCH 6

A Base Exchange detective apprehended a civilian minor for attempting to shoplift a support our troops wristband valued at 79 cents. A patrolman responded to transport the suspect to the security

forces control center. The Colorado Springs Police Department responded and issued a summons for shoplifting before transporting the suspect downtown.

PRICE SWITCHER BUSTED – MARCH 6

An airman was detained by a BX detective for price switching. Security forces responded and CSPD was contacted. A search was conducted with negative findings. The member was transported to the SFCC. An officer from the CSPD responded and issued the suspect a summons for shoplifting before being transported downtown.

ELEVATOR TRAPS TWO AT YOUTH CENTER – MARCH 6

A Youth Center employee notified the SFCC that there were two individuals stuck in the elevator at the Youth Center. A patrolman was dispatched and the base fire department was contacted and asked to respond. The fire department concluded it was an electrical problem. The trapped individuals were taken out of the elevator through the emergency exit at the top.

CHILD LOCKED IN VEHICLE – MARCH 7

The base fire department reported they responded to the McDonalds parking lot for a child locked in a vehicle. Patrolmen were dispatched and arrived on scene. The parent said the vehicle was not running and she did not believe her daughter to be in any danger. The fire department reported a locksmith was enroute. They unlocked the vehicle using a wooden wedge and the vehicle's antenna and declined the locksmith's response. The fire department verified the child to be unharmed.

BX DETECTIVE STOPS JEWELRY THIEF – MARCH 8

A BX detective reported she was detaining a family member for shoplifting at the BX. Three

patrolmen were dispatched and the CSPD was contacted to respond. The suspect was searched with negative findings. The suspect was transported to SFCC and issued a temporary suspension of BX privileges and identification card letter. The suspect was issued a summons for shoplifting by the CSPD before being transported downtown.

VEHICLE NO MATCH FOR BARRIER – MARCH 8

A vehicle struck a barrier on the in-bound lane of the north gate. The family member was not hurt in the accident. A patrolman responded to verify that the vehicle was immovable due to a broken steering rod. The family member said she hit the barrier with her front tire while maneuvering between the barriers. Damage to the vehicle consisted of a broken steering rod, a flat front right tire and a bent rim. A tow truck arrived on the scene to remove the vehicle and the family member was issued a summons for careless driving.

** Anyone with information on a crime or any of these blotter entries should report it to the 21st Security Forces team at 556-4000.*

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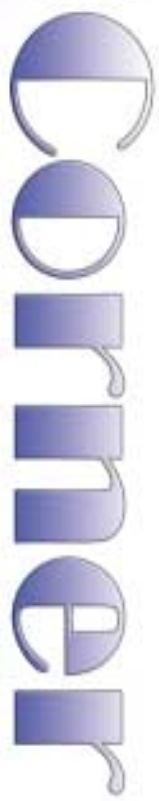
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Staff-Level Award Winners from Air Force Space Command: *The Colonel F. Badger Johnson III AF Logistics Readiness Staff Field Grade Officer of the Year*, Lt. Col. Christopher Sorrentino; *The Lt. Col. Charles Park Air Force Logistics Readiness Staff Company Grade Officer of the Year*, Capt. Leo Gage, Jr.; *Air Force Logistics Plans Staff Enlisted Manager of the Year*, Senior Master Sgt. Toby Deaton; *Air Force Supply Staff Enlisted Manager of the Year*, Senior Master Sgt. Patrick Stanford; *Air Force Transportation Staff Enlisted Manager of the Year*, Master Sgt. Desmond DeCaires; *The James A. Bowie, Jr. Air Force Logistics Readiness Staff Senior Civilian Manager of the Year*, Linda Russell; *Air Force Logistics Readiness Staff Junior Civilian Manager of the Year*, Peggy Hill. **Base-Level Award Winners:** *Air Force Fuels Senior NCO of the Year*, Master Sgt. Charles Kastner, 821st Support Squadron, Thule Air Base, Greenland; *Air Force Logistics Plans Airman of the Year*, Senior Airman Belen Mendoza, 21st Logistics Readiness Squadron; *Air Force Supply NCO of the Year*, Master Sgt. Rosalind Davis, 21st LRS; *Air Force Logistics Readiness Instructor of the Year*, Staff Sgt. Jason Sheppard, 21st LRS; *George F. Ruestow Air Force Logistics Readiness Senior Civilian Manager of the Year*, William T. Edwards, 21st LRS; *Outstanding Management and Systems Flight of the Year*, 21st Management and Systems Flight. **AFSPC Annual Medical Award Winners from the 21st Medical Group:** *Company Grade Officer Aerospace Physiologist of the Year*, 2nd Lt. Melissa Ziarnick; *Aerospace Physiology Airman of the Year*, Airman 1st Class Maria Artega; *Aerospace Physiology Noncommissioned Officer of the Year*, Tech. Sgt. Idalina Foulk; *Outstanding Company Grade Bioenvironmental Engineer of the Year*, Capt. Francisco Catala; *Outstanding Civilian Bioenvironmental Engineering Professional of the Year*, Michael Puleo; **Team Award:** Bioenvironmental engineering flight.



Peak Performer

Name: Staff Sgt. Dawn Bogardus

Organization: 21st Space Communications Squadron

Duty title: Network Control Center Operations Controller

Time in service: 4.5 years

Hometown: Syracuse, NY

Off-duty interests, hobbies: Watching all levels of basketball, Buffy the Vampire Slayer and the X-Files, drawing, reading, film studies and buying, selling and trading sports cards.

Why did you join the Air Force? I joined the Air Force for educational benefits and to find direction.

What inspires you to do what you do? I do what I do because I am grateful for the many experiences and opportunities I have had and the numerous people who have helped me grow throughout my life. My parents always inspired me to do my best and I don't want to disappoint them.

Favorite part of your job? A college professor once told me one of the most important things in my life is getting to know the people you work



Sgt. Bogardus

with. I could not agree more. My favorite part of my job has and always will be interacting with my co-workers who I consider my family away from home. They make those extremely challenging days much easier.

What goals have you set? My future goals include obtaining a degree in business, serving in the Peace Corps when my enlistment is complete and producing documentary films when I have the resources to do so.



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Northcom defeats engineers for Over-30 title

By **Walt Johnson**

Sports writer

Northcom's Over-30 basketball team saved its best performance of the season for last as it defeated Headquarters Air Force Space Command Civil Engineers 50-48 to capture the 2005 Peterson Over-30 basketball title.

The razor thin win by the now two-time champions was exactly what Over-30 league followers anticipated from the two teams that have dominated the league for the past four years here.

It appeared as though Northcom's reign at the top of the league would be ended by the Engineers this year. In January, Northcom team leader Anthony Little said that if any team was going to win the title this year they would have to go through the talented and tough Engineers.

