

GULF DEFENDER



In brief

MPF appointments

The 325th Military Personnel Flight/Personnel Relocations Section (Outbound, Formal Training, Retirements and Separations) has initiated an appointment system. Appointment hours will be from 7:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 8:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Appointments can be made by calling 283-2244 or 283-4144. Walk-ins are still welcome. Walk-in hours are 1-4 p.m. everyday. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Jerome Jackson at 283-2244.

Wood Manor sewer project update

The 325th Civil Engineer Squadron will be working on the sewer system in Wood Manor, beginning late August. There will be further guidance and instructions on fliers placed throughout Wood Manor. Work is scheduled to begin at Star Circle between units 3130 and 3131, then proceed to Lift Station No. 11. If you experience problems, or have concerns, call Huey Moore at 283-4206

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Airman 1st Class Sarah McDowell

Presidential greeting

Brig. Gen. Jack Egginton, 325th Fighter Wing commander, bids farewell to President George Bush, moments before the commander-in-chief departed from Tyndall aboard Air Force One Tuesday. The president spent the day in several Northwest Florida cities during his campaign visit.

Air Force announces E-5 promotion rates

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — The Air Force has selected 13,625 of 33,306 eligible senior airmen for promotion to staff sergeant, a 40.91 percent selection rate.

The Air Force will release the promotion list at 1400Z Aug. 11. The complete list of selectees will be posted to the Air Force Personnel Center's web page, www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom/, by 6 p.m. central time Aug. 13.

"Certainly the Air Force has had another banner year in terms of promotion," said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Billingsley, enlisted promotions branch chief at AFPC. "The Air Force has singled out those senior airmen who have shown they are ready for the next big step in their career. This group has worked hard for their stripes and will make valuable contributions as our newest NCOs."

People who tested are expected to receive their score notices by the

end of August, allowing them to see just how their Promotion Fitness Examination and Specialty Knowledge Test scores rank against others within their Air Force Specialty Code. Each Airmen can also get an electronic copy of his or her score notice, Aug. 16, by logging into the *virtual* Military Personnel Flight at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/.

The average score for those selected was 272.33 points, with the following averages:

- 130.85 Enlisted Performance Reports
- 58.23 Promotion Fitness Exam
- 54.29 Specialty Knowledge Test
- 16.43 Time in Grade
- 10.88 Time in Service
- 0.79 Decorations

The average selectee has 1.77 years time in grade and 4.39 years in service. Those selected will be promoted to staff sergeant from September to August 2005.

Iraqi elections, forces determine coalition size

JIM GARAMONE
American Forces Press Service

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates — Elections and the status of the Iraqi security forces will determine the number of coalition forces in the country, said the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff during interviews here today.

Air Force Gen. Richard Myers said that events on the ground will set the pace for an eventual coalition withdrawal from Iraq.

Elections for a constitutional assembly are now set for December or January.

Those will be followed by elections for a per-

manent government in 2006.

In the meantime, the Iraqi security forces are being built up. General Myers said the equipment for the Iraqi army, National Guard, police and border patrol is flowing into the country this month and next.

"So by the end of this year — certainly by next June — Iraqi security forces will be reasonably well-trained, well-equipped, well-led, and then mentored by other coalition members," he said during an interview with Abu Dhabi Television.

General Myers said NATO — which agreed to help train the Iraqi security forces — may be involved in the mentoring effort.

The chairman said he is pleased with the progress the Iraqi security forces are making. About 240,000 Iraqis are serving in the country's security forces.

Training them is a very important part of the mission in Iraq, General Myers said. "We're probably about halfway through that training and equipping," said he added. "It will take us some time. It will take us many months to get them to the point where they can handle the security situation."

He said Iraqi forces' performance in the re-

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Congrats to Tyndall's staff sergeant selects

CHIEF MASTER SGT. RICHARD CARGILL
325th Fighter Wing command chief

Tyndall has been fortunate so far this summer as we haven't experienced as severe a hurricane season as predicted. However, as we saw this week, storms and hurricanes can form quickly.

I want to remind all of Team Tyndall to take the time to ensure you and your family are prepared to act in the event we are threatened with hazardous weather conditions. Make sure your disaster preparation kits are up to date and contain all of the necessary items your family needs in the event we are faced with a hurricane or other natural disaster.

I value the safety and well-being of every Team Tyndall member. You are the most important part of our mission, and we all need to do whatever we can to ensure that mission is accomplished every day, including making sure we are safe.

Speaking of Team Tyndall accomplishments,

the E-5 promotion list was released Wednesday, and I want to congratulate all of Team Tyndall's staff sergeant selects. Overall, we had 212 senior airmen selected. I am inspired to see so many of

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our junior Airmen succeed — what an accomplishment! [See the list on Pages 10-11.]

While every promotion is important to Airmen, this rank marks a significant milestone in your career as you join the noncommissioned officer corps. Through your hard work, dedication and commit-

ment to the Tyndall and Air Force mission, you have earned recognition as being among the best. I wish you all the best in this new chapter of your career as you are given more responsibility, but also more opportunities to achieve excellence. Continue to strive for success, but also reach back to help those aspiring to follow your lead. You are now a role model for other Airmen. Again, Congratulations on this great achievement.

Air Force-wide there were about 13,600 of a little more than 33,000 Airmen selected for promotion for a selection rate of almost 41 percent. Team Tyndall definitely fared well, as 178 of our 423 eligible Airmen were selected for a rate of 42 percent.

A promotion celebration for our selectees takes place at 3:30 p.m. today in The Zone at the Tyndall Enlisted Club. I encourage everyone to come out and congratulate our newest staff sergeants on their achievement!

Have a great weekend!

Perception is everything, communication is key

COL. JIM HOUGAS JR.
5th Medical Group commander

MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, N.D. (AFPN) — Have you ever been in a conversation where all was going well, then all of the sudden another's eyes glare at you as if you had just insulted their mother?

I had one of those “Maalox moments” while deployed to Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia, a few years back.

New to the area of responsibility, in the middle of morning stand up, the wing commander noticed the “pegged fun meter” patch on my flight suit. I was asked to remove it on the spot and sternly reminded that no one, especially one in a leadership position, should ever wear a morale drainer like that.

Offline, he explained my patch conveyed to him a malignant at-

titude of “if you think today is bad, don't expect it to improve anytime soon.” No wonder he hit me with that laser cannon stare. Embarrassed, I explained my genuinely intended sentiment was “Bring it on! I'm primed and eager to tackle any challenge.” One patch, two diametrically opposed interpretations.

