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## Team Pete compassion blows away '05 goal

By Tech. Sgt. Matt Gilreath

21st Space Wing Public Affairs

Peterson Air Force Base wrapped up its 2005 Air Force Assistance drive April 10 and reported its final numbers April 25.

During the 2004 drive, Peterson contributed \$71,589 to the Air Force Aid Society. Peterson personnel received \$156,145 in direct assistance to support several different programs including emergency assistance, education and community enhancement programs.

This year, Team Pete donated \$127,618 and was 61 percent above its goal of \$79,448.

// I hope all of the commanders recognize their key workers for the AFAF because they are the ones who made this such a success. //

- 1st Lt. Patrick Gonzalez

The Air Force charities personnel donated to are the Air Force Aid Society, the Air Force Village Foundation, the Air Force Enlisted Village and the General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation.

The goal each year is to contact 100 percent of all active duty members so they may have the opportunity to help their fellow servicemembers. This year's financial goal is to raise \$5.4 million.

"I was very surprised with the base participation," said 1st Lt. Patrick Gonzalez, 21st Contracting Squadron contracting officer and Base AFAF officer. "It's a way we can help each other out and help our fellow Airmen."

Lieutenant Gonzalez said each squadron, detachment and geographically separated unit tied with Peterson had key workers responsible for reaching out to people in their unit.

"The key workers were awesome; they all got the job done," Lieutenant Gonzalez said. "I hope all of the commanders recognize their key workers for the AFAF because they are the ones who made this such a success."

Technical Sgt. Debbie Jewell, 21st Comptroller Squadron budget analyst and key worker for the '05 AFAF drive said being a key worker was a wonderful experience.

"The experience was absolutely fantastic, the many hearts touched by the generous donations from our Air Force family will continue to leave a mark as we always do," Sergeant Jewell said. "It wasn't hard at all to approach members for donations. Most just heard AFAF and were asking where to sign."

"As a key worker, I heard firsthand how many lives are touched and what a difference this campaign does for so many that we work with day to day," she added. "You never really know all someone has gone through or what they are currently going through."

Sergeant Jewell said she volunteers because she enjoys helping others and loves to know that she has done a small part to ensure others have a support system, shoulder and family to lean on.

With the '05 AFAF drive complete, Team Pete far exceeded the goal requirement and servicemembers should be proud, knowing their contributions will go a long way.

"It's great to be part of a team that has made such a difference in so many lives and continues to," Sergeant Jewell said.

*Final numbers reflect spirit of giving*

**\$127,618**  
**161% of Goal**

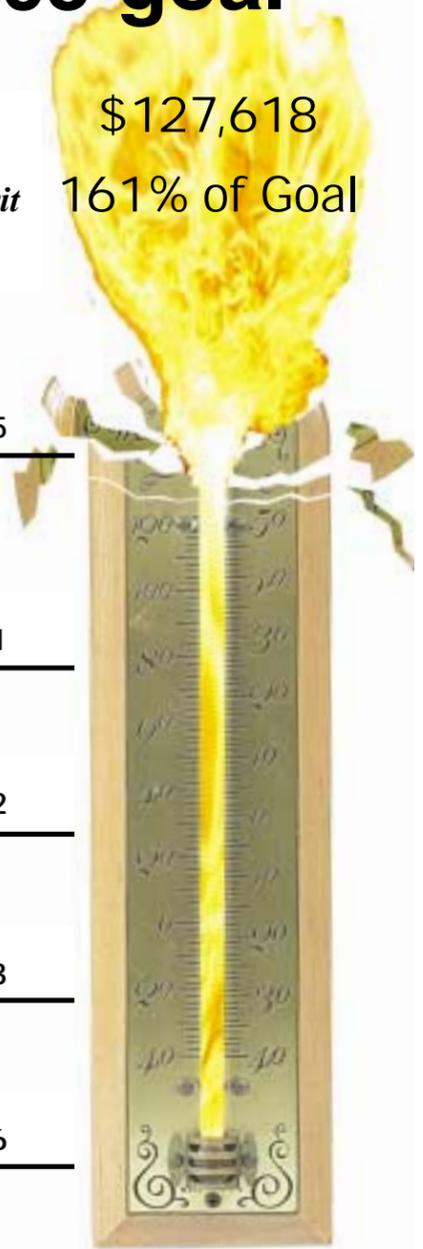
Week 5  
\$86,805

Week 4  
\$65,221

Week 3  
\$54,532

Week 2  
\$32,713

Week 1  
\$14,846



## Airmen endure cold weather, prove they are fit to deploy



Photo by 1st Lt. Tracy Giles

1st Lt. Andrew Doss, 21st Security Forces Squadron, gives instructions to Airmen on the combat assault course.

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

More than 150 Airmen from the 21st Space Wing braved near freezing temperatures to participate in the first ever Aerospace Expeditionary Force training at Peterson Air Force Base-East Friday.

The event was hosted by the 21st Mission Support Group and each participant was tasked or on standby to deploy later this year.

"The whole intent of this exercise was to prepare Airmen for their upcoming deployments," said Col. Douglas Hine, 21st MSG commander. "We don't get enough weapons training so we decided to focus on what our weapons

are all about and how to use them."

The exercise started with every member, regardless of their Air Force Specialty Code, being issued an M-16 with blank ammunition and a road march out to Pete East. Training consisted of entry control point operations, defensive fighting positions, anti-terrorism level I, weapons familiarization and patrolling taught by subject matter experts from the 21st Security Forces Squadron.

"The finale was a half-mile long combat assault course," said Master Sgt. Mark Dedrick, 21st SFS. "It was physical and brought together the skills they had been taught during the day."

"It was a very good exercise and a whole lot of fun," said Airman 1st Class  
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**June 4, 2005**



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Josephine Duong, 21st SW command post controller. "I've never had training like this since I've been in the Air Force. The last time I can remember something similar to this was back in basic training."

Major Paul Cairney, 21st SFS commander said the 21st SW plans to do a day of training every month prior to deployments, capped off by a week long field exercise away from Peterson.

"It is the first phase of what will be standard for every Airman who is projected to deploy," Major Cairney said. "The purpose is to better prepare Team Pete Airmen for life and work in combat zones by teaching some essential ground combat skills."

The major said Senior Master Sgt. Richard Bruno, Master Sgts. Mark Dedrick and Robert Wilson and Staff Sgt. Justin Kuhns took the lead to develop this first day.

"We used our past deployment experiences to develop the program and to whittle it down from the broad picture to immediate needs," Sergeant Kuhns said. "We wanted it to be informative, but also interesting with as much hands-on work as possible."

Major Cairney said 21st SFS had the lead on this first one, but it was still a true team effort. It took a lot of hard work from 21st Civil Engineer Squadron, 21st



Photo by 1st Lt. Tracy Giles  
**Staff Sergeant Justin Kuhns, 21st Security Forces Squadron, helps an Airman identify his target on the combat assault course.**

Logistics Readiness Squadron and 21st Services Squadron as well to pull it off, he said.

The combat assault course was a case in point. "We designed it, but Captain Siebert and his civil engi-

neer crew put it together," Sergeant Wilson said. "We could not have done it without them."

