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Exercise, exercise, exercise: Barksdale preps for CORE

BY AIRMAN BRANDON KUSEK
THE BOMBARDIER

Barksdale members are preparing for the first conventional operational readiness exercise of 2005.

The exercise starts Monday and runs through Wednesday.

"This exercise will take the wing to a new level of operations," said Lt. Col. Glenn Carlson, 2d Bomb Wing plans and programs chief of wing exercises. "The October and December exercises were only a Phase I, this will be a Phase II."

In a Phase II the focus is on executing sustained operations at a forward operating location under various conditions to include chemical and biological attacks to prepare warriors from the base for deployments, Colonel Carlson said.

"The purpose of the exercise is to evaluate 2d Bomb Wing members' ability to meet wartime taskings and their ability to survive and operate at a forward operating location," Colonel Carlson said. "It will also help prepare for an eventual conventional operational readiness inspection evaluated by the Air Combat Command inspector general.

This CORE is a change of pace from the last two COREs Barksdale performed. Instead of a Phase I CORE, which focused on Barksdale's ability to transition from a peacetime posture to deploying the wing in support global operations, the base is performing a Phase II CORE, which focuses on sustaining sortie production under as realistic a threat environment as can be created.

"A CORE Phase I is what we would do if Barksdale had to leave and go to war right now," said Capt. Greg Boschert, 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron and the 2d Bomb Wing deployment officer. "During this exercise we're practicing arriving at a forward location and doing our deployed job instead of practicing leaving Barksdale."

Barksdale last conducted a Phase II CORE in early April 2004. During that exercise Airmen experienced a very fast paced environment that had them practicing many combat skills; the same should be expected for the upcoming exercise.

"Airmen from all across the wing will have some level of participation," the colonel said.

Approximately 900 base members will have to keep their head on a swivel during the exercise and be prepared for anything.

"Be ready to be attacked," Colonel Carlson said. "There will be some munitions used for realism, but the main evaluation comes from how the affected units respond, follow procedures and use their heads."

Airman 1st Class Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Airman 1st Class Efrain Serrano Jr., 2d Security Forces Squadron response force member, tries on a rubber glove from his chemical warfare bag. Airman Serrano will be a participant in the CORE.

Barksdale continues participation in multi-country, Blue Flag exercise

8TH AIR FORCE STAFF REPORT

With the Blue Flag 05-1 exercise officially under way, some 600 people of virtually all ranks and services, as well as the British Royal Air Force and the Royal Australian Air Force, are working out of the Strategic Command Air Forces Combined Air and Space Operations Center at Barksdale.

The primary purpose of Blue Flag is to certify staff from the 8th Air Force headquarters for deployment. The exercise is also a significant opportunity for participants to practice performing their duties in a training environment before facing the challenges that an actual Combined Air Operations Center present. Many of the Blue Flag participants like Master Sgt. Stephanie Simms, NCO in charge of the 608th Air Intelligence Squadron's Intelligence Analyst Flight at Barksdale, anticipate deploying to a Combined Air Operations Center and want to be as prepared as possible for the real thing.

"We have a lot of junior people and this exercise gives them plenty of hands-on, realistic training that you just can't get in the office," Sergeant Simms said.

Although Blue Flag is her first exposure to CAOC functions, she has already realized the value of practice before "the big game."

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Weekend Weather

Today	Saturday	Sunday
Isolated showers	Isolated showers	Isolated T-storms
Hi: 47	Hi: 55	Hi: 62
Low: 35	Low: 41	Low: 46

Courtesy 26th Operational Weather Squadron

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Lady Bombers take first place at tournament

Sortie Scoreboard

2d Bomb Wing monthly flying goals

Depicted in hours	11th Bomb Squadron	20th Bomb Squadron	96th Bomb Squadron
Goal:	341.7	218.7	420.9
Flown:	199.4	129.8	293.2
Remaining: As of: Jan. 21	142.3	88.9	127.7
	-27.6	+12.9	+15.2

Courtesy 2d Operations Group

Welcome AF/XO Lt. Gen. Keys

Use TWO vector off duty

BY COL. MICHAEL MOELLER
2D BOMB WING COMMANDER

This week I read a tragic safety report about a car accident where two Air Force members were riding as passengers with a civilian friend driving…the friend lost control of the vehicle causing the vehicle to flip and roll. At some point during this sequence, the AF members were both ejected from the car and suffered fatal injuries. Neither passenger was wearing seat belts at the time of the mishap; the driver was buckled in and survived thanks to taking three extra seconds to buckle up. Just as sad is the fact that no one in the vehicle cared enough to make everyone fasten their seatbelts before turning a wheel.

This heartbreaking story directly relates to the **W** in our TWO vector … **W**ork together to build trust and an unbeatable team. Gen. Jumper calls it being a good wingman, but however you define this special quality; it really comes down to taking care of each other. We cannot make this a part-time responsibility. When it comes to taking care of each other — it must be a 24 hours a day, seven days a week commitment.

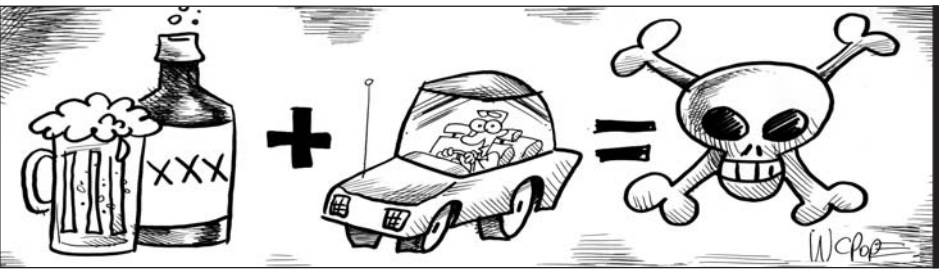
I believe there are three things a person must do to build trust and teamwork.

First, it is critical that you **set high standards and hold yourself and others accountable.** The wing is counting on every person to know and play by the rules. In our case, the rules include our core values, operating instructions, procedures, tech orders and professional knowledge. There is no maneuvering room here … we must not cut corners or put anyone at risk because we are not focused on compliance, safety, security and mission success. Additionally, we must hold ourselves accountable — mistakes will happen and it is up to each of us to identify and fix them so they will not happen again.

Second, you must **know your own and your teammates' strengths and weaknesses.** This awareness allows the team to combine individual expertise and makes the whole far stronger than before. Additionally, if you know your challenges, you can shift resources and personal skills to ensure success. One key point … you cannot really know your teammates if you only spend time together in the workplace. Each person is so busy, and the opstempo so high that it is impossible to focus on anything other than the mission during your normal shift. So, you must find ways to spend "quality time" together, away from your duty location, where you can take a deep breath and really get to know your teammates.

Finally, you must **make the extra effort to improve yourself and your fellow warriors.** A key component of taking care of each other is working together to get stronger and better. This means that you are not willing to walk by or cover up an issue when you see one. Once again, if you know someone has a problem and you ignore it, then you condone it and become part of the problem. Just as important — the mentality of "protecting a friend" when he or she is in trouble is unacceptable. If you are at a party and see someone who is incapable of driving, you certainly would take away their keys. But, take that one step further … you should care enough about your wingman to make sure he or she doesn't drink so much they are incapable of taking care of him or herself.

In the end, your willingness to care about others and improving your team will come back to you magnified a hundred-fold. Booker T. Washington captured the essence of why taking care of others is so rewarding when he said, "If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else." By making others better, if you make the team stronger, then you improve yourself too. So, take the time to be a great teammate. That extra effort may make a huge difference and could change a person in a positive way or even save a life. Great teams take care of each other … it is the only way we can be "first in peace, first in war … first to victory!"



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2d Bomb Wing commander

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Learning about host nations

BY TECH. SGT. SCOTT STURKOL
416TH AIR EXPEDITIONARY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

KARSHI-KHANABAD AIR BASE, Uzbekistan — In the global war on terrorism, Uzbekistan is an ally. Because of that, I have wanted to know more about the people since I got here in late December.

Now to provide you a broader perspective, Uzbekistan is a country north of Afghanistan and was controlled by the Soviet Union during the Cold War.

According the U.S. State Department, Uzbekistan is the most populous country in Central Asia. Uzbekistan suddenly found itself on the frontline of the war on terrorism and with increased strategic importance to the stability of Central Asia.

"With its central location, fast growing population, a variety of natural resources and a potential for a diversified economy, an open prosperous Uzbekistan is central to economic growth in the region," the State Department's country profile shows. "Uzbekistan aspires to regional leadership and continues to be key in maintaining security in Central Asia."

A profile is a good first step to learn about a foreign country. But to me, it is about the people. You really don't know about a place until you meet them in person. That is something I learned nearly 13 years ago when I was assigned to my first base in the Azores, and it has carried through my career to places like England, Italy and Turkey, and more recently to Iraq and Afghanistan in 2003. This time it happens to be Uzbekistan.

My first meeting with an Uzbek native took place recently with the reinvigoration of a tour exchange program here. The program, which started here in 2004, enables deployed American forces to visit an Uzbek airfield, and in return, lets Uzbek air force members do likewise.

During our tour, I shook hands with several Uzbek airmen, but with one in particular, I was able to have a conversation through an interpreter. I learned he lived away from base and was very proud of the work he does for his country, something he and I had in common.

He also asked me what I thought of his country. Since I grew up, and currently live, in a northern climate where January is mighty cold, I told him I loved the mild winter weather here and the country is very beautiful with mountains and farmlands. I got a smile and another warm handshake.

Three days later, we had the Uzbek airmen visit us and wouldn't you know it, one of the people in the group was the same fellow I had a conversation with three days prior.

After he walked around one of our planes, he made his way back to me and asked to have a picture taken with my camera of us together. I was taken aback by that, but not surprised. I could see I had made a friend even though we didn't know each other's name and he spoke Russian and I spoke English.

I also had a chance to accompany some Army officials here on a visit the city of Khanabad, which is a city of about 5,300 people. The Army, coincidently, does an incredible job working with the local communities here to help with humanitarian assistance and human relations. They bring along deployed Air Force members to assist with orphanage and school visits, which take place quite frequently.

Our visit to Khanabad was familiarization and fact-finding. Our first stop there was with the mayor, Mr. Diyadov. This mayor is proud of his community and showed us through the streets. Once we finished touring the town, we stopped and visited with officials at the city's school.

The day we were visiting happened to be Uzbekistan's armed forces day holiday, and at about the time we were there they were preparing a celebration. When we met with the mayor earlier in the trip, there was a memorial in front of the town hall honoring all the town's residents who died in conflicts past. It was like something I would find in my hometown back in the U.S. honoring our military veterans.

Back at the school, children were everywhere, playing in the courtyards and on the sidewalks. They were smiling and waving, and yet ever so curious about what we were doing. It was a pleasant sight.

On the way back to the base, what I saw reminded me of what I saw when I was walking the streets of Basra, Iraq, less than 18 months ago. There were people doing their every-day thing in the comfort of their own community. They were friendly and obviously thankful for everything they have. It is a sobering reminder of how important freedom and choices are to people.

Whether it was making a friend with an Uzbek airman or meeting a proud mayor, I can see that people here are good people. I didn't find that out from a profile or from second-hand information. I have seen it and learned it from my host nation people.

Most importantly, I learned we have a wonderful ally in the global war on terrorism here. And it is through efforts in places like this that we will win this war, make more friends, and gain a new perspective.

Civilians help military guard Barksdale

BY MASTER SGT. BARB LAVIGNE
2D BOMB WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

People passing through Barksdale's gates since Jan. 16 may notice there are some gate guards wearing a distinctive new uniform – that of Sec Tek-DynCorp, a contractor out of Fort Worth, Texas.

The 36 new civilian gate guards at Barksdale are part of an Air Staff-level initiative to help active-duty security forces members meet their worldwide deployment and home station commitments.

Sec Tek-DynCorp's contract runs through December and has people at 18 other stateside bases for the same reason.

The civilian gate guards work at five locations on Barksdale – the visitor's center, the search pit at the East gate, and the Bossier, Shreveport and East gates – and work side-by-side with members of the 2d Security Forces Squadron.

Tech. Sgt. James Russell, 2d SFS police services superintendent, said, by contract, they are trained to respond the same as active-duty gate guards.

"They have to adhere to the same procedures and qualifications we do," he said. "Use of force is a huge part of their training. They are also trained in our communications procedures, vehicle and visitor control duties, emergency and bomb threat actions, and the types of ID cards to look for."