The forecast from Little became more believable after the Engineers beat Northcom in the winners bracket championship game March 8. The Engineers, playing without its best player for the tournament, beat the Northcom team setting itself up to win the championship Thursday.

Northcom on the other hand, faced the very real prospect of not even playing in the championship series. The Northcom team had to beat the Air Force Operation and Test Evaluation Center team March 9 if it had any chance of defending its championship.

Northcom was able to survive its most important challenge of the season by defeating AFOTEC and setting up the meeting for the championship with the Engineers.

In a typical game between the two teams, Northcom and CE played a nip and tuck game that saw both teams have small leads but not enough of a lead that either team felt they had control of the game. In the tense and action packed game both teams looked like they were in a heavyweight boxing match, throwing light jabs and waiting for the opportunity to land a big punch and knock out its opponent.

With two minutes left in the game Northcom took a four-point advantage and managed to hang on to gain a victory and force the winner-take-all championship game Friday at the fitness center.

For the first time in the tournament one team was able to take a commanding lead in Friday's championship contest. Early in the first half Northcom built up a 10 point advantage on the Engineers at 16-6 and it looked like the momentum from Thursday's victory would translate into a rout for the Northcom team.

When we got up by 10 points all it meant was we had a lead. We knew this team wasn't going anywhere and they were going to make a comeback, Little said.

Sure enough, the CE team not only came back in the first half, it actually took a one-point lead into halftime, 23-22, and it looked like the game would be the same as the previous four battles between the teams this year, settled in the last minute.

As the second half played out, the teams stayed close until the Engineers built a five-point lead with just over four minutes left in the game.

We didn't get rattled when we got down by five points because we are a vet-

eran team and we knew that we only needed to take advantage of what they would give us and we could get back into the game, Little said.

Northcom did take advantage of the opportunities they got and with less than a minute left in the game they finally were able to grab a two-point lead at 50-48.

After Northcom missed two crucial free throws, the Engineers had a chance to tie or score the game winning basket as it came up court. CE coach Guadalupe Hernandez said his team wanted to get the tying basket but the Northcom defense forced them into another type of shot.

We were playing for a quick shot. Our idea was to get a quick shot at the basket but their defense collapsed on us and it made us take a shot we didn't want to take, Hernandez said.

The shot the Engineers got was short and Northcom's Little grabbed the rebound and was fouled with two seconds left in the game. He missed both free throws and when the second shot came off the rim, CE had a chance for a catch and a shot if it could come up with the rebound.

Northcom's Ken James squeezed the ball and the championship when the ball bounced directly into his hands to end the game.



Photo by Walt Johnson

Northcom's Anthony Little, blocks the layup attempt of Civil Engineers Shelton Haskins, 10, during Friday's Over-30 championship game.



Space medics bring heat to Miami

By Maj. Stephen MOUNTS

21st Medical Support Squadron

In these times of deployments in support of the Global War on Terror, it's not often that a group of Airmen get to travel to play sports. However, Team Pete originally known as the 21 Medics recently became the exception and were crowned as champions Feb. 28 following the World Cup of Flag Football tournament.

In the fall of 2004, the 21 Medics participated in a FlagMag sponsored flag football tournament and qualified for nationals.

It was a miserable day with the cold, wind and snow but we wanted to just get the experience of playing other teams from other states around the country. I wasn't surprised when the team took 1st in the 4-man Silver division and 1st in the 7-man division. I was impressed when the team stepped up to play in the 8-Man full-contact tournament as well, and got all the way into the semi-finals, said Scott Piper, coach for the 21 Medics.

Based upon their immediate success, the next stop was the World Cup of Flag Football in Miami.

After seeing the competition and knowing it would only get more impressive at the World Cup, the 21 Medics were interested in fielding the best team possible for the national level competition. Putting their regular season intramural rivalry aside, Coach Piper created an

All-Star Team using the talents from the league at Peterson Air Force Base. With this idea the team sought out the abilities of Sean DeLany from the champion Team Colorado and Anthony DeRomanis from the very competitive 721st Security Forces Squadron team.

Sean is a student of the game is an extremely effective pass rusher and Tony is an outstanding athlete and can help us out in several ways; we'll certainly gain from their participation. Coach Piper said.

With the team set, Team Pete was in Miami to make a name for themselves in the Silver division.

The round robin competition began for the 21 Medics with a tough loss against a Gold Division foe, the Dream Team. Steve MOUNTS, quarterback of the 21 Medics, realized he was in trouble early.

The Dream Teams defensive line was almost all members of Team USA and their rush really disrupted our effectiveness, MOUNTS said.

Despite the loss, the 21 Medics held their heads high.

We were in their red zone three times and just couldn't get on the scoreboard, said Marcus Alexander, the 21 Medics wide out, I'm not worried; we've got the firepower to compete here.

The 21 Medics next had to face the team from the United Kingdom. Although the 21 Medics were outsized, they rolled to a 26-0 victory.

The highlight of the match was a

60-yard interception returned for a touchdown by Alexander. Blocking was key, my guys ensured no one came close to touching me, Alexander said.

Team Pete was now poised for an Air Force vs. Air Force battle against the Raptors, a team from Hanscom Air Force Base.

The Raptors once a Gold team, were certainly the favorite going into the semi-final match in the men's 8-man Silver division.

The game began with a quick score from the Raptors and the 21 Medics discovered that the opposing quarterback would be a handful. However, the offensive strength of the 21 Medics could not be denied, coming right back with a score of their own, they evened the game at 7-7. The 21 Medics came out of halftime facing a 14-7 deficit.

MOUNTS hit Alexander for a touchdown but failed to convert the extra point. The game was now at 13-14 and time was getting short.

The 21 Medics held and got the ball back with less than five minutes on the clock. Wasting no time, on a third-and-two, Piper called for the ball and ran a deep post pattern. The 21 Medics line held just long enough for MOUNTS to release the ball and connect with Piper for what would become the game-winning touchdown.

With this difficult victory in the record books, the 21 Medics knew the championship was the final step.

The 28-point mercy rule was in


effect and the Medics had jumped out to a 26-0 lead. Therefore, a two-point conversion would serve as the finishing blow and Coach Piper made the call to go for two. MOUNTS found Ibriham Conteh in the back of the endzone, but he was unable to make the catch. Disheartened the Medics defense once again took the field.

The game continued and the opposing squad scored their first touchdown of the day. The score was now 26-6 and the Medics were looking to finish what they'd started. With the ball back in hand, the Medics called a deep flag pattern designed for Alexander adding on another six points.

The score was now 32-6 and the Medics could win the game by attempting another 2-point conversion. As the team gathered in the huddle, MOUNTS once again called the play for Conteh.