How often do you think this type of miscommunication occurs in your unit? While hopefully not as dramatic as my example, I suspect it happens more often than we realize.

Effective communication is a two-way street. When speaking, is your intended message getting through? Do you have mannerisms that detract from or confuse that intent? When listening, do you focus on the speaker, or are the words just going in one ear and out the other? Do you ask for clarification when not sure of what was just

said? More importantly, if offended by something just said, do you take the initiative to ask that person (in a nonconfrontational manner, of course) what he or she really meant, or do you just stew about what you think you heard?

Here a few tips that helped me become a more effective communicator and leader.

— Start with your own winning attitude. Be a source of “positive waves.” Every day is a great day, but recognize some days are more fun than others.

— Smile genuinely. In health care, our mantra is “Nobody cares what you know until they know that you care.” A warm, engaging smile shows people you are happy to see them and ready to listen.

— Don't take yourself too seriously. Good-natured humor helps keep the shop loose, but never at another's expense.

— Address an individual by name and shake his or her hand when you can. Open, receptive body language is critical. With arms unfolded, sit or stand at his or her level, make solid eye contact and nod your understanding of what is said. Watch the body language of those you speak to so you're sure their perceptions and reactions mirror your intent. Address any mismatches on the spot.

Walk this talk every day, and those around you will trust you. Clear and focused multilateral communication will inspire teamwork, and your shop will hum like a finely tuned engine. Even better, you and your Airmen will be prepared for success even on those occasional days that aren't as much fun.

Now, flash me one of your million-dollar smiles and let's get down to business. Your country is depending on you.

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Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or facility managers.

If you're not satisfied with the response or you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For fraud, waste and abuse calls, you should talk to the 325th Fighter Wing Inspector General's Office, 283-4646.

Calls concerning energy abuse should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.



BRIG. GEN. JACK EGGINTON
325th Fighter Wing commander

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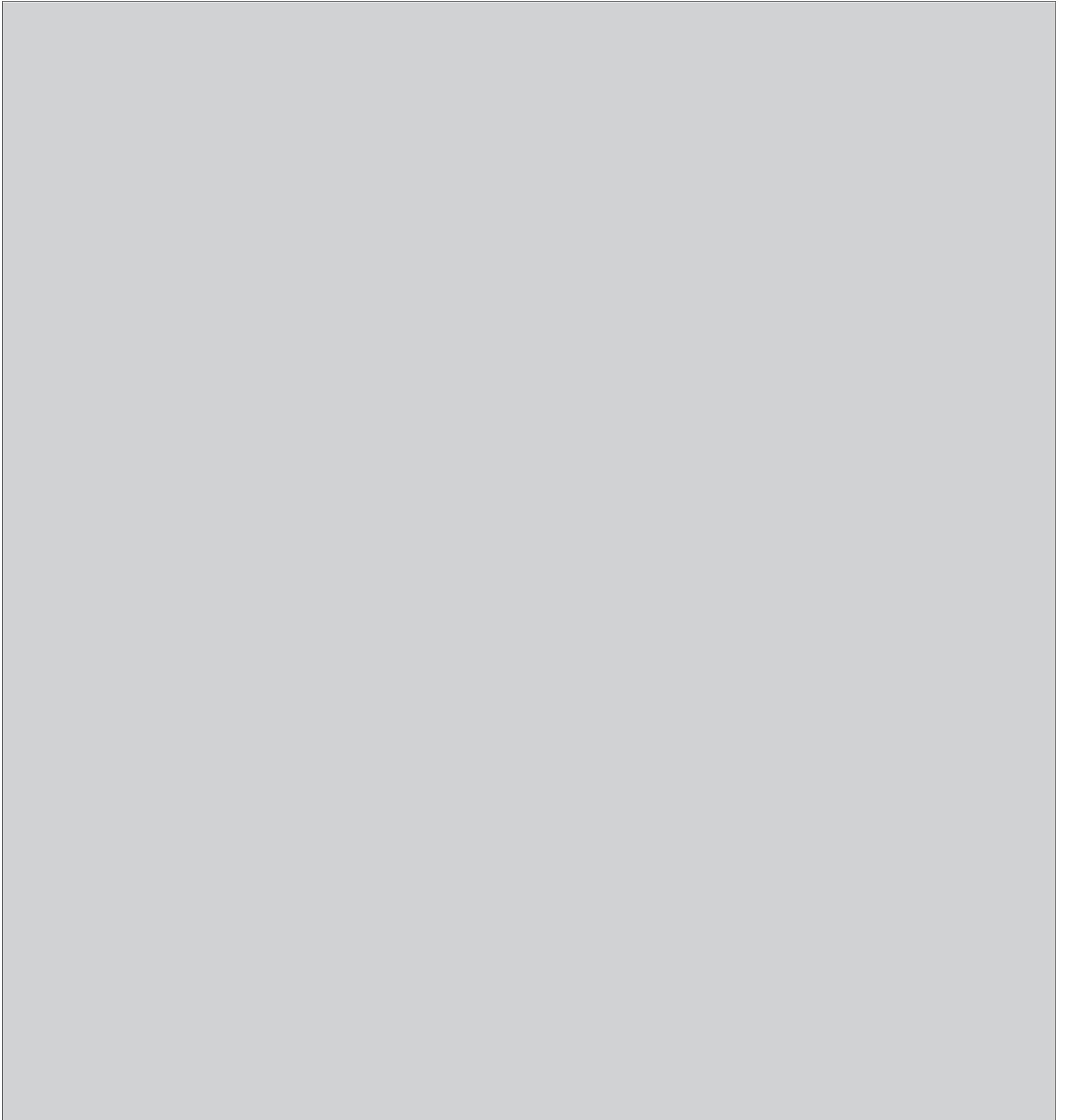
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Air Force approves humanitarian medal for OEF



During the operation, hundreds of Airmen participated in packaging and delivering nearly 2.5 million individual humanitarian daily rations that were airdropped to beleaguered Afghans.

The medal recognizes this and other humanitarian operations that took place Oct. 7, 2001, to May 31, 2002.

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — The Air Force has authorized the Humanitarian Service Medal for certain people who supported Operation Enduring Freedom.

To qualify for the medal, Airmen must have been individually assigned or attached to a unit participating in the humanitarian efforts and

must have directly participated in the relief actions. The actions must have affected lo-

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cations within the land area, airspace, or waters of Afghanistan, Uzbekistan, Pakistan, Gulf of Oman, or the Arabian Sea, designated as 20 degrees north latitude and west of 68 degrees longitude.

