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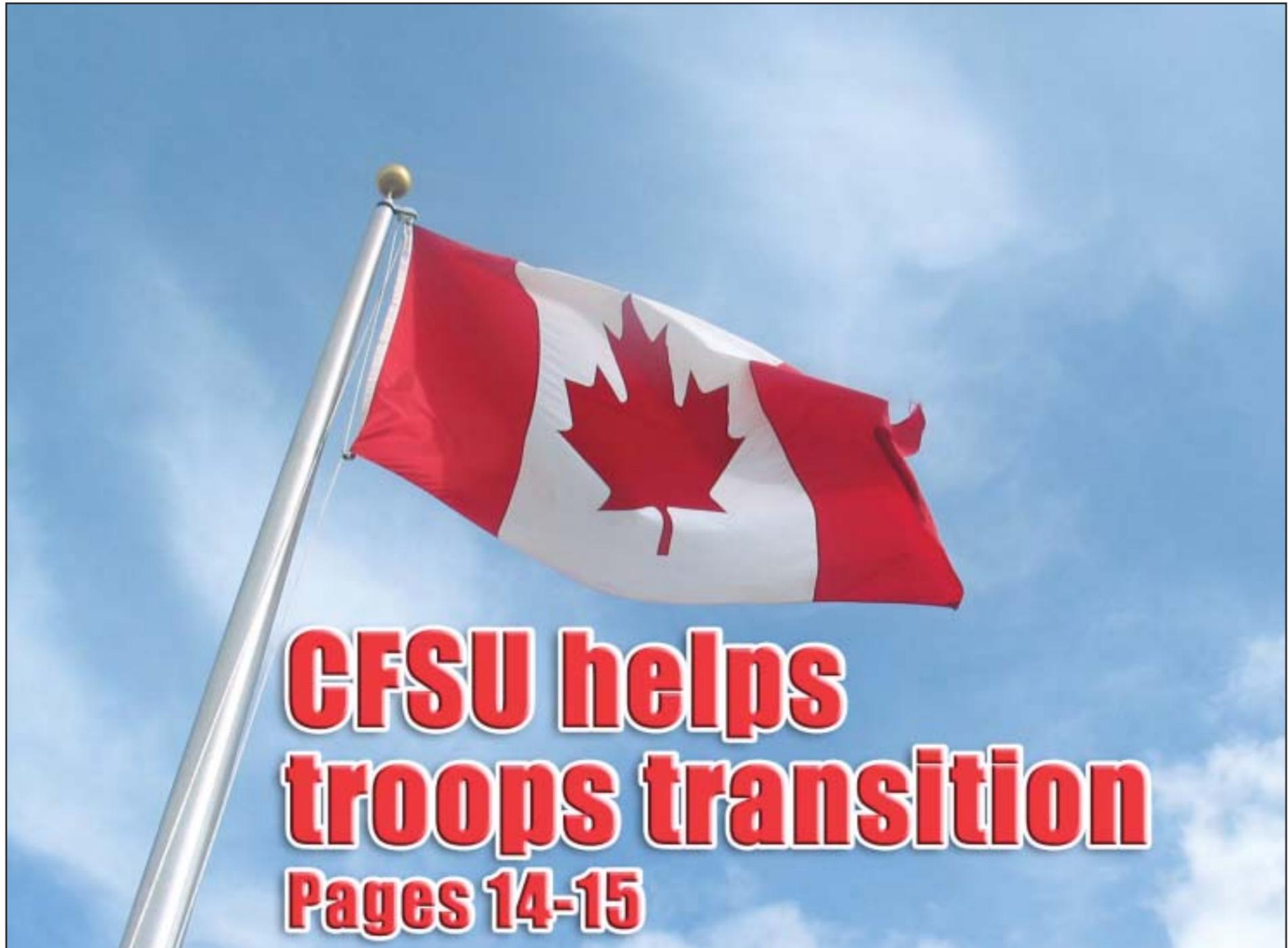
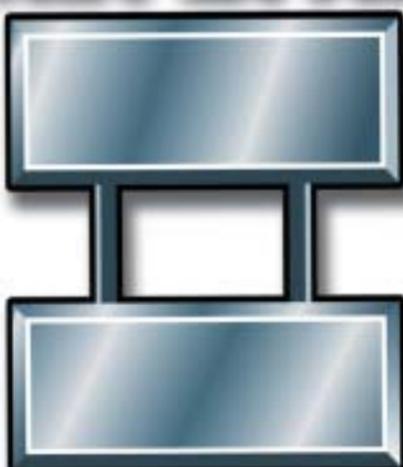


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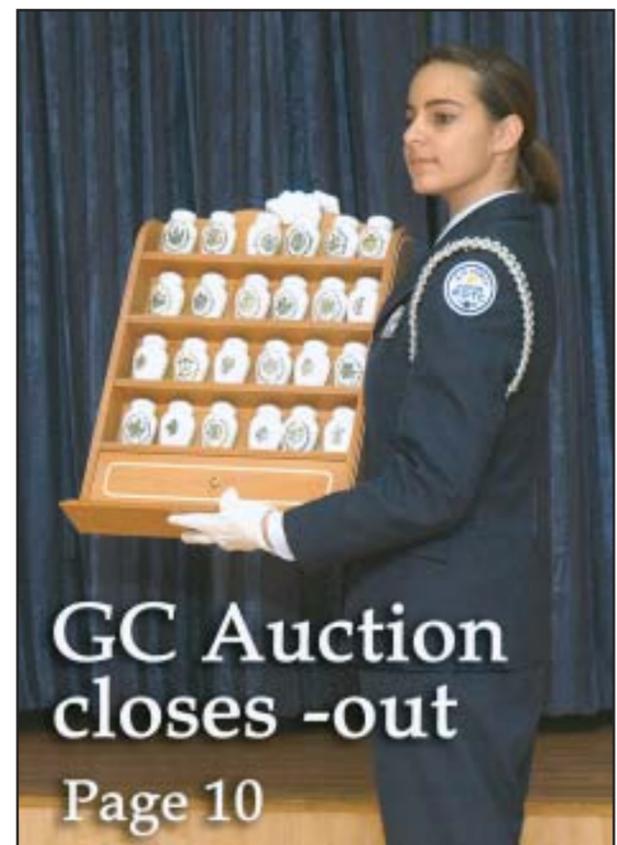
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Photo by Camilla Smith

From the top



Airman with a Capital "A"

By Gen. John P. Jumper
Air Force chief of staff



I am an Airman.

Note that's with a capital "A." It's just one letter at the beginning of the word, but it signifies a great deal. The reason it is capitalized is simple: Airmen in the United States Air Force are the heart and soul of our unique fighting force, and should be identified by a proper noun.

As young children, when we began to read, we learned a capital letter at the front of a word signified something special or important — like our own name, our hometown, and our country. And this was reinforced through our education and professional

life. When we see a capital letter, our minds automatically emphasize that word, and we bestow an increased importance on that person, place, or thing. It is time to formally add our profession to that list of important and special nouns.