Although the statement of work stipulates they get two days of training, the civilian gate guards at Barksdale received four days of training before being posted at the gates.

"A lot of training is on-the-job and that takes time," Sergeant Russell said.

The civilian gate guards work around the clock, 24 hours a day, seven days a week and have no other duties, something Sergeant Russell said he believes will be to their advantage.

"The active-duty guys have to work the weapons storage area, the flightline and patrol, on top of gate duty," he said. "We have a wide range of duties to keep proficient in so the civilians being focused on one aspect of the job can be a very good thing."

Sergeant Russell said he believes they are qualified to guard Barksdale's gates.

"Many of them have civilian or military law enforcement experience already," he said. "They also have to be 21 or older and meet Air Force and state weapons qualification training."

The civilian guards have to meet the same standards as military police forces, including many of the items listed in Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel, such as hair cuts, tattoos, body piercing, the wear of earrings, wear clean and pressed uniforms and shinned shoes.

Airman 1st Class Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Ms. Robin Stone, a Sec Tek-DynCorp security officer, checks an Airman's ID at the Shreveport Gate Monday. Ms. Stone previously served in the Air Force.

Because they are civilians, there is one thing they cannot do, though.

"They will not salute officers coming though the gates," said Maj. John Wilcox, 2d SFS commander. "But they should render everyone the proper customs and courtesies."

3 MSG members awarded

BY J. MANNY GUENDULAY
THE BOMBARDIER

Two Airmen and one civilian from the 2d Mission Support Group earned Air Combat Command-level awards recently for their excellence.

Master Sgt. Iris Kaplan, 2d Mission Support Squadron personnel manager, earned the 2004 ACC Personnel Manager of the Year Award. Airman 1st Class Bethany McClain, a 2d Contracting Squadron contract specialist, earned the 2004 ACC Outstanding Contracting Enlisted Member of the Year Award. Mrs. Vicki Willmon, 2d MSS personnel staffing and classification specialist, earned the 2004 ACC Outstanding Civilian Personnel Intermediate Program Manager of the Year Award.

Mrs. Willmon, whose award recognizes individuals who made important contributions in the civilian personnel function, was surprised by the award and said she feels all of her accomplishments made her stand out.

Mrs. Vicki Willmon

"I don't think one specific item earned me this recognition," she said. "The willingness to be flexible and to keep pace with today's dynamic personnel career field is a great help. It seems with each passing week, something new is happening and changes occur in the policies and procedures previously followed in personnel. Trying new ideas and never giving up is important. One must try to maintain an open mind, operate under the new process, and then help fix anything that may not be working in the most efficient or effective manner."

Sergeant Kaplan enjoyed the extra attention from her peers, bridging the gap with some long lost friends.

"Everybody was excited and happy for me," she said. "I actually got e-mails from previous coworkers whom I haven't heard from in years congratulating me."

Master Sgt. Iris Kaplan

Major Rump, 2d CONS commander, wrote in Airman McClain's award package that she is "a proactive, results-oriented, superior Airman."

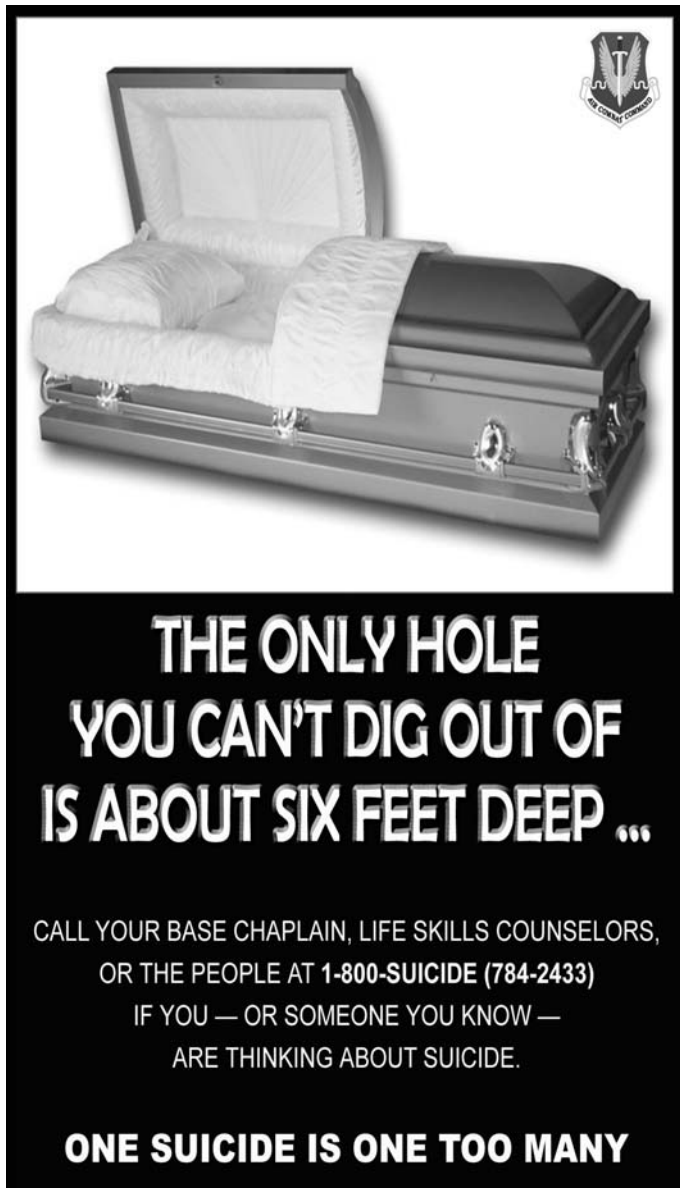
"Airman McClain has an exceptional attitude, unmatched enthusiasm and an incredible desire to accomplish the mission," Major Rump said. "She is truly second to none!"

Airman 1st Class Bethany McClain

Airman McClain, who is also 2d CONS Airmen of the Year for 2004, was unavailable for comment while on convalescent leave.

Sergeant Kaplan said she enjoys award programs because of the sense of accomplishment awards can give Airmen.

"I believe awards programs are important in the Air Force," Sergeant Kaplan said. "And I feel blessed to have supervisors who thought highly enough of me to nominate me."



Blue Flag exercise 05-1

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"The act of actually executing is very helpful because we have to interact with the different divisions and use different systems that we don't use from day to day," she said. "You don't get the same experience unless you physically go through the motions, so Blue Flag is as close as we're going to get to an actual air operations center. This exercise literally helps you grasp the concept of being a war fighter in an (air operations center) environment."

Royal Australian Air Force Squadron Leader Phil Parsons traveled to Barksdale from Amberley Air Force Base, Australia, to further his training and experience in a CAOC. As Blue Flag's deputy senior offensive duty officer, he is responsible for coordinating theater offensive operations during the exercise. This is the third CAOC exercise he has supported in the last year and his first time at Barksdale. Previously, he participated in air operations center exercises in Australia and Singapore, and he drew several comparisons.

"Blue Flag is operating on a much bigger scale, personnel-wise, from what I've worked with," Squadron Leader Parsons said. "The software and hardware are of higher fidelity; we don't have as many automated systems."

He also appreciated the secure communications platform used at the 8th Air Force Air Operations Center. "'Sneakernet' is one of our more common forms of communications," he said, indicating that he's accustomed to walking up to coworkers in a CAOC in order to engage in secure communications. "It's an impressive setup, that's for sure," he said.

Col. Jeffry Smith, 608th Air Operations Group commander, is serving as the CAOC director for Blue Flag.

"So far, everyone participating in this exercise has performed magnificently," Colonel Smith said. "We had a few bumps at the beginning, which is typical of any exercise, but everyone worked through the issues and things are now operating smoothly.

"Our main goal at Blue Flag was to provide the most realistic training possible for our Airmen preparing to deploy to an actual CAOC," Colonel Smith said. "It is vital that we train like we fight, so when we have to do this for real, our folks are comfortable with any situation that might arise."

Colonel Smith also said it isn't just Air Force and coalition partners being trained during this exercise.

Blue Flag is held in conjunction with the U.S. Navy's Joint Task Force Exercise 05-02, a live event hosted by the Navy's Third Fleet Headquarters in San Diego to certify the USS Carl Vinson Carrier Strike Group to deploy. While Blue Flag utilizes computer modeling and simulation to rehearse combined air operations in a deployed environment, JTFEX involves ships and aircraft at sea.

The 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., and the 505th Command and Control Wing at Hurlburt Air Force Base, Fla., are also participating. The merger of these two historically separate exercises into one collaborative event enables more than 6,500 armed forces members to train in live, virtual and constructive training environments.

Blue Flag officially kicked off Jan. 21, and runs through Sunday at Barksdale.

Airman 1st Class Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Just relax

Ms. Tremesia Cooley, a Life Share donor technician, prepares Senior Airman Derek Davis, a 20th Bomb Squadron personnelist, for giving blood Wednesday inside their mobile unit that is set up for blood donations.

2d CS officer earns 8th AF level award

BY J. MANNY GUENDULAY
THE BOMBARDIER

An officer with the 2d Communications Squadron recently earned an 8th Air Force-level award.

Maj. Kenneth Yunevich, commander of maintenance systems for 2d CS, earned the 2004 Lt. Gen. Leo Marquez Award. The award recognizes significant accomplishments and contributions in the management of communications-electronics maintenance activities.

Major Yunevich, who is currently deployed to Iraq, said he was surprised to find out he won the award.

"I did not expect to win, so I was a bit surprised," the major said. "One of my first thoughts was to wonder if any of the other nominees from my squadron were chosen. They all deserved it in my mind, more so than me."

The major thanks his coworkers, attributing his success to them.

"Since I'm deployed, I really haven't had a chance to talk to my coworkers from home on this subject," the major said. "I received a few congratulatory e-mails and a phone call from my commander on the subject. They know it's really team recognition. A person in my position can only accomplish so much first hand; it's the whole team around me that performed the hard work and brought success to our collective efforts. For that, I thank them."

Lt. Col. Richard Converse, 2d Communications Squadron commander, said the award accurately reflects the major's hard work.

"This is an outstanding testament to the quality of work Major Yunevich and his team does each day," Colonel Converse said. "With everything from the new air traffic control tower to the new 8th Air Force Combined Air Operations Center, he and his team were critical in ensuring command and control capabilities were flawlessly installed with no impact to mission operations. I am extremely lucky to have him as a member of our squadron."

Major Yunevich said one of the reasons for his recognition is because he likes to keep his work hands-on.

"I enjoy getting out from behind the desk, going out to the field, and discussing the job with our skilled technicians," he said. "The exchange of ideas and seeing the 'plan' in action is thrilling."

Airman 1st Class Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Welcome to Barksdale

Airman Carly Bronson, 26th Operational Weather Squadron, gets a vehicle pass in the new visitor's center from Mr. Thomas Ward, Sec Tec-DynCorp gate guard, so she can get onto Barksdale. To renew or get base decals customers must present a valid state drivers license, current proof of insurance and current state registration. The vehicle registration section operates from the new visitor's center. The visitor center's hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Changing the way Airmen get to deployed locations

Staff and Wire reports

Airmen deploying to the U.S. Central Command theater in the past knew where they were going to land when boarding Air Mobility Command rotator flights in the United States, but what most of them did not know was exactly how they were going to be routed to their final destination.

Recently, AMC officials briefly froze the rotator system to implement several new processes to increase predictability, efficiency and stability in travel to and from the area. While frozen, the system was temporarily unavailable for travel booking but did not cause anybody to miss needed flights.

"Simply, this will reduce the number of stops one would have en route to a deployed location," said Capt. Greg Boschert, installation deployment officer. "Instead of making five or six stops, we're trying to reduce that to one."

The old process did not provide travelers advanced booking from the main transit hub in theater to their final destinations. Airmen reaching the hub were responsible for working with travel planners there to book their own intratheater travel. Since planners also had limited visibility on Airmen flowing into theater, Airmen often spent days at the hub awaiting transportation.

Additional time en route delayed arrivals at final destinations and in turn held homeward-bound Airmen in place longer. To allow for unpredictable travel time, officials at home station began sending people sooner to ensure they arrived on time.

The resulting backlog of people at the hub stressed support services there and created frustration for individual Airmen. Travel time does not "count" toward a person's 120-day deployment clock that begins when he or she arrives at the deployed location.