(Maj. Paul Cairney, 21st SFS commander, contributed to this article)



**Busted!**

**Lieutenant Colonel John Coulahan, Air Force Space Command chief of budget operations, identified a suspicious vehicle parked next to Building 1 April 27. Security forces and anti-terrorism offices will be performing scenarios around Peterson to increase awareness.**



**Peak Performer**

Airman 1st Class Johnson

**Name:** Cindy L. Johnson, Airman 1st Class

**Organization:** 20th Space Control Squadron Eglin AFB, Fla.

**Duty title:** Space console operator

**Time in service:** 1 Year

**Hometown:** Orlando, Fla.

**Off-duty interests, hobbies:** Going to school, dancing and exercising.

**Why did you join the Air Force?** I wanted to travel and give back what I can to my country.

**What inspires you to do what you do?** When I go out in my uniform and people I don't know show their appreciation towards me.

**Favorite part of your job?** As our observations may seem unimportant, our data contributes greatly



to helping our troops.

**What goals have you set?** I have set the goal to get my bachelor's degree in 3 years.

**A Moment in Time**

**May 1, 1996**

A German officer assumes command of a German tactical training center at Holloman AFB, N.M. This is the first time a foreigner has commanded a unit at an Air Force base within the United States.

**May 2, 1980**

Second Lt. Mary L. Wittick is the first woman to enter the Air Force undergraduate helicopter pilot training program in Class 81-05.

**May 2, 1977**

First Lt. Christine E. Schott becomes the first woman undergraduate pilot training student to solo in the T-38 Talon.

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# New location, events in store for local charity event

By Senior Airman Shawn Clements

21st Space Wing Public Affairs

The Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo is back home at the newly acquired and named Norris-Penrose Event Center, formerly the Penrose Equestrian Center, after spending the previous three years at the World Arena.

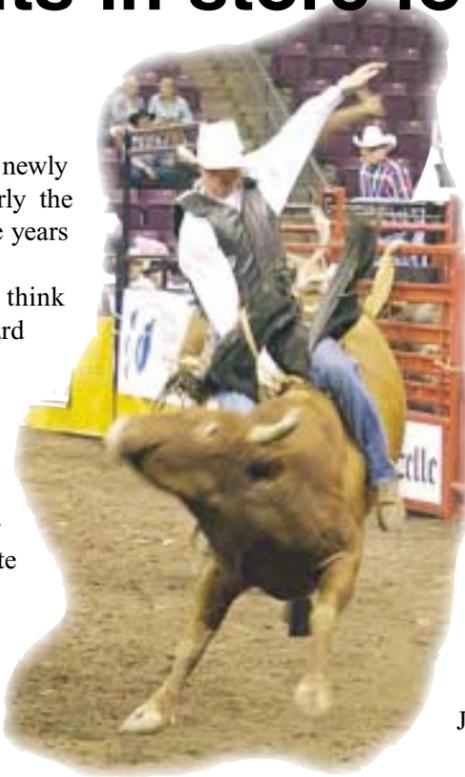
"We're really excited to be back outside and I think the community will be too," said Kevin Estrem, PPBR board member.

The rodeo happens to be the oldest annual charity event in Colorado Springs going on its 65th year. All the proceeds from this event go exclusively to military charities.

"This is a great event for the military," Estrem said. "This event gives us a chance to give back to the military for all the great work they do. Last year we were able to donate \$30,000."

The rodeo may be in its 65th year, but board members always try to keep it fresh and new by adding new events and attractions.

"This year it's not just a rodeo, it's an event," Estrem said. "We've added carnival rides, a recreational vehicle



parking lot and we're trying to have a honky-tonk after party."

However, before the fun starts, a lot of work has to be done.

"We rely heavily on the military volunteers," he said. "Volunteers have their hands in just about every aspect of the event. They can help with parking, selling programs, maintaining the barns and stalls, concessions, set up, ushering and many other things.

"More than 500 military members participated last year, racking up more than 2,800 volunteer hours," Estrem said. "I think most of the people that volunteered last year will do the same this year."

Another member also expressed his sentiments toward the volunteers. "It's a great way to be involved in our communities, meet great people, help those in need and have a great time," said Senior Master Sgt. John Conway, Space Warfare Center first sergeant.

Servicemembers can volunteer by contacting their respective unit representative.

The rodeo takes place July 13 to 17 with North American Aerospace Defense Command and Northern Command Night, July 13 and Air Force Space Command Night, July 14.

For information, visit [www.coloradospringsrodeo.com](http://www.coloradospringsrodeo.com).

# Wounded troops, families receive free airline tickets

By Rudi Williams

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Through the good will and generosity of thousands of people with unused frequent flier miles and U.S. airlines, the Fisher House Foundation has given out nearly 3,000 free airline tickets to war-wounded servicemembers and their families since the giveaway program started in January 2004.

Through its partnership with the Operation Hero Miles program, Fisher House has given away more than 100 million donated frequent flier miles to bring families and loved ones to the bedsides of wounded combatants, said Jim Weiskopf, Fisher House vice president for communications.

Operation Hero Miles was created to provide free round-trip tickets to the almost 500 servicemembers arriving each day from Iraq on rest and recuperation leave.

People eligible for free tickets fall into two categories:

- Wounded servicemembers from Iraq and Afghanistan with an approved convalescent leave may be given a free round-trip airline ticket for a trip from the military or Veterans Affairs medical center where they are being treated to their home and return if they are not eligible for government-funded airfare.

- Qualifying servicemembers may be given free round-trip tickets to allow their family or close friends to visit them while they are being treated at the medical center.

Many fiances and fiancées take advantage of the donated tickets because the government generally pays for up to three family members to visit very seriously injured troops, Mr. Weiskopf said.

Army Capt. Daniel MacArthur Gade and his family were brought together at Walter Reed Army Medical Center here, according to a foundation flier.

Captain Gade was seriously injured in Iraq by an improvised explosive device, and his right leg was amputated.

The Army could fly three relatives at government expense to his bedside — his wife and his parents. Through its partnerships with major airlines, the foundation provided airline tickets for other members of his family, including his daughter, according to the flier.

"Fisher House Foundation is able to help the Gade family and the families of hundreds of other servicemen and women wounded or injured in Iraq or Afghanistan due to the generosity of airline passengers who have donated their frequent flyer miles

to help reunite families," the flier read. "We take over where the government entitlements end and provide airline tickets to servicemembers and family members."

Weiskopf credits Mary Jo Myers, wife of the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Richard Myers, with being a catalyst for creating the program.

"What Mrs. Myers envisioned is that the servicemembers are young, so the parents are still working and trying to be by their loved one's bedside while trying to keep their jobs too," Weiskopf said. "So a lot of them try to commute back and forth."

One day in the fall of 2003, when Myers was talking to family members of wounded servicemembers with her husband, she said she became concerned about family members being able to afford to travel back and forth from their loved ones' bedsides.