You may have seen or heard something about my guidance to capitalize the word "Airman." It is appropriate to do so, in recognition of our rich history, and to emphasize our

unparalleled role in the defense of America.

Our Air Force is the finest air and space force in the world because of the generations of professional Airmen that have devoted their lives to dominating the skies. Capitalizing the word "Airman" recognizes their historic achievements and signifies our unique contributions to fighting and winning America's wars. It shows we've earned the respect a proper name imparts.

For 38 years of my life, I've been proud to wear the uniform of the United States Air Force. And, whether you've worn it as long as I have or just recently joined our team, I know we all feel the same sense of pride. Regardless of the uniform we wear, the specialty we hold, the badge over our pocket, and whether we are active duty, guard, reserve, or civilian, first and foremost, we are Airmen.

We are one Air Force a

Pete Progress



Photo courtesy of 21st Civil Engineering Squadron

Lighting the way

Re-wiring of the street light circuits project is almost at complete. The old direct-buried wires have been replaced with new wire, installed in conduits.

This will ensure the systems functionality for many years to come. So far, this project has consumed more than 5,000 feet of conduit and 10,000 feet of wire. The electric shop is also in the process of implementing a night crew to repair all parking lot lights that can't be done during the day because of possible damage to vehicles. The 21st CE Squadron ask that when you encounter the work crews on the streets or in the parking lots, "Give 'Em A Brake", and keep safety in mind. This effort is done to ensure the safety and security of all Peterson personnel.

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A Moment in Time

■ April 10, 1975 – The B-1 Lancer aircraft attains supersonic flight speed for the first time.

■ April 11, 1911 – Lieutenants T.D. Milling and Henry H. Arnold are ordered to Dayton, Ohio for flying instruction.

■ April 12, 1961 – Soviet Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin becomes the first man in space, making a 108-minute voyage in Vostok I.

■ April 13, 1960 – Maj. R.M. White becomes the first U.S. Air Force pilot to fly the X-15 rocket research aircraft.

■ April 14, 1986 – U.S. forces launch Operation Eldorado Canyon, a retaliatory bombing raid in response to terrorist activities supported by Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi.

Team Pete, AFSPC bring home awards

Compiled from staff reports

Team Pete continues to excel, as personnel from Headquarters Air Force Space Command, Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station and the 21st Space Wing garnered several command-level awards.

The most recent award winners were:

AFSPC Julie Y. Cross nominee, 721st Security Forces Squadron

AFSPC 2003 Manpower and Organizational Awards for Professional Excellence

Senior NCO, Installation Level – Senior Master Sgt. Dennis J. Kirchner, 21st SW

Field Grade Officer, Headquarters Level – Lt.

Col. Darrell L. Riggs, Headquarters, AFSPC Company grade Officer, Headquarters Level –

Capt. Glen A. Fields, Headquarters, AFSPC Senior NCO, Headquarters Level – Master Sgt.

Kenneth R. Beyer, Headquarters, AFSPC Senior Civilian, Headquarters Level – Krista D. Snipes, Headquarters, AFSPC

Congratulations to Team Pete's most recent captain selects

The following Team Pete lieutenants have been selected for promotion to captain:

- Allison M. Chisolm
- Michael V. Siebert
- Christy M. Deluca
- David B. Moon
- Royce C. Johnson
- Kevin D. Eggers
- Christina A. Guzzetta

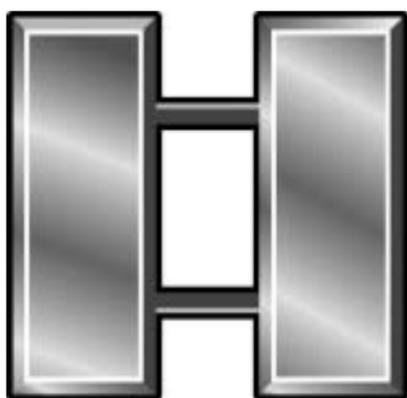


Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Bergmann

Fifty years of space and missiles

Retired Air Force Brig. Gen. William G. King Jr., a pioneer of the U.S. space program, discusses his recollection of early space development on a panel at the 20th Anniversary National Space Symposium April 1 at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, Colo. General King successfully advocated that space-based systems were technically feasible in the late 1950s. He and a team of officers convinced Air Force leadership of the report results and led the first competitive acquisition of a military space program. Maj. Gen. Michael A. Hamel (left), 14th Air Force commander from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., moderated the panel discussion.



Photos by 1st Lt. Jeremy Eggers

Pulling their weight

THULE AIR BASE, Greenland – Maj. Randall Moore, Detachment 3 commander, 22nd Space Operations Squadron, 50th Space Wing, prepares for a dogsled ride from the Dundas Peninsula to Thule Air Base.

Air Force Assistance Fund

Team Pete goal – \$74,580.66
Contributed so far – \$57,645.04



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The Productivity Enhancing Capital Investment Program has a number of programs to increase the productivity of an office. For more information, call Leroy Howard at 556-7823 or Amanda Braden at 556-3152.

RING OF FAME

The Peterson Sports and Fitness Center is requesting nominations for the Ring of Fame. The Ring honors distinguished Team Pete athletes with a photo and plate inscribed with their accomplishments displayed in the main hallway of the Fitness Center. The deadline for nominations is May 10. For more information, or to nominate someone, call 556-7092.

7 HABITS SEMINAR

There will be a seminar on the "7 Habits of Highly Successful Air Force Families" April 16 and April 23 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Southeast YMCA. Call the Family Support Center at 556-6141 for more information.

INSTALLATION PREPAREDNESS GUIDE

The Peterson Air Force Base Installation Preparedness Guide is now available online at <https://halfway.peterson.af.mil/21ces/cex/index.htm>.

RED CROSS SPONSORS CHARITY GOLF TOURNEY

The American Red Cross office hosts a charity golf tournament April 16 at the Silver Spruce Golf Course. Check-in time is 8 a.m. The four-man scramble tournament begins at 8:30 a.m. with a shotgun-

style start. Cost is \$20 entry fee plus green and cart fees. Participants must register by Friday. For more information, call the American Red Cross office in the Mission Support Center at 556-7590.

CLINIC GETTING NEW ROOF

The Peterson Clinic is undergoing construction on a new roof. Anyone with respiratory problems should contact the clinic in which they have an appointment to discuss the situation and minimize visits to the clinic until this project is complete. The smell could be a respiratory irritant but is not toxic. All the tar hot pots are placed away from the air intakes to minimize the impact on the building. However, two air intakes on the roof will cause some of the smell to enter the building. Work has begun on the main section of the clinic roof. It should be done by April 26.