This is your time, let's make it happen, MOUNTS said. Conteh ran his route to perfection and MOUNTS released the ball just as he was up-ended by two charging defensive linemen. With no room for error, Conteh got two feet in bounds, pass caught and the game was over.

The 21 Medics representing Team Pete had pulled it off, a national championship in the eight-man Silver Division.

The 21 Medics of Team Pete dedicated their championship to all the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines who willingly travel everyday to fight real battles on real battlefields. 



Dave Buster's

All ages can enjoy this arcade!

HAIRPIN'S



Visitors of all ages enjoy the \$1 million midway in Dave and Buster's.

Story and photos
by Nel Lampe
Mountaineer staff

When the computer and X-box games received as gifts begin to get a little old, why not try a state-of-the-art arcade for grown-ups? There's \$1 million in video games, virtual reality, shuffleboard, golf and billiards in an up-scale setting, complete with sports bars, restaurants, neon lights and cool souvenirs. It's not just for adults — families also join the mix.

Dave and Buster's has almost four dozen establishments in several states and three foreign countries.

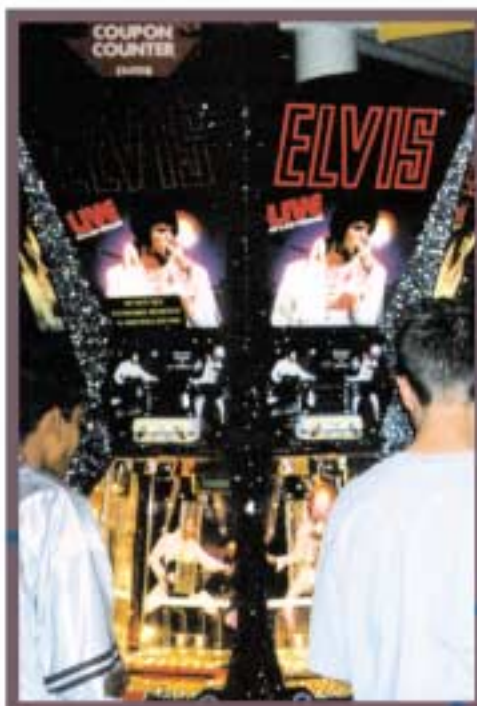
There are two Dave and Buster's in the Denver area. The oldest of the two, established in 1997, is just off Colorado Avenue and Interstate 25. It is 54,000 square feet of state-of-the-art games, a theater, party rooms, restaurants, bars and atmosphere.

Dave and Buster's motto, "There is no place quite like it," applies to this facility. There are hoops, skeeball, shuffleboard and other games. Motorcycles, race-car simulators, golf, horse racing and lots of sporting events on television, not to mention food and drink.

The second Denver area Dave and Buster's was established in 2000 at 104th Street in Westminster. The Westminster Dave and Buster's is about 15,000 feet smaller. The Westminster site has some games that are not at the Colorado Avenue facility, such as a popular game "Beachhead 2000."



The Winner's Circle is filled with a variety of stuffed animals and other prizes to be redeemed with ticket strips.



Games appealing to all ages are available at Dave and Buster's.



Racing games are popular in the Denver Dave and Buster's.

One of the most popular games at the Colorado Avenue Dave and Buster's is "Madden 2005 Arcade," which takes four players with a need for speed.

The Denver facility has virtual reality "Battletech" and a new space-ship game.

The Colorado Boulevard facility was expanded by about 8,000 square feet last year. The Winner's Circle was relocated, game-space was expanded, a party room and a patio added.

Choose either place and bring your own extended family or friends and expect to spend several hours in the place.

Both Colorado establishments have lots of neon lights and 1950s' style chrome bar stools and booths. The 21-foot long Viewpoint Bar has a 20-screen video dome broadcasting various sports venues.

There are a few booths and tables in the midway for use by families who prefer not to sit at the bar.

Happenings

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Writers and waitresses provide bar and food service. The menu selection is extensive, from several appetizer selections to chicken, pasta or pizza, as well as ribs and steaks. There's also a lunch menu that's available from opening to 5 p.m.

There is a wide selection of hearty sandwiches, salads and a handful of dessert options. Sandwiches with fries run about \$10. Soft drinks, wines and bar drinks are available. New fish dishes have been added to the menu as well as low-carbohydrate choices.

There's a brunch menu on Sunday only, served until 2 p.m.

A quiet, more luxurious dining room with stained glass lamps and tablecloths provides an upgrade from the casual atmosphere in the midway, along with an upgrade in meal choices and prices.

Although listed in the yellow pages as a restaurant, it's obvious that most of the patrons aren't there for the food, but for games, amusement, ambiance and fun. Dave and Buster's welcomes people of all ages. The crowd is composed of a variety of patrons, including entire families — from babies in strollers to grandparents and their grandchildren. Everyone seems to be having a good time without the ambient noise becoming too loud.

Dave and Buster's policy is that underage patrons must be in the company of an adult parent or guardian at all times. An attendant at the

front entrance may ask for identification and will explain that Dave and Buster's is primarily a bar and that underage guests must be in the company of adults older than 25. There is no longer a curfew for underage guests.

There is a dress code at Dave and Buster's — no tank tops. Attire must be appropriate and no snuff or chewing tobacco is allowed inside the establishment and no pipe or cigar smoking, either. Smoking is permitted in designated areas only.

First time visitors are given a map to help them get around the huge establishment.

In either Dave and Buster's establishment, make your way to the Million Dollar Midway — follow the flashing lights and sounds. Players should buy a "power card" at a power station for \$1, then add \$5, \$10 or \$20 worth of games to the card. Most games on the midway use the power card, although a few games use "coins. When the card is depleted, add more money to the card at one of the re-charger stations in the midway.

The wide, carpeted aisles, bells, whistles and flashing lights lend a casino atmosphere as patrons stuff strips of tickets into "change cups," before making a trip to the Winner's Circle to shop for prizes. The Winner's Circle has a huge selection of stuffed animals and other prizes.

Patrons interested in upscale logo-type T-shirts, jackets, caps and other clothing items should shop in the front lobby.

Dave and Buster's has come a long way from the beginning in Little Rock, Ark., when Buster had a restaurant in an old train station. Dave ran "Slick Willie's World of Entertainment," next door. Customers sometimes would go back and forth between the two places throughout the evening. Dave and Buster began to wonder what would happen in they combined the attractions.

The two new partners renovated a 40,000 square-foot warehouse in Dallas and opened the door in 1982 to the very first Dave and Buster's. The combination worked. Since that time, Dave and Buster have established more than 40-plus establishments around the world. The company recently bought several Jilian establishments, which will become Dave and Buster's.