Other Airmen, such as aircrews, who may be approved are those who were in direct support of OEF humanitarian operations from

U.S. locations, or deployed overseas and were assigned to or working from one of the following locations: the Combined Air Operations Center, Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia; the Regional Air Movement Control Center, Al Udeid, Qatar; the 437th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron or 37th Airlift Squadron, Ramstein Air Base, Germany; the 351st Air Refueling Squadron, Royal Air Force Mildenhall, England; the 2nd Space Operations Squadron, Falcon Air Force Base, Colo.; the 315th Airlift Wing, Charleston AFB, S.C.; or the 62nd and 446th Airlift Wings, McChord AFB, Wash.

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cent violence has been encouraging. "I will say with the recent increase in violence in Iraq, that the Iraqi security forces have acquitted themselves quite well," he noted. "They have performed very, very well in ... Najaf and Mosul and Baghdad."

This is in contrast to the uneven performance of Iraqi security forces in April, when some police and National Guard units fought well, but others simply melted away when faced with superior firepower.

While the violence inspired by radical Shiia cleric Muqtada al-Sadr and his militia is disturbing, the threat to Iraq remains in the so-called "Sunni Triangle," which runs from Baghdad to Fallujah to Tikrit and back through Baqubah and Samarra.

General Myers said the Iraqi interim government has to deal with a number of basic questions in this area.

"How do you ensure that the people in that area feel like they are enfranchised in

the political process?" he asked.

He said Prime Minister Ayad Allawi is working the political portion to include Iraqis in the region who have no truck with terrorism and are just looking for a way to raise their families in safety.

"How do we secure cities for the people who don't want this insurgency to be going on around them?" General Myers asked. "That's where the coalition forces come in, because we're going to have to help the Iraqi security forces for some time to maintain that security."

General Myers said Marines are in Najaf to protect the city's inhabitants. Sadr's militia has fired mortars indiscriminately in the

city and killed many innocent civilians. "They are not very careful fighters, and they have to be dealt with," he said. "And they are being dealt with by coalition forces."

How Sadr is dealt with politically is up to the Iraqi interim government, he said. "(Sadr)

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GEN. RICHARD MYERS
Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff

seems to have a very difficult time making up his mind what he wants to do," General Myers said, "whether he wants to lead a militia and fight progress in Iraq, or whether he wants to join the political process and be-

come a part of the new Iraq."

The chairman said that despite the insecurity in Iraq today, the life of the average Iraqi is better than it was under Saddam Hussein. "Here we have a country that has

a media that reports on everything, and the beginnings of a political dialog," he said. "(These are) things that could have never happened under the Saddam regime. I'm very proud of what we're responsible for, and what I'm proud of is we freed 25 million people to choose their own way forward."

Still, the chairman said, it will be a challenge in Iraq. "There are those who do not want progress," he explained. "There are those who want to go back to the way it was under Saddam Hussein. They are going to have to be dealt with both politically and, in many cases, with force. And we're going to do that."

General Myers said this is a tough enough challenge without neighbors trying to influence Iraqis. "It means that those countries that are its neighbors – Syria and Iran come to mind – need to stay out of the internal affairs of the Iraqis," he said. "They need to let Iraq handle this challenge and make its way to a new future."

Reaching back to say thanks: Airmen hit bulls-eye with students

SENIOR AIRMAN
THOMAS VAN HORN
506 Expeditionary Contracting Squadron

(Editor's note: Senior Airman Paul Szymanski is a member of the 325th Contracting Squadron here currently deployed to Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq.)

KIRKUK AIR BASE, Iraq – Students returning to school in Panama City, Fla., will have a little something extra in their desks this year: postcards courtesy of some caring Krabtown Warriors.

Students of the Episcopal School in Panama City ended the last school year by sending notes of support and encouragement to troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan in the War on Terror. Some of those encouraging messages reached Krabtown and were posted in the dining facility and modern living areas.

Senior Airman Paul Szymanski, a contracting specialist from Tyndall Air Force Base, happened to

notice one in the DFAC and was immediately reminded of another special student.

“My son Joseph had sent several of these ‘Dear Soldier’ letters during class projects at school, but had never received a response,” said Airman Szymanski. “I used to send him postcards so he knew I appreciated his thoughtfulness and caring, so I started thinking about what it would take to respond to the Episcopal School students.”

As it turns out, all he needed was a good game of darts.

“I entered a Super Darts contest at the Clamtina one Saturday and was lucky enough to win a cash prize,” he said. “I knew exactly what I would do with the money.”

From there, Paul put his money where his heart is.

“Paul bought postcards from the base exchange and enlisted the help of a few friends to make sure



Tech. Sgt. Joan Anderson-Brown

Tech. Sgt. Jessie Castillo, Jr. and Senior Airman Katherine Heise of the 506th Expeditionary Communications Squadron, help Senior Airman Paul Szymanski fill out post cards headed for 4th and 5th grade students of the Episcopal School in Panama City, Fla. The students sent “Dear Soldier” letters to Kirkuk Air Base in June.

the kids knew their messages were heard and appreciated,” said Master Sgt. Brian Stricker, 506th ECONS superintendent. “It’s an awesome gesture that will mean a lot to the 4th and 5th graders.”

Tech. Sgt. Jessie Castillo, Jr., Senior Airman Katherine Heise, and other members of the 506th Expeditionary Communications Squadron joined the effort, and together they

answered 33 students, by name, with the postcards.

“We couldn’t have done it without the expertise of Master Sgt. Sandra Thornton, who was able to track down the school and addresses we needed to pull it off,” said Airman Szymanski. “She provided the assistance we needed to help the students realize the great impact that can be had from a small gesture of the heart.”

Questions about career options?

Call Senior Master Sgt. Jeffrey Kahapea, 325th Fighter Wing career assistance advisor, for answers to retraining or special duty questions at 283-2222.



PRC aids in accountability of Air Force members

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — As the busiest time of the 2004 hurricane season begins; Air Force Personnel Center officials here are reminding Airmen that the Personnel Readiness Center can assist them when natural disasters strike.

In the event personnel are evacuated or communications are impaired, the PRC acts as a central point of contact to pass on information from an installation's commander to his or her people — even as individuals evacuate with their families, and may be separated from their units.

The PRC is charged with coordinating an Air Force response to emergencies and natural disasters with 24-hour operations during crisis situations.