MOTORCYCLISTS URGED TO COORDINATE WITH WING SAFETY

Active duty military members planning on taking the mandatory Motorcycle Safety Foundation training course are urged to contact the 21st Space Wing Safety Office before enrolling. Due to limited funding for this training, individuals should contact the Wing Safety Office before taking the course. Those who take the course without prior Wing Safety coordination may experience delays in receiving reimbursement. Call 556-4392 to coordinate attendance.

OLD UNIFORMS NEEDED FOR MOULAGE PATIENTS

The 21st Medical Group needs old uniforms and clothes for moulage patients to wear in exercise sce-

narios. Medical protocols require cutting the clothing and exposing the area experiencing simulated trauma. Though medical personnel may not do this every time for every patient, they need a stockpile of uniforms for occasions when this is necessary. For more information, call Master Sgt. O.K. Stoll at 556-1153, or Staff Sgt. Bella Smith at 556-1053.

OFFICIAL TRAVEL SERVICE FEE CHANGE

The agency service fee charged by Rogers Travel has changed from \$24 to \$18 per ticket. The service fee on leisure tickets issued in conjunction with official travel remains at \$20 per ticket. For more information, call Rogers Travel at 550-1817.

AFSPC SPONSORS NIGHT WITH SKY SOX

Air Force Space Command is hosting a Night with the Colorado Springs Sky Sox on April 16 at Sky Sox Baseball Stadium. Wild Blue Country begins playing at 5 p.m. and game time is 6:05 p.m. Gen. Lance Lord, the AFSPC commander, will throw the first pitch of the season. The Sky Sox will play the Nashville Sounds (Pittsburgh Pirates affiliate). Tickets are \$4.50 for adults (there is no special rate for children's tickets), and can be purchased at www.skysox.com under the Group Ticket Window link. The Sign-in identification is, "AFSPC 2004" and the password is "skysox."

In addition to the group rate, the group's name will be featured on the scoreboard and a group photograph will be taken at the event.



Chapel Schedule



Protestant Worship Services:

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

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.

Spotlight on justice

Base legal officials recently announced the Article 15 and court-martial actions for January 2004.

ARTICLES 15

■ An Airman 1st Class assigned to the 721st Security Forces Squadron received an Article 15 for a violation of Article 107 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, false official statement. The member received a reduction to the rank of Airman Basic, 14 days extra duty and a reprimand.

■ An Airman 1st Class assigned to the 721st SFS received an Article 15 for a violation of Article 86 of the UCMJ, failure to go and Article 134, drunkenness and incapacitation for performance of duties. The member received a reduction to the rank of Airman and a reprimand.

■ An Airman 1st Class assigned to the 721st SFS received an Article 15 for a violation of Article 112a, UCMJ, wrongful use of marijuana and Article 121, larceny. The member received a reduction to the rank of Airman Basic and a reprimand.

■ An Airman 1st Class assigned to the 21st SFS received an Article 15 for violation of Article 111 of the UCMJ, drunk driving. The member received a reduction to the rank of Airman, 14 days restriction, 14 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

■ A Senior Airman assigned to the 21st SFS received an Article 15 for violation of Article 107 of the UCMJ, false official statement and Article 113, sleeping on post. The member received a reduction to the rank of Airman 1st Class, forfeiture of \$369 pay, restriction for 14 days, 14 days

extra duty, and a reprimand.

■ An Airman 1st Class assigned to the 21st SFS received an Article 15 for violation of Article 113 of the UCMJ, sleeping on post. The member received seven days extra duty and a reprimand.

■ A Senior Airman assigned to the 21st SFS received an Article 15 for violation of Article 92 of the UCMJ, failure to obey a lawful order and Article 107, false official statement. The member received a suspended reduction to the rank of Airman 1st Class 14 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

Courts-Martial

■ Capt. Grant D. McKenzie, Space and Missile

Systems Det. 11, was tried by General Court-Martial on Dec. 9, for violations of Article 92 of the UCMJ, using a government computer to view pornography, and Article 134, possession of child pornography. The accused pled guilty to both charges. The Military Judge sentenced the accused to 9 months confinement and a dismissal from the U.S. Air Force.

■ Senior Airman Shawn M. Tucker, 21st Operations Support Squadron, was tried by Summary Court-Martial on Dec. 19, for violation of Article 86 of the UCMJ, absent without leave. The accused plead guilty to the charge and specification. The summary court officer sentenced the accused to confinement for 24 days and reduction to the rank of Airman 1st Class.

■ Airman Jeanette M. Mixon, 721st SFS, was tried by General Court-Martial on Feb. 9. She was charged with violations of the following articles of the UCMJ: 134, drunk and disorderly conduct and unlawful entry into another airman's dormitory room, 92, willful dereliction of duty for disclosing of her involvement in an Office of Special Investigations investigation and for underage drinking, 112a, wrongful use of cocaine, Percocet, Vicodin and marijuana and distribution of Percocet, 121, wrongful appropriation of a necklace and stealing another member's medication and \$15 from the High Frontier Defender's Booster Club, and 107, false official statement. She plead guilty and was sentenced to confinement for 18 months, reduction to Airman Basic and a Bad Conduct Discharge.





Interns to spread word about USNORTHCOM

By Merrie Schilter Lowe

U.S. Northern Command Public Affairs

U.S. Northern Command is tapping virtually every communications route available – including word of mouth – to educate Americans about its homeland defense and support to civil authorities missions.

In this case, students from the University of Denver Graduate School of International Studies will carry the message to the public. They will, that is, once they complete a 12-week internship with the command. It may be a slow way to advertise, but USNORTHCOM officials say at least the message should not get garbled during transmission.

“We have four bright, motivated and hard-working graduate students, who, when they graduate, will go into the field with a good understanding of our mission,” said Stan Supinski, Ph.D., education and training division deputy, who also oversees the intern program.

Fanta Orr, Lauren Borgen, Laura Fontaine and Jason Van Norman started coming to Peterson Air Force Base in February to work one day per week in aerospace analysis, interagency, education and training, and logistics.

Although they are not paid for their work, all four interns agree that the experience and knowledge gained at NORAD and USNORTHCOM headquarters will probably help them land jobs when they graduate. Melinda Cain, Ph.D., deputy director of career services for the School of International Studies at the University of Denver agrees. She said students with an internship under their belts are more competitive in the job market.

“The questions most employers ask are, ‘What do you know and what can you do?’” Dr. Cain said.

She said students who come to NORAD and USNORTHCOM not only gain real-world experience, but also, “meet and network with people in the field and get to see the plusses and minuses of the job.”

Mr. Van Norman, who will graduate from Denver University next year, said he hopes to get hired by either the Central Intelligence Agency or Department of Defense.

“Working here is helping me decide exactly where in those agencies I’d like to work,” he said.

Mr. Van Norman is currently putting together a training plan for the logistics division, which will be given

to new arrivals.

“You get a lot of theory in class, but working here is giving me practical experience,” he said.