Dave and Buster's is open from 11:30 a.m. until midnight Monday through Thursday and until 1 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday. There is a \$3 cover charge from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Birthday parties, reunions, receptions and business or private parties can be arranged in private rooms at Dave and Buster's; call (303) 759-1515 and ask for Cindy Hiatt at extension 11207. A group of about 100 people can be put in the theater; the smaller room accommodates about 60 people.

The Denver Dave and Buster's is located at 2000 S. Colorado Ave.

To reach Dave and Buster's from Fort Carson, take I-25 north to Denver, then take the Colorado Avenue exit, number 204. Take a left as soon as you can, Dave and Buster's is on the south side of I-25, next to a theater multi-plex. Look for the blue and orange D & B logo. There's parking in front of Dave and Buster's and the



Guests line up at the colorful power station to add more money to game cards.



Retro chrome stools help create the atmosphere at Dave and Buster's establishments.

theater, but the parking lot gets crowded on Fridays and Saturdays.

The newer but smaller Dave and Buster's is in the suburb of Westminster. It's off I-25 on Highway 36 going to Boulder. Watch for the large beige-colored building with the trademark blue and orange Dave and Buster's logo. The facility is near the multi-screen theater and is in the Westminster Promenade Parking Center. There's parking in the shopping center lots.

(Courtesy of the Fort Carson Mountaineer)



A gift shop at the entrance to Dave and Buster's features logo merchandise.



Horse racing is one of many games available at the Denver Dave and Buster's.

Just the Facts

- **Travel time** just over an hour
 - **For ages** anyone
 - **Type** arcade, restaurant
 - **Fun factor** ★★★★★
(Out of 5 stars)
 - **Wallet damage** your choice
 - \$ = Less than \$20
 - \$\$ = \$21 to \$40
 - \$\$\$ = \$41 to \$60
 - \$\$\$\$ = \$61 to \$80
- (Based on a family of four)

<p>Team Pete's events</p> <p><i>noteworthy</i></p> <p>To submit information for the base calendar, email space.observer@peterson.af.mil</p> <p>March is Women's History Month and Nutrition Month</p>	<p>Today, March 17</p>  <p>Happy St. Patrick's Day</p>	<p>Sunday, March 20</p> <p>First day of Spring</p> 	<p>Tuesday, March 22</p> <p>Airman Leadership School Graduation - 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Enlisted Club</p>
	<p>Friday, March 25</p> <p>Good Friday</p>	<p>Sunday, March 20</p> <p>Easter</p> 	<p>Tuesday, March 29</p> <p>Women's History Month Luncheon - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Officers' Club</p>

at your SERVICE Raft guide training begins April 1

By Margie Arnold
21st Services Squadron

Raise your hand and volunteer. But before you do, you probably want to know what a raft guide does.

Basically, a raft guide steers inflatable rafts and the people in them down a river, taking them safely from point A to point B. It sounds tame, especially if you grew up in areas of the country where rivers stretch wide and deep, and flow with strong assurance.

Here in the west, some rivers are narrow, shallow in places, unexpectedly deep in others, and rush over large boulders or large rock just beneath the surface. You don't have much time to enjoy the rugged scenery when you have to dig your feet into the side of the raft to anchor yourself in and paddle like crazy to stay away from the boulders. Riding down such tough rivers is akin to riding a horse that tries to buck you out of the saddle. A horse can smell your apprehension; maybe a river can, too.

Last year about 30 men and women of varying ages gathered down at Outdoor Recreation. All had one thing in common, an interest in becoming a whitewater river guide. Over the course of the following two months, these men and women practiced throwing a rope bag to someone in the river, learned how to turn a raft right side up after it capsized,

learned how to pull someone ashore despite a swift, strong current, they got pretty wet.

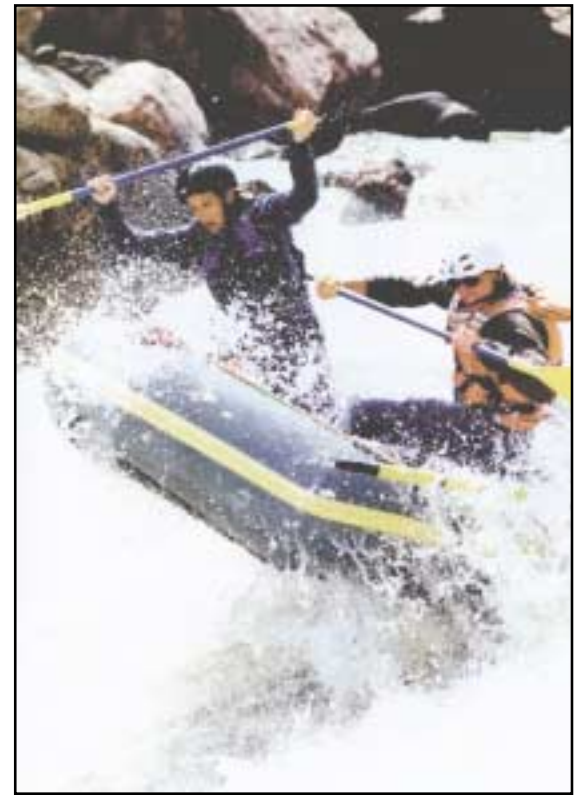
New volunteers are tested during three weekend river trips. They are designed to be absolutely horrible, and combine the worst conditions: low water, lots of rocks to negotiate, cold temperatures, and blowing rain or snow. As the rafting season progresses, the temperatures rise and so does the river. We're out every weekend so raft guides can accumulate their required river miles, said Keith Henderson, manager of the whitewater rafting program for Outdoor Recreation.

Trainees learn from veteran river guides, some of the best in southern Colorado, but they also learn from their own experience. They spend months on the mighty Arkansas River, the most highly rafted river in the United States, improving their technique, acquiring new skills, and building their confidence along with their muscle mass.

Last year's volunteer class of 30 shrunk to about a half dozen steadfast, enthusiastic river rats who stayed with the program and worked the summer as river guides. They took their guide responsibilities seriously, worked hard, went on as many rafting trips as possible, bonded with one another and with some of the veteran guides. They grunted, sweat, laughed, partied and, yes, they got wet.

If you're interested in being a white water

raft guide, the meeting will be 5 p.m. April 1, at Outdoor Recreation. For information, call 556-4867 or e-mail keith.henderson@peterson.af.mil.



Courtesy photo Peterson Air Force Base Outdoor Recreation is seeking whitewater rafting guides who are up for the challenge.