“Evacuated members are encouraged to contact us and provide their

safe haven address, phone, etc...,” said Master Sgt. Eric Barnes, non-commissioned officer in charge of the deployed operations section at AFPC. “We are then able to give the members any update we have about their home station — information such as hurricane conditions, evacuation status and instructions regarding their return to duty.”

To aid in the accountability of Air Force people, the PRC creates database files for all personnel assigned to an installation threatened by a natural disaster and updates the data with the member's location, emergency number and other pertinent information when the member calls the PRC.

In emergencies, members can reach the PRC toll free at (800) 435-9941, DSN 665-2020 or commercial (210) 565-2020.

Communication is vital during a hurricane; know who to call



Contingency information line: (877) 529-5540 — This toll-free number is used to disseminate critical information during contingencies such as hurricanes. Use the contingency phone number to keep informed of the current status.

Duty information number: (800) 435-9941 — Use this toll-free number to contact Tyndall for return-to-duty information and status of the base.

Air Force Personnel Center: (800) 435-9941 — A military member can call this number to report their location during the evacuation and receive further instructions.

Intelligence: Critical to Raptor, Air Force mission success



Photos by Airman 1st Class Sarah McDowell

Capt. Alyssa Cowden, 325th Operations Support Squadron F-15 Formal Training Unit chief of intelligence, and Tech. Sgt. Jessie Hawley, 43rd Fighter Squadron NCO in-charge, gather information from an electronic source.

AIRMAN 1ST CLASS SARAH MCDOWELL

325th Fighter Wing public affairs

(This is the third of a four-part series highlighting the role the Raptor and Tyndall Airmen play in securing air dominance for the nation's armed services.)

Psychic ability to predict where enemy aircraft are flying is not a prerequisite to becoming an Air Force Raptor pilot, however, many pilots take to the skies with a similar capacity thanks to intelligence Airmen on the ground.

The pilots who fly the 325th Fighter Wing's F/A-22 Raptor and F-15 Eagle aircraft are armed with the weapons systems and tactics to make their combat techniques more effective, but the wing's intelligence specialists arm the pilots with something that makes them even more effective than equipment alone — knowledge.

"We brief pilots on the types of enemy aircraft and systems they are up against, which helps them mission plan and decide where to fly," said Capt. Alyssa Cowden, 325th Operations Support Squadron F-15 Formal Training Unit chief of intelligence. "Mission planning is telling the pilot where they will be able to fly so they encounter the least amount of threat."

Intelligence a pilot receives includes not only the types of threats one might encounter, but also information on adversaries, such as the kind of training the enemy may

have received. This information is gathered from various sources by the intelligence community and compiled into pre-flight briefs given to pilots before they delve into the battlespace.

"The intelligence community has different sources of information, which are open sources," said Maj. Anne Snellings, 325th Operations Support Squadron Interim In-

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CAPT. RENEE BEAVER

43rd Fighter Squadron chief of intelligence

telligence Flight commander. "We read the newspapers, listen to the radios and people talk to us. We also have human and electronic sources, such as satellites that take pictures. We tie the information together to find out what's really going on, and we pass that information on."

According to Capt. Cowden, one of the biggest intelli-

gence tools is debriefing the pilots after they return from a mission safely. The pilots are questioned on what they experienced and saw, as well as what they didn't. This helps the intelligence specialists provide the next pilot a threat assessment or sight picture.

With the F/A-22 bringing new systems and capabilities to the scene, there is more high-fidelity data to gather, which also makes the intelligence role a critical part of mission success.

"High-fidelity intelligence information is required to support the F/A-22. Numerous intelligence systems are required to support it as well as specialists who can accurately convey information and have [the clearance for] that knowledge," said Capt. Renee Beaver, 43rd Fighter Squadron chief of intelligence.

Intelligence support for the F-15 Eagle entails briefing the pilots on the threat conditions and the capabilities of enemy aircraft. But with the Raptor, the job has become more in-depth, since intelligence specialists also have to upload data, such as battlespace conditions, into the jet itself.

"The platform will eventually be able to drop bombs, which is very new to Tyndall. A lot of [transition] pilots are F-15 pilots who focus on air-to-air combat. They are now being taught [with the Raptor] about the different bombs they can drop, what targets they can prosecute and where they would need to drop their bombs," Captain Cowden said. "That is what they are focusing on now, and it has changed the intelligence support at Tyndall, we have gone to a completely different mission."

The training mission at Tyndall, which has evolved from Air Superiority to Air Dominance, is now part of a bigger picture called the Global Strike Concept of Operations. This concept teams the Raptor with the F-117 Nighthawk and the B-2 Spirit, among other platforms, for a total Air Dominance strike package.

"In future missions ... you will have three low-observable platforms operating as a team together to accomplish one mission," Captain Beaver said.

To keep these aircraft low-observable, or stealthy, it is imperative the pilot has a clear picture of the battlespace. It is the intelligence specialist's job to take all the data from all the high-fidelity information systems and condense it to brief the pilot and make sure a clear picture of the battlespace is available to keep the aircraft as low-observable as possible, Captain Beaver said.

To make sure this is done effectively, intelligence Airmen undergo a thorough training course. The training syllabus here gets the intelligence specialists prepared for operational situations, and get the pilots in training ready for operations.

Before an intelligence officer arrives at Tyndall to learn specific capabilities of the aircraft, they go through generalized training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas,

Global Strike CONOPS and the Raptor ...

- The Raptor provides the capability to kick down the door of any anti-access threat and allow the full spectrum of integrated military operations, affording around-the-clock all weather capability.

- Air Education and Training Command is responsible for training all F/A-22 maintainers, pilots and intelligence specialists who support the Raptor.

- F/A-22-specific training is accomplished at Tyndall AFB, where the mission is to train the best Air Dominance team in the World.



Courtesy photo

Aircraft of the 379th Air Expeditionary Wing and coalition counterparts fly over the desert April 14 during an Operation Iraqi Freedom mission. The F/A-22 is the key component of the Global Strike Concept of Operations. The F/A-22 intelligence community will enable Raptor pilots to enter a combat area along with other stealth platforms, such as the B-2 Spirit and F-117 Nighthawk, to prosecute enemy air and ground defenses. Follow-on aircraft will then be able to operate safely in the region.

where they learn to gather intelligence and brief pilots. Here they get the specific training on either Eagle or Raptor systems and capabilities.

Intelligence for the Raptor is in-depth knowledge beyond what is required at a technical school, according to Captain Beaver. In addition to learning the Raptor's systems and capabilities and the briefing process, Intel students also learn basic air-to-air missions, fighter and air-to-air terminology, the importance of operations and intelligence interface, and the intelligence role in support of the F/A-22 and mission planning.