The intern program sprouted from conversations last summer between NORAD, USNORTHCOM and university officials.

According to Dr. Supinski, Denver University is one of more than a dozen schools to join the command’s education consortium. The group’s charter includes ensuring that USNORTHCOM’s homeland defense and civil support missions are taught in all homeland security courses.

However, the command is working only with Denver University to obtain interns, said Dr. Supinski.

The school referred 17 students for positions this semester and education and training narrowed the list to five candidates. Dr. Supinski interviewed the students and selected four.

“Not only are these students bright, they bring an outsiders’ perspective to the issues we’re working,” Supinski said.

Since none of the interns have a security clearance, they can only work on unclassified issues, Supinski said.

Ms. Borgen said she spent the first

few sessions reviewing documents on how the command is structured. Now she is helping to clarify guidance to improve cooperation between USNORTHCOM and the 42 federal agencies involved in homeland security, said Army Lt. Col. Robert Price, deputy director, operations and training for interagency.

“Lauren’s efforts will help develop methodology and establish links with the other agencies so they can better share information and coordinate respective actions during a homeland defense or civil support mission,” Colonel Price said.

As an undergraduate student at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., Ms. Borgen majored in international affairs. But her passion turned to international security following the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on New York and the Pentagon, she said.

“I hope my passion will contribute to helping (others) understand the threat and preventing future attacks on this country,” she said.

The Hendrum, Minn., native said she hopes to get an intelligence job with either homeland defense or homeland security when she graduates. 

AF celebrates first 50 years of space and missiles

By Jenna K. McMullin

Air Force Space Command Public Affairs

What was once a secret society of space power visionaries is now a fraternity of pioneers whose belief that the Air Force could fly higher, farther and faster is realized every day by the service's space and missile professionals.

Brought together to recognize the 50th anniversary of Air Force space and missiles at the 20th Space Symposium April 1, five visionaries reminisced about the leaps and bounds such programs have made and what the next step is following the first half of the first century of the space and missile era.

"It's not well understood how the military has been at the forefront of developing the technologies we use in space," said Maj. Gen. Michael Hamel, 14th Air Force commander and panel moderator.

The technologies General Hamel referred to encompass today's satellites and intercontinental ballistic missiles. The roots of this space advantage trace back to the 1954 establishment of the Western Development Division, which was the first Air Force office dedicated to the advancement

of space and missile concepts. Led by General Bernard A. Schriever, WDD was the catalyst for the rapid development of satellites and missiles – the first players in the space race between the U.S. and Russia.

"I didn't realize the pressure that was on the program to be successful," retired Lt. Gen. Forrest S. McCartney said.

Retired Brig. Gen. William G. King, Jr., related stories of meetings at the geophysical lab at Hanscom AFB, Mass., and the early trials of getting the American public and Air Force members to understand what the space program was all about. But, the early successes of the launch program validated its existence.

"In 1960, we had six space launches, which was one every six months. In 1961, there were 20 launches, or one every 18 days. In 1962, 29 launches – one every 12-and-a-half days," General King said, and then turned to General Hamel in jest. "How many did you have last year?"

While the groundwork was being laid for the satellite and launch portion of Air Force



space programs, "the boys out west" – as Lt. Gen. Jay W. Kelley called the WDD – were developing America's third leg of the nuclear triad, the ICBM.

Also motivated by Soviet advances, American missile endeavors sought to exploit new rocket propulsion technologies, new warheads and new computer-based methods of targeting. With early missile names of Thor, Delta and Titan, they became prototypes for today's Minuteman III and Peacekeeper forces.

"While we were considered by many to be the joker in the hole, when it came to Cuba and throughout the Cold War, we became America's ace in the hole," said General Kelley.

With the foundation laid by the WDD and these space and missile trailblazers still in place, space and missiles became key components of the warfighting Air Force. Often referred to as the first space war, 1992's Operation DESERT STORM was a coming-of-age occasion for space and missile forces as joint direct attack munitions made their major conflict debut and troop use of military satellite commu-

nications flourished. General Moorman called the conflict a referendum for the creation of Air Force Space Command 10 years earlier.

"I maintain [Operation DESERT STORM] was the first war where the full range of space capabilities came to bear," retired General Thomas S. Moorman, Jr., said.

From that point on, space and missiles have continued to gain momentum in both the military and commercial sectors.

Modern society's reliance on space technology is exhibited by satellite television providers, the prevalence of Global Positioning System in activities ranging from golf to

fishing (General McCartney called GPS the "sweetheart" of space systems), and most critically on the battlefields of recent military operations. Enabling warfighters to perform surgical strikes, to communicate instantaneously with remote portions of the globe, to warn of theater missile attacks and to deter adversaries via the ICBM force, today's space and missile developments are more important than ever.

Future issues space and missile technologies may confront include potential threats to capabilities, looking at how to avert such threats and the advent of responsive launch capabilities, said retired Lt. Gen. Eugene D. Santarelli.

"Throughout the anniversary year, our goal is to inspire a greater understanding and appreciation of the strides made during the space and missile era," said Maj. Corvin Connolly, command lead for the anniversary celebration. "Our heritage is important to us, and this anniversary is a tremendous milestone of space power."

The space and missile leadership panel will reconvene in May at the 37th Guardian Challenge at Vandenberg AFB, Calif.

Reenlistment bonuses as of March 2004

WASHINGTON – Bluesuiters will see significant changes in the newly released selective re-enlistment bonus list resulting from solid retention rates, Pentagon officials said.

Following the selective re-enlistment review board, the Air Force has published the latest SRB list which contains 62 Air Force specialties.

“The SRB program is a retention tool the Air Force uses as an incentive to help keep the right people in the right jobs to accomplish our mission,” said Senior Master Sgt. Maria Cornelia, chief of retention and bonus programs at Air Force headquarters.

“During this period of improved retention, it is prudent to make adjustments,” she said. “Airmen should remember that SRBs are not an entitlement and must be adjusted to meet Air Force needs.”

All enlisted skills were reviewed, including reporting and special-duty identifiers, officials said.

The criteria used for determining which enlisted skills will receive an SRB include current and projected manning levels, re-enlistment trends, career-field force structure changes and inputs from individual career-field managers. SRBs are authorized in 0.5 increments, or multiples, and in three re-enlistment zones for people with between 17 months and 14 years of service.

Zone A, which applies to Airmen re-enlisting between 17 months and six years of service, incurred nine increases, 19 reductions and 86 removals. Zone B, which applies to Airmen re-enlisting between six and 10 years of service, had eight increases, 18 reductions and 80 removals. Zone C, which applies to Airmen re-enlisting between 10 and 14 years of service, saw one increase, four decreases and 32 removals.

Additions and multiple increases are effective March 30. The SRB multiple decreases and deletions are effective April 30.

For more information, contact local military personnel flight re-enlistment offices.