ARAGON DINING FACILITY MENU

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p>Lunch:</p> <p>Roast Loin of Pork Jaeger with Mushroom Sauce Glazed Cornish Hen Potato Halves Orange Rice Carrots Simmered Pinto Beans Corn Combo</p> <p>Dinner:</p> <p>Herbed Baked Chicken Stuffed Cabbage Southern Fried Catfish Black-eyed Peas with Rice Mashed Potatoes Sweet Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Peas</p>	<p>Lunch:</p> <p>Lasagna Spaghetti with Meat Sauce Sweet Italian Sausage Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Polonaise Cauliflower Italian Style Baked Beans</p> <p>Dinner:</p> <p>Mexican Baked Chicken Swiss Steak with Tomato Sauce Stuffed Green Pepper Baked Macaroni and Cheese Steamed Rice Fried Cabbage</p>	<p>Lunch:</p> <p>Fish Almondine Stir Fry Chick with Broccoli Pork Chops with Mushroom Gravy Rissolle Potatoes Rice Pilaf Calico Corn Club Spinach Fried Okra</p> <p>Dinner:</p> <p>Crispy Baked Chicken Cajun Meat Loaf Grilled Steak Baked Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Broccoli Flech Style Peas Glazed Carrots</p>	<p>Lunch:</p> <p>Ginger Barbecue Chicken Fried Shrimp Seafood Cocktail Sauce Spinach Lasagna Orange Rice Mashed Potatoes Black Eye Peas Lima Beans</p> <p>Dinner:</p> <p>Tuna and Noodles Sauerbraten Chicken Breast Parmesan Au Gratin Potato Steamed Rice Cauliflower Combo Peas Fried Cabbage</p>
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	<p>Lunch:</p> <p>Roast Turkey Baked Can Ham Raisin Sauce Fish and Fries Mashed Potatoes Corn Bread Dressing Herbed Green Beans</p> <p>Dinner:</p> <p>Swiss Steak with Tomato Sauce Baked Chicken Hot Italian Sausage Peppers and Onions Steamed Rice Mashed Potatoes</p>	<p>Lunch:</p> <p>Paprika Beef Barbecue Beef Cubes Chicken Fajitas O'Brien Potatoes Steamed Rice Cauliflower Corn on the Cob Lima Beans</p> <p>Dinner:</p> <p>Onion-Lemon Baked Fish Pork Steak Schnitzel Yakisoba Baked Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Simmered Pinto Beans</p>	<p>Lunch:</p> <p>Southern Fried Catfish Barbecue Spareribs Oven Fried Chicken Red Beans and Rice Macaroni and Cheese Collard Greens</p> <p>Dinner:</p> <p>Caribbean Jerk Chicken Beef Porcupines Chicken Enchiladas Scalloped Potatoes Rice Steamed Peas/Onions Savory Baked Beans</p>

Hours of Operation: Weekdays/Weekends: Breakfast 5:30 – 8 a.m.; Lunch 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Dinner 4 – 6 p.m.; Holidays/Down days: Supper 11 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; All carry out times 7 – 9 p.m.



Retreat from both sides of the street

By Staff Sgt. Stephani Bair

Fairchild Air Force Base, Airman Leadership School instructor

One cold and rainy day I stood in the parking lot across the street from the wing headquarters building with two of my troops to participate in retreat.

While we stood firmly at parade rest, waiting for the flag to lower in honor of our great nation and in memory of the courageous men and women who served before us, we observed the group of noncommissioned officers preparing for the detail. Three of the NCOs stood at the pole and appeared to be greatly enjoying a conversation.

Even though they had taken the halyards into their hands they continued to talk and laugh. Nine other NCOs lined up shoulder to shoulder just off the curb in front of the steps to the wing headquarters building. Some of them stood at parade rest, some at attention, and others hung out casually, hands in pockets, all of them still talking.

What could be more important to twelve NCOs than the privilege of lowering our nation's flag in honor of those that have given their all?

At the Airman Leadership School we perform reveille and retreat with our students several times during the course.

I will be the first to admit that our performance at the flag pole is not always flawless. Sometimes students find it impossible to remain steady at parade rest and they shift to wipe the sweat from their brow, or they get distracted by traffic passing by.



Students have chuckled and shaken their heads at countless incidents happening across the street.

Pedestrians, both uniformed and in civilian attire, stroll by without even pausing to acknowledge the music on the loud speaker system. These are motorists and pedestrians passing by without a care in the world that the flag which represents sacrifice, bloodshed and freedom is calling the end to yet another day.

For many years I found it very difficult to understand how people could show such little regard, or lose their military bearing during such an important and meaningful ceremony.

We are out of practice.

We are out of practice of performing such a detail; out of practice in giving time to observe such a detail; out of practice in teaching our troops, family

and guests what reveille and retreat are all about.

This week, take a few minutes and talk with your troops, your family and your guests about a truly meaningful way to celebrate the accomplishments of our military members past and present. Tell them how our brothers and sisters fighting the war today are doing so for a noble reason.

Talk to your troops about how it should be a privilege to stand tall and proudly salute our nation's flag.

Explain to them that when in uniform and the first note of reveille or retreat sounds, they should be at parade rest.

And when To the Colors or the National Anthem plays, come to attention and salute smartly. For those in civilian attire, it is as simple as stopping and standing still during Reveille or Retreat and placing their hand over their heart for the playing of To the Colors or the National Anthem.

Better yet, take your troops and family to the parade grounds or wherever the retreat ceremony is held at your base and watch a squadron perform the detail. Think about what it means to be an American fighting in forces which guard our country and our way of life.

You have pledged your life in the defense of this great nation. Take responsibility for your actions, be proud and teach others the importance of demonstrating the pride and professionalism that make us, not only the world's supreme air power, but the greatest nation on earth.



Photo by Dennis Plummer

Support our troops

(From left to right) Brig. Gen. Richard Webber, Mrs. Liri Smith, who's husband Robert is serving in Iraq, and Mayor Lionel Rivera place a yellow military support ribbon on one of the city fire trucks. More than 40 people attended the ceremony to join the City of Colorado Springs in showing their support for the military by displaying the ribbons on city vehicles, such as fire, police and other city-owned vehicles.



Each player needs to contribute in order to win

By Chief Master Sgt. Jimmy Scoggins

821st Air Base Group Chief Enlisted Manager

I once read, Great teams do not wait for the leader to remind members when they are not pulling their weight.

Because there is no lack of clarity about what they have committed to do, each team member is comfortable calling one another out on actions and behaviors that don't contribute to the overall success of the team.

Taken a step further, on game days, 11 footballers hit the field as a team. They have one aim in mind - to win. It would be hopeless if they each did their own thing. Rather, each player needs to contribute their individual talents to the team in order to win.

In our daily duties, we often find ourselves working in a group. A group,

however, is not a true team until all group members work towards accomplishing the same objectives and hold each other, and themselves, accountable for their actions.

Airmen should remove behaviors and actions that don't contribute to the success of the group. Less effective teams typically resort to reporting unacceptable behavior to the leader of the group, or worse yet, back-channel gossip.

