

# GULF DEFENDER



## In brief

### Free fences for housing residents

Base Housing residents who would like a free fence can contact George Semanco in the Housing Office at 283-8504.

### Chapel forming band

The chapel staff is forming a Tyndall praise band. Anyone who is interested in playing an instrument or singing, can call Chaplain (Maj.) Randall Kitchens at 283-2925 or e-mail randall.kitchens@tyndall.af.mil with contact information.

### Thrift Shop update

The Thrift Shop will be closed Saturday due to the Labor Day weekend. It will be open Sept. 11 from 9 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 286-5888 during business hours. The Thrift Shop is located on Suwannee Drive in Bldg. 743 across from the post office.

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Airman 1st Class Sarah McDowell

### Donning assist

From left, Staff Sgt. Steve Smith and Senior Airman Julia Rivera, 325th Mission Support Squadron, assist each other in fully donning the MCU-2 protective mask and hood while Mission Oriented Protective Posture 4 is announced during the base-wide exercise here Thursday.

## CSAF speaks on decreased Air Force manning

**TECH. SGT. MONA FERRELL**  
U.S. Air Forces in Europe Public Affairs

**RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (AFPN)** — A decrease in recruiting rather than forced reductions is the right way to reduce manning, said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John Jumper Monday.

Throughout this process, ensuring America's Airmen know they are appreciated is a No. 1 priority, he said during a visit here.

"Retention and recruiting for the Air Force throughout this crisis over the last three years has remained superb," the general said. "Even after stop-loss was lifted, people feared Airmen would leave the Air Force in great numbers,

especially in the Guard and Reserve; it just didn't happen.

"So, we find ourselves in a position where we have 20,000 people more than we should have by law," he said. "I want to try and deal with it without any forced reductions. I don't want anybody to be forced to leave (who) doesn't want to. Secretary of the Air Force (Dr. James Roche) and I are absolutely dedicated to making sure we don't break faith with our Airmen."

To get the manning numbers to where they should be and keep Airmen's faith, recruiting is going to be cut by about one-third for a year, General Jumper said.

"We've never tried this before,

but I think it's the right thing to do" he said. "Taking that (recruiting) loss in one year (should help us) get back to the numbers we're supposed to have, and we hope that the excesses in the few previous years will help fill in those holes as far as grade opportunity."

Taking care of people and the Air Force organization as a whole is all about knowing where the critical shortages are and ensuring the right people have the right skills and are doing the right things, General Jumper said.

"We went for years during the '90s making cuts in people," he said. "We would cut 10 percent, and then 15 percent and then 20 percent — and then we finally

ended up cutting a total of 40 percent of our force. In a lot of cases, those slots didn't go away, and people with other skills then migrated into them. You have people with essential skills (who) we need, now filling slots that should have been taken off the books and never were.

"It's a hard thing to do, and it's very traumatic, but (during) the first two years of my tenure, we got the books balanced, and we got the people out of the slots that were supposed to be emptied; we got the right people in the right slots," he said.

"Only then did we really know

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# Chief of Staff discusses power of your vote

**GEN. JOHN JUMPER**

Air Force Chief of Staff

Around the world, the Airmen of our United States Air Force make a difference. From the collapse of the Soviet Union and Desert Storm more than a decade ago to our global planning and execution of air and space power today.

Airmen have done more than their part for our nation. In the coming months, we need to make a difference in another way. We all need to exercise the privilege only enjoyed by free nations — the privilege of voting.

Most of you have been deployed in an Air Expeditionary Force since you have been in the Air Force. You have seen our way of life compared to others in troubled parts of the world. While we as Americans are not without our problems and issues, if all the borders of all the nations of the world were open to all people, where do you think most would choose to reside? There is

little doubt that it would be in the Land of the Free.

There have been many books written in recent years about our founding fathers — the men who wrote the powerful words that forged a new nation. In our Declaration of Independence, Thomas Jefferson penned a phrase that is the cornerstone of our democratic institutions and makes us unique among nations. He wrote, "...Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just power from the consent of the governed." It is this idea of the "Consent of the Governed" that empowers each of us in the form of our vote.