"I was talking to one dear mother" who was caring for four children and her own widowed mother at home, Mrs. Myers said. "She was there for the amputation of her son's leg, which was going to take place the next day. Yet, she had to turn around and go right back (home) because it was the beginning of the school year, and she had children to support, and she was a kindergarten teacher."

Myers said she was touched by the woman's story about using the one trip that the government supplied.

"Her son was going to face long months of rehabilitation, and her one trip was used up," she said.

"About the same time, there was a young Soldier from Micronesia who lost three limbs," Mrs. Myers said. "His father was with him, and his mother eventually came. But his father was here with him for more than a year. He couldn't go back and forth.

"I just thought, 'Oh, my goodness — family members trying to come from Micronesia to support these young men and women when they face months and months of rehabilitation and often 20 or 30 surgeries,'" she said.

Myers said it was coincidental that when she started talking to people about her concerns, many



said they had been talking to Mary Winkenwerder about the same thing.

Winkenwerder is the wife of Dr. William Winkenwerder, Department of Defense's assistant secretary of defense for health affairs.

"She had been visiting patients like I had and had come to the same conclusion," Mrs. Myers said. "So we started off talking with (a congressman) because that's when Congress had accumulated a lot of air miles for the active duty to go on."

Myers said the free air miles program can be "a lifesaver." She has found that many families she asks do not know about the program.

Myers said she has heard many poignant stories about families being separated by distance, particularly when wives travel to be at a husband's side, leaving children at home in the care of relatives.

"Children always have issues, whether they be preschoolers or teenagers, and they need mom too. And she's really torn," Mrs. Myers said. "At least this allows her some of the travel back and forth to keep the injured military member's spirits up and to see different family members and friends."

Request for tickets have to originate from the servicemember and forwarded to the foundation by a hospital's social work staff, family assistance center or service casualty office.

"All we want to know is the reason for the hospitalization, and we don't make any distinction whether it was combat related, training accident or sports injury if they're hospitalized (because of) service in Iraq or Afghanistan," Weiskopf said.

Request forms are available on the foundation's Web site. A case manager or other official from the patient's medical facility must validate the request form.



**It's getting closer-**

**Set aside May 20 on your calendar**

***Front Range Air  
and Space Day***

***Air  
Show  
is 30 days  
away***



# Congrats Corner

Peterson Air Force Base would like to congratulate Air Force Sergeants Association Division 11 Chapter of the year and Division 11 AFSA Auxiliary Chapter of the year awards and the following quarterly award winners for their outstanding performance during the '05 first quarter.

**21st Space Wing Winners:** *Airman of the Quarter*, Airman 1st Class Amanda Weightman, 21st Space Wing public affairs; *NCO of the Quarter*, Tech. Sgt. Paula Murray, 13th Space Warning Squadron, Clear Air Force Station Alaska; *Senior NCO of the Quarter*, Senior Master Sgt. Richard Bruno, 21st Security Forces Squadron; *Company Grade Officer of the Quarter*, Capt. Valerie Caruso, 21st Space Control Squadron; *Civilian Category I*, Lisa Deem, 21st Space Control Squadron; *Civilian Category II*, Donald T. Meaney, 21st Aeromedical Dental Squadron; *Civilian Category III*, JoAnne Weingaertner, 21st Services Squadron.

**Team Pete Winners:** *Airman*, Airman 1st Class Amanda Weightman; *NCO*, Tech. Sgt. Tina Ebersole, Peterson NCO Academy; *Senior NCO*, Master Sgt. Paul Grau, Jr., Peterson NCO Academy; *Company Grade Officer*, Capt. James Sell, Detachment 4 Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center; *Civilian Category I*, Lisa C. Deem; *Civilian Category II*, Donald Meaney; *Civilian Category III*, JoAnne Weingaertner.

## CLAIMS AGAINST ESTATE

Master Sgt. Marna A. Brasili, 21st Space Wing Judge Advocate law office manager, died April 16 here. Anyone who would like to make a claim against her estate must contact Capt. Steve Loertscher, the summary court officer, at 556-4871.

## PARKING LOT CLOSURES SET

There will be pavement milling work throughout the installation that will require parking lot closures and restrict traffic on Paine Street. The parking lots affected will be; the post office, military clothing sales, and the fitness and aquatics centers. There will be one-way traffic on sections of Paine Street.

For information, call Daniel Yocum at 556-1833.

## PIKES PEAK TOP 3 MEETING SET

The Pikes Peak Top 3 meets at 3 p.m. today at the Enlisted Club. Membership is open to master sergeant selects through chief master sergeants who are assigned to Peterson. Retirees who are sponsored by an active-duty top three member are also welcome to join as associate members. Pikes Peak Top 3 actively supports enlisted causes and professional development through a variety of activities. For information, call Senior Master Sgt. Leyda Pendergrass at 556-9022.

## FIRST SERGEANTS GROUP SCHEDULES GOLF TOURNEY

The First Sergeant's Golf Tournament begins at 8 a.m. May 13 at the Silver Spruce Golf Club. The registration fee is \$45. It includes the tournament, greens fees, golf cart and lunch.

## FEDERAL WOMEN'S PROGRAM SCHEDULES BRIEFING

A "Resumes - Working through the process" briefing takes place from 2 to 4 p.m. May 19 at the civilian personnel conference room in Building 350. For information, call Debra Agnew at 554-5265.

## LEGAL OFFICE REQUESTS VOLUNTEERS

The 21st Space Wing legal office staff needs volunteers from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays to witness

and sign wills at the base legal office in Building 350. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. For information, call 556-1710.

## YMCA OFFERS FREE REGISTRATION FOR MILITARY

The YMCAs of the Pikes Peak Region is offering active-duty military, civilian DOD employees and active-duty Reservists a one-time free registration. People can bring their identification card to any YMCA branch anytime. Military members who are E-5 and below also get discounted monthly membership rates. Financial assistance is available.

## BASE MUSEUM ANNOUNCES CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Construction for the new Medal of Honor Park is currently underway on the northwest side of the base museum grounds. The project is scheduled to be completed in November. Construction will not affect the day to day operations of the museum. For information, call Ernie Branch at 556-1422.

## 2005 Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl For Kids Sake

**Date:** Saturday, May 14

**Time:** 8:30 a.m.

**Participants:** We expect (NEED!) approximately 100 four-person teams

**Expectation:** Each bowler raises a minimum of \$75 in donations (flat donations ahead of time,

or pledges for money based on so much per pin scored during the bowling event.

**Bowlers who raise the minimum amount of money will enjoy free bowl-a-thon T-shirt, bowling, Old Chicago Pizza and Coca Cola. There will be a grand prize of two free airline tickets on Frontier Airlines for the person who raises the most money.**

**For information, call Lt. Col. Frank Williams at 282-4333 or BBBS at 633-2443.**





# 21st Services Squadron photo caption contest



## This week's photo: No. 1

So, what do you think is going on in this picture? (No. 1) Send us your entry, then check back in two weeks to see who the winner and runners up were. Good luck!

## Rules

Entries must arrive at Space Observer office by 4:30 p.m. May 12.

The author of the caption that receives the most howls or groans from our panel of impartial judges (but making us laugh is just fine, too) will receive a \$5 gift certificate to be used at any of the Peterson Air Force Base Services facilities.