"In the future, the F/A-22 will have the capability to participate in large-scale exercises. Intelligence specialists at Tyndall will set up scenarios to help pilots simulate mission planning," Captain Beaver said.

All of the information intelligence trainees learn here is very important to their knowledge and to ensuring pilots return home safely.

The ability for a pilot to be able to fly into a combat zone and know what and who is in it is vital to mission success, and intelligence personnel are the ones who give these warriors knowledge to complete mission objectives. It takes a total team effort, from pilots, maintainers and intelligence officers in order for the Raptor to provide Air Dominance, and Tyndall is where it all begins.



Capt. Renee Beaver, 43rd Fighter Squadron chief of intelligence, demonstrates an unclassified pre-flight briefing a pilot might receive concerning battlespace threats.

325th Fighter Wing congratulates Team Tyndall staff sergeant selects



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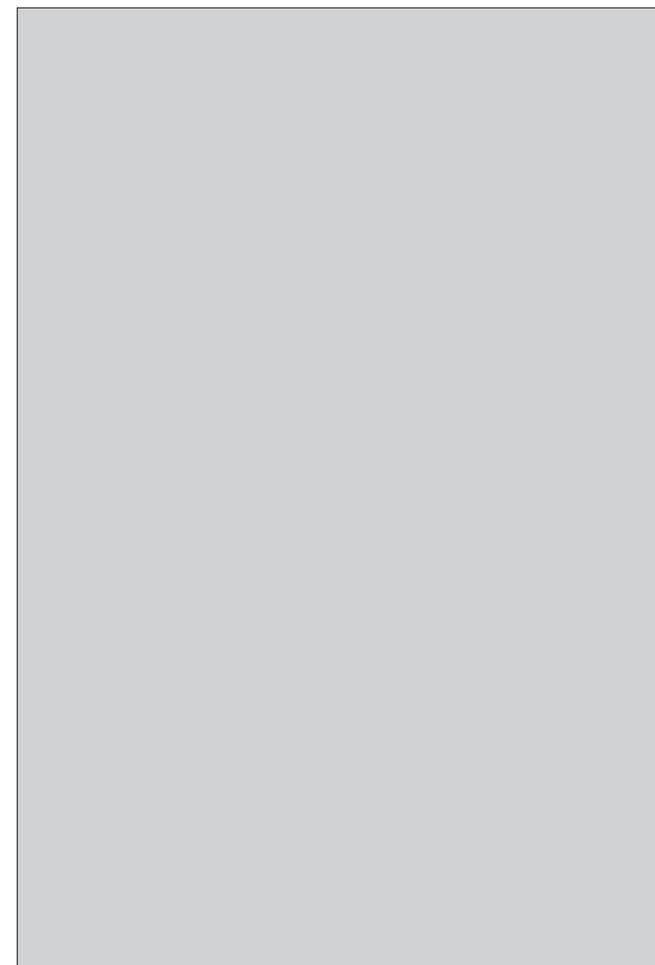
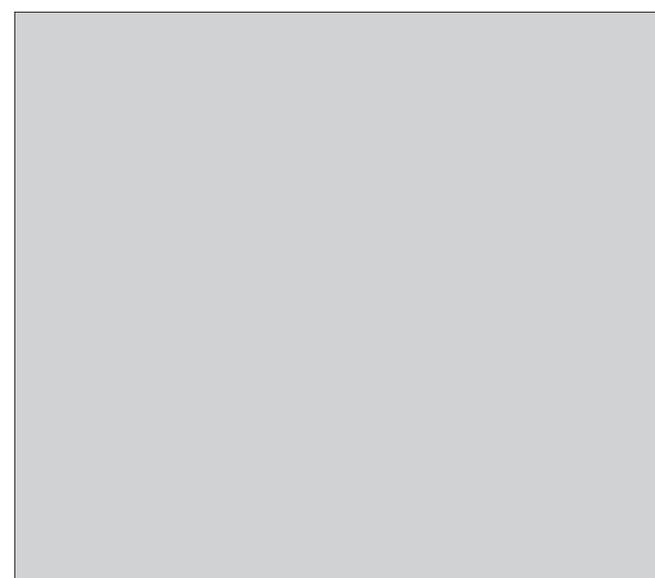