Many of us have experienced some obstacles to voting while serving in the armed forces. The absentee voting system has traditionally been fraught with challenges, but we have been working hard to minimize the red tape. With Airmen and their families serving

around the globe, many suffer from delays in mail service — another obstacle to registering and voting. Our leadership in the Department

site for you and your families to use. The "Airmen Votes" icon on the Web site, [www.af.mil](http://www.af.mil), will guide you to all the information you need

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**GEN. JOHN JUMPER**

Air Force Chief of Staff



ily members who are eligible to vote can use this web link as well, including children away from home while attending school. If you still have questions, contact your Voting Assistance Officers — they are available to address your voting questions or concerns. We want to make voting as easy as possible.

The Secretary of the Air Force, Dr. Jim Roche, and I are dedicated to ensuring every eligible Airman has the opportunity to vote. As Airmen we have all taken an oath to support and defend the Constitution that guarantees our right to vote. As a nation we accept divergence of opinion and candidates with different views.

I encourage you to avail yourself of the right to vote for candidates and on the issues of your choice. No other single act is so fundamental to our form of Government.

Please register. Please vote.

## Voting:

### Such a precious right shouldn't be wasted

**MAJ. LESTER WEILACHER**

325th Comptroller Squadron commander

At last week's Warrior Welcome, I asked the newest members of Team Tyndall what birthday in a person's life is the most significant. While some said the first one and others chose 21, many Airmen chose the day they turned 18. Why? Because turning 18 gets you a voice in our democracy. Your vote is your voice. While voting is

one of our fundamental rights as American citizens, U.S. Census Bureau data indicates only about half of all Americans who are eligible to vote actually do. Why?

Some people consider voting a waste of time and think their vote won't make a difference. For those who believe that, I ask you to consider the role 537 votes cast right here in Florida played in the 2000 presidential

election. Still not convinced? Think about the U.S. presidential election in 1876 when the Governor of New York, Samuel Tilden, lost to the Governor of Ohio, Rutherford Hayes, by a single electoral vote.

Too often, voting becomes a right that is taken for granted, or worse, ignored. The reality is that voting is much

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## Action Line

The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

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The goal is to provide you with an accurate, timely response. You must leave your name, phone number or address to receive a response.