To improve the transportation system for the current rotation, planners made major changes to ensure deployments flow well.

The first step was changing the process so transportation schedulers, rather than individual Airmen, are responsible for requesting the most efficient travel arrangements. Similar to booking travel in the civilian world, logistics planners are working toward a "single ticket" system where each Airman will be given full travel routing before he or she departs from home station.

Captain Boschert said Barksdale used the new system during the last deployment.

Barksdale travel management members were tasked to use the new system only a few weeks prior to the Air Expeditionary Force 3 and 4 cycle.

"We had two aircraft land on base Jan. 3 and Jan. 14 that took Airmen to their next stop," Captain Boschert said.

The second step was providing schedulers better visibility on each person moving through the system. To do that required a major change in airlift scheduling processes. Each Airman is assigned against an individual unit line number that can be assigned to a specific airframe.

Now, many Airmen will know their full travel plans before leaving home stations. They will be met in an upgraded passenger terminal at the transit hub where they will be provided with their follow-on travel arrangements.

"For the unit deployment managers, this means they'll be able to consolidate more people on one flight and help us do our job more efficiently," Captain Boschert said. "In the long run this will help enhance morale since they'll know each other."

"The main goal of this new plan is to be able to get transient people out to their final deployed location within 12 to 24 hours of landing in theater," said Lt. Col. Robyn Burk, CENTAF deputy chief of logistics.

To aid in this effort, Air Force officials will designate additional stateside deployment departure terminals each rotation. Added to the existing hubs of Baltimore and Atlanta are Hurlburt Field, Fla.; Hill Air Force Base, Utah; Travis AFB, Calif.; Whiteman AFB, Mo.; and Lackland AFB, Texas.

The additional departure locations shorten travel time for passengers in other parts of the United States as well as delays that result when heavy baggage must be shipped separately, officials said. It also provides air mobility division officials in theater better advance notice of requirements for intratheater airlift movements.

This additional movement visibility will also make life better for Airmen flowing through the transit hub, officials said. Officials with the 379th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron have created a system that accounts for each Airman and more smoothly transitions him or her onward.

"When transient people get off the rotator, they now come into a reception control center where we tell them everything they need to know," said Maj. Max Massey, 379th ELRS commander.

Passengers should hand carry a uniform and overnight items for their stays at the hub, officials said.

Arriving Airmen will be required to leave their bags in a secured area of the reception center while they await their connections, officials said.

Under the improved system, some Airmen will not be routed through the transit hub. Logistics planners have arranged for several rotator flights to go directly from stateside departure points into final locations.

"The process wasn't going to be 100 percent effective the first time," the captain said. "By the next AEF cycle it's going to be smoother and make for a better deployment process." (*Courtesy of Air Force Print News*)

News briefs

Promotion ceremony

Barksdale's monthly promotion ceremony is scheduled Feb. 4 at 3 p.m. at Hoban Hall. Practice is at 1 p.m. for promotees and all members participating in the ceremony. Uniform is service dress for promotees and participants. Call Master Sgt. Mara Trimble at 456-3569 or Senior Master Sgt. Sanders Louvierre at 456-3431.

Krewe of Barksdale

The Mardi Gras Krewe of Barksdale is looking for beads no longer needed or wanted to use in this year's parades. To make bead or monetary donations, call Master Sgt. Rudy Ruelas at 456-8641 or Master Sgt. William Miller at 456-8639.

2d MSG awards

The following members are 2004 2d Mission Support Group annual award winners: Airman — Airman 1st Class Bethany McClain, 2d Contracting Squadron; NCO — Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Bocconcelli, 2d Mission Support Squadron; Senior NCO — Senior Master Sgt. Sanders Louvierre, 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron; GS-8 and below — Mr. Darold Spillman, 2d LRS; GS-9 and above — Miss Tonnie Coffey, 2d LRS; and company grade officer — Capt. Terry Simonton, 2d Communications Squadron.

Award banquet

The annual 2d Bomb Wing awards banquet is scheduled for Feb. 11 at 6 p.m. in Hoban Hall. The guest speaker is Lt. Gen. Bruce Carlson, 8th Air Force commander. The deadline for signing up is Feb. 4. Call Master Sgt. Rick Speedy at 456-2484 for more information.

OSC news

Bingo

Fat Tuesday silver and crystal bingo is scheduled Feb. 8 and is hosted by the Barksdale Officers' Spouses' Club. The social begins at 6:30 p.m. with bingo and a buffet beginning at 7 p.m. Call Mrs. Nancy Mitchell at 797-4206 or Mrs. Ali Taglang at 742-9320 by Feb. 4 to sign up.

Scholarships

The Barksdale Officers' Spouses' Club have distributed scholarship applications to counselors of Bossier and Caddo Parish High schools. Applications can also be picked up at the education office, Family Support Center, officers' club, enlisted club and the Thrift Shop. The deadline for completed applications is March 21. The program is open to military families graduating high school students and non-military spouses of military members continuing their education at a college or university. Call Mrs. Cindie Latke at 572-8491 for more information.

Mardi Gras party

A Mardi Gras party for waiting families of deployed members is scheduled Tuesday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Chapel Two annex. Music, food and dancing is scheduled. Call the Family Support Center at 456-8400 for more information.

Scholarship deadline

The deadline for the $1,500 scholarships through the Scholarships for Military Children Program is Feb. 16 and all applications must be delivered to the commissary by the close of business that day. At least one scholarship will be awarded at every commissary location with qualified applicants. The scholarship program is open to unmarried children under the age of 21 (23 if enrolled in school) of active duty members, including Coast Guard, Guard and Reserve, and retired military. Eligibility will be determined using the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System database. Applicants should ensure that they, as well as their sponsor, are currently enrolled in the DEERS database and have a current ID card. The application can be downloaded at www.commissaries.com or www.military-scholar.org and filled out by hand or on the computer. Copies of the application are also available at commissaries worldwide.

Veterans needed

The R. W. Norton Art Foundation is looking for World War II veterans willing to participate in an oral history interview. The gallery will make an audio recording and a transcript of each interview and present the participant with his own personal copies. People interested should call Mr. Phil Lynch at 865-4201 for more information.

Staff Sgt. Laurak K. Smith/92d CS

Check!

Tech. Sgt. Robert Slansky, 917th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, inspects the flight deck controls of a B-52 during a routine preflight check on the flightline of Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash. The 917th bombers moved to Fairchild due to weather conditions at Andersen AFB, Guam. The 917th is currently deployed to Andersen providing heavy bombardment support to the Pacific.

AETC team hosts duty briefings

STAFF REPORTS

For members interested in becoming a recruiter, military training instructor, military training leader, technical training instructor or professional military education instructor, the Air Education and Training Command Special Duty Assign-ment Team offers many opportunities. The AETC team will host a special duty assignment briefing on Feb. 10 at 8:30 a.m. in the base theater.

The AETC Special Duty Assignment Team invites senior airmen with three years time in service through master sergeant with less than 17 years total active federal military service to attend the briefing and learn more about these careers. Enlisted members from all Air Force Specialty Codes who meet the criteria are eligible to apply for these positions and are encouraged to attend the briefing. Members of the recruiter screening team and the MTI recruiting team will conduct the briefing.

"Recruiters are responsible for the number and quality of young men and women who enlist and begin their Air Force careers. We are the first to touch the lives of our future Airmen," said Master Sgt. Richard DeLacy, NCO in charge of the recruiter screening team. "One of our best entitlements is the opportunity to choose your own recruiting assignment from more than 1,100 possible locations."

"Everyone remembers their MTI," said Master Sgt. Edward Bradley, MTI recruiting team superintendent. "The MTI sets the stage for each individual's success in the Air Force and mentors hundreds of new Air Force members. The job is filled with substantial rewards for those who want to have a hand in molding our future Airmen. Besides these intangible benefits we also are entitled to special duty assignment pay and an annual supplemental clothing allowance."

The team can expedite the processing of an applicant's special duty application if they bring the completed application with them to the briefing.

To get a copy of the AETC special duty application, call Master Sgt. Curby Range, 2d Bomb Wing career assistance advisor, at 456-4957.

Construction continues on Barksdale

BY J. MANNY GUENDULAY
THE BOMBARDIER

While construction continues on Lindbergh Avenue, another construction project in a nearby parking lot begins today.

The engineers of the 819th RED HORSE Squadron from Malmstrom Air Force Base, Mont., begin reconstruction of the 2d Mission Support Squadron Military Personnel Flight parking lot between Vandenberg Avenue and Orville Wright Avenue.

Mr. Dave Nesmith, 2d Civil Engineering Squadron project engineer, said the construction should take 60 days, as the engineers replace the existing pavement, improve drainage structures and replace base material for the parking lot.

"Motorists visiting the MPF should park their cars in the open spaces in the (2d) Operations Group parking lot on the north side of Orville Wright Avenue," Mr. Nesmith said.

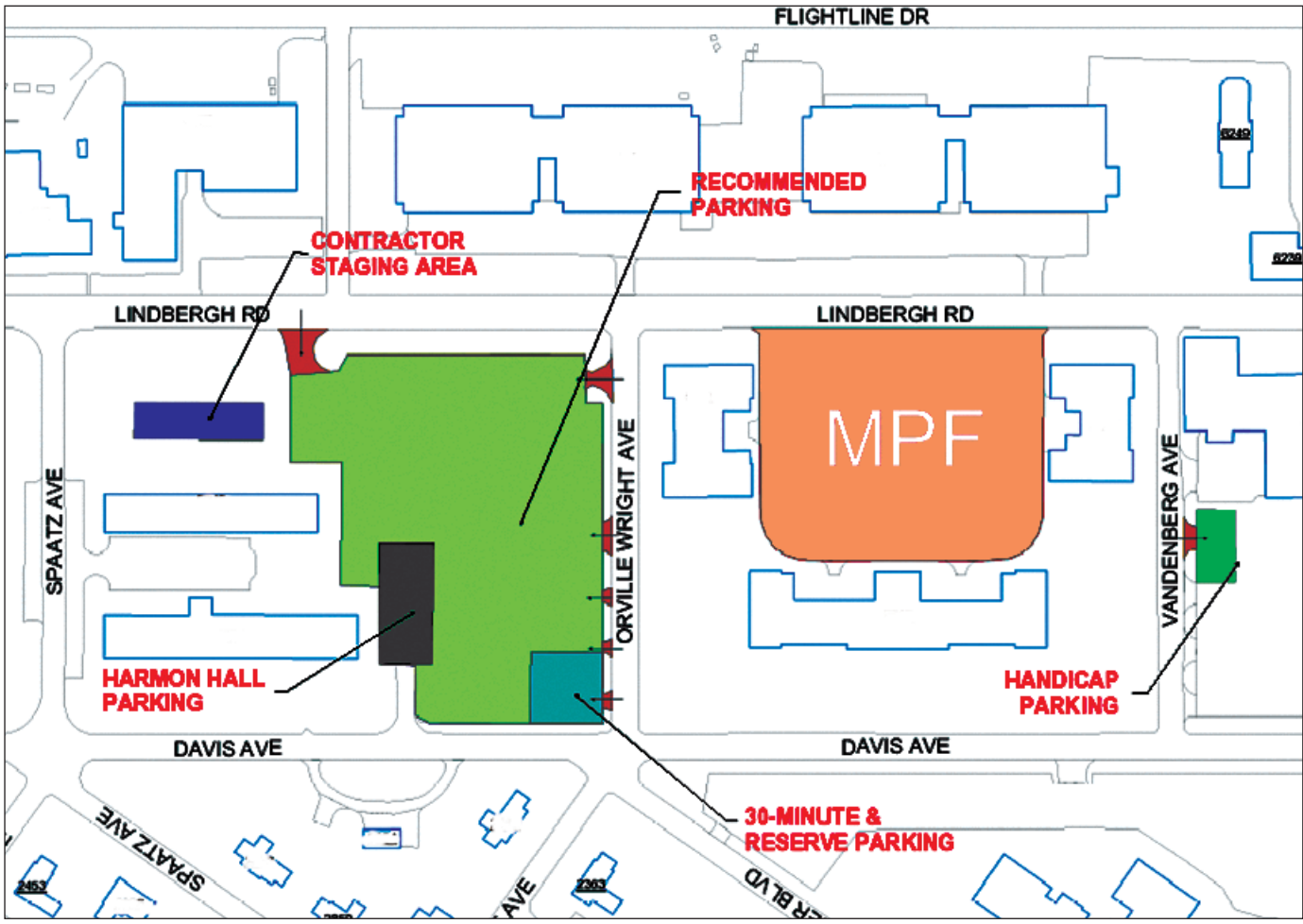
He said the reconstruction of the MPF parking lot should not adversely impact the Lindbergh Avenue traffic flow or construction efforts; however, drivers should exercise caution and adhere to the 10 mph speed limit in the construction zones.