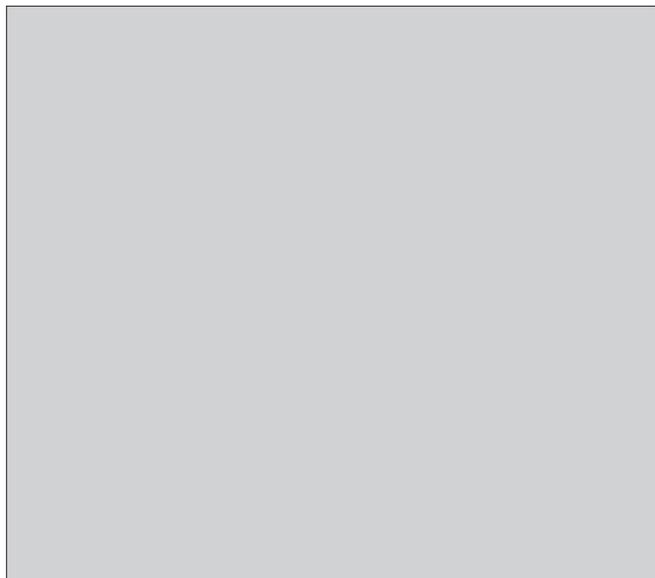
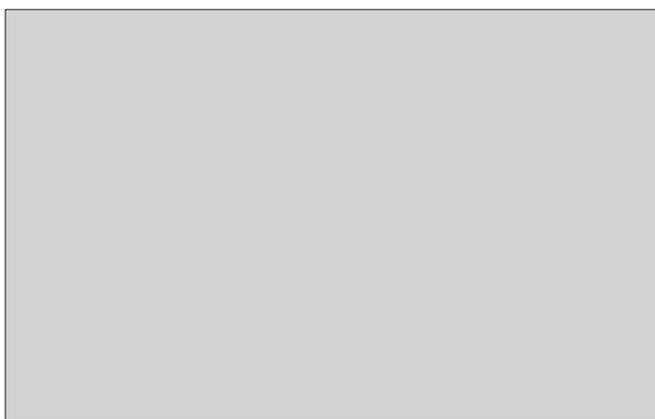
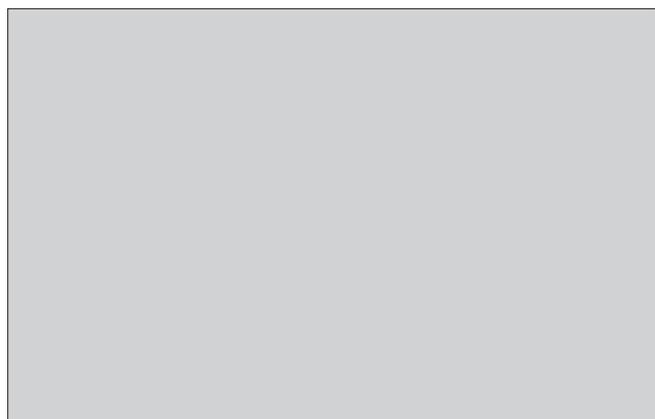
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 Renard Dabney Jr., 325th CS
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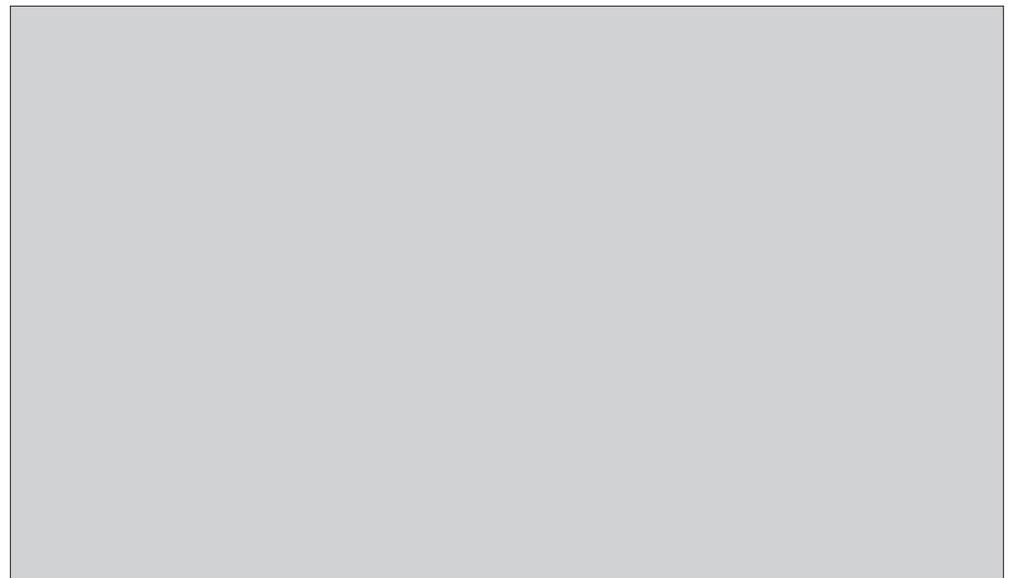
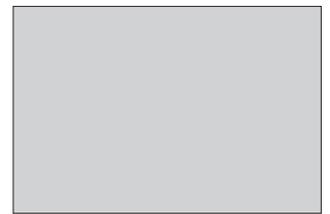
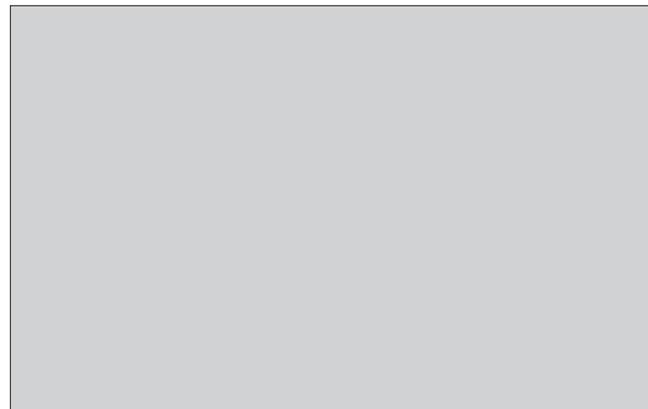
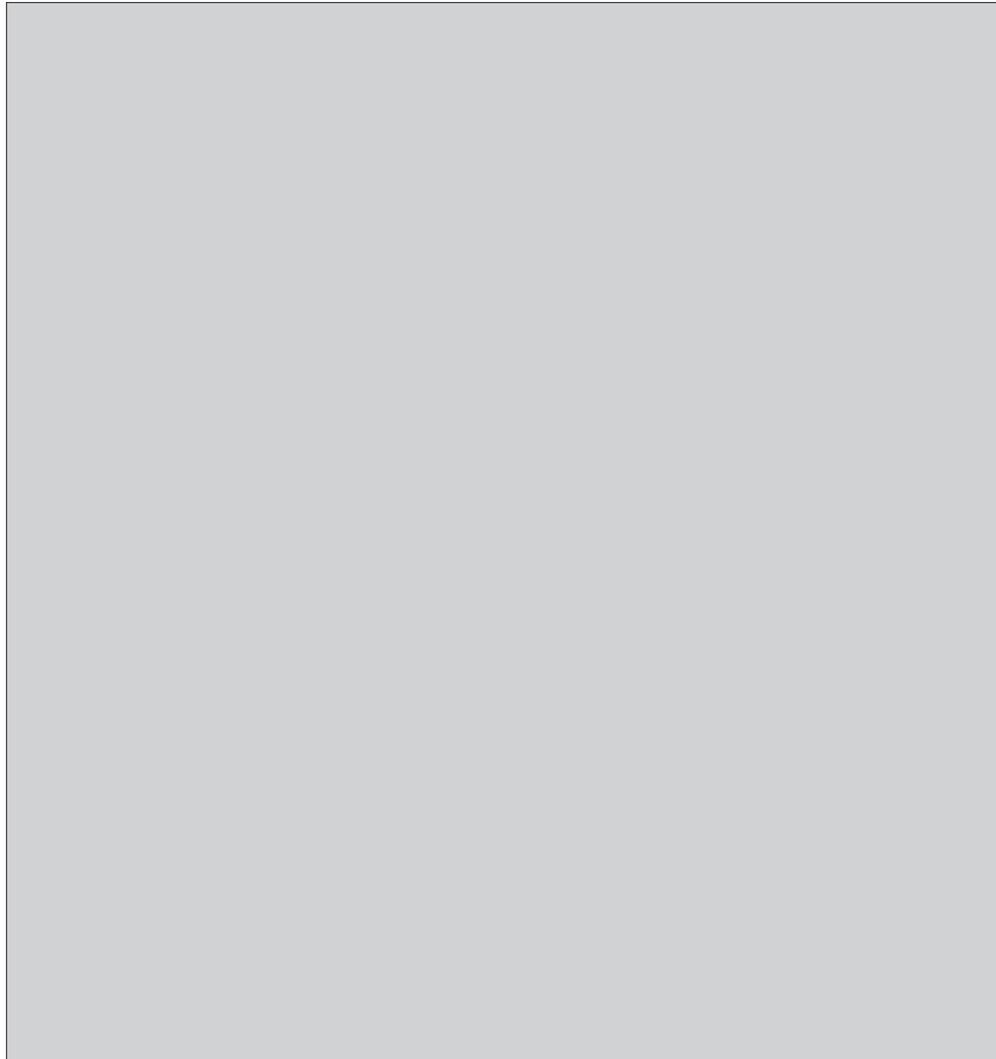
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 Jacinta Wilder, 325th ACS
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Associate Unit selects
 Peetra Allison, 81st TSS
 Jared Austin, 28th TSS
 Jason Bancroft, 82nd ATRS
 Lolenza Carson, 83rd FWS
 Crystal Cronley, 313th TRS
 Alana Fleming, 83rd FWS
 Fred Frazier III, 372nd TRS
 Shaydee Galindo, 81st TSS
 Samuel Harrington, 823rd RHS
 Althea Howes, 823rd RHS
 Jennifer Larson, 372nd TRS
 Justin Mohr, 81st TSS
 Meagan Nunez, 81st TSS
 Nicole Pelletier, 83rd FWS
 Jessica Rowland, 823rd RHS
 Lisa Rushing, 823rd RHS
 David Scarborough, 66th TRS
 Sean Scavetta, 823rd RHS
 Jeremy Wheeler, 82nd ATRS