To enter, write an imaginative, humorous and printable caption related to the Air Force experience.

E-mail your outline entry to [space.observer@peterson.af.mil](mailto:space.observer@peterson.af.mil) and include "Photo caption contest" on the subject line.

Include the photo number, your name, rank, unit or squadron, e-mail address and commercial telephone number. You must provide all the information to be eligible.

Winners will be announced every two weeks and all entries become the property of 21st Space Wing Public Affairs.



# Personnel Corner

## MPF OFFERS ADVICE FOR RENEWAL OF COMMON ACCESS CARDS

There are hundreds of Team Peterson members' common access cards, both military and civilian that will expire in the next three to five months. The military personnel flight here encourages members to check the card's expiration date. If their CAC expires within two to three months, get it renewed now rather than waiting until just before expiration. For information, call Staff Sgt. Krista Lopez at 556-4680.

## MILITARY PERSONNEL FLIGHT ANNOUNCES NEW HOURS

The 21st Mission Support Squadron Military Personnel Flight moved to standardized hours Monday. The MPF will be open for customer service walk-ins and appointments from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. The MPF can accommodate exceptions on a case by case basis by making appointments with the appropriate MPF representative from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. For questions concerning the new hours of operation or information, call Maj. Jeff Boleng, 21st Mission Support Squadron commander at 556-4023, or Capt. Debbie Horne, MPF commander at 556-7135.

## AIR FORCE ANNOUNCES CHANGES TO OFFICER PROMOTION ORDERS

The Air Force Personnel Center will only send a copy of promotion orders to the automated records management system for archiving. Officers desiring a copy of their promotion orders must submit a request to the Air Force Personnel Contact Center via [contact.center@randolph.af.mil](mailto:contact.center@randolph.af.mil). In order to allow sufficient processing time for orders, its recommended officers submit requests 45 to 60 days after their effective promotion date.

## CANADIAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE INVITATION

Women residing in Colorado Springs are invited

to attend the Canadian Women's Conference, which takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the U.S. Air Force Academy Community Ballroom. There is a \$20 registration fee. Lunch will be provided, along with goodie bags and door prizes. For information, call Joyce Charlton at 556-6141.

## FAMILY MEMBER LIFE INSURANCE UPDATES AUTOMATICALLY

The Family Member Group Life Insurance program 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 from the date of marriage or the member's entry date whichever is more recent.

Military sponsors have the responsibility to report any additions or changes to the customer service section in the MPF to ensure the system is updated appropriately.

## 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 virtual MPF. Members requiring assistance should contact their commanders support staff.

## MILITARY PERSONNEL FLIGHT OFFERS UNIFORM GUIDANCE

When wearing women's short sleeved maternity blues, the aeronautical and chaplain badges are mandatory. All other badges are optional. Center the aeronautical, occupational or miscellaneous badge a half-inch above the ribbons. If the ribbons aren't worn, center the badge parallel to the name tag. Center the additional badge a half-inch above the first one. Center the name tag on the left side, horizontal with ground. The bottom of the ribbons must be even with bottom of name tag. When wearing the pointed collar, center the name tag on the right side, 1 1/2 inches higher or lower than the first exposed button. When wearing the rounded collar, center the name tag on right side 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 inches below bottom of the tab, parallel with the ground. Center the duty or miscellaneous badge a half-inch above the name tag. Officers must place shoulder mark insignia as close as possible to the shoulder seam. Airmen must center chevrons halfway

between shoulder seam and bottom of the sleeve. Senior NCOs will wear either shoulder mark insignia or chevrons.

## PASSPORT SERVICES OFFICE CHANGES LOCATION

The passport office is now located at the family support center in Building 350, Room 1016. Hours of operation are from 9 a.m. to noon Mondays and from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:15 to 3 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. Although a passport package may be picked-up at any time, appointments are required for people submitting paperwork for an official or tourist passport. For information, call Jan Kienast at 556-6141.

## DOD UPDATES NATIONAL SECURITY PERSONNEL SYSTEM

The 2004 National Defense Authorization Act gave the Department of Defense authority to establish a new human resources management system for civilian employees called the National Security Personnel System. This system will create a new framework of rules, regulations and processes rooted in the principles of flexibility and fairness that govern the way civilians are hired, compensated, promoted and disciplined in DoD. Proposed regulations were posted in the Federal Register Feb. 14. Its recommended employees and managers go to the DOD NSPS Web site at [www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps/index.html](http://www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps/index.html) and click on FACT SHEET to read more about NSPS and the proposed regulations. It's also recommended people go to the Air Force NSPS Web site at [www.dp.hq.af.mil/dpp/dppn/nsps/](http://www.dp.hq.af.mil/dpp/dppn/nsps/) and subscribe to the Air Force NSPS newsletter.