"All vehicle operators must exercise caution by reducing their speed and increasing their vigilance when transiting a construction area," said Maj. John Wilcox, 2d Security Forces Squadron commander. "There are a lot of moving parts in a construction zone and any one could inadvertently end up in your lane. Similar to driving through the bollards at the gates, navigating through a construction zone requires your undivided attention — a temporary glance down to adjust your radio or heater could result in an accident."

The long-term construction on Lindbergh Avenue, updating drainage and road repair, is coming along, but Mr. Tony Cyr, the 2d CES project engineer for Lindbergh Avenue, said the construction has been slowed down by inclement weather and the surfacing of unmarked utility lines.

Mr. Cyr said the construction will give Barksdale's utilities and roads a necessary update.

"This project will further the beautification of Barksdale and also allow us to restore utility lines that are more than 50 years old," he said.



The above map was provided by 2d Civil Engineering Squadron. The orange marked space is the 2d Mission Support Center's Military Personnel Flight parking lot. Marked in green is alternate parking for visitors. Reserved parking is in dark green and is located near the corner of Davis Avenue and Orville Wright Avenue.

Airman 1st Class Brandon Kusek/The Bombardier

Senior Airman Felecia Gray

Cajun Warrior Attitude

Catch it!

Family: Husband, Randy

Hometown: Kansas City, Kan.

Unit: 96th Bomb Squadron

Job title: Aircrew performance technician

Job description: Maintaining and inspecting all life saving equipment for the aircrew

Most rewarding job aspect: Knowing that my job can help save someone's life

Goals: To earn my bachelor's degree and become an officer

Hobbies: Going to school and working out at the gym

What motivates my winning attitude: Knowing there are people who look up to me

Favorite TV show: Law and Order

Favorite meal: Fettuccini Alfredo

Favorite movie: Pretty Woman

Favorite sports team: Atlanta Falcons

Favorite performer: Alicia Keys

Favorite book: "Trying to Sleep in the Bed you Made" by Virginia DeBerry and Donna Grant

Best day of my life: The day I married my husband

My best asset is: I'm a hard worker

Pet peeve: Lazy people and people who take advantage of the hard work someone else has done

Person I admire most: My mother

Most Influential person for you in the Air Force: There are two people who have motivated me: Staff Sgt. Jessica Driggers, who taught me to always work hard even when others don't appreciate you; and Staff Sgt. Marcel Thom, who taught me there are supervisors who are willing to go the extra mile for their troops.

At the movies

For recorded show times and movies, call 456-3666 or visit the Army and Air Force Exchange Services Web site at www.aafes.com. Movies are subject to change without notice.
Admission: Adults $3, children $1.50 (Information and photos courtesy of www.movieweb.com)

"Spanglish"
Rated: PG-13
Playing: Today at 7 p.m.
Run time: 131 minutes
Cast: Adam Sandler, Tea Leoni
Synopsis: Cultures collide when a beautiful native Mexican woman, Flor, the mother of a 12-year-old girl, becomes the housekeeper for an affluent Los Angles family. Of all the horrifying pitfalls she worried about in this new culture, Flor had never fathomed the peril of being truly embraced by an upscale American family.

"Lemony Snickets"
Rated: PG
Playing: Saturday at 7 p.m.
Run time: 108 minutes
Cast: Jim Carrey, Timothy Spall
Synopsis: Violet, Klaus and Sunny Baudelaire are three intelligent young children who receive terrible news that their parents have died in a fire and have left them an enormous fortune not to be used until the eldest child is of age. They are taken in by a series of odd relatives and other people, including Lemony Snicket, who narrates the film and the cunning a dastardly Count Olaf who plots to kill them and snatch their inheritance from them.

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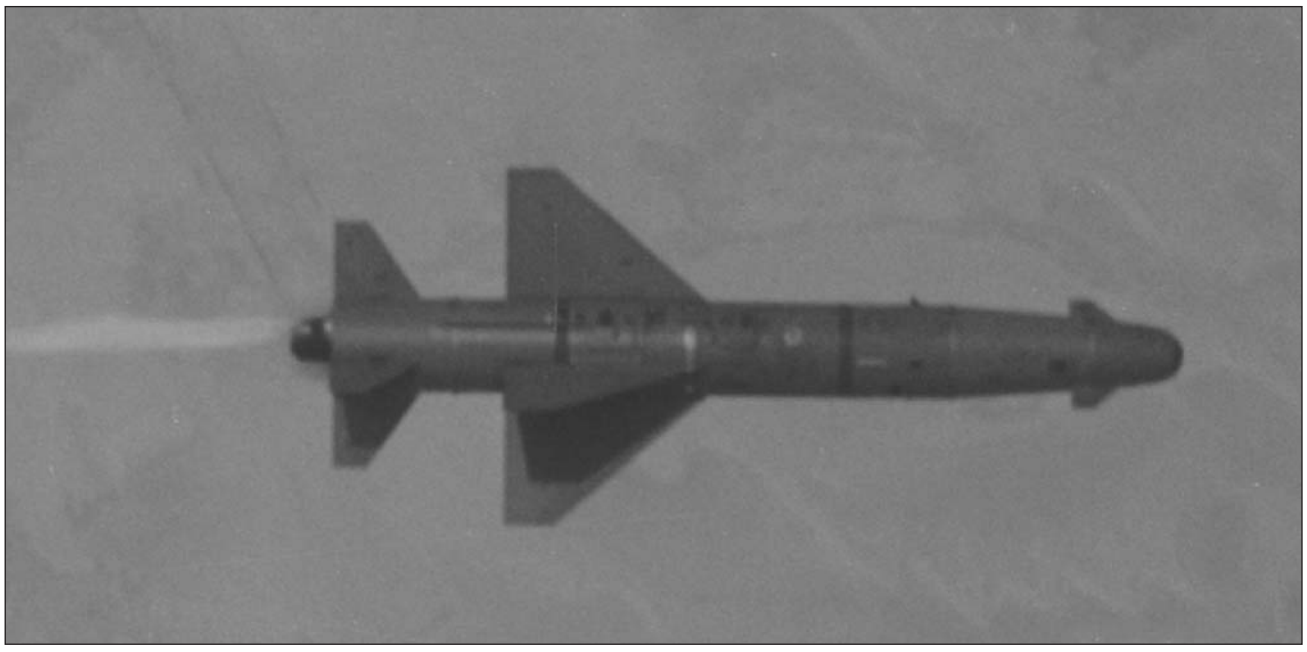


Bomber trivia
In late 1988, the 2d Bomb Wing's 62d Bomb Squadron became the first organization to begin employing the Air Force's newest precision guided air-to-ground conventional missile. What was the missile?

A. AGM-69
B. AGM-129
C. AGM-142
D. ADM-20

Answer:
C. AGM-142.

Family Support Center

Located on the corner of Kenney Avenue and Curtiss Road, 456-8400.
Reservations required for all events.

TAP seminar
A transition assistance seminar is scheduled Tuesday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If a transition from military service to civilian life is in the future, make plans to attend this three-day workshop conducted by the Department of Labor. Designed to help military members and their spouses make sound career decisions, attendees learn the skills needed to complete a successful self-directed job search and much more. Based on comments made by attendees, most have said they wish they had taken advantage of this workshop 12 to 24 months prior to leaving the service.

Personal, family readiness briefing
A personal and family readiness briefing is scheduled Thursday at 2 p.m. The Family Support Center's Readiness Team provides information and support during this time of separation. This briefing prepares active duty, spouses, family members and significant others for times of separation.

Marriage checklist
If marriage plans are in the future, stop by the Family Support Center for a marriage checklist to help with the "to do" list. It lists things to do before and after marriage, such as basic requirements, marriage license, planning a budget, chapel arrangements, ID cards, base decals, defense eligibility enrollment reporting system enrollment and updating emergency data cards, Tricare, life and auto insurance and legal considerations.

Parents, tots playground
Join this play group and take a break from the everyday routine. Improve children's social skills, while parents network and share parenting success stories. Parents and tots playgroup is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Chapel Two annex.

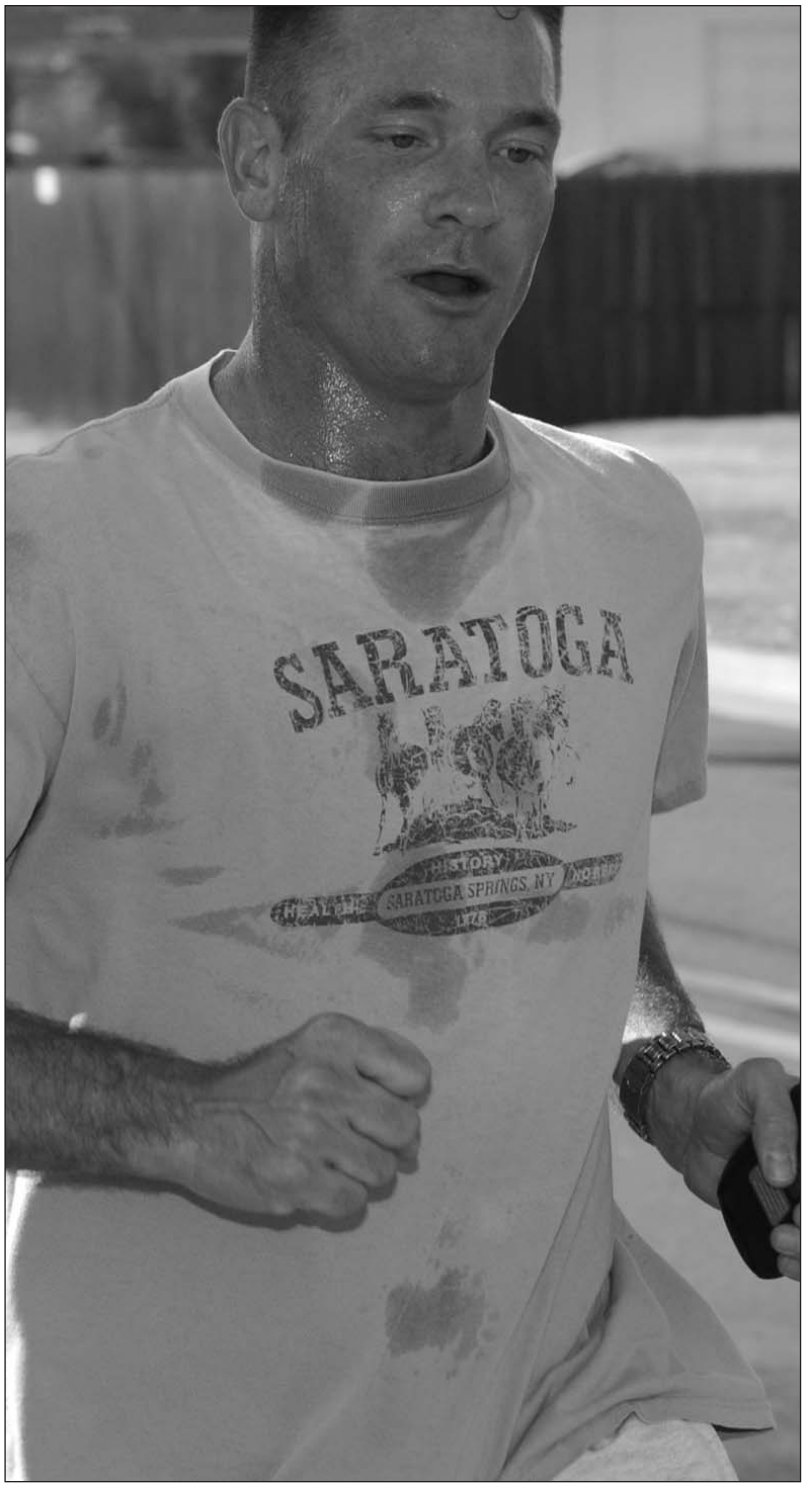
English as a 2d language
American culture and the English language can sometimes present difficulties for those transitioning to the United States. Learning to speak, read and write English can help both personally and professionally. English as a second language is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m.