(Courtesy of AF News Service)



“The SRB program is a retention tool the Air Force uses as an incentive to help keep the right people in the right jobs to accomplish our mission”

– Senior Master Sgt. Maria Cornelia

	Zone	Zone A	Zone B	Zone C					
1	1A0X1	1.5	1.0	-	25	1N5X1	5.0	5.5	1.0
2	1A1X1X	2.0	2.0	1.0	26	1N6X1	2.0	2.5	-
3	1A2X1	3.0	1.0	0.5	27	1T0X1	5.0	2.5	1.0
4	1A3X1	4.5	2.0	-	28	1T2X1	6.5	5.5	2.5
5	1A4X1X	4.5	4.0	-	29	2A0X1A	1.0	-	-
6	1A5X1	3.0	1.0	-	30	2A3X1A	2.5	1.5	-
7	1A7X1	3.0	2.0	-	31	2A3X1B	-	1.5	-
8	1A8X1X	6.0	5.5	1.0	32	2A3X2	5.0	3.5	-
9	1C1X1	4.0	6.0	5.0	33	2A3X3A	3.5	2.5	0.5
10	1C2X1	6.0	5.5	3.5	34	2A3X3J (E,F,G,H)	1.0	2.0	-
11	1C4X1	5.0	4.5	2.5	35	2A6X1A (C,D,E)	-	1.0	-
12	1C5X1	2.0	2.0	-	36	2A6X3	4.5	3.0	-
13	1C5X1D	4.0	5.0	-	37	2A6X4	2.0	1.5	-
14	1N0X1	4.5	5.5	2.0	38	2A7X1	2.5	1.0	-
15	1N1X1	4.0	4.5	1.5	39	2A7X2	3.5	2.0	-
16	1N3X2A/B	5.0	5.5	1.0	40	2A7X3	3.5	3.0	-
17	1N3X3A/D	5.0	5.5	1.0	41	2A7X4	2.0	1.0	-
18	1N3X4A/G	5.0	5.5	1.0	42	2E1X1	-	2.0	-
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23	1N3X9X	5.0	5.5	1.0	47	2F0X1	1.0	0.5	-
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					54	3N0X2	2.5	2.5	-
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					56	3P0X1A	2.0	1.5	-
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Team Pete bids at Guardian Challenge auction

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Staff Reports

The Team 21 Association hosted the third-annual Guardian Challenge auction Wednesday evening at Peterson's Enlisted Club.

The event offered Team Pete an opportunity to raise money for the Wing's Guardian Challenge team, and bid against one another for autographed sports memorabilia, lithographs, and collectibles, as well as several other items.

The doors opened at 5:30 p.m., with a viewing of the auction items. At 7 p.m., the bidding started.

"Turnout was great this year with over 150 people attending the auction," said Lt. Col. Bob Orwig, project officer for the auction. "The bidding was fast-paced and a really good time." The auction netted more than \$5,700 to support the team this year, well above expectations.

Some of this year's auction items included an autographed football from Jake Plummer, an autographed book by astronaut Sally Ride, and many hand-crafted items from local artists. Some items, such as Denver Broncos memorabilia, went for more than expected according to Major



Photo by Camilla Smith

Denver Broncos memorabilia, like this autographed football, proved to be hot ticket items at this year's event.

Matthew Carroll, also a project officer for the auction. "Just before the first Broncos item went up for bid, a football scout for the Broncos organization in the audience pledged two tickets to any

game next year and an all-access tour of Broncos facilities including the sidelines before a game," said Major Carroll. "The bidding was furious for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and finally

ended with a \$750 pledge from a member of the 76th Space Control Squadron. This was truly the highlight of the evening."

Major Carroll said the auction couldn't have been a success without the donations from all participating wing agencies.

This year's Guardian Challenge competition will be at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. May 3-6. Competitors from across Air Force Space Command will be on hand to showcase their talents in the operations, communications, services and security forces arenas.

Hosted by Team 21, all funds generated from the auction will benefit Team Peterson personnel. Team 21 Association is a private organization, approved to operate at Peterson AFB. The Association provides distinctive competition uniforms for all competitors and provides banquets, social activities, and a hospitality suite for 21st Space Wing members and their guests during Guardian Challenge. Though the name of the auction refers to Guardian Challenge, proceeds from the event go towards supporting all Team Pete competitors, whether it's Guardian Challenge, Readiness Challenge, Top Dollar, or any other competition.



AFA sounds call for marrow donors

By Master Sgt. Kristin Clark

21st Mission Support Squadron

A bone marrow drive is scheduled for April 21-22 at the U.S. Air Force Academy. The cadet drive will be from 8 a.m.- 6 p.m. on April 21 at the Fairchild Hall Biology Laboratories, Rooms 2P445 and 2P328. The main base drive will be from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on April 22 at the Community Center Chapel near the Base Exchange.

The AFA and the 10th Air Base Wing will join the C.W. Bill Young Department of Defense Marrow Donor Program in recruiting volunteers to join the National Marrow Donor Registry and possibly become lifesaving bone marrow donors for critically ill patients.

Active duty members and their dependents, cadets, civil service employees and National Guard personnel or Reservists in good health and between the ages of 18 and 60 are eligible to register. Registration is free.

Most of the current blood donation restrictions do not apply to the marrow program. At the drives, volunteers can fill out a consent form and provide a small one-tube blood sample. A donor's "bone marrow type" will be determined and entered into the National Marrow Donor Registry.

Donors will remain in the registry until age 60 and will be contacted if a preliminary match for a patient is identified. Only after further testing and more education on the process will donors be asked to commit to giving the gift of life.

Marrow donations from Department of Defense personnel are performed at Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington D.C. There is no cost at any time to the donors or their organizations or bases.

The procedure is done under local or general anesthesia and takes less than two hours with a typical

overnight hospital stay. The bone marrow is extracted from the back of the pelvic bone with a needle or syringe technique and the small amount removed replenishes itself within weeks. Donors may experience some soreness at the extraction site. Previous donors say the small amount of pain or discomfort is well worth the knowledge they may be saving someone's life.

Each year, more than 30,000 adults and children are diagnosed with leukemia or other fatal blood diseases, and more than 70 percent must search for a matching donor outside their immediate families. To date, the National Marrow Donor Program has enabled more than 10,000 unrelated transplants using donors from the more than four million registered.

The DoD share of these figures is nearly 800 transplants and about 300,000 registered. The odds of patients finding a lifesaving match will improve as more potential donors are added to the registry.

In addition to its humanitarian mission,

the DoD Marrow Program has a military contingency mission to provide immediate donor searches in the event of a mass casualty incident involving chemical agents or nuclear exposure that damages bone marrow.

The DoD Marrow Program is just one of 92 donor centers supporting the National Marrow Donor Program Registry.

For more information, or to register an organization to sponsor a marrow drive, call 556-9158, or e-mail kristin.clark@peterson.af.mil. For more on the DoD Marrow Program, visit www.dodmarrow.org, or call 1-800-MARROW-3.