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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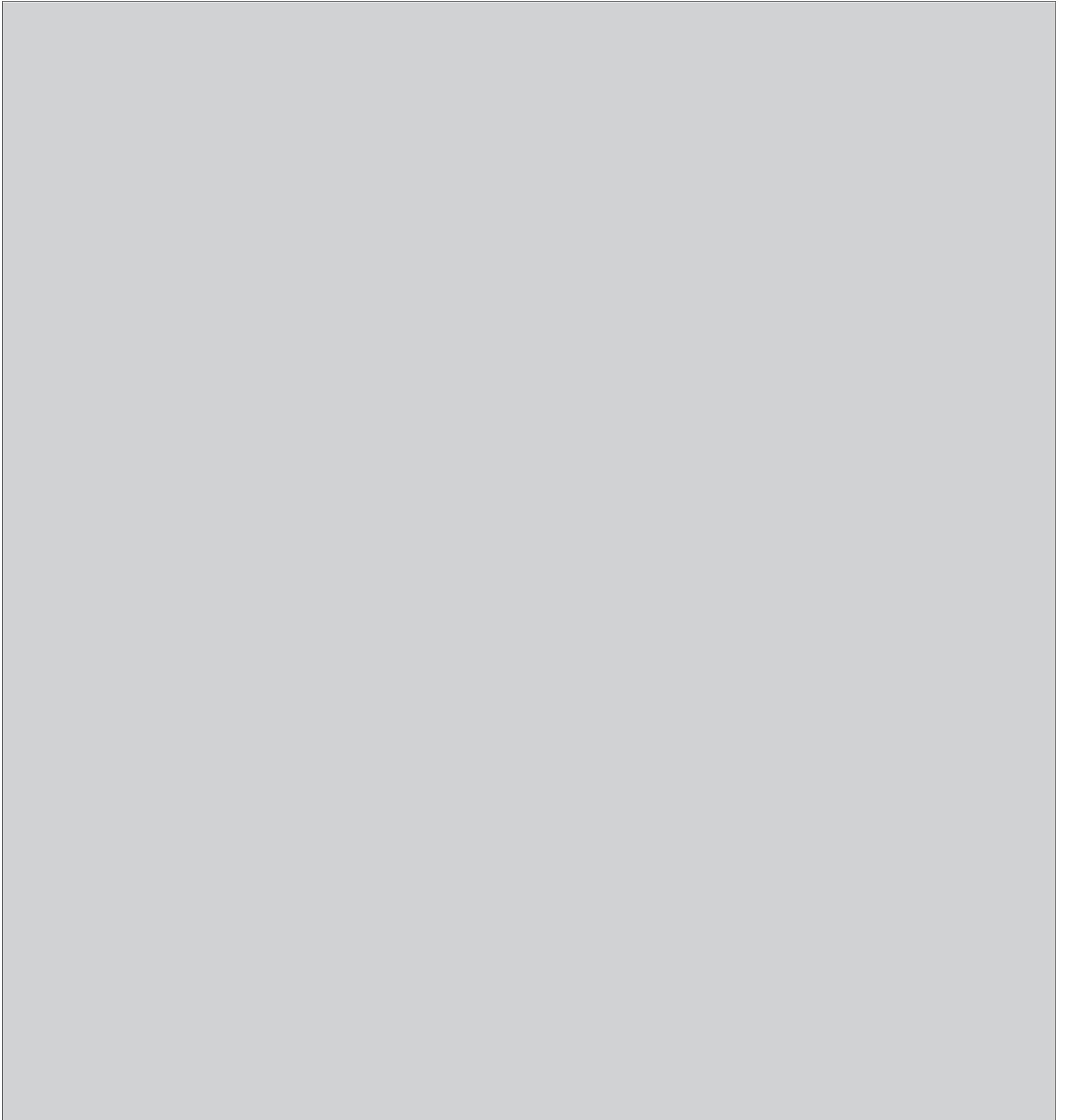
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# Airmen to receive air expeditionary force ID cards

1st Lt. SARAH SMALL

Air and Space Expeditionary Force Center Public Affairs

**LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. (ACCNS)** – The Air Force Chief of Staff has directed all major commands to issue Air and Space Expeditionary Force identification cards before the beginning of Cycle 5 in September.

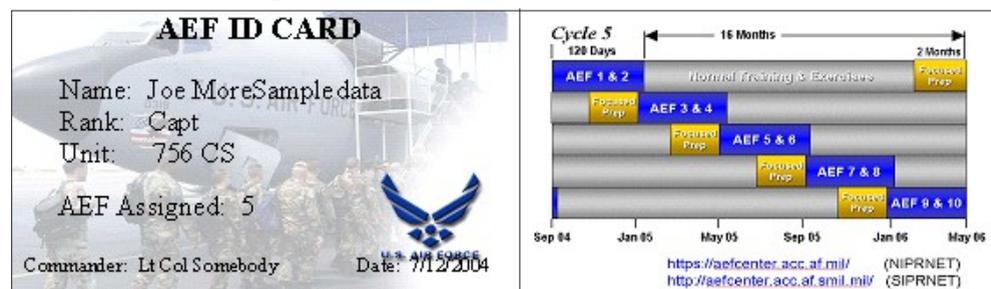
AEF ID card usage was stopped during the height of Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom because six to eight AEFs were deployed simultaneously, according to Col. Vincent Wisniewski, AEF Center vice commander.

Reissuing the cards will again link every Airman to his or her assigned deployment window within Cycle 5.

The cards provide predictability and stability by allowing Airmen to plan around deployments to schedule leave, professional military education and TDYs, according to Chief Master Sgt.

David Mimms, superintendent for AEF Matters, Headquarters Air Force, deputy chief of staff for air and space operations. The cards are conveniently sized to print and keep in a wallet or purse for easy reference. The front of the card tells Airmen their assigned AEF pair and the back shows the new 20-month cycle chart, which begins this month.