Relocation briefing
All members permanently changing station must attend a relocation briefing at least 90 days prior to their departure date. Learn about the many resources available to make a smooth and pleasant transition to the next duty assignment.

Community briefs

Chapel information
Chapel One is located at 275 Barksdale Boulevard East and Chapel Two is located at 724 Douhet Drive. Call the chapel at 456-2111 for information on chapel services.

Dining hall information
Call 456-8367 for menu information from the Red River Inn dining facility. Call 456-4769 for menu information from the flight kitchen.



Airman Tabitha Wininger/2d CS

Working hard

Nathan Rump, 2d Contracting Squadron, approaches the finish line at the Resolution Solution five-kilometer run or walk outside the sports and fitness center Jan. 21. The event consisted of a five-kilometer run or walk, aerobathon and circuit training session. More than 75 people participated in the event.

Basketball standings

	W	L
2d SVS	6	0
2d CES	6	0
2d OG	5	1
2d CS	4	4
2d AMXS	3	2
Army	3	3
Navy/Marines	3	4
2d LRS	3	4
2d MDG	3	5
2d MXS	2	5
8th AF	2	5
2d MSS/2d MOS	2	6
2d MUNS	1	4

Standings as of Monday

Sweet revenge

Lady Bombers beat Lady Hawks

By John Ingle
82d Training Wing Public Affairs

A little bit of the "golden rule" was in play at Sheppard Air Force Base Jan. 16 during the 12th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Basketball Tournament as the Barksdale Lady Bombers did unto Tinker as the Lady Hawks did unto Barksdale last year.

During the 2003 tournament, the team from Tinker knocked the Barksdale ladies out of the tournament. But, the Lady Bombers got sweet revenge by not only beating the Lady Hawks 66-47, but doing it in the championship game.

The Lady Bombers led throughout the game, but never seemed to be able to put the Lady Hawks down.

A 16-2 run by the Lady Bombers midway through the second half put the game out of the Lady Hawk's reach.

Leading 40-37, forward Tyiesha Robinson nailed a three-pointer from the top of the key, followed by another triple by guard Vonshwa Abramson. Forward Brandi Green showed her prowess under the board, grabbing an offensive rebound and score that put the Lady Bombers up 49-39 at the 8:30 mark.

Green forced Lady Hawks coach Carlos Hopkins to take a time out with 6:36 left in the game to stop the momentum built up by Barksdale.

Hopkins said his team played with heart and determination despite having only seven players making the trip. He added the team recently went to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and won the tournament with seven players.

"We came to play basketball," he said. "When my team comes to play basketball, we don't hold our heads down."

Barksdale continued to build onto their double-digit lead in the second half, finally topping out at a 23-point advantage, 64-41.

The Lady Hawks didn't make it an easy game for the Lady Bombers in the first half. The Lady Hawks going into the locker room trailing 29-22.

Courtesy Photo

Lady Bomber, Adrienne Beard shoots over a Tinker Air Force Base defender during the Martin Luther King Jr. tournament at Sheppard AFB, Texas. The Lady Bombers had a 4-0 record and won the tournament.

An early surge by the Lady Bombers was matched by a Tinker surge as the Lady Hawks pulled within two points, 34-32, led by forward Kathy Smith's four points and Nakita Jeffrey's five points.

Barksdale coach Kory Gibson called a quick timeout to stop Tinkers flow and refocus his team.

"We needed to play Lady Bomber basketball," the coach said, adding the Tinker team was dictating the flow of the game. "Once we got kick started, we started to play (our style) of basketball."

Gibson said he was surprised at the composure his team showed toward a "very tough and well coached" Tinker team.

"Tinker usually gives us a good game," he said. "They bring out the best in us and I think we do the same."

FOCUS on READINESS

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Use S-A-L-U-T-E to report attacks

Refer to Air Force Handbook 31-302

Use the S-A-L-U-T-E report as a quick and effective way to communicate ground enemy attack information up the chain of command.

Example of a S-A-L-U-T-E report: "Six enemy soldiers, running away from the command post, heading toward the flightline. Uniforms solid green fatigues – possibly Republic Guards. Time was 0230 hours. Equipment– AK-47 rifles, backpacks and gas mask being carried." Use the most expedient means necessary or possible for the urgency you place on the information you have to up channel. If your report needs to get to the commander **NOW:**

Use any means available!

- Messenger – most secure – most time consuming
- Wire or telephone – more secure than radio – not mobile and may be monitored
- Radio – fast and mobile – least secure. However, a secure radio lessens the possibility of being monitored and should always be used over an open net with all equipment and vehicles associated with the activity

Size: The number of persons and vehicles seen or the size of an object

Activity: Description of enemy activity (assaulting, fleeing, observing)

Location: Where the enemy was sighted (grid coordinate or reference point)

Unit: Distinctive signs, symbols or identification on people, vehicles, aircraft or weapons (numbers, patches or clothing type)

Time: Time the activity is observed

Equipment: Equipment and vehicles associated with the activity

Warning signals to look for during attack

Refer to Air Force Instruction 10-2501, Air Force Manual 10-2602, Continental United States Air Force Visual Aid 10-2510, Air Force Visual Aid 10-2511

Standardized attack warning signals are used to posture air bases for attacks, warn of attacks in progress, initiate post-attack recovery actions and return the airbases to a wartime state of readiness. Although warning signals are primarily designed to provide air, missile, artillery and ground attack warning, they may also be used to warn you if a covert attack with a chemical or biological weapon is discovered. Alarm warning signal variations might be used in some geographic regions. If they are, you'll be notified what those variations are before you depart your home station or when you arrive in that region. For example, Alarm Blue is used instead of Alarm Red in South Korea. Alarm Blue will be announced and blue flags will be displayed.

USAF STANDARDIZED ATTACK WARNING SIGNALS FOR NBCC MEDIUM AND HIGH THREAT AREAS

ALARM CONDITION	IF YOU	THIS INDICATES	GENERAL ACTIONS
GREEN	HEAR: ALARM GREEN SEE: GREEN FLAG	ATTACK IS NOT PROBABLE	■ MOPP 0 or directed [1,3] ■ Normal wartime condition ■ Resume operations ■ Continue recovery action
YELLOW	HEAR: ALARM YELLOW SEE: YELLOW FLAG	ATTACK IS PROBABLE IN LESS THAN 30 MINUTES	■ MOPP 2 or directed [1] ■ Protect and cover assets ■ Go to protective shelter or seek best protection with overhead cover [2]
RED	HEAR: ALARM RED, SIREN (WAVERING TONE) SEE: RED FLAG	ATTACK BY AIR OR MISSILE IS IMMINENT OR IN PROGRESS	■ Seek immediate protection with overhead cover ■ MOPP 4 or as directed [1] ■ Report observed attacks
	HEAR: GROUND ATTACK, BUGLE (CALL-TO-ARMS) SEE: RED FLAG	ATTACK BY GROUND FORCES IS IMMINENT OR IN PROGRESS	■ Take immediate cover [2,3] ■ MOPP 4 or as directed ■ Defend self and position ■ Report activity
BLACK	HEAR: ALARM BLACK, SIREN (STEADY TONE) SEE: BLACK FLAG	ATTACK IS OVER AND NBC CONTAMINIATION AND/OR UXO HAZARDS ARE SUSPECTED OR PRESENT	■ MOPP 4 or as directed [1,3] ■ Perform self-aid/buddy care ■ Remain under overhead cover or within shelter until otherwise directed

NOTES: **1.** Wear field gear and personal body armor (if issued) when outdoors or when directed. **2.** Commanders may direct mission-essential tasks or functions to continue at increased risk. **3.** This alarm condition may be applied to an entire installation or assigned to one or more defense sectors or zones.

Use antidotes against nerve poisoning

Self-administer or administer for casualty

Use casualty's antidote on casualty – not yours

1. Don mask (place mask on casualty)
2. Observe for symptoms

- **Dimming vision**
- **Sweating**
- **Pinpointed pupils**
- **Runny nose**
- **Unconsciousness**
- **Diarrhea**
- **Muscles twitching**
- **Seizures**

When symptoms are present:

1. Remove one Atropine injector (small injector) from Mark-1 kit

2. Remove safety cap
3. Place needle end of injector on injector site
4. Press firmly until needle triggers
5. Hold in place for 10 seconds
6. Remove injector
7. Bend needle to form a hook
8. Hang injector from your or casualty's pocket
9. Remove one 2-Pam Chloride (large injector) from Mark-1 kit

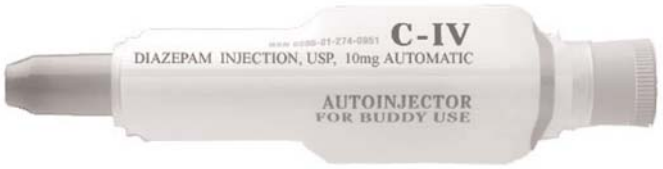
10. Remove safety cap
11. Repeat same steps as Atropine injector

Warning: Do not inject second Mark-1 kit if within 5-10 minutes:

- **Heart beats very quickly**
- **Mouth becomes dry**

Mild symptoms: If mild symptoms persist **after 10 to 15 minutes**, inject second Mark-1 kit (use buddy). Seek medical help.
Severe symptoms: Administer **all three** Mark-1 kits followed by Diazepam injector to prevent convulsions–**do not wait** between injecting Mark-1 kits

Warning: Do not use more than three Mark-1 kits. Use Diazepam **only** after all three Mark-1 kits have been administered.



Remember basics concerning chemical agents

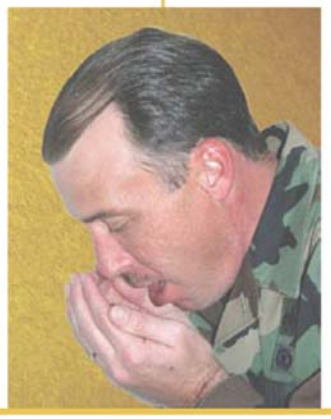
Chemical Warfare: Four Major Categories of Agents

Ref PACAF C-CW CONOPS Technical Report, Nov 2000

Category	Agent	General Symptoms	Personal Protection
Nerve and Blister agents present the most significant hazards to an airbase because of their high toxicity at low-levels of exposure.			
Nerve	VX GA (Tabun) GB (Sarin) GD (Soman) GF (Cylcosarin)	Designed to attack the nervous system–runny nose, tightness of the chest, breathing difficulty, eye pain, dimness of vision, pinpointing of pupils, drooling, excessive sweating, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cramps, twitching of large muscle groups, headache, confusion, drowsiness, involuntary defecation and urination, cessation of breathing, loss of consciousness, coma and death.	MOPP-4 when operating in proximity of either a liquid or vapor hazard. All clothing should be immediately decontaminated after coming into contact with liquid agent.
Blister	H & HD (Distilled Mustard) L (Lewisite) CX (Phosgene Oxime)	Primary hazard is to incapacitate, but it can be lethal in high enough doses–tearing, conjunctivitis, ulceration of exposed eye surfaces, lung inflammation accompanied by fluid accumulation in irritated tissues, impairment of respiratory gas exchange, blistering action on the skin.	MOPP-4 when operating in proximity of either a liquid or vapor hazard. All clothing should be immediately decontaminated after coming into contact with liquid agent.
Blood and Choking agents do not produce long-term threats to an air base. However, unprotected exposure to high enough quantities of these agents can cause death.			
Blood	AC (Hydrogen Cyanide) CK (Cyanogen Chloride) SA (Arsine)	Headache, dizziness, and nausea, which can progress to coma, convulsions, and cessation of breathing.	MOPP-4 when operating in proximity of either a liquid or vapor hazard.
Choking	CG (Phosgene) DP (Diphosgene)	Coughing, choking, and tightness of the chest as well as occasional nausea, vomiting, headache, and tearing. Difficulty in breathing and a diminished lung oxygen exchange become evident as fluids accumulate in lungs.	MOPP-4 when operating in proximity of either a liquid or vapor hazard.