Photos by Master Sgt. Kristin Clark

ABOVE: Staff Sgt. Eric Gardner from the 21st Medical Group, draws a blood sample from Diane Vulcan, a 21st Space Communications Squadron contractor.

LEFT: Tech. Sgt. Hope Parker from the 21st Medical Group, draws a blood sample from Airman Basic Cherese Erdovegi from the 21st Civil Engineer Squadron Fire Department.



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.*

BUGGY BURGLAR – March 26

Security forces responded to the Child Development Center, where a theft was reported. A CDC employee stated one of the four-seat buggies used to transport small children was missing from a classroom. The responders were unable to locate the tike transport.

GAME OVER – March 26

Security forces responded to the Base Exchange, where a store detective was detaining a youngster for shoplifting. Apparently, the crafty crook was attempting to use a five-finger discount on a couple of video games. Security forces issued a summons for Shoplifting.

DRUNK AND DISORDERLY – March 26

Security forces responded to a possible driving under the influence situation at the West Gate. An entry controller noticed a strong odor of alcohol emitting from the vehicle the suspect was riding in.

The enforcer instructed the seemingly tipsy travelers to exit the vehicle and sit in the gate shack until security forces members responded to conduct Field Sobriety Maneuvers. The sloshed

suspect was instructed not to speak with his friends while sitting in the gate shack, and became irate toward the responders. When the suspect became combative, he was taken into custody for Disobeying a Lawful Order. A sobriety test revealed the driver of the vehicle was sober.

VIDEO GAME VILLAIN – March 27

Security forces responded to a shoplifting incident at the BX, where a youth decided to play a risky game. The looting lad pocketed a video game before being nabbed by store detectives. He was issued a summons for Shoplifting.

PRETTY PILFERER – March 27

Security forces responded to the BX, where a woman was being detained for shoplifting. The shady lady pocketed several makeup items. She realized beauty has a price when she was issued a summons for shoplifting.

POOR FASHION SENSE – March 27

Security forces responded to the BX, where a youngster was being detained for shoplifting. Store detectives spotted the youth snagging costume jewelry before she was snagged herself for shoplifting and issued a summons.

GROUND SAFETY MISHAP – March 29

Security forces, the Fire Department, and American Medical Response services responded to the North Gate where an entry controller lacerated his hand. He was transported to Memorial Hospital for further treatment.

GAS, GAS, GAS! – March 29

Security forces and firefighters responded to the Mission Support Center, where someone reported smelling gas. The odor was traced to a faulty gas valve, and the response was terminated.

MEDICAL RESPONSE – March 29

Security forces, the Fire Department, and AMR responded to Base Housing, where a woman was complaining of back pain resulting from a fall down the stairs. She was transported to Memorial Hospital for further treatment.

MEDICAL RESPONSE #2 – March 29

Security forces, the Fire Department, and AMR responded to the Fitness Center, where a military member jammed his left ring finger. The victim was transported to the U.S Air Force Academy Emergency Room for further treatment.

MEDICAL RESPONSE #3 – March 31

Security forces, the Fire Department, and AMR responded to the Visitor's Center, where a military member requested assistance because he felt like he was going to pass out. He was taken to the U.S. AFA Emergency Room for further treatment.

PRICE SWITCHING – March 31

Security forces responded to the BX, where store detectives were detaining a shoplifter. The tricky teen decided to try swapping price tags on a watch. She was tagged by detectives, and issued a summons by the Colorado Springs Police Department for Price Switching.

UNWELCOME VISITOR – April 1

Security forces responded to the Visitor's Center, where a man was being detained due to a warrant being out for his arrest. The thug was wanted for Dangerous Drugs, Failure to Appear for a harassment charge and Failure to Appear for a traffic offense. CSPD responded and took the foolish fugitive into custody.

CAUSING HEARTBURN – April 1

Security forces responded to the Commissary, where store detectives were detaining a shoplifter. The shady suspect swiped three bottles of heartburn medication. CSPD issued a summons for Shoplifting.

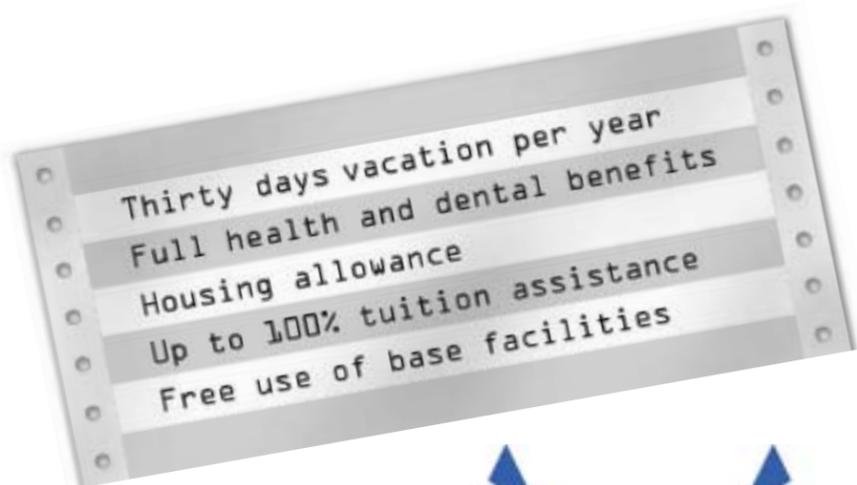
ALARMING TRENDS CONTINUE:

In addition to these entries, there continue to be too many illegitimate alarm activations on base. Among those noted this week were six activations due to human error.

*** If you have any information on a crime or any of these blotter entries, report it to Security Forces at 556-4000.*



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A day in the life of CFSU

By Staff Sgt. Sue Mrowiec
21st Space Wing Public Affairs

The Canadian Forces Support Unit is a relatively small organization that boasts a huge and diverse mission.

The CFSU supports approximately 150 Canadian military members and their families in the local area. The unit is also responsible for Canadian military members and their dependents in satellite support units throughout the U.S. and Greenland.

The charge to maintain hundreds of personnel and pay records, travel claims, benefits, and Canadian standard computers is met by a staff of 16 military, two locally engaged civilian personnel and five contracted relocation specialists. The CFSU mission also includes ensuring Canadian personnel are well established while completing the four-year tour.

"It's very important that we assist them with transitioning to life in the U.S.," said Lt. Commander Eric Kahler, the CFSU commanding officer. "We want them to feel confident that their needs and the needs of their families are taken care of so they can focus operationally."

Warrant Officer Sharon Gosling, the CFSU chief clerk, described her team as hardworking and dedicated.

"Everybody puts forth so much effort to ensure our cus-

tomers receive their full financial entitlements," she said.

Sustaining personnel at 14 locations has its challenges. Warrant Officer Gosling said communication can be the biggest obstacle, but the CFSU network support section is striving to meet the challenge.