Gossip can be even more detrimental to the team than the absence of contribution. In any organization, verbal sensitivity can make for smoother communications, which enhance teamwork and promote overall increased productivity.

Intra-office sniping only chips away at authority and generally poisons the workplace climate. If you can't trust

your co-workers, the job won't get done right and the mission will suffer.

Don't let the simplicity of accountability hide the difficulty of making it a reality. Most people can become hesitant to hold others accountable out of a fear of conflict. Despite popular belief, however, conflict is actually good.

Conflict can push team members to find new ways of dealing with situations and problems. Conflict can be healthy, as it requires team members to communicate differences of opinion with each other.

Most importantly, conflict brings problems to the surface, before they have time to fester and grow into permanent fixtures of discontent within an organization. It is not easy to teach strong leaders of a team to confront their peers about behavioral issues that hurt the team.

Conflict itself, is never easy, but

often times it is necessary. When the goals of the team have been clearly defined, the behaviors that jeopardize them become easier to call out.



You know if you're part of a good team because people:

- Buy into the team goal, they're on a mission to succeed
- Put the team first, after all, there's no 'I' in team
- Respect each other, they show up on time, pull their weight and cooperate
- Help each other - they do something about problems instead of just worrying about them
- Ask for help, no one's perfect
- Trust each other, it's soon obvious if someone's not pulling their weight or can't do the job
- Believe in the team, they think, "We can do this!"
- Communicate, they share ideas and don't keep things bottled up until they explode

GPS marks the spot

Tech. Sgt. Wesley Huntsman, NCO in charge of technical services for the 21st Civil Engineer Squadron, looks over the shoulder of Airman Rona Datu, engineering technician for 21st CES. Airman Datu, under the guidance of Sergeant Huntsman, calibrated the Trimble 5700 Global Positioning System Survey grade equipment. The system costs over \$40,000.00 and is highly accurate. Both were participating in the 21st Space Wing DCG exercise conducted at the U.S. Air Force Academy March 9. Once the system is calibrated they use it to identify the location of plane wreckage and body parts.



Photo by Dennis Plummer

Co-commander, from Page 1

commander Nancy Bishop, 21st SW chief of plans. In this community, where there's already so much support for each other [the military for Colorado Springs and vice versa] it's like the general said, we're going to take up one more level and enhance what is already a great relationship, Ms. Sell said.

A long-time supporter of the military and Team Pete, Ms. Sell is immersed in various projects and organizations, to include: the Air Force Association, Peterson Museum Foundation, National Defense Industrial Association and the state's Aerospace Education Foundation.

Above all of that, she said, she was honored to be considered for the Co-Commanders Program.

This was like the icing on the cake, Ms. Sell said.

She and Ms. Bishop were already planning events with each other.

For starters, I'm going to go visit her and meet her staff, Ms. Sell said.

We'll have her over for a staff meeting, Ms. Bishop said. I'll let her run it.

Another co-commander, Tom Cavalli, Barrios Technology's business development manager, was equally excited to join Team 21.

He'd worked for General Webber as a squadron commander at Schriever Air Force Base. When he retired as a lieutenant colonel in 1998, he thought his days as a commander were over.

This is a neat homecoming, Mr. Cavalli said. It's a chance to get re-blued.

He's seen how people put the military on an idealistic pedestal then fall short of demonstrating support for the people or operations, he said. He'll use this as an opportunity to work on public perception of the military.

He and his co-commander, Lt. Col. Nina Armagno, 21st Operations Group deputy commander, chatted at length. They learned each is of Italian descent and their ancestry hails from regions not far from each other.

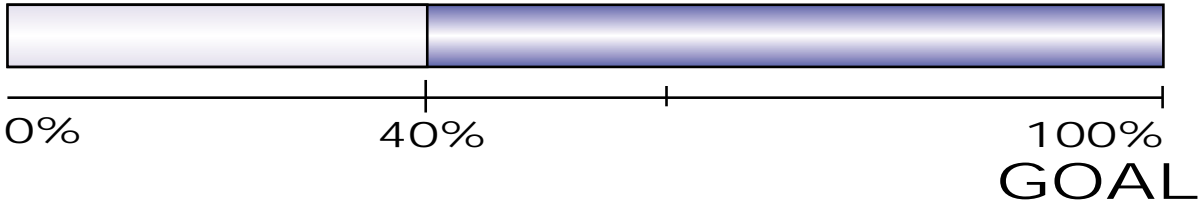
General Webber was elated at the event's success.

This is a vital step in the future development of the ties between our local community partners and Peterson AFB, he said. It allows civilians to get a better look into the lives of Peterson's finest resource - our people.

Air Force Assistance Fund



Team Pete goal - \$79,448
Week 2 (March 7-11)
turn in - \$31,967





A history of supporting the military community

By **Kenneth L. Romero**
American Red Cross, Station Manager

America is a special place, where someone you may not know will give you their blood, save you from drowning or provide you with shelter. In 1943, President Roosevelt recognized the American Red Cross as a true reflection of that humanitarian, volunteer spirit and proclaimed March as Red Cross Month, a tradition that has been honored by every president since. The Peterson Air Force Base and U.S. Air Force Academy Office of the American Red Cross has dedicated this month to recognizing some of the countless people who make the lifesaving work of the Red Cross possible in our military community.

Although hurricanes and tsunamis make the headlines, the day-to-day work of the Red Cross is centered on communities like ours and done by volunteers. Last year, over 150 of our neighbors volunteered a cumulative 34,174 hours through the Red Cross, said Ken Romero, station man-



ager of the Red Cross office. In honor of their service to our community, Red Cross is hosting its Annual Volunteer Recognition this month to thank volunteers like LaDene Hancey-Gordon whose tenure with Red Cross spans over 47 years. Red Cross will also hold its 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament next month on April 15 at the Peterson Air Force Bases Silver Spruce Golf Course to raise funds to support its volunteer programs.

Red Cross has a long history of supporting the military community. Although the Red Cross is not part of the U.S. government, it was chartered by Congress in 1905. Part of that charter gives the Red Cross the responsibility for being a vehicle of communication between service members and their families—something Clara Barton, the American Red founder started by writing letters for the wounded during the Civil War. It's a service Red Cross provides even today, but in a much more sophisticated manner.

For the first half of our history, it was the Red Cross nurse, providing

care and comfort to the troops, that was perhaps the most recognized symbol of Red Cross service. During World War I, for example, the Red Cross staffed hospitals and ambulance companies and recruited 20,000 registered nurses to care for the wounded.

Over time, the Armed Forces built up their own nursing staffs so that they were less dependent on Red Cross nurses. But during World War II, a new challenge arose, and the military turned to their old colleague, the Red Cross, to save lives in another way. What they needed was blood!