Jim Weslowski

Newest F/A-22 Raptor arrives

Lt. Col. Michael Stapleton, 43rd Fighter Squadron director of operations, delivers the newest addition to Tyndall's F/A-22 Raptor fleet shortly after noon Aug. 5. Aircraft No. 028 was met on Tyndall's ramp by a group of pilots, maintainers and visitors eager to see the fleet grow. The squadron now has seven Raptors assigned and has flown more than 270 sorties.

Events

Tuition Assistance

Sept. 15 is the last day to submit a tuition assistance for fiscal year 2004 funding. The deadline for officer professional military education, course 12 for master sergeants and education center testing for CLEP/DSST and SAT/ACT is Sept. 23.

FishStock comes to Bay County

FishStock is scheduled to take place Aug. 21 and 22 at the Panama City Marina. A boat show and on-land festivities begin each day at noon. Fishing tournament entry forms can be picked up at the Panama City Marina or Bonita Bay. For more information contact Jim Wilson at 769-2536 or visit www.FishStock.com.

Community singing group

The Harmony Shores Chorus of Sweet Adelines International is having a membership drive at Bay County High School 7 p.m. Monday and Aug. 23. The ladies group sings at many events, both civic and social, around Panama City. The ladies' also stage an annual show for Panama City. For more information call Jennifer at 215-9955 or Joyce at 235-2677.

Anger management

The next anger management workshop series will be held 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday and Aug. 23 at Bldg. 1305

conference room. For more information or to sign up for classes, call 283-7511.

OSC special activities coffee

All are welcome to the Officers' Spouses Club Special Activities Coffee at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 24 at the O'Club. There will be many Panama City vendors and base organizations showcasing their products and services. Come to eat, learn, and make new friends. For more information, call 286-4611.

Gulf Coast Community College

The GCCC Tyndall office will be closed all day today.

Single parents support group

This lunchtime group meets at the Family Support Center classroom, Bldg. 743 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 20. The meeting will include a presentation on affordable vacations and information on creating a mentoring network for single parents. For reservations or more information, call 283-4204.

Home buying seminar

The brown-bag lunchtime class will be at the Family Support Center classroom, Bldg. 743, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Aug. 24. For reservations or more information, call 283-4204

New voucher

Effective Sept. 1 the new form 1351-2, dated July 2004 will be the only manual travel voucher the 325th Comptroller Squadron will accept for payment of temporary duty

assignments. This form must be signed by the traveling member's supervisor who must ensure members are splitting balances of their government travel card to their GTC and making sure all information is accurate and proper for payment. All prior forms will be returned to the member for filing with the new voucher. For more information, call 283-2942

Reunion celebration

A reunion celebration for military members and their families who deployed in support of the Global War on Terrorism, is scheduled for Aug. 27-29 at the Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort, Panama City Beach. There will be no cost for the hotel, and child care will be provided. The spaces are limited and are first come, first served. To sign up or for more information, call Chaplain Hector Colon or Tech. Sgt. Susie Arce at 283-2925.

Air Force Ball

The annual Tyndall Air Force Ball, celebrating the Air Force's 58th Birthday, will be 6 p.m. Sept. 24 at the Edgewater Beach Resort. For more information call Maj. Iwona Blackledge at 283-7224.

Veteran reunion

The Thailand-Laos-Cambodia Brotherhood Vietnam War Veterans will hold their annual reunion Sept. 24-26 at the Ontario, Calif., Doubletree Ontario Airport Hotel. Anyone who served in these countries during the war is eligible. To attend, call Les Thompson at (714) 557-0776 or e-mail Les21@ix.netcom.com.

Classifieds

1996 Dodge Diesel

3500 Club Cab Truck 4x4 5spd A/C PS/PB P/W P/L Cruise 125k Miles, Rhino Liner, Tool Box, Brush Guard \$14,500. Call William or Michelle 286-4728

For sale:

Solid hardwood dresser- \$100, Black metal bunk bed with futon sofa on bottom- \$150, Pine kitchen hutch- \$75, Pine Armoire- \$40, Brass baker's rack- \$15, Rocker/Recliner- \$100, Mocha-colored oversized sofa- \$100. All in good condition. Ladies 2KT Diamond Anniversary Ring/ 14KT gold- \$1,000., Mens .75KT Diamond Anniversary Ring/ 14KT gold- \$800., 1KT pair white gold baguette earrings- \$250. Call 784-4792.

2001 Kawasaki Ultra 130 D.I.

With yacht club trailer only 36 hours. Fuel injected for easy starting. Extras included. Asking \$4,600 Call 286-5401 or 774-9383

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Garage Sales

3475D Hunt Court

2763B Thunderchief Drive

Garage sales are held 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.