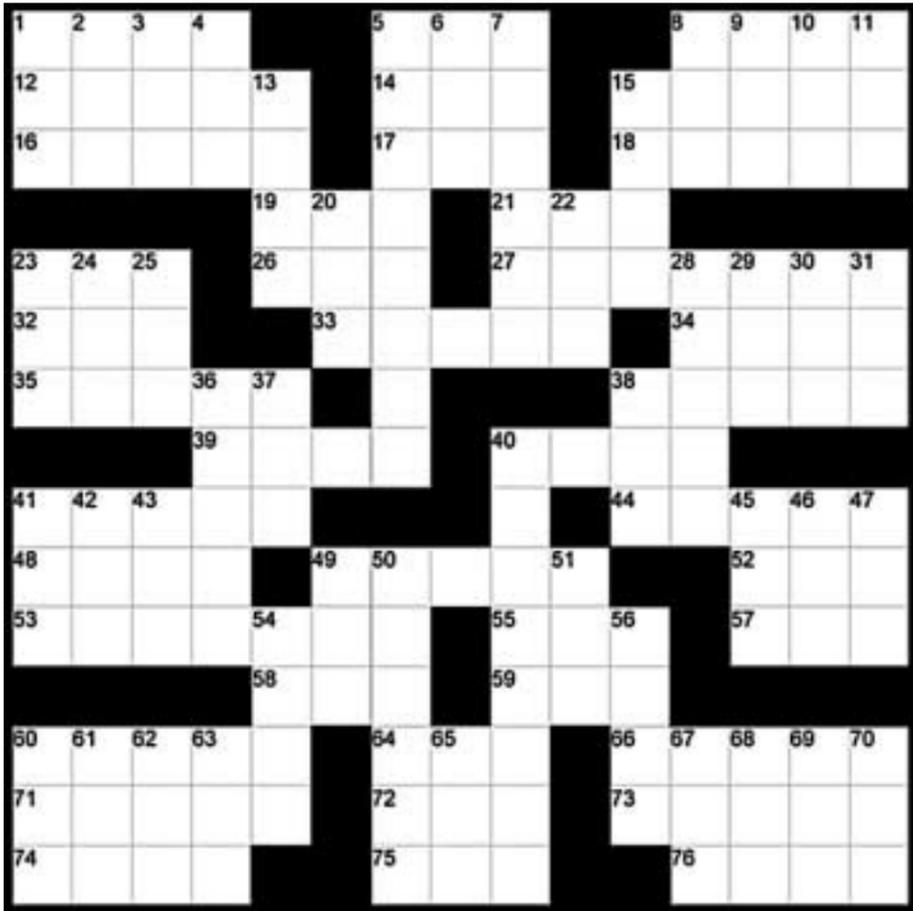
## CAA SEEKS PROFESSIONAL ENHANCEMENT CADRE VOLUNTEERS

The Career Assistance Advisor is seeking volunteer facilitators for the new professional enhancement program. It's a standardized program replacing enlisted professional development and other programs Air Force-wide. Courses take place quarterly for Airmen and NCOs and bi-annually for senior NCO selects. A wide variety of topics are covered during these mandatory three-day courses, and lesson plans and slides are provided to volunteers. For information or to volunteer, call Master Sgt. Kristin Clark at 556-9226 or [kristin.clark@peterson.af.mil](mailto:kristin.clark@peterson.af.mil) for referral to the appropriate course director.



# Planes of the '50s, '60s, part 2

Answers on page 11



## ACROSS

- 1. F-104 \_\_\_fighter
- 5. USAF PME for (S)Sgts
- 8. F-106 Delta \_\_\_
- 12. Former Houston player
- 14. Internet provider
- 15. F-5
- 16. Catty
- 17. Regret

- 18. Distress
- 19. Conjunction
- 21. And so forth, in brief
- 23. Trail
- 26. Actress Tyler
- 27. F-101s
- 32. Mil. mailing address
- 33. USAFA student
- 34. Sea eagle
- 35. Second part of \_\_\_ 66

## ACROSS

- 38. Golf shoe part
- 39. Game of strategy
- 40. Miami sports team
- 41. Hair or nail place
- 44. T-38
- 48. Stomp
- 49. Love
- 52. Oklahoma town
- 53. Ruler
- 55. Army bed
- 57. Espirit
- 58. USAF pioneer Gen. \_\_\_ C. Eaker
- 59. Exploit
- 60. F-105 \_\_\_ Chief
- 64. Young woman
- 66. F-100
- 71. Mother-of-pearl
- 72. Bullring cheer
- 73. T-37
- 74. Musical composition
- 75. USN AFB equivalent
- 76. California wine valley

## DOWN

- 1. ... — ...
- 2. Sn on the periodic table
- 3. Boxing legend
- 4. Yellow & Orange mixed
- 5. F-111
- 6. Yankee great Gehrig
- 7. Shirt part
- 8. Prod
- 9. Past
- 10. Cartoon \_\_\_ & Stimpy
- 11. Attempt
- 13. Authentic
- 15. Tex-Mex dinner item
- 20. Central American country; ISO code

- 22. Small child
  - 23. \_\_\_ Vegas; home to Nellis AFB
  - 24. Kwik-E-Mart owner on The Simpsons
  - 25. Political party for 69
- ## DOWN
- 28. F-102 \_\_\_ Dagger
  - 29. Mining goal
  - 30. Cat \_\_\_ Hot Tin Roof
  - 31. Place
  - 36. Chafe
  - 37. Dog star \_\_\_ Tin Tin
  - 38. Feline
  - 40. C-130
  - 41. Sault \_\_\_ Marie
  - 42. Appendage
  - 43. Chop off
  - 45. Track segment
  - 46. Lyrical poem
  - 47. Quick rest
  - 49. Commander's region of control, in brief
  - 50. U-2 \_\_\_ Lady
  - 51. Greek goddess of the dawn
  - 54. Prevalent
  - 56. Exam
  - 60. CSAF's USN counterpart
  - 61. General of the Air Force Henry "\_\_\_" Arnold
  - 62. Specialized hospital section, in brief
  - 63. Hospitals, in short
  - 65. Maxwell AFB state, in short
  - 67. Bristlelike appendage
  - 68. Golden Girl Arthur
  - 69. Dem.'s opponent
  - 70. Greek letter

(Courtesy of Alaskan Command Public Affairs)



### Shoplifting

A base exchange detective detained a family member for attempting to shoplift a bottle of cough suppressant valued at \$5.25. Security forces arrived on the scene and then transported the suspect to the security forces control center. The Colorado Springs Police Department was contacted and dispatched an officer to the control center. The family member was issued a temporary suspension of identification card and BX privileges from security forces. The family member was issued a summons for shoplifting by the CSPD.

A family member was detained by a BX detective after trying to steal a ring valued at \$4.97. Security forces and the CSPD were contacted. The family member was transported to the control center where she was issued a summons for shoplifting from the CSPD officer. People should remember that shopping at the BX is a privilege, not a right. Shoplifting from the BX effects the amount of total sales and funds donated to support Peterson Air Force Base families.

### Gate runners

In two separate incidents, personnel entered Peterson AFB without showing identification. A civilian told security forces she was used to entering Fort Carson where she did not have to show her identification and did not know she had to show her ID at Peterson before entering the base.

The second offender misunderstood the actions of the gate guard and believed he was being waved through and it was okay to enter the base. Drivers need to be aware of the entry procedures to military installations and pay attention to the signs stating what force protection condition the installation is in and how many forms of ID are needed to enter.

### Hit and run

A servicemember contacted security forces stating that her vehicle had been hit while parked in the Patriot Hall parking lot. The investigation revealed extensive damage to the vehicle on the driver's side of the vehicle. The damage causes difficulty with opening and closing the driver's side door and the hood.

There were no witnesses or suspects to this accident at this time. Drivers on Peterson need to be aware of their surroundings, especially in parking lots. Driving on base is a privilege that can be taken away for hit and run violations. Servicemembers should exercise Air Force core value number one when involved in an accident when nobody is around, "Integrity First."

### Alarm activations

In eight separate incidents, security forces promptly responded to activated alarms. Their investigations into the cause revealed human error to be the cause in all incidents. This is a continuing problem. Occupants of buildings with alarm systems must pay strict attention to procedures when entering their building.



Courtesy photo

## Animal Cruelty

**An injured dog was found in a dumpster on Peterson Air Force Base Saturday. If you have information on who the owner is or how it got there, call 21st Security Forces at 556-7060.**

# 6th Space Warning Squadron captures NORAD award

By Tech. Sgt. Devin Fisher  
NORAD Public Affairs

The 6th Space Warning Squadron was honored April 28 as the 2004 North American Aerospace Defense Command most outstanding unit for its support of the common defense and partnership in protecting the U.S. and Canadian homelands.

NORAD commander Adm. Timothy J. Keating presented the Cape Cod Air Force Station, Mass., unit with the Partridge-Slemon Award for “exceptional meritorious service” during the NORAD Commanders’ Conference held at Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.

Keating said the 6th SWS should be proud of its accomplishments.

“It’s unusual for an organization like the 6th SWS – an organization out there by themselves in Cape Cod – to jump into the forefront” and receive the Partridge-Slemon Award, said Keating. “This is a small thanks for the critical mission you provide ... we are counting on you for continued great service.”