During the war, the military asked the Red Cross to develop methods to collect and store the large amounts of blood and plasma needed to treat the wounded. The Red Cross program, led by Dr. Charles Drew, was remarkably successful. By the war's end Red Cross had collected 13.4 million pints of blood from 6.6 million donors, all of which saved untold lives. The procedures that they created for the war made modern blood banking possible, and became the model for many civilian blood programs.

Much has changed since that first Red Cross Month in 1943. But one

thing has not. The military community is still a place where neighbors help neighbors, and support to the Red Cross is a true reflection of that spirit, said Cathy Todd, volunteer station chairman.

Today, the Red Cross is Governed by volunteers and supported by community donations, the American Red Cross is a nationwide network of nearly 900 field units dedicated to saving lives and helping people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. Led by 1 million volunteers and 36,000 employees, the Red Cross annually mobilizes relief to families affected by more than 70,000 disasters, trains almost 12 million people in lifesaving skills and keeps U.S. military families connected worldwide. The Red Cross is the largest supplier of blood and blood products to more than 3,000 hospitals across the nation and also assists victims of international disasters and conflicts at locations worldwide.

To volunteer, learn more about Red Cross, or participate in the 2nd Annual Charity Golf Tournament; call the American Red Cross office on Peterson Air Force Base at 556-8265.



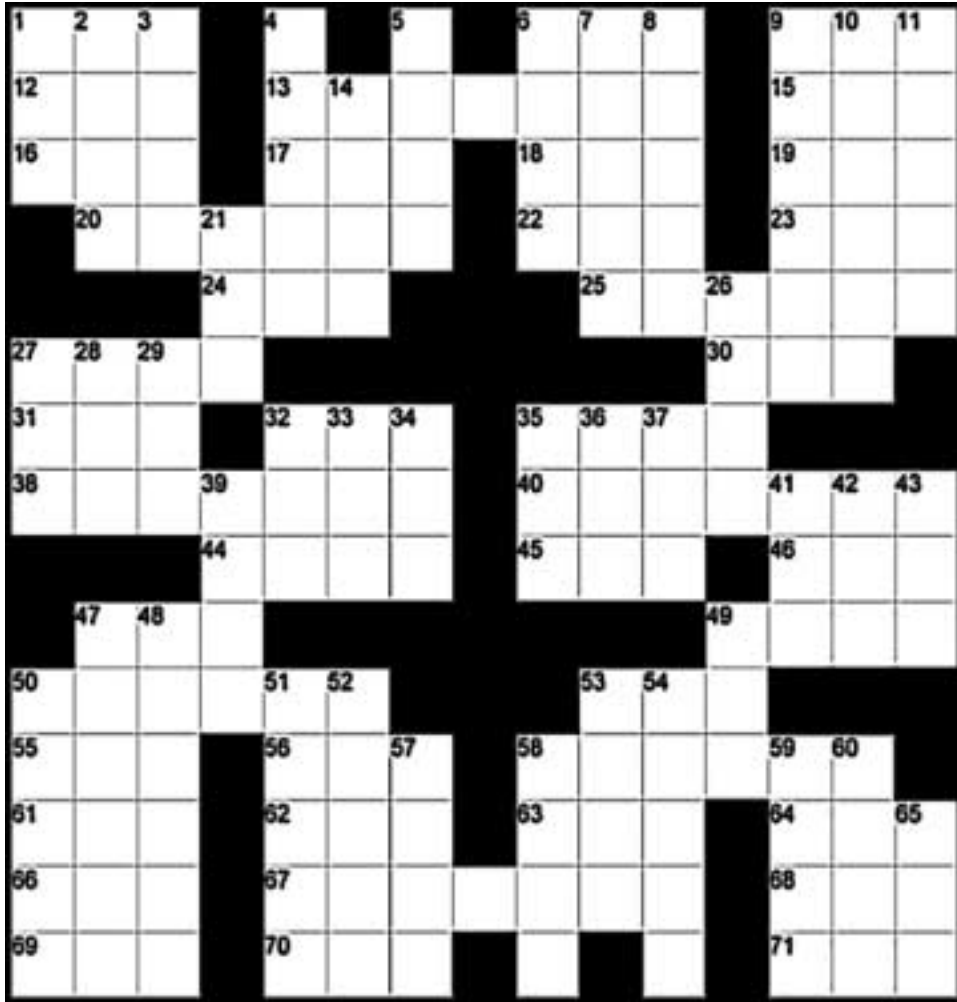
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Answers on Page 19



ACROSS

- 1. USAF plane equipment
- 6. Owned
- 9. Alias, in brief
- 12. Karshi-Khanabad AB host country currency

- 13. Bagram AB host country currency
- 15. R&B group ___ Hill
- 16. The Greatest
- 17. NBA player Ming
- 18. Sn on periodic table
- 19. Charged particle

- 20. Djibouti currencies
- 22. Greek letter
- 23. Treebeard of Lord of the Rings was one
- 24. Confederate general
- 25. Bickers
- 27. Incirlik and Izmir ABs host country currency
- 30. Donkey
- 31. Fury
- 32. Manas AB host country currency
- 35. Missing work crime under UCMJ
- 38. Actress Redgrave
- 40. North Bay AS host country currencies
- 44. Separate
- 45. Air sovereignty operation since 9/11, in brief
- 46. Void
- 47. Golf score
- 49. Steak sauce
- 50. Guidons; for military units
- 53. Exclude
- 55. Drone
- 56. I Like ___; presidential slogan
- 58. Tuzla AB host country currencies
- 61. Card game
- 62. Old Air Force slogan, ___ High
- 63. Mining goal
- 64. Orange/Yellow result
- 66. Football scores, in short
- 67. Soto Cano AS host country currency
- 68. Mil. field meal
- 69. NYC time zone
- 70. Org. managing 32 DOWN
- 71. Misawa, Yokota and Kadena ABs host country currency

DOWN

- 1. Crazy ___ loon
- 2. ___ of Mexico
- 3. Prince
- 4. Western actor John
- 5. These can clash