Chemical Agent Individual Protective Actions — Nerve Agents

Characteristics	Symptoms	Protection
■ Some may have a fruity smell or camphor odor, others may be odorless ■ Most lethal of all agents ■ Symptoms can be immediate; lethal within minutes. ■ Affects nervous system ■ May be inhaled, ingested, or absorbed through the skin ■ In vapor, solid, or liquid form ■ Antidotes may be effective even if given to a victim having advanced symptoms, as long as the victim continues to breathe	■ Pinpointing of pupils and muscular twitching ■ Dimness of vision and runny nose ■ Tightness of chest and difficulty in breathing ■ Excessive sweating, drooling, nausea and vomiting, and involuntary urination and defecation ■ Convulsions, coma, death ■ Intermittent cumulative exposures to very low amounts can lead to the same ultimate effect as a single exposure to a higher amount	■ Take Pyridostigmine Bromide tablets (P-Tabs) as directed **NOTE: These are effective against Soman (GD) only** ■ Wear IPE (MOPP 4), or as directed ■ Practice contamination avoidance and expedient decontamination ■ Use nerve agent auto-injectors when experiencing symptoms ■ Flush eyes and open wounds with water and protect from further contamination ■ Use decon kits to absorb agents on skin ■ Seek medical attention as soon as possible after any exposure or as soon as symptoms appear



Know MOPP levels, mask functions

Refer to Air Force Instruction 10-2501, Air Force Manual 10-2602, Air Force Visual Aid 10-2512, Technical Order 14P3-1-141 and Technical Order 14P3-1-181

Mission oriented protective posture, like standardized attack warning signals, quickly increases or decreases personal protection against nuclear, biological, chemical and conventional threats. The senior commander controls MOPP levels for the base. Subordinate commanders may, however, be granted authority to reduce MOPP levels or employ MOPP options for people under their control. Field gear (A-Bag) includes helmet, web belt, canteen and body armor (if issued.) Invidual protective equipment includes chemical defense ensemble (C-Bag and D-bag) and field gear.

Quick MOPP

MOPP Level	Field Gear	Clothing	Footwear	Mask/ Hood	Handwear
0	Worn	Carried	Carried	Carried	Carried
1	Worn	Worn	Carried	Carried	Carried
2	Worn	Worn	Worn	Carried	Carried
3	Worn	Worn	Worn	Worn	Carried
4	Worn	Worn	Worn	Worn	Worn

Mopp 0

Mopp 1

Mopp 2

Mopp 3

Mopp 4

MCU-2 series protective mask

Refer to Technical Order 14P4-15-1

With a serviceable C2A1 filter canister installed, the MCU-2 series is the first line of defense for your face, eyes and respiratory tract from chemical and biological warfare agents, radioactive dust particles, and riot control agents (such as tear gas.)

Operational considerations

- Do not over tighten the mask. Over tightening may actually cause leaks
- Check the mask for leaks every time you don it by performing a "leak" check
- Don the mask quickly — it should be donned and sealed before you take another breath
- The mask is a filter respirator — it doesn't supply or produce oxygen
- The mask is ineffective in environments with insufficient oxygen to support life

Properly store mask

- The mask is ineffective in industrial chemical environments such as ammonia or chlorine spills, or within carbon monoxide atmospheres
- Don't loosen the head harness straps for comfort if you wear a hood over the outlet valve. If loosened, you could become unprotected against toxic agents or suffocate by carbon dioxide
- Don't remove your mask outdoors if you become overheated in cold weather until your head cools and any sweat has dried — frostbite may result
- Use buddy checks when possible

Place chin in chin cup

MCU-2 series

With the filter canister installed, head harness straps loose and inverted over the front of the mask, and the outsert removed, fit test the mask. Note: An unshaven face could prohibit a mask seal.

Warning: Women should remove hair clips, pins, etc., and let their hair hang freely before donning mask.

Place harness over head

- Hold the outlet valve assembly in palm of one hand. Push hair back away from hairline. Place mask on face forcing chin cup very tightly against chin
- Keeping the hair out of the way, pull the head harness over the head using the quick-don tab. The facepiece should come well up on the forehead but shouldn't extend over the hairline at any point
- Push mask as high on face as possible. Look down at nose to ensure mask is centered. Hold in this position with one hand until temple straps are tightened
- Adjust temple straps using small jerking pulls until the mask feels snug and both sides feel the same
- Ensure the headpad or skullcap is centered at the high point of rear of head. Adjust if necessary
- With both hands, run a finger under each temple tab front-to-back to check for snugness and remove stray hair from sealing area

Check for leaks

- Grasp a neck strap in each hand and tighten with small jerking motions
- Grasp a forehead strap in each hand and tighten with small jerking motions
- Shake head quickly from side-to-side and up-and-down. Adjust straps as necessary
- The mask should be comfortable on the face with no straps cutting or pinching or so tight that the nosecup presses painfully on the nose

Tighten head harness

- Ensure the canister is sealed. Cover the canister inlet port and inhale until the lens deflects, then hold your breath. If lens stays deflected, this is a good indication of a proper fit. If it doesn't, readjust and recheck your mask until you get a proper seal
- You can now remove the mask. Loosen only the mask neck straps. Grasp mask by outlet valve assembly and remove by pulling down, outward, then up
- Shake or wipe out any accumulated moisture before storage

Check seal

Tips to keep you safe, successful

Communications security

■ Non-secure phone, radio, and computer network systems are subject to monitoring
■ Never discuss sensitive or classified information over non-secure systems
■ Never talk around, paraphrase, or use code words to disguise sensitive or classified information
■ Always use secure systems to discuss sensitive or classified information

Ten-foot rule

The Ten-foot rule is a risk management philosophy involving procedures that enable wing commanders to increase operational capability with an increased degree of risk.

The Ten-foot rule addresses the potential presence of residual chemical contamination originating from relatively non-porous equipment surfaces such as hard metal and glass.

Ten-foot rule 24 hour initial phase

Airmen will remain in MOPP Level 4 whenever they stay within 10 feet of contaminated equipment for more than a few seconds during the initial 24-hours after a chemical attack.

Ten-foot rule follow-on phase

After initial phase (24 hours) and when directed by commander, personnel will use gloves (i.e., leather, rubber, cloth, etc.) when operating on or handling the contaminated equipment.

M8 chemical agent detection paper

■ Detects G and V nerve agents and H and L blister agents
■ Supplied in booklets of 25 perforated pages of paper containing chemical agent sensitive dyes
■ Inspect prior to use. Discard M8 Paper that shows signs of wetness, wrinkling, dirt, damage or discoloration
■ Provides a manual liquid detection capability
■ If M8 paper is not pre-positioned, blot (do not rub or scrub) over non-porous surface like glass or bare metal surfaces suspected to be contaminated
■ Mark date and time of placement

M291 and M295 skin decontamination instructions

■ Remove decon packet
■ Tear open packet and remove decon pad or mitt
■ Discard empty packet
■ Unfold decon pad or mitt
■ M291 – Insert fingers into loop
■ M295 – Grasp non pad side of decon mitt with one gloved hand, insert decontaminated gloved hand into mitt, tighten wristband on glove
■ Decontaminate individual equipment or exposed skin by rubbing with pad or mitt
■ M295 – Decontaminate gloved hand that was holding equipment
■ Discard pad or mitt
■ If more contamination is present, repeat decon with another mitt