Some low density/high demand forces and stressed career fields may be postured in several AEFs as needed for extended tours, Colonel Wisniewski said. These forces are considered “enabler” capabilities. Due to the higher operations tempo required for these forces they may not rotate on the normal four-month schedule. The affected MAJCOMS and Air Reserve Components are working to determine the best way to issue cards to Airmen in enabler billets.



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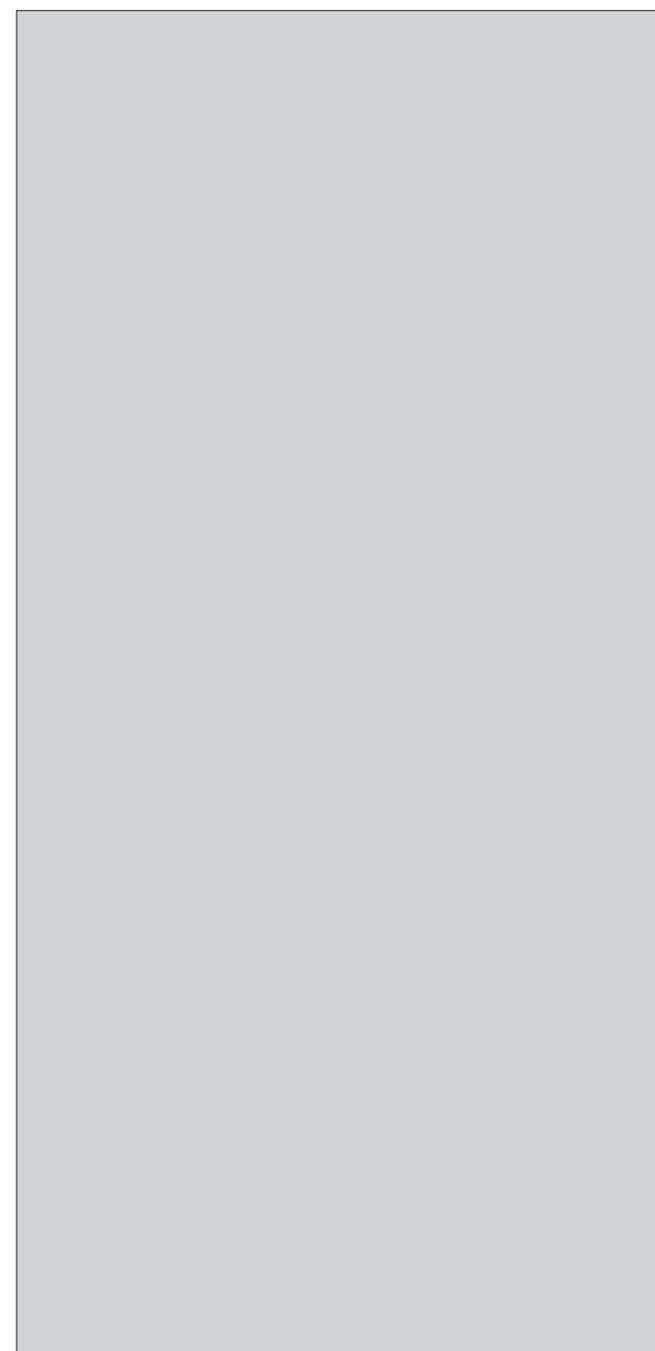
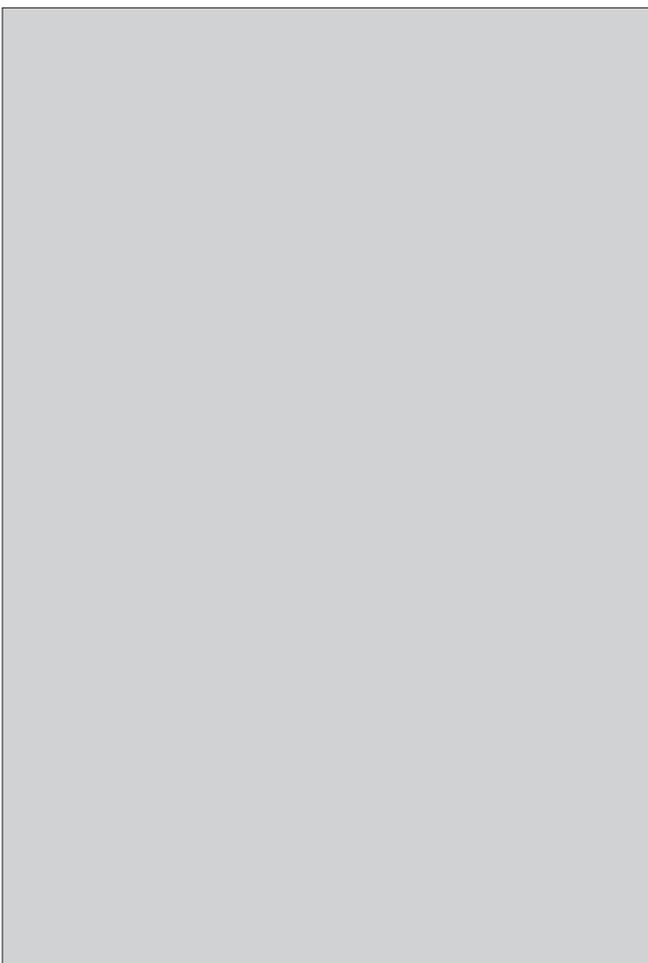
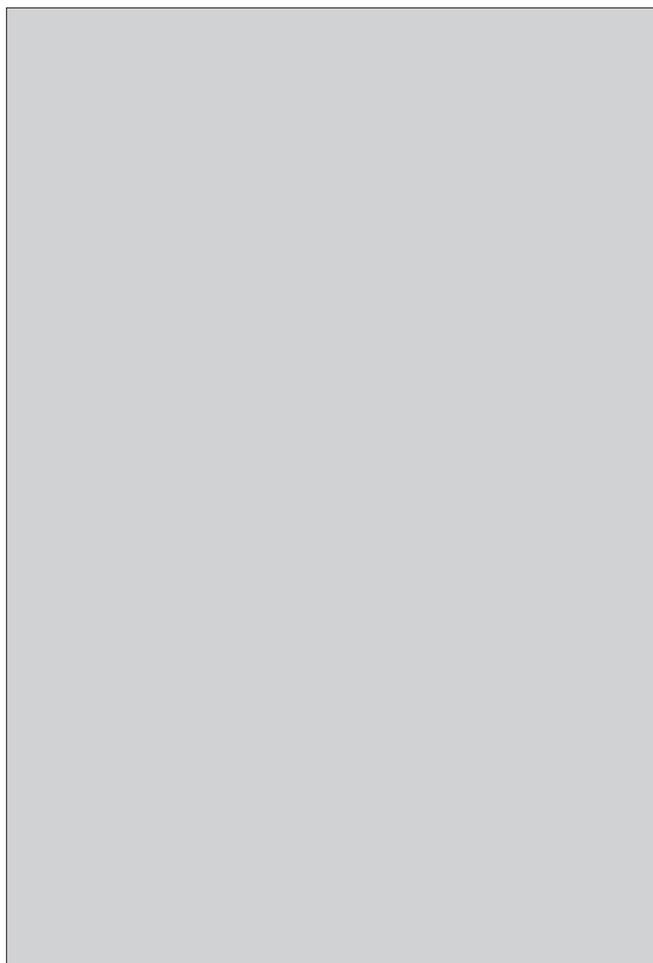
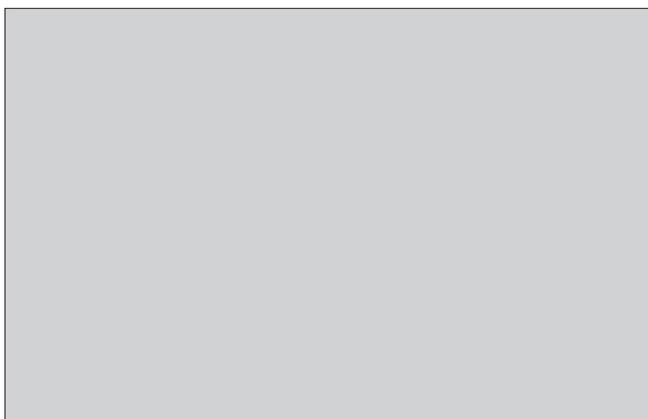
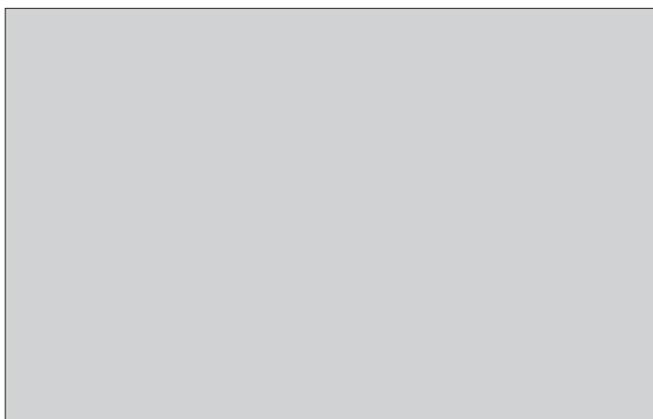
**The picture above shows an AEF identification card. The front of the card, left, shows the Airman's duty information, while the back shows the year's AEF rotation.**