Chapel Schedule

Catholic services held at Chapel 2:

Daily Mass, 11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday
Reconciliation (before Saturday Mass or by appointment)

Saturday Mass, 5 p.m.

Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.

Religious Education, 11 a.m. Sunday.

Protestant services at Chapel 1:

Communion service, 9:30 a.m., Chapel 1
Religious Education classes, 9:30-10:30 a.m. in Bldg. 1476

General Protestant service, 11 a.m., Chapel 2.

Tyndall's Varsity softball teams take championships



Photos by Armando Flores

Barb Wood, Tyndall Women's Varsity Softball second baseman, tags a Randolph player out during the championship game at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

STEVE RIDDLE

325th Service Squadron publicist

Both the men's and women's Tyndall Varsity Softball teams traveled to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas to compete in the 2004 Air Education and Training Command Softball Championships Saturday and Sunday, and they brought home more than just a little Texas dirt in their shoes. Both teams brought home first-place trophies.

The men went a perfect 5 - 0 in their tournament, defeating Lackland in the final game 17 - 11 for the win. The women's team shut down Randolph AFB in their final 11 - 1. Players from each team also earned Most Valuable Player honors and several were named to the All-Tour-

namment team.

The competition began Aug. 6 with both divisions playing a round-robin style contest of three games apiece to determine where they would be seeded for the actual double-elimination tournament.

The men's team defeated Goodfellow AFB 15 - 7, and followed with a slim victory over Luke AFB 12 - 11. But they lost to Lackland AFB, which sent them to the championship tournament as the fifth seed.

The women swept their round-robin contest, but relied on defense to win, and didn't put up the big scores the Lackland women did, who also went 3 - 0. Scores were considered for a tiebreaker, and the Tyndall



Pete Dominguez, from the Men's Varsity Softball Team, slides through third base during their team's championship game against Lackland. Dominguez won the Most Valuable Player Award in the division.

women were seeded second for their tournament.

The Tyndall men kicked off the tournament Saturday with a big win over Columbus AFB, Miss. 13 - 4, then followed it up an hour later by edging out Maxwell AFB, Ala. 15 - 12. They had a chance to rest a few hours for their next game against Lackland, the team they lost to in the earlier round-robin games.

The tournament proved a different story, though. Tyndall handed Lackland their first setback 18 - 13 and wrapped up the first day perfect in the standings. A win Sunday morning against Laughlin AFB, Texas, 18 - 2 was enough to get them to the championship game. Lackland had to earn back-to-back victories over Randolph and Laughlin to get there, and put up some big numbers to do it. But in the end, the defense of Tyndall held Lackland to their lowest score of the tournament, giving the men a 17 - 11 victory and the win.

The women started their tournament slowly, grinding out a 7 - 3 win over Little Rock AFB,

Ark. Then the bats woke up, and the defense got even better as they blanked Keesler AFB, Miss., 20 - 0. A win over Lackland 6 - 1 put them in the championship game. Randolph had to defeat Sheppard AFB, Texas and Lackland on their way to the final, but lost one game along the way. It seemed the Tyndall women had the tourney wrapped up, but Randolph squeaked by the Tyndall ladies 8 - 7, setting up a second, deciding game. The Tyndall women came out fired up, and their 11 - 1 victory was the biggest of any of the championship or runner-up games that weekend.

Tyndall players Eddie Tirota and Kerrie Warren each received the Tournament Most Valuable Player Award in their divisions. Defensive Player honors were earned by Pete Dominguez and Rhonda Hayes, also players on the Tyndall men's and women's teams, respectively.

Tyndall players who earned a spot on the All-Tournament

team, along with Tirota and Dominguez, were Kane Mueller, Roger Stewart, Mike Horton and James Cassidy. Women's All-Tournament honors were received by Amy Naquin, Tricia Bell, Barb Wood, Lynnaiko Riffle, Donna Moses and Natalie Hall. The tournament also included a Skills Competition series of events, and Hall also won the women's Speed Contest by running the bases in 13.63 seconds.

"This is indeed great news for Team Tyndall," said Col. Martin Sayles, 325th Mission Support Group commander. "Winning the 2004 AETC Softball Championship for both men and women is definitely a huge achievement. Our teams played hard and brought the championship trophies back to Tyndall. A special thanks to all organizations for the super support of Tyndall's varsity program, and for allowing the coaches and players to participate in this year's tournament. Congrats to each and every team member for an all star performance."

Funshine NEWS

August 13, 2004

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Youth Center

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Surf's Up

Schedule a class and learn basic techniques and ocean awareness in a safe environment. Classes are held at St. Andrews State Park and transportation is provided. Cost is \$40 per 2 hour session.

Soccer

Registration for youth ages 4-10 has been extended one week until August 7. A current copy of Birth Certificate must be on file or made available and submitted with the registration form along with fee at the time of registration. Details call 283-4366.

Other Upcoming Events

August 20: Game Night. From 6-9 p.m. Night of fun stepping up to the challenge of a variety of fun games. Cost is \$2 for members and \$4 for nonmembers

August 21: Open rec CLOSED due to Teen event.

August 24: Cooking Project - personal pizzas at 5 p.m.

August 27: Movie and Pizza Night. Cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for non-members. Price includes pizza, popcorn, and beverage.

Base Library Summer Meltdown

Book Sale

Aug. 19-21

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- Pictures of the Kids with Clifford the Big Red Dog
- Best Trick Contest
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Skills Development

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Air Force Photo Contest

The Skills Center will be accepting entries all month. This contest will be judged in September for base level and then sent off to Command Level in October. Open to all base personnel and dependents.

Annual Artist Craftsmen and Photo Contest

Skills Development Center

will be accepting entries all month. This contest will be judged in September for base level and then sent off to Command Level in October. Open to all base personnel and dependents.

For more details
283-4511



Base Pool Notice

Starting August 24:

Tuesday no fitness swim at 11 a.m.
and no water aerobics at 11:30 a.m.
or 6:30 p.m.

Crazy Cash Give-Away

at the O' & E Clubs Fridays
during Social Hour.

Beginning at 5 p.m.

Jackpot starts at \$100.

The first member name
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Once the name is drawn the
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283-4357 for details

Artists Craftsman & Photo Contest

Call for entries

The Skills Center will be accepting
entries for the Artist Craftsmen and
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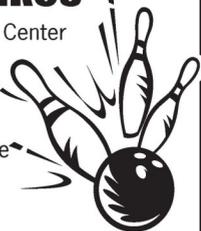
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