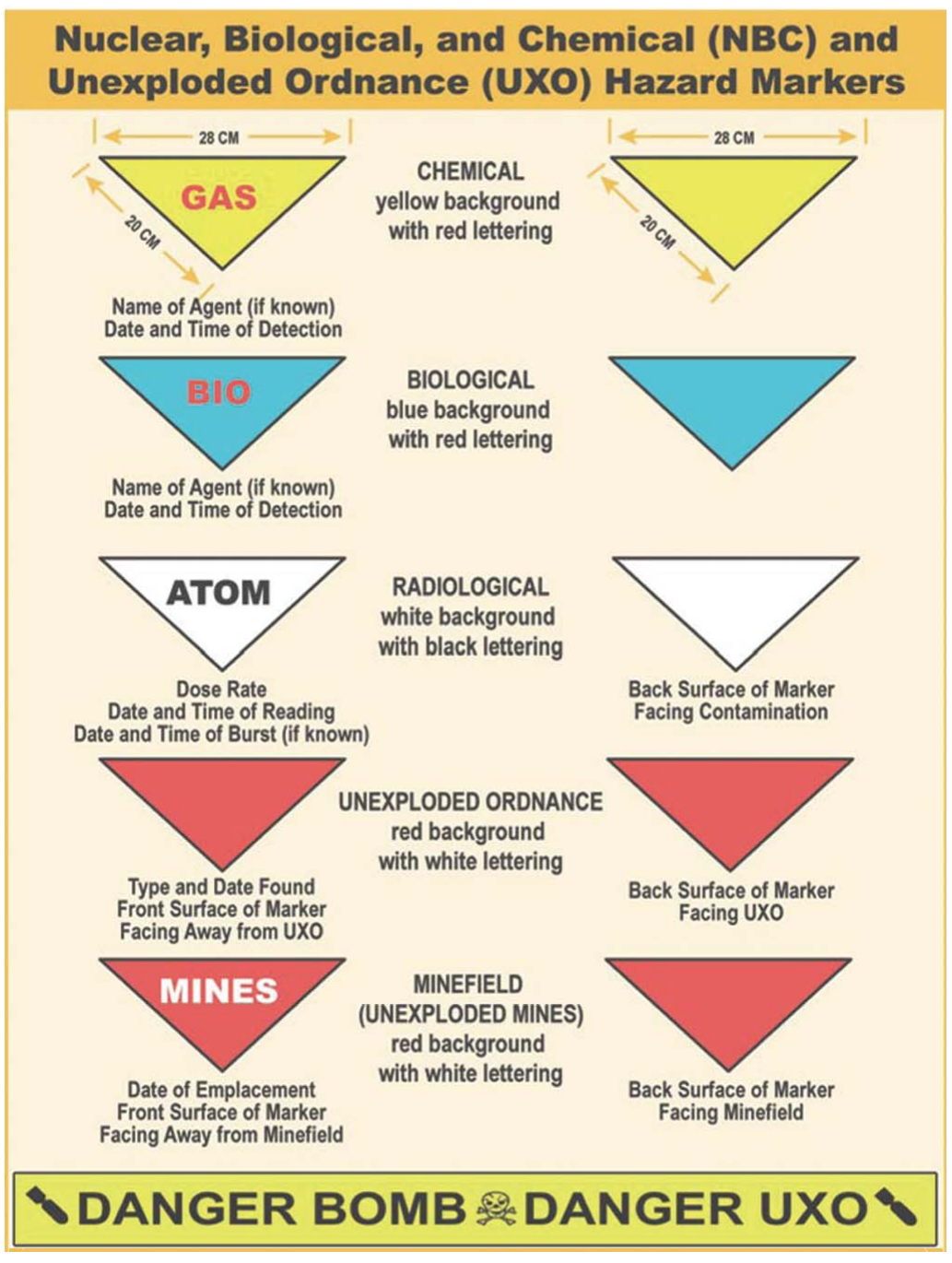
M291 and 295 warning

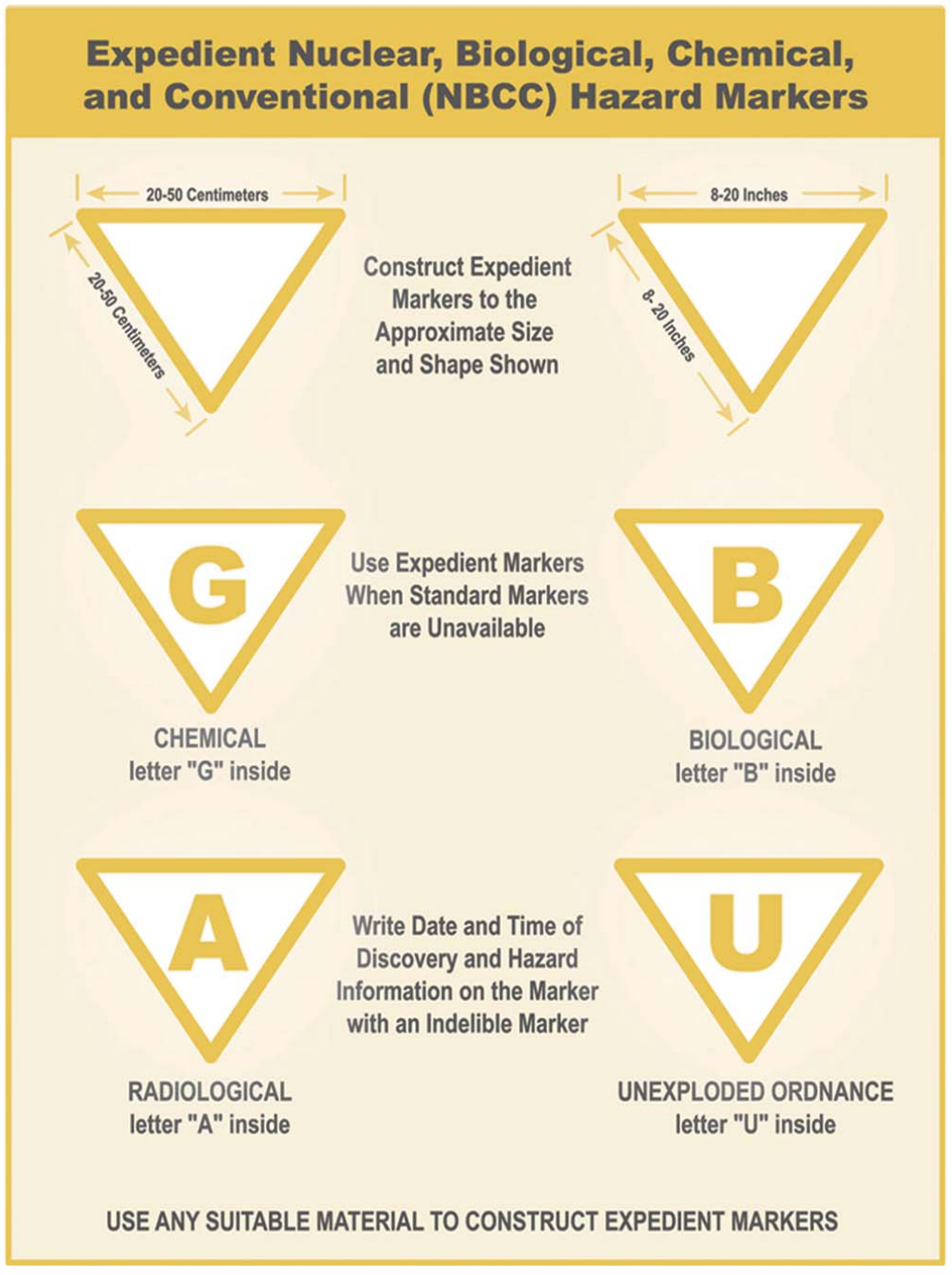
■ Keep decon powder out of eyes, cuts and wounds
■ Use water to wash powder out of eyes, cuts and wounds
■ Avoid inhalation of decon powder

Immediate level of chemical decontamination

As soon as contamination is suspected or detected on an individual's skin, personal clothing, equipment or frequently touched surfaces, M291 and M295 will minimize casualties, save lives and help limit contamination exposure.

Know contamination markings





MUDBUGS tickets

MUDBUGS

$8 each

Homes Games are Played at the CenturyTel Center in Bossier

UPCOMING HOME GAMES

February 3 - Corpus Christi Rayz
February 5 - Austin Ice Bats
February 11 - New Mexico Scorpions
February 12 - Memphis RiverKings

Gifts & Getaways

located in the BX Mall
318.456.1866

2D SERVICES events & activities

Event Highlights

Valentine's Dinner for 2
Valentine's Dinner for 2 will be held at the Barksdale Club on February 14. Reservations are required.
See page B

Hold'em Card Tournament
The Barksdale Club is hosting a Hold'em Card Tournament on February 4 at 6:30pm.
See page B

Link Up To Golf Workshops
Beginning March 15, Link Up To Golf Workshops will be held each Saturday at the Fox Run Golf Course.
See page C

Push Mower Specials
Daily push mower specials are available at Equipment Rental.
See page D

Flight Instruction
The Aero Club is offering introductory flight instruction.
See page E

Before & After School Care
Quality before & after school care is offered to children ages 5-12.
See page F

Trash -N- Treasures Alley
Barksdale's ultimate garage sale takes place at the Arts & Crafts Center parking lot on February 19.
See page G

Canton Trade Days Trip
Gifts & Getaways is hosting a trip to Canton Trade Days on February 5.
See page G

The Barksdale Club • 456-4926

Frank's - Coming Soon

Frank's Soups, Salads & Subs on Toasted Buns is coming soon. It will be located in the Club building where Uncle Louie's once resided. It will feature a wide variety of hot and cold sandwiches and specialty salads made for those of you with limited time. Watch for more details.

Membership Night

The Barksdale Club will be hosting a membership night on Wednesday, February 23 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Join us at the club for a night of fun and non-stop excitement.

Prime Rib For 2

Grab a buddy and join us at the Barksdale Club on Saturdays for Prime Rib for 2. Two entrees cost only $19.95 for members and $24.95 for non-members. If you're flying solo, you can still enjoy succulent prime rib. The cost is only $12.95 for members and $15.95 for non-members.

Mongolian Barbeque

Join us at the Barksdale Club on Wednesday, February 9 for Mongolian barbeque night. For all you can eat Mongolian, the cost is only $14.95. If you'd prefer to pay for your meal by the ounce the cost is only $ .50 per ounce (to-go orders).

New Menu - 10% Off

To introduce the new menu, members will receive 10 percent off their meal on Fridays. It's never too late to become a member and take advantage of these savings. Stop by the Barksdale Club to apply!

Sunday Brunch

Join us for Sunday Brunch from 10:30am until 1:30pm at the Barksdale Club. Brunch is open to all ranks and features a carving station, made-to-order omelets, a fresh salad and fruit bar, a dessert bar, lunch entrees and the traditional breakfast favorites. The cost is only $12.95 for adults, $5.95 for children 5 to 11 years and free for children under 5 years.

Super Bowl Party

Join us at the Enlisted Lounge on Sunday, February 6 for an all ranks Super Bowl party. Take advantage of the 6 for $10 buckets of beer and $1 hotdogs. You could even win a big screen TV. Designated drivers will receive sodas free of charge.

BIG BINGO WINNER!

Club Manager Paul Gotshall presents a check to Airman Mary Keith, winner of the record $1,700 jackpot on November 18.

ALL RANKS
Bingo Mania
$900 PROGRESSIVE CASH JACKPOT
Plus Prizes & 5 Minute Shopping Spree
Thursdays at the Barksdale Club
Buffet & Early Bird Bingo - 5:30pm
Bingo Mania - 6:30pm
Bingo scheduled for Thursday, February 17 will be held on Wednesday, February 16.

BAR BINGO
$500 CASH NIGHTLY JACKPOT
Monday - Friday at 7pm
Enlisted Lounge

Sweetheart Dinner for 2
Mon, 14 Feb
5:30-8:30pm
Ceasar Salad, Prime Rib & Shrimp Au Tel,
Baby Seasoned Potatoes, Fresh Lemon Broccoli,
Chocolate Cherry Tart, Wine
$39.95 member couple
$45.95 non-member per couple
Call to make reservations today!
318.746.2205

all-ranks Hold'em Card TOURNAMENT
Friday, February 4
Barksdale Club • Limited Entry
Sign In 6pm • Games 6:30pm
Player's Buffet $10
Play for Free with Purchase of Buffet

Arts & Crafts • 456-3140

Pottery Classes

Anyone 15 years or older can learn to make pottery at the Arts & Crafts Center. Classes are taught every Thursday from 5:00 to 7:00pm. Learn basic and advanced pottery making skills. Instruction is individualized. The cost is $8.50 plus supplies. Call or stop by the Arts & Crafts Center for details.

Children's Art Class

The Arts & Crafts Center holds children's art classes every Thursday from 4:30 to 5:30pm. The cost is $2 and up, depending on the project, and all participants will receive hands on instruction. Children ages 5 to 12 are invited to attend. Reservations are required by Tuesday of each week. Call 456-3140 to sign up.

Consignment Opportunity

Art, crafts, pottery & handmade items are needed to sell in the Arts & Crafts Center . If you are interested in consigning your work, we will display it for you. We'll even handle the transaction. A 20% fee will be charged and you will keep 80% of the sale! If you're interested in learning more about this opportunity, contact the Arts & Crafts Center at 456-3140.

Woodworking Classes

Classes are offered at 6:00pm at the Wood Craft Shop in the Arts & Crafts Center to teach the proper use of equipment and basic woodworking skills. During this course, you will build a three shelf bookcase that is yours to keep. The cost is $65 and includes all materials. Pre-payment is required and may be paid at the Arts & Crafts Center. Space is limited so make your reservation today!

Framing Classes

Learn to matte and frame various artwork and certificates. Classes are taught by experienced instructors at 5:00pm on Tuesday, February 8; Thursday, February 10 & Tuesday, February 15. Students can bring a picture suitable for framing not exceeding 11" x 17" in size or purchase a print from our large selection upon arrival. Call 456-3140 for more information or to reserve your seat.

Scrapbooking Classes

Learn the art of preserving memories at the Arts & Crafts Center's scrapbooking class on Thursday, February 3. Additional classes will be held on the first Thursday of each month. Call 456-3140 for more details.

Trash & Treasures ALLEY
Arts & Crafts Center
Saturday, February 19
10:00am - 4:00pm
$30 for space
$15 for tented space
Clean out your attic and turn your trash & treasures into cash!
456-3140

Gifts & Getaways • 456-1866

Spring Break Teen Trip

Spring is just around the corner and with it comes the well awaited spring break vacation. Give your teen a trip to remember filled with non-stop thrills at Six Flags in Arlington, TX. The trip kicks off on March 26 and Gifts & Getaways has the tickets. Call 456-1866 for more information or to book this trip.

Texas Rangers Autographs

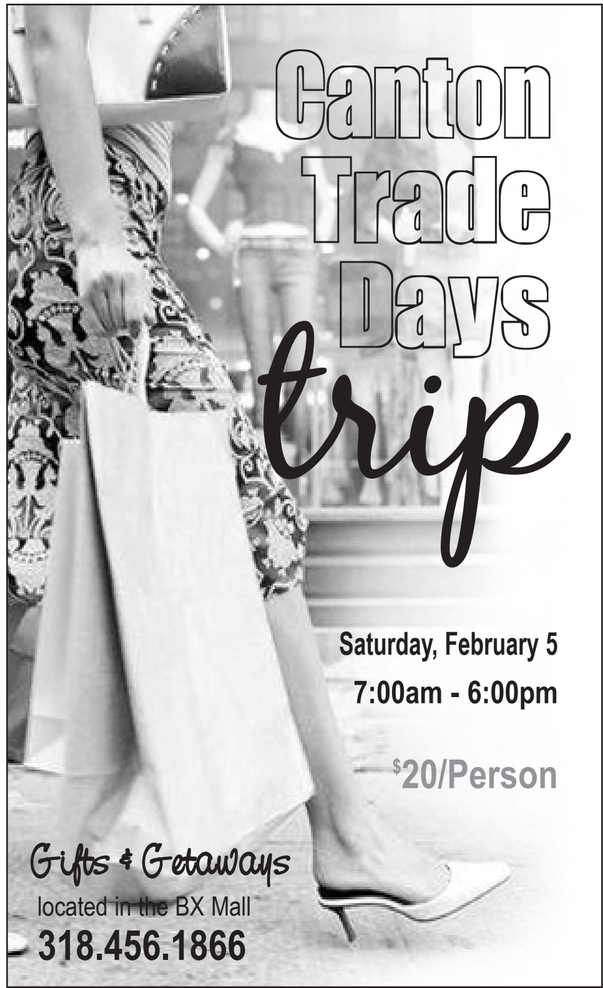
Stop by Gifts & Getaways on Saturday, January 29 to meet the Texas Rangers. They will be signing autographs from 1:00pm to 3:00pm so don't forget to bring your cherished mementos to be autographed.

Miss Saigon Little Theatre

Get your discount tickets to "Miss Saigon," Broadway's classic love story, playing at Shreveport's Strand Theater. The show runs from Saturday, March 12 to Sunday, March 13. Stop by the Strand Box Office and ask for the military discount.

Robert Trent Jones Golf

Barksdale is the only place to get military discounts on Robert Trent Jones golf! Play award winning courses all over Alabama for as little as $38, which includes green fee and cart rental. Custom group packages and discounts on lodging are also available. Call Mary Baker at 456-5594.