The Partridge-Slemon Award was named in honor of the first commander and deputy commander of NORAD – Gen. Earle E. Partridge and Canadian Air Marshall C. Roy Slemon. It is presented annually to recognize the outstanding directorate, region, sector, Air Force Space Command warning unit or other contributing unit in support of the NORAD air defense mission.

In its citation, NORAD praised the 6th SWS for its “flawless execution of United States Strategic Command’s number one mission priority” – missile warning. The unit conducted 1,095 alerts on the East Coast’s only radar capable of detecting ballistic missile attacks and reported more than 8,500 missions on Air Force Space Command’s highest priority – low earth-orbiting satellites.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Lawrence Holmes

**Lt. Col. Nina Armagno and Adm. Timothy J. Keating pose with the Partridge-Slemon Award. The annual award recognizing the North American Aerospace Defense Command’s top unit was presented to the 6th Space Warning Squadron at Cape Cod Air Force Station, Mass.**

“It’s a tremendous honor to receive this award today,” said Lt. Col. Nina Armagno, who served as the 6th SWS commander from June 2003 until December 2004 and is now the 21st Space Wing Operations Group deputy commander at Peterson.

Col. Armagno quickly noted that the award was a result of the combined effort, hard work and dedication of the 140 Air Force military, civilian, defense contractor, and three Canadian military personnel assigned to the 6th SWS.

“The men and women of 6 SWS truly do operate in a bi-national manner,” she said. “Our Canadian members are fully integrated, critical members of the team ... without whom we could not perform the mission day-to-day.”

She noted two-thirds of their Canadian Forces

personnel directed the 6th SWS Exercise Control Team which were directly responsible for the unit receiving the highest operations rating during its Operational Readiness Inspection.

“I am so very proud of Team 6’s accomplishments and am humbled to accept this prestigious award on their behalf.”

The 6th SWS guards the U.S. East Coast against sea-launched and intercontinental ballistic missiles. The geographically separated unit of the 21st Space Wing, Peterson AFB, is responsible for detecting sea-launched or intercontinental ballistic missiles, and determining the potential number and the probable destination. The 6th SWS reports detection information to NORAD, Cheyenne Mountain Air Force Station, Colo.; U.S. Strategic Command at Offutt AFB, Neb.; and the National Command Authorities.

## Answers to puzzle on page 8

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Airman 1st Class Louis Wilder, structural apprentice, receives a board fed through the surfacer from Senior Airman Charles Kropog, structural apprentice. Teamwork is a key to getting the job done right.



Staff Sgt. Selvin Hudson, structural journeyman, selects the proper pin size before cutting a new key.



Photos by Tech Sgt. Matt Gilreath  
Airman 1st Class Heidi Waddington, structural apprentice, takes time to layout her design before taking it to the saw.



Staff Sgt. Jose Hernandez, structural journeyman, checks the alignment before making a critical sheet-metal bend.



Staff Sgt. David Wilson, structural journeyman, lines up the blade on the radial arm saw before making the cut.



# FREX

## FrontRange Express

This commuter bus runs from Fountain to Denver



FrontRange Express bus service saves gas, parking fees and traffic frustrations, Monday through Friday.

by Nel Lampe  
Mountaineer staff

People who like to shop or sightsee in Denver but don't like to drive there now have another choice — at least Monday through Friday. It's also a great gas saver.

Thanks to FrontRange Express — called FREX — a commuter bus runs from Fountain's Park and Ride, Tejon Street Park and Ride and Woodmen Park and Ride to Monument, Castle Rock and several stops in Denver. The fare is reasonable; \$6 each way. Fares are less if riders choose to ride only part of the trip, such as to Castle Rock, when the fare is \$4. The Castle Rock stop is conveniently close to the Outlet Mall's food court.

FREX makes several stops in Denver. The bus passes such sightseeing spots as the state capitol, Civic Center Park, Colorado History Museum, Denver Art Museum and the 16th Street Mall. FREX's last Denver stop is in the shadow of Six Flags Elitch Gardens, at the entrance to Centennial Gardens, Commons Park and Riverfront Park. The bus stop, Little Raven, is within walking distance of the Pepsi Center, and across the Platte River from Denver's Colorado Ocean Journey and the antique Platte Valley Trolley ride.

FREX leaves from Fountain Park and Ride four times during the early morning. The first bus leaves at 4:55 a.m., followed by 5:25, 5:55 and 6:55 a.m. departures. There's another departure at 5 p.m. Returning buses reach the Fountain stop at 5, 6:25,

See *FREX*, Page 16



1. Passengers board FrontRange Express at the Colorado Springs Tejon Street stop. 2. Centennial Gardens is near the last Denver FREX stop. 3. FREX passes by the Denver Art Museum. 4. FREX stops a few steps from Denver's Six Flags Elitch Gardens. 5. FREX makes a stop at Denver's 16th Street Mall. 6. Denver's Civic Center Park is near a FREX stop. 7. Jean Crosby drives the FREX bus to Denver.

# HAZARD



Places to see in the Pikes Peak area.  
May 5, 2005



**FREX, from Page 15**

7:20 and 8:20 p.m. The Fountain Park and Ride is off Exit 128.

Many more departure choices are available from the Tejon Street Park and Ride, under Interstate 25 — take Exit 140 off I-25. Departures from the Tejon site begin at 5:15 a.m. There are 10 departures from this FREX stop, although some of the buses go only as far as Monument.

Although the intended purpose of FREX is to transport commuters, thus aiding congestion and air quality, other riders are welcome to use FREX. Children under 6 years of age ride free with a paying adult.

The FREX schedule and information about Denver stops are available at 636-3739 or on the Internet at [www.FrontRangeExpress.com](http://www.FrontRangeExpress.com). A schedule is shown at right.

Riders must have correct change to pay their fare when boarding FREX or a ticket that can be purchased at the Springs Transit terminal downtown or at Safeway, Albertson's or King Soopers grocery stores. Riders can get better prices by purchasing a 10-ride ticket for \$55; a 20-ride ticket for \$95 and a 40-ride ticket for \$180.

Passengers riding FREX can't smoke and are asked to use headphones if listening to music on radios, compact disc players and MP-3 devices. Cell phone use is allowed and wireless Internet access is available to riders who have laptop computers and a wireless modem.

Accommodations are standard for cross-country tourist-type buses: seats are high-backed and adjustable. There is overhead storage and lighting.

Riders must be able to store strollers, belongings or shopping bags at their seat or in overhead storage.

Although FREX offers convenient access to Denver with several stops, passengers can connect with Denver's public transportation system to reach other Denver sites. Denver has light rail and buses; check the Web site at [www.thelinkbus.com](http://www.thelinkbus.com) for information. Beginning at the Arapahoe stop, FREX only discharges passengers and will not pick up oncoming passengers until the bus starts its return trip from Elitch Gardens. Once in Denver, the bus driver will allow passengers on the northbound trip to depart the bus at any RTD stop, when requested, in addition to the scheduled stops. The southbound return bus stops only at marked FREX stops.