The Information Technology team is working on new processes for e-mail and Internet access that will be quicker and more efficient than operating over facsimile or phone, Lieutenant Commander Kahler said.

The network support staff performs automated installs, updates applications and virus programs, and maintains local communications links, as well as a network spanning 14 sites around the U.S.

"In two years we've gone from maintaining 90 unclassified workstations to handling 220," said Sgt. John Pottier, the unit's network support supervisor.

Technical support is only one of many varied duties within the CFSU. Civilian and military personnel in the relocation, administrative and cashier offices represent a complex network of operations.

"We represent one force with different uniforms," Lieutenant Commander Kahler said.



Corporal Larry McInnis assists Captain Dwight Bazinet at the CFSU's administrative customer service desk.

Photos by Staff Sgt. Sue Mrowiec



ABOVE: The CFSU is located in Building 880.

RIGHT: Leading Seaman Darren Currie, a personnel support section clerk, handles records, pay, claims and entitlements.



Sgt. John Pottier, the CFSU network support supervisor, describes the facility's servers, which help keep personnel in North American Aerospace Defense and in satellite units around the country communicating.



at your SERVICE

This Week

Today

- Job Orientation, 1-2 p.m. at the Mission Support Center, Room 1016.

Friday

- Social Hour, 5-7 p.m. at the Enlisted Club

Saturday

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

Tuesday

- Sponsorship Training, 7:30-8:30 a.m. in the MSC, Room 1016.
- Bundles for Babies, 1-3 p.m. at the MSC, Room 1016.

Wednesday

- Pre-separation Briefing, 3-4 p.m. in the MSC, Room 1016. This is a mandatory briefing for those retiring or separating from the military.

April 15

- Overseas Briefing, 8-9 a.m. in the MSC, Room 1016.
- Smooth Move, 9-11:30 a.m. in the MCS, Room 1016.

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

Youth camps swing into summer

By Margie Arnold
21st Services Squadron Marketing

"Not all who wander are lost," said J.R.R. Tolkien. Wandering can be a form of exploration, learning, a way to familiarize ourselves with the world beyond the familiar. Had he taken Outdoor Recreation's Mountain Wanderer class, Tolkien might have written an entirely different trilogy.

Youth can wander in a new directions this summer.

They can take to the air, trek over mountains or swim like fish in the summer camps offered by the Youth Center. An information fair and early registration for these events for summer and beyond will be held April 16 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Enlisted Club. Representatives from each of the activities will be available to answer questions. Enrollment for many camps is limited, so registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information

on the following activities, call the Youth Activities Center at 556-7220. RP Lee Youth Center Membership costs \$30/year for first child; \$10 for each additional child.

AVIATION

Youth Aviation Camp, Cost \$200, offered July 19-23 (tentative dates). Explores aviation and its many facets including history, flying maintenance, avionics and air traffic control with field trips and speakers and a flight with an instructor in a USAF T-41C.

Advanced Aviation Camp, Cost TBA, offered July 26-30 (tentative dates). For those 13-16 years old. Must have participated in last year's youth aviation camp. The Rocky Mountain Flight Training Center offers mountain flying and survival techniques. Camp includes a review of last year's material, learning the basics of mountain flying and survival, and flights to four mountain airports: Leadville, Buena Vista, Aspen, and Alamosa (high plains desert).

OUTDOORS

Mountain Wanderer, offered June 21-24 and July 12-15. Four days of training and practice for living in the wilderness. Includes Leave

No Trace class, horseback riding, hiking, orienteering, mountain biking, hiking to and from camp using navigation, and camp ethics.

River Runner, offered July 19-22 and July 26-29. Four days of training and experience on the river and in the deep. Includes Leave No Trace class, safety instruction and briefing on river dynamics, fitting river gear, loading equipment, preparing the boat, hike in Queens Canyon, rafting the Parkdale section of the Arkansas River, SCUBA lesson with Underwater Connection, and Kayak instruction.

Vertical Pursuits, TBA, offered July 5-8 and Aug. 2-5. Four days of instruction and challenges in climbing the real thing ...rock.

Includes Leave No Trace class, fitting climbing gear, instruction and climbing indoors at the Fitness Center, and climbing at Castlewood Canyon, Shelf Road, and Garden of the Gods.

THEATER

Missoula Children's Theater, free, offered July 12-16. Professionals bring props and costumes and help children perform on a theatrical production. Children audition as members of cast.



Photo by Margie Arnold

Summer sports camps are also offered by the Youth Activities Center.

ARAGON DINING FACILITY MENU

Today

Lunch:

Orange-Spiced Chops
Liver with Onions
Tempura Fried Fish
Rissole Potatoes
Steamed Rice
Broccoli
Peas and Carrots
Wax Beans

Dinner:

Mr. Z's Baked Chicken
Pepper Steak
Pasta Primavera
Mashed Potatoes
Rice Steamed
Mixed Vegetables
Fried Okra
Green Beans

Friday

Lunch:

Baked Fish
Beef and Corn Pie
Roast Turkey
Franconia Potatoes
Pea and Pepper Rice
Corn on the Cob
Stewed Tomatoes
Mustard Greens

Dinner:

Simmered Corn Beef
Pineapple Chicken
Yankee Pot Roast
Crispy Potato Wedges
Simmered Potatoes
Fried Cabbage
Carrots
Black Eye Peas

Saturday

Brunch:

Baked Fish
Hungarian Goulash
Barbecue Chicken
Parsley Buttered Potatoes
Rice Steamed
Vegetable Stir Fry
Boston Baked Bean
Cream Corn

Sunday

Brunch:

Stir Fry Beef with Broccoli
Turkey Nuggets
Strip Loin Steak
Mushrooms and Onions
Baked Potatoes
Rice Pilaf
Corn on the Cob
Green Beans

Monday

Lunch:

Pot Roast
Baked Stuff Fish
Roast Loin Of Pork
Oven Brown Potatoes
Steamed Rice
Cauliflower Combo
Green Beans with Mushroom

Dinner:

Chili Mac
Beef Cannelloni
Southern Fried Chicken
Cottage Fried Potatoes
Mashed Potatoes
Steamed Squash
Glazed Carrots
Peas

Tuesday

Lunch:

Teriyaki Chicken
Veal Parmesan
Salmon Cakes
Filipino Rice
Parsley Buttered Potatoes
Fried Cabbage
Succotash
Mixed Vegetable

Dinner:

Country Capt Chicken
Meat Loaf
Turkey a La King
Rice Steamed
Mashed Potatoes
Harvard Beets
Mustard Greens
Okra/Tom Gumbo

Wednesday

Lunch:

Lasagna
Chicken Parmesan
Hot Italian Sausage
Green Peppers and Onions
Jefferson Noodles
Potatoes Au Gratin
Stewed Tomatoes
Broccoli