Airmen who do not fall into the enabler category are assigned to only one AEF during an AEF cycle, in accordance with Air Force Policy Document 10-4, Chief Mimms said.

To add discipline to this process, a MAJCOM vice commander waiver is required to move an Airman from one AEF to another.

“One of my top priorities is to ensure the AEF culture is as clear and predictable as possible for all Airmen,” said Brig. Gen. Stephen Hoog, AEF Center commander. “Reissuing AEF ID cards is one way we can do that.”

The AEF ID card template and implementation guidance are posted on the AEF Center Web site: [aefcenter.acc.af.mil](https://aefcenter.acc.af.mil/) (the Web site must be accessed from a .mil computer.)



## *AF accepting physician assistant applications*

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN)** — The Air Force is taking applications for Physician Assistant Phase I training classes beginning January, April and August 2006.

Only active-duty enlisted Airmen are eligible for the program.

The selection board is scheduled to convene here March 22. Completed applications must be sent by military personnel flight officials to HQ AFPC/DPAMW, 550 C Street West, Suite 27, Randolph AFB TX 78150-4729 no later than Jan. 28.

Incomplete applications and those received after the cut-off date will be returned and will not meet the selection board, said Air Force Personnel Center officials here.

To be eligible, applicants must:

— Be on active duty in the grade of E-3 through E-8 with a minimum of two years and a maximum of 14 years active military service as of Aug. 31, 2006.

— Meet age limitations specified in Air Force Instruction 36-2005 for appointment as second lieutenant in the Biomedical Sciences Corps (less than 42

years old upon completion of Phase II Training).

— Have a combined verbal and math score of 950 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test.

— Have a minimum general score of 80 points on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery or Air Force Classification Test.

— Have 60 semester hours of transferable college credits and a grade-point average of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale. Math and science courses are mandatory and must be in classroom at an accredited college or university. A combined minimum

3.0 GPA is required in those courses. Twenty-four semester hours may be met from Community College of the Air Force, Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support, U.S Armed Forces Institute correspondence courses, end-of-course tests or specific-subject examinations.

For more information, contact the local military personnel flight, education office or visit [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/medical/bsc/Eduation/pa%20prog%2001.doc](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/medical/bsc/Eduation/pa%20prog%2001.doc). (Courtesy of AFPC News Service)

● **FROM VOTE PAGE 2** more than a right. Voting is a responsibility of each citizen in a democracy. It is a responsibility we should not take lightly. In the words of Thomas Jefferson, "I would rather be exposed to the incon-

duty. While voting representatives will not tell you for whom or what to vote for, they can provide information on how to vote and where to learn more about the issues. Do you know how to register? Are you planning to be

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325th Comptroller Squadron commander



veniences attending too much liberty than those attending too small a degree of it."