NORTHBOUND									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	
	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Arrives	
	Fountain	Colo Spgs	I-25 &	Monument	Castle Rock	Arapahoe	18th St &	Elitch	
	Park n Ride	I-25 & Tejon	Woodmen	Park n Ride	Park n Ride	Park n Ride	California	Gardens	
		Park n Ride	Park n Ride				RTD Light Rail		
WEEKDAYS									
A.M.	630X	4:40	4:55	---	5:20	5:50	6:20	6:40	6:50
	652X	---	5:25	5:40	---	6:20	6:50	7:25	7:35
	620X	5:25	5:45	---	---	6:35	7:05	7:40	7:50
	651X	---	5:55	6:10	---	---	7:20	8:05	8:15
	61X**	---	6:00	---	6:25**	** Indicates this route only goes to Monument and returns going Southbound			---
	620X	5:55	6:15	---	---	7:05	7:25	8:20	8:30
	652X	---	6:25	6:40	---	7:25	7:50	8:35	8:45
	61X**	---	6:40	---	7:05**	** Indicates this route only goes to Monument and returns going Southbound			---
	61X**	---	7:05	---	7:35**	** Indicates this route only goes to Monument and returns going Southbound			---
	610X	6:55	7:15	---	7:40	---	8:25	8:50	9:00
	663X	---	10:00	10:20	10:40	11:10	11:30	11:55	12:05
P.M.	6900X	---	12:15	12:35	12:50	1:25	1:45	2:15	2:25
	652X	---	1:20	1:40	---	2:15	2:35	3:05	3:15
	62X	---	2:00	---	---	2:50	3:10	3:35	3:45
	651X	---	2:20	2:40	2:55	---	3:40	4:05	4:15
	61X	---	3:00	---	3:25	---	4:10	4:35	4:45
	663X	---	3:20	3:40	3:55	4:25	4:45	5:10	5:20
	62X	---	4:00	---	---	4:55	5:15	5:45	5:55
	653X	---	4:20	4:40	4:55	5:30	5:50	6:20	6:30
	603X	Last bus to Denver: 4:55*		5:10	5:25	6:00	6:20	6:50	7:00
	6910X**	5:10	5:30*	---	6:05**	** Indicates this route only goes to Monument and returns going Southbound going out of service at Kiowa & Nevada at 6:30pm			---

SOUTHBOUND								
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	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS	BUS
	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Departs	Arrives
	Elitch	19th St &	Arapahoe	Castle Rock	Monument	I-25 &	Colo Spgs	Fountain
	Gardens	(before) Stout	Park n Ride	Park n Ride	Park n Ride	Woodmen	I-25 & Tejon	Park n Ride
			Park n Ride			Park n Ride	Park n Ride	
WEEKDAYS								
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	61X	---	---	---	7:05*	7:20	7:40	---
	61X	---	---	---	7:35*	7:50	8:10	---
	62X	7:15	7:23	8:00	8:20	---	9:15	---
	652X	7:45	7:53	8:20	8:40	---	9:35	---
	61X	8:00	8:08	8:35	---	9:20	9:45	---
	651X	8:15	8:23	8:50	---	9:35	10:05	---
	62X	8:30	8:38	9:05	9:25	---	10:15	---
	652X	9:00	9:08	9:35	9:55	---	10:50	---
	61X	9:30	9:38	10:05	---	10:50	11:15	---
P.M.	6900X	12:30	12:38	1:05	1:25	1:55	2:10	2:25
	6900X	2:45	2:53	3:30	3:50	4:20	4:35	4:50
	652X	3:45	3:53	4:30	4:50	---	5:40	5:50
	630X	4:15	4:23	5:00	5:30	6:00	---	6:55
	651X	4:45	4:53	5:30	---	6:15	6:30	6:50
	620X	5:15	5:23	6:00	6:30	---	---	7:20
	651X	5:45	5:53	6:30	---	7:15	7:30	7:50
	620X	6:15	6:23	7:00	7:20	---	---	8:10
	693X	6:45	6:53	7:20	7:35	8:05	8:20	8:35
	63X	7:15	7:23	7:50	8:07	8:35	---	9:00

for the FREX and SkyRide trips, finding the departure gate and going through DIA security.

FREX is a three-year project that is partnered by the City of Colorado Springs, Pikes Peak Council Area of Governments, the Federal Transit Administration, the town of Castle Rock and Colorado Springs Transit.

Cars may be parked free at any of the Park and Rides where FREX stops.

FREX riders Friday included commuters, passengers going to Denver for a bridal tea and wedding, a woman taking her granddaughter home, students on a field trip, shoppers and several people taking buses or taxis to reach other Denver area destinations.

Speaking of saving gas, although not part of FREX, there is a free Colorado Springs downtown shuttle that leaves every 10 or 15 minutes from the Colorado Springs Tejon Park and Ride, near the FREX stop. The free shuttle runs Monday through Thursday, from 7 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. After 6:30 p.m., it runs every half hour until 9 p.m. Fridays, the free shuttle runs until 1 a.m.

Although FREX doesn't run on Saturdays, the free shuttle does. Beginning at 9:30 a.m., it runs every 30 minutes until 11 a.m., and every 15 minutes from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. After 2 p.m., the shuttle runs every 30 minutes until 1 a.m.

The free shuttle does not operate on Sundays.

The shuttle, an electric bus painted in yellow and green with a horizontal checkerboard green and yellow band on the side, runs north on Cascade to Pikes Peak, crosses to Tejon Street then heads north to Cache La Poudre St., where it circles the block, going west on Dale Street and heading south on Tejon Street, crossing on Moreno to Cascade and repeating the route.

Shuttle stops are a block or two apart and are marked with yellow and green signs.

Passengers getting off the FREX bus at the Tejon Street Park and Ride can utilize the free shuttle to shop or eat in downtown Colorado Springs. Or, save gas and parking meter change by parking at the Park and Ride and utilizing the shuttle to reach downtown businesses, restaurants or museums. The shuttle stops near the Pioneers Museum, the Money Museum and the Fine Arts Center.

(Courtesy of the Fort Carson Mountaineer)

Denver's SkyRide leaves the Arapahoe Park and Ride 10 times per day. The 50-minute ride to Denver International Airport costs \$10; more information about SkyRide is at [www.rtd-denver.com](http://www.rtd-denver.com) or (303) 399-6000. Riders using public transportation to DIA should allow enough time



**LEFT: The Front Range Express bus discharges passengers at the FREX stop at the Outlet Mall in Castle Rock. Passengers going to Denver wait to board the bus. ABOVE: A free shuttle takes shoppers around the outlet mall.**

**Just the Facts**

- Travel time: just over an hour
- For ages: all
- Type: weekday bus
- Fun factor: ★★★ (Out of 5 stars)
- Wallet damage: \$  
 \$ = Less than \$20  
 \$\$ = \$21 to \$40  
 \$\$\$ = \$41 to \$60  
 \$\$\$\$ = \$61 to \$80  
 (Based on a family of four)



# GO! Get out!

## Pikes Peak Center

"42nd Street," is at 7 p.m. May 8 and 9 as part of the Broadway Theater series.