- 6. Dislike intensely
- 7. Singer Bryant
- 8. Balad, Tallil and Kirkuk ABs host country currency
- 9. Goodbyes, in another form
- 10. Thule AB host country currencies.
- 11. Female relatives
- 14. Visage
- 21. Pie ___ mode
- 26. Animosity
- 27. Actress Tyler
- 28. Ret. account
- 29. Cartoon ___ & Stimpy
- 32. Military ID
- 33. Rumsfeld office symbol
- 34. Chinese chairman ___ Zedong
- 35. Bustle
- 36. Osan and Kunsan ABs host country currency
- 37. Bullring cheer
- 39. Ramstein, Spangdahlem, Aviano, Moron ABs host countries currency
- 41. Mil. address starter
- 42. Dog star ___ Tin Tin
- 43. Sault ___ Marie
- 47. RAFs Alconbury, Lakenheath, Mildenhall, Molesworth and Croughton country currencies
- 48. Close, but no cigar
- 49. Noah's vessel
- 50. Canal
- 51. Al Udeid AB host country currencies
- 52. Open and blue ender
- 53. Actress Roseanne
- 54. Regions
- 57. Actress Thompson
- 58. Drudge
- 59. Branch of DoD
- 60. Aircrew survival training, in short
- 65. Lair

(Courtesy of Alaskan Command Public Affairs)



Flying Tigers, look back in history

By Thomas W. Mason

14th Air Force History Office

Did you ever wonder why everyone calls the 14th Air Force the Flying Tigers? During the dark days of World War II, the Imperial Japanese Air Force destroyed Chinese cities with little opposition. The Chinese military had no anti-aircraft guns or planes, which left them defenseless against modern weapons. In fact, Japanese airplanes attacked by moonlight so often during this period that a full moon in China was referred to as a bombers moon.

President Roosevelt became convinced that he had to do something to keep the Chinese from surrendering and signed a secret executive order on April 15 1941. This executive order allowed officers and enlisted men to resign from the armed forces and join a volunteer air force to defend the Burma Road. Soon, men from all over the United States arrived in Burma and formed the American Volunteer Group under Gen. Claire Chennault.

During their initial training in Burma, AVG members wanted something distinctive to enhance esprit de



Courtesy photo

P-40s engaged Japanese aircraft during the attack on Pearl Harbor and the invasion of the Philippines in December 1941. They also were flown in China early in 1942 by the famed Flying Tigers and in North Africa in 1943 by the first Army Air Forces all African-American unit, the 99th Fighter Squadron.

corps. They searched for symbols to place on their P-40 airplanes to tell them apart from the others. They saw Royal Air Force and German Luftwaffe Messerschmitt 210 airplanes decorated with sharks teeth. AVG members learned that the Japanese feared the shark as a symbol of evil. They decided to take their brushes and convert the

P-40 airplanes into the grinning mouths of tiger sharks, complete with a bloody tongue and evil eye of red and white just aft of the propeller and forward of the exhaust stacks. They also learned that the Chinese looked upon the saber-toothed tiger as a national symbol, so they painted a winged Bengal tiger on their airplanes. In early 1942, Walt

Disney Studios designed the original Flying Tigers patch for the AVG, a Bengal tiger with wings soaring out of a V for victory.

The first magazine article that referred to the AVG as the Flying Tigers appeared in *China At War*, edited and published by the Ministry of Information in Chungking, China. The article stated that the American airmen were so good that they were virtually *fei-hu* Flying Tigers. In 1942, an Associated Press correspondent used the expression and the name stuck.

When the Fourteenth Air Force stood up on March 10 1943, they inherited the Flying Tigers nickname from the AVG, which had inactivated in 1942. They also used shark and tiger designs on their airplanes. In August 1943, Sergeant Howard Arnegard

designed the official 14th Air Force emblem. The emblem featured a winged Bengal tiger on a disc, with a blue background. The tiger was golden orange with black and white markings beneath a white star with a red disc. The emblem is still in use today by modern-day Flying Tigers of the 14th Air Force.



GO! Get out!

Fine Arts Center theater

Moon Over Buffalo a farce presented by the Repertory Theater Group is in the Fine Arts Center Theater today through March 19. Performances are at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Advance tickets are \$16, call the box office at 634-4844. The theater is at 30 W. Dale St.

Academy theater

Contact is March 30 in Arnold Hall Theater at 8 p.m., with tickets starting at \$20. The Passing Zone is April 23 at 7:30 p.m. All performances are in the Arnold Hall Theater at the Academy. Call the box office at 333-4497. Theater guests should enter the Academy at the North Gate Exit.

World Arena venue

Michael W. Smith is in the World Arena April 19. Tickets are on sale, 576-2626. The arena is at 3185 Venetucci Blvd., near Tinseltown theater. Parking is \$5 for each event.

Pikes Peak Center

Rob Becker's Defending the Caveman is April 8 and 9, at 8 p.m. The Artie Shaw Orchestra, directed by Dick Johnson, is in the center April 6. Tickets start at \$22; call the box office at 576-2626. The Pikes Peak Center is at 190 S. Cascade Ave. Parking is streetside or in a garage behind the center. A parking fee of \$5 is charged.

Museum Discovery Days

Museum Discovery Days are every Saturday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center, 30 W. Dale St. The event, geared for ages 6 to 10, introduces children to fine art. Regular admission fees apply: \$5 for adults and \$2 for children ages 6 to 10.

Fine Arts Center travel film

Travel films at the Fine Arts Center theater, 30 W. Dale St., March 20 are: Queen Mary II to Rio, at 2 p.m., followed by Great Canadian Train Ride, at 4 p.m. Each film is \$6.

Disney on Ice

Mickey and Minnie's Magical Journey, by Disney on Ice, is in the Colorado Springs World Arena April 6 through 10. Shows are at 7:30 p.m. April 7, 8 and 9. There are shows at 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. April 9, and at 1 and 5 p.m. April 10. Call 576-2626; tickets are \$16 and \$19.75, but there's a military discount for children's tickets. Buy one adult ticket, get one half-price child's ticket by showing military identification at the box office.

Zoo wildnights

Have a Father and Son Wildnight at Cheyenne Mountain Zoo March 25, from 6 p.m. to 9 a.m. The cost is \$60 for father and one son, \$25 extra for each additional. Dinner is provided on this overnight zoo experience. Call 633-9925, ext. 112.

Royal Gorge Train

The Royal Gorge train has started its season trips are at 12:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays or book a gourmet dinner trip at 5 p.m. Go online at www.RoyalGorgeRoute.com or call 1-888-724-5748. The train leaves from the Santa Fe Depot in Cañon City.

Academy Band concert

The Air Force Academy Band presents a free concert March 20 at 2 p.m. in the Pikes Peak Center, 190 S. Cascade. Free tickets are at the center box office and are required.

Pueblo's art center theater

Upcoming events at the Sangre de Cristo theater at 210 N. Santa Fe in Pueblo are: Rhapsody in Taps March 19 at 7:30 p.m., tickets are \$20. The Passing Zone is 7:30 p.m. April 22, tickets are \$20. The box office phone is (719) 295-7222.

Day camp at the zoo

Spring break day camps are at Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., March 21 to 24. Call 633-9925, ext. 250.

(Information courtesy of the Fort Carson Mountaineer)

Answers to the puzzle from Page 17.

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