Just as we wear the uniform of our nation's air force, we should exercise our right to vote in order to shape a positive environment for future generations.

As Airmen, we are fortunate. The right and responsibility to vote carries so much importance that every installation has appointed unit-voting representatives to assist members in fulfilling this civic

deployed or on temporary duty? Have you completed an absentee ballot? Do you know what an absentee ballot is, or where to get one? Do you want to vote in your home state's election? Your unit-voting representative can answer all these questions and more.

We all have a stake in our country, and we serve to protect a precious right. I encourage everyone to do their part. Your vote is your voice. Keep America strong by exercising your right to vote!

● **FROM AIRMEN PAGE 1** what our critical shortages were."

But this shift in manning does not mean the Air Force is doing more with less, General Jumper said.

"We've had better budgets over the last three years than we've had in many years," he said. "We've got airplane parts, and we've got mission-capable rates in our airplanes higher than what they've been for years. Why? Because we've had money to buy the parts for the first time in years and years.

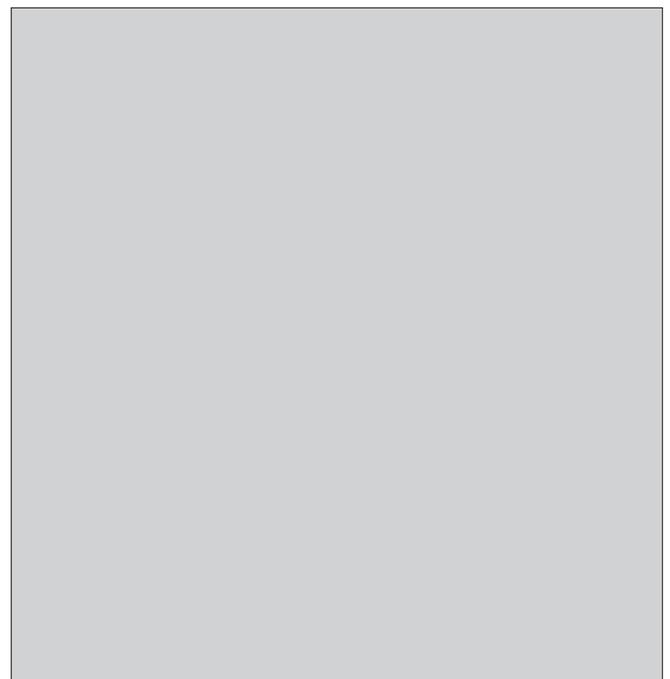
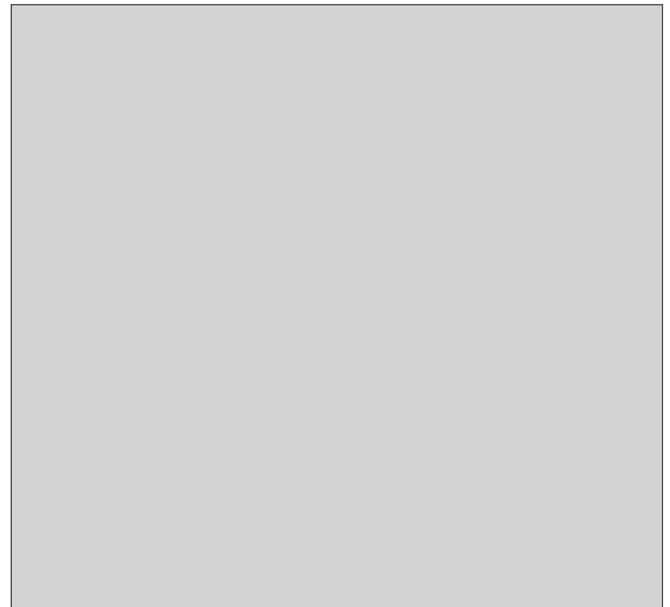