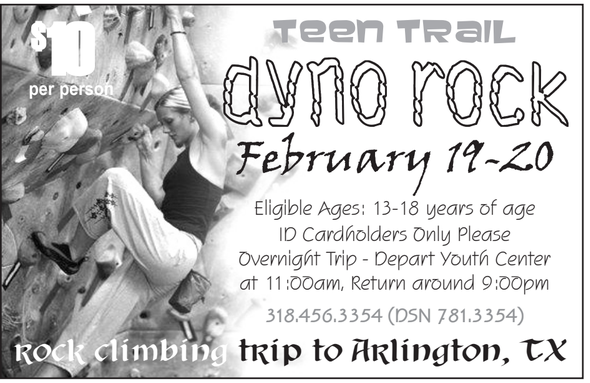
Youth Center • 456-3448

SPORTS BOOK OF RECORDS 2005

Youth Ages 5 - 12
Sat., February 19 - 10am

BAFB YOUTH CENTER
456-3448

Sit-Ups, Push-Ups, Jump Rope, Jump 'N Reach, Jumping Jacks, Crab Walk, 1 Minute Free Throw



$10 per person

TEEN TRAIL

dyno rock

February 19-20

Eligible Ages: 13-18 years of age
ID Cardholders Only Please
Overnight Trip - Depart Youth Center at 11:00am, Return around 9:00pm
318.456.3354 (DSN 781.3354)

rock climbing trip to Arlington, TX

Dance

dance dance dance YOURSELF SILLY

TEEN DANCE
Fri., Feb. 11
8pm - 12am
Ages 13 - 18
$3/Members
$5/Non-Members

SWEETIE PIE DANCE
Sat., Feb. 12
7pm - 10pm
Ages 9 - 12
$3/Members
$5/Non-Members
Sign up by Feb. 11

Fitness Center • 456-4135

Aerobics schedule

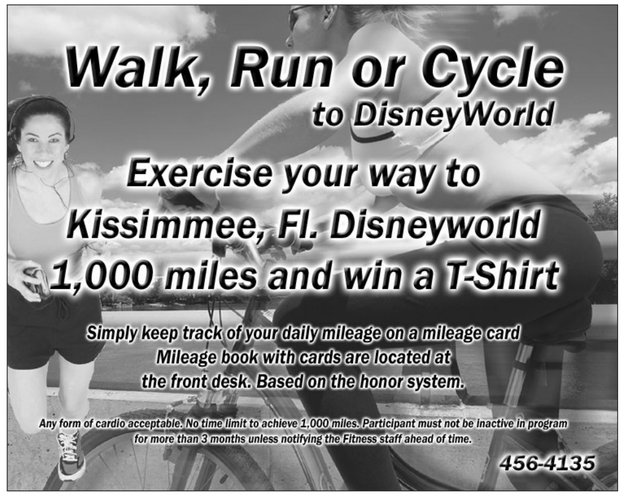
monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday
11:00am STEP AEROBICS Kathryn	11:00am BODY SCULPTING Kathryn	11:00am SPORTS CONDITIONING Kathryn	11:00am BODY SCULPTING Kathryn	11:00am STEP AEROBICS Kathryn
12:00pm CARDIO DANCE & KICK Patrick		12:00pm CARDIO DANCE & KICK Patrick	3:30pm CIRCUIT TRAINING Byron	
			4:00pm CARDIO DANCE & KICK Patrick	4:00pm CARDIO DANCE & KICK Patrick
	5:00pm POWER PUMP Nora		5:00pm SPIN Kathryn	

There will be no aerobics classes on UTE days or holidays.
* Classes are subject to change.

barksdale fitness center · 709 langley rd. · 318.456.2983

Barksdale AFB SERVICES Combat Support & Community Service
Fitness & Sports

Walk, Run or Cycle to DisneyWorld



Exercise your way to Kissimmee, Fl. Disneyworld 1,000 miles and win a T-Shirt

Simply keep track of your daily mileage on a mileage card
Mileage book with cards are located at the front desk. Based on the honor system.

Any form of cardio acceptable. No time limit to achieve 1,000 miles. Participant must not be inactive in program for more than 3 months unless notifying the Fitness staff ahead of time.

456-4135

Quality
Before & After School Care

Accredited by the National Afterschool Association.

Ages 5 - 12 are Eligible
Hourly care will be available on February 1

Develops and enhances self-help and basic life skills through arts and crafts, dramatic play, high yield learning activities, homework assistance & field trips

For more info, call Ms. Davis or Ms. JR at 456-3448

Fox Run Golf Course • 456-2263

SCOTCH DOUBLES
Sunday, February 20 • 12:30pm
2 Person Scramble
Cookout Follows Play
$5 Plus Fees

TERRIBLE TWO'S
Saturday, February 26 • 12:30pm
2 Person Best-Ball
Only 2 clubs and 1 Putter Per Player
$10 Plus Fees

PAR 3 TOURNAMENT
Saturday, March 19 • 8:30am
4 Person Scramble
All Par 3's
$10 Plus Fees

SCOTCH DOUBLES
Sunday, March 27 • 12:30pm
2 Person Scramble
Cookout Follows Play
$5 Plus Fees

upcoming golf tournaments

Link Up To Golf Workshops

Link Up To Golf, a PGA sponsored workshop and series of classes, is coming to Fox Run Golf Course on Saturday, March 5 and will continue every Saturday throughout the year. The program includes professional instruction on golf fundamentals including etiquette and procedures, equipment, course management, swing lessons and actual course time. The fee is $99 per person and includes six lessons - two of which will be an "on course" experience. This is an opportunity you won't want to miss.

Beat The Crowd, Golf On Mondays

The intramural golf season has ended and the course is now open for play every Monday afternoon starting at 12:00pm. Mondays are less crowded than the rest of the week so it's a great time to get in a quick round. It's also a good time for those of you who are just starting out. Stop by the Golf Course for one of the lunch specials and enjoy a round of golf.

Fox Run Pro Shop Specials

Now is the perfect time to purchase those irons you've been eyeing. The Fox Run Pro Shop has put John Daly Complete Sets & Nomad Irons 3-PW on sale for unbelievably low prices. For John Daly Compete Sets which includes woods, irons, putter and a bag, you pay only $229. For Nomad Irons 3-PW with your choice of steel or graphite shafts, you pay only $129. Hurry to the Pro Shop today and catch the sales prices while they last.

Construction Completion Dates

The estimated completion date of the new building is projected for September 11, 2005. The demolition of the old building and installation of a new parking lot and entrance road is estimated to be completed by February 8, 2006. During the construction, please use caution near these areas and be aware of the construction trucks and equipment around you. Also, we ask for your patience as some of our parking will no longer be available.

Red River Dining • 456-8367

Superbowl Party at Red River Dining

Sunday, February 6 · 5pm

Half Time Raffle - Super Bowl Plates

For more details, call 456-8367

ROBERT TRENT JONES GOLF TRAIL

take a trip...

Gifts & Getaways

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USAF SERVICES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22
BOSSIER CIVIC CENTER

Call Glen Martin at 456-4681 for details!

Outdoor Recreation • 456-7765

Paintball Extravaganza

Calling all paintball fanatics! Grab your guns and get ready to experience some serious paintball fun. There will be two sessions of open paintball each lasting approximately three hours on Saturday, February 5; Saturday, March 5 & Saturday, May 14 on the East side paintball range. The cost is $12 per person which includes the rental of gun and mask, CO2 refills and 100 paintballs. Additional paint is available at 100 for $4 and 500 for $15. For more information or to schedule private paintball parties, call 456-7765.

Bike Across Barksdale

Ride the beautiful Barksdale bike path from the ball fields to the Outdoor Recreation office on Saturday, February 19. The group will depart from the parking lot in between the softball fields and the museum planes at 9:00am. The cost is $20 per person which includes an event t-shirt and lunch. There will be barbeque for lunch followed by the ride back to either the main base or the Big Tree hiking trail depending on who is up for a challenge. Drink stations will be provided along the route. Call 456-7765 for details.

Library • 456-4101

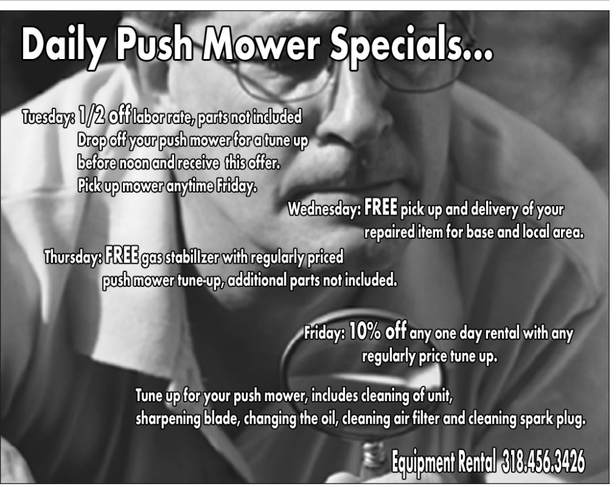
Free To Read Open House

The base library is holding "Free to Read" open house on Tuesday, February 1 at 1:00pm to kick off the new Adult Reading Program and call attention to almost 3,000 new literature. Participants will receive a certificate and a special bookmark after the completion of reading or listening to six books in six weeks. Call 456-4101 for more information.

Go-Live With Sirs.net

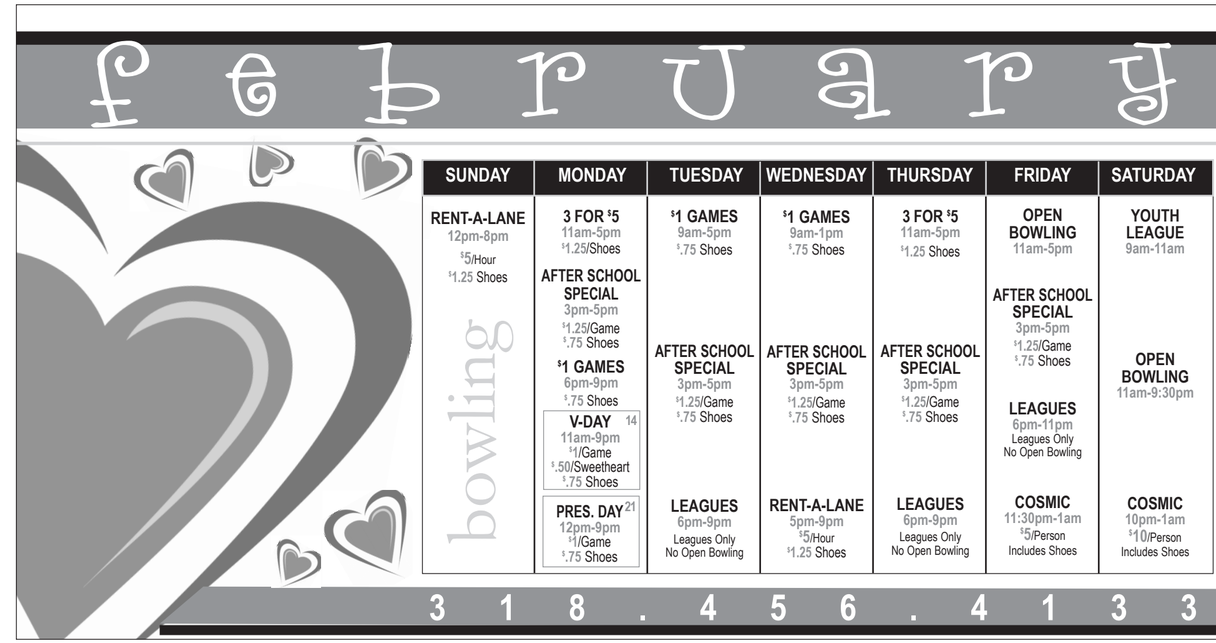
The base library will be going live with Sirs.net on Monday, February 14. To improve the library's computing environment, various changes will be taking place over the next month. The present twelve workstations will expand to seventeen public units. The computer lab will consist of all new computers with flat screens and improved internet connection.

Equipment Rental • 456-3426



JOB LINE
318.456.1274
- or -
view the current job openings online at www.barksdaleservices.com

Bowling Center • 456-4133



Aero Club • 456-8179

Take Advantage Of This Offer And Start Flying For $49, Plane And Simple.

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FLIGHT TRAINING CENTER

Have you always wanted to fly but thought it was financially out of reach?
For many, flying never goes beyond a folded piece of paper. But you can make the dream a reality for yourself or someone else. In as little as two months you could have your FAA Private Pilot Certificate, all at a fraction of the price you would pay elsewhere. This program is open to active duty, retired military or DoD civilian employees and their families. So if you, or that special someone, have ever yearned for the wild blue yonder ... put that paper airplane down and experience the real thing. Start flying now for $49.

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