Clay Walker is in concert at 7 p.m. May 19; call 520-SHOW for tickets.

Colorado Springs Children's Chorale: Bright Lights and Broadway is at 3 p.m. May 15.

Colorado Springs Philharmonic's Pop Series features John Williams' Cinema Magic at 8 p.m. May 21. Call the box office at 520-SHOW for the Pikes Peak Center, 190 S. Cascade Ave.

Parking is street side or in a garage behind the center (\$5 fee).

## Concerts

"Mozart and Friends, Mini Festival III," is at 8 p.m. May 7 and at 2:30 p.m. May 8 in the First Methodist Church, 520 N. Nevada St. The Colorado Springs Philharmonic and the Colorado Springs Chorale present the concert. Tickets are \$20; call 520-SHOW.

## Dinner theater

"Beehive, the '60s Musical," is at the Country Dinner Playhouse, in south Denver, 6875 S. Clinton St.; call (303) 799-1410. Shows are Wednesdays through Sundays. Tickets start at \$35. This show runs through Sunday, when it will be replaced by "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," opening Wednesday.

"Farther North to Laughter," is the opening production at Iron Springs Chateau. Melodrama Dinner Theater, 444 Ruxton Ave., in Manitou Springs. Performances are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and

Saturdays. Tickets start at \$24; call 685-5104.

## Musical

"Singin' in the Rain," is open at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and at 2 p.m. Sundays through May 22 in the Fine Arts Center Theater, 30 W. Dale St. Call 634-5583 for tickets.



## Hummingbird fest

The "Hummingbird Festival" is Saturday at the Starsmore Discovery Center, 2120 S. Cheyenne Cañon Road, at the entrance to North Cheyenne Cañon. The annual festival welcomes the hummingbirds, along with activities for children, entertainment and nature walks. For information, call 576-6146. The festival is free.

## Air show

The Air Force Thunderbirds will perform an air show at Peterson Air Force Base June 4. Mark the date

and watch for details.

## Races

Pikes Peak International Raceway season opens May 21 and 22, with AMA Superbikes. As always, tickets are half-price for Airmen for upper deck seating; call 382-7223 for tickets.

PPIR is south of Fort Carson, off Interstate 25.

## Cinco de Mayo

The country's largest Cinco de Mayo Fest is in Denver's Civic Center Park Saturday and Sunday.

## Wrestling

"The Wrestlemania Revenge Tour" is in the Colorado Springs World Arena May 22. Call 576-2626 for tickets. Parking at the arena is \$5.

## Six Flags amusement park

Six Flags Elitch Gardens amusement park in Denver is open weekends only until Memorial Day, when the park will be open every day.

Information, tickets and registration has discounted tickets available.

## Opera

"The Threepenny Opera" in English, is presented Thursdays through Sundays through May 8 at Dusty Loo Bon Vivant Theater, 3955 Cragwood Dr.; call 262-3232 for tickets, which are \$18 to \$20.

Evening performances are at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. There's a 2 p.m. Saturday matinee and a 4 p.m. Sunday matinee. The production is presented by Theatreworks and Opera Theatre of the Rockies.



<b>Team Pete's noteworthy events</b>  To submit information for the base calendar, email <a href="mailto:space.observer@peterson.af.mil">space.observer@peterson.af.mil</a>	<b>Today</b> <i>Days of Remembrance</i> for Victims of the Holocaust at 1:00 p.m. at the Base Auditorium	<b>Today</b> Pikes Peak Top 3 meets at the E-Club	<b>Sunday, May 8</b> Cinco de Mayo 
	<b>Sunday, May 8</b> <b>Mother's Day</b> 	<b>Monday, May 9</b> Military Spouse Day	<b>Friday, May 13</b> First Sergeant's Golf Tournament 

May is Asian-Pacific  
American Heritage  
Month

# ARAGON DINING FACILITY MENU

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<p><b><u>Lunch:</u></b> Mr. Z Baked Chicken Pepper Steak Pasta Primavera Mashed Potatoes Rice Steamed Mixed Vegetables Fried Okra Greenbeans</p> <p><b><u>Dinner:</u></b> Orange-Spiced Chops Liver with Onions Tempura Fried Fish Rissole Potatoes Steamed Rice Broccoli Peas and Carrots Wax Beans</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch:</u></b> Simmered Corn Beef Pineapple Chicken Yankee Pot Roast Crispy Potato Wedges Simmered Potatoes Fried Cabbage Carrots Black Eye Peas</p> <p><b><u>Dinner:</u></b> Baked Fish Beef and Corn Pie Roast Turkey Franconia Potatoes Peas and Peppers Rice Corn on the Cob Stewed Tomatoes Mustard Greens</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch:</u></b> Baked Fish Hungarian Goulash Barbeque Chicken Buttered Parsley Buttered Potatoes Steamed Rice Vegetable Stir Fry Baked Beans Cream Corn</p> <p><b><u>Dinner:</u></b> Savory Baked Chicken Swedish Meatballs Creole Shrimp Baked Potatoes Steamed Rice Cream Corn Asparagus Steamed Squash</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch:</u></b> Stir Fry Beef with Broccoli Turkey Nuggets Steak, Loin Strip Mushroom and Onion Sauce Baked Potatoes Rice Pilaf Corn on the Cob Green Beans</p> <p><b><u>Dinner:</u></b> Oven Fried Fish Cantonese Spareribs Grilled Mustard Chicken Breast Baked Macaroni and Cheese Boiled Egg Noodles Peas Sweet Potatoes Broccoli Combo</p>
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	<p><b><u>Lunch:</u></b> Chili Macaroni Beef Canelloni Southern Fried Chicken Cottage Fried Potatoes Mashed Potatoes Steamed Squash Glazed Carrots Frozen Style Peas</p> <p><b><u>Dinner:</u></b> Pot Roast Baked Stuff Fish Roast Loin of Pork Oven Brown Potatoes Steamed Rice Cauliflower Combination Succotash Green Beans with Mushrooms</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch:</u></b> Country Captain Chicken Meat Loaf Turkey a La King Steamed Rice Mashed Potatoes Harvard Beets Mustard Greens Okra and Tom Gumbo</p> <p><b><u>Dinner:</u></b> Teriyaki Chicken Veal Parmesan Salmon Cakes Filipino Rice Buttered Parsley Buttered Potatoes Fried Cabbage Succotash Mixed Vegetables Stewed Tomatoes</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch:</u></b> Beef Sukiyaki Szechwan Chicken Sweet and Sour Pork Steamed Rice Pork Fried Rice Fried Cabbage Glazed Carrots Vegetable Stir Fry</p> <p><b><u>Dinner:</u></b> Barbeque Ham Steak Turkey and Noodles Beef Ball Stroganoff Boiled Egg Noodles Mashed Potatoes Calico Corn Spinach Lima Beans</p>
	<p><b>Hours of Operation: Weekdays/Weekends: Breakfast 5:30 – 8 a.m.; Lunch 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.; Dinner 4 – 6 p.m.;</b> <b>Holidays/Down days: Supper 11 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; All carry out times 7 – 9 p.m.</b></p>		