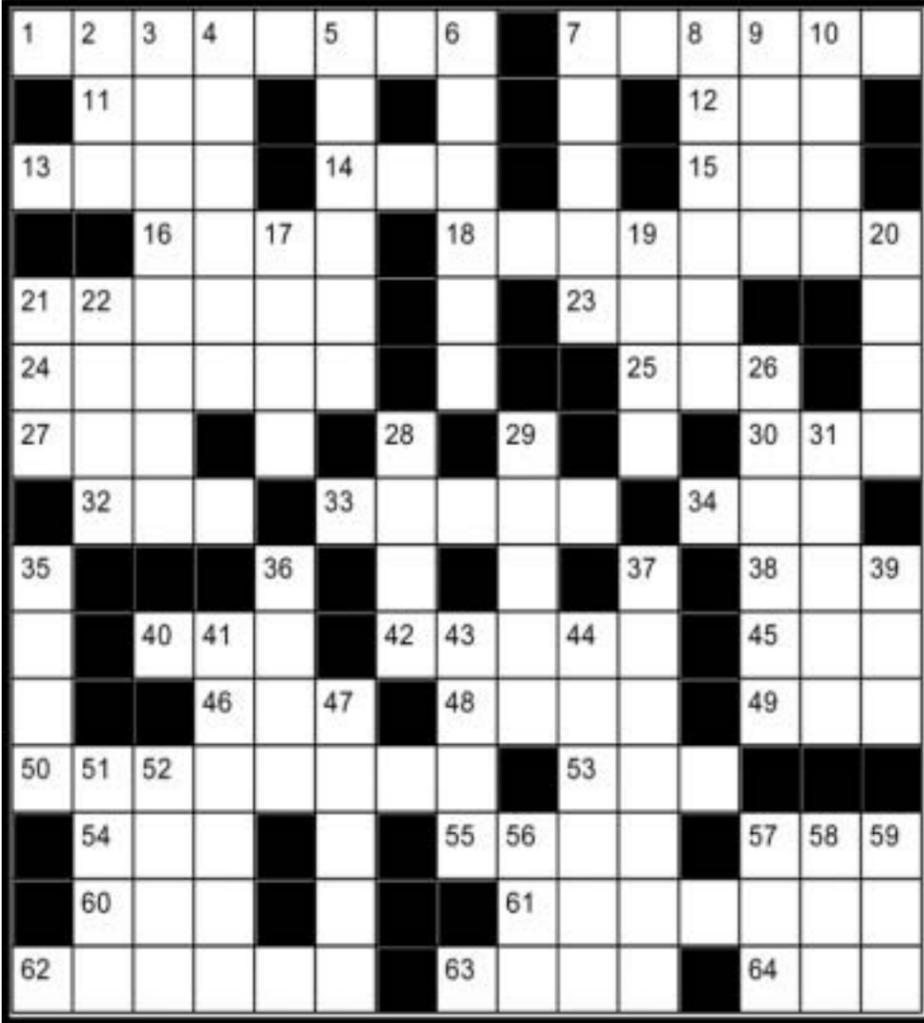
Dinner:

Lemon-Herb Chicken
Barbecued Spareribs
Stuffed Pork Chops
Scalloped Potatoes
Steamed Rice
Cauliflower Combo
Mexican Corn
Tempura Vegetables

History lesson

Secretary of the Air Force history 1985-present

Answers located on Page 20



ACROSS

- 1. SECAF 4/8/86-12/16/88
- 7. SECAF 11/1/97-1/20/01

- 11. Former org. concerned with Johnson's 'War on Poverty' (abbrev.)

- 12. Former White House spokesman Fleischer
- 13. Language in Pakistan
- 14. New
- 15. Pen brand
- 16. Russian river
- 18. Actress Turner
- 21. Kennedy's wife
- 23. Behold
- 24. Blood carrier?
- 25. Cash machine
- 27. Tiny
- 30. Corporate head? (abbrev.)
- 32. Compute
- 33. SECAF 6/1/01-present
- 34. Mock
- 38. Make a mistake
- 40. YA-1 aircraft (abbrev.)
- 42. Spiny plants
- 45. USAF org. concerned with intel.
- 46. Untested
- 48. Timber
- 49. Legend (as in map)
- 50. SECAF 12/16/88-4/29/89 (acting)
- 53. NYSE symbol for Fannie Mae
- 54. Deployed USAF wing (abbrev.)
- 55. Treaty governing US forces overseas (abbrev.)
- 57. Terminate
- 60. British equivalent to Special Forces
- 61. SECAF 1/21/01-5/31/01 (acting)
- 62. Separate grain
- 63. Part of the foot
- 64. Golf prop

DOWN

- 2. Military punishment (abbrev.)
- 3. Took away
- 4. SECAF 12/1/85-4/7/86
- 5. SECAF 1/20/93-7/13/93 (acting)
- 6. Conjured up
- 7. Trousers
- 8. Pill
- 9. Great Lake
- 10. SECAF 5/1/89-1/20/93
- 17. Broadcasts
- 19. Entropy, in a way
- 20. Emperor who let Rome burn?
- 21. Mandible
- 22. Region
- 26. SECAF 7/14/93-8/5/93 (acting)
- 28. Military commissioning source (abbrev.)
- 29. 70s TV show ____ and the Man
- 31. Scary
- 35. Military living area
- 36. Member of ethnic group in the Balkans
- 37. SECAF 8/6/93-10/31/97
- 39. Type of fish in the shark family
- 41. Skim
- 43. Plant bristles
- 44. Chewy candy
- 47. SECAF 4/29/89-5/21/89 (acting)
- 51. Currency
- 52. Equipment
- 56. Lyrical poem
- 57. Tolkien character
- 58. Formerly
- 59. Stain



Team Pete intramural volleyball standings

Recreational Division

TEAM	WINS	LOSES	PERCENTAGE
Team Colorado	3	0	1.000
21 OG/OSS	2	1	0.667
DET 4 AFOTEC	2	1	0.667
AFSPC/IG	2	2	0.500
21 CONS/LGCA	1	2	0.333
21 SCS/SCBBC	0	1	0.000
21 SVS	0	1	0.000
AFSPC/CSS	0	1	0.000
ARSTRAT	0	1	0.000

Competitive Division

TEAM	WINS	LOSES	PERCENTAGE
21 SCS/SCMTR	2	0	1.000
TEAM COL	2	0	1.000
21 CES/CEOW	1	1	0.500
21SW/DS	0	0	0.000
AFSPC/CSS	0	0	0.000
21 SW/DS	0	1	0.000
HQAFSPC/XO	0	1	0.000
HQ AFSPC/XP	0	2	0.000

(This information courtesy of the Peterson Sports and Fitness Center. It was current as of April 2, 2004. Statistics may have changed.)

Sport shorts

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 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call 556-1515.

TAE KWON DO

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



Answers to the crossword on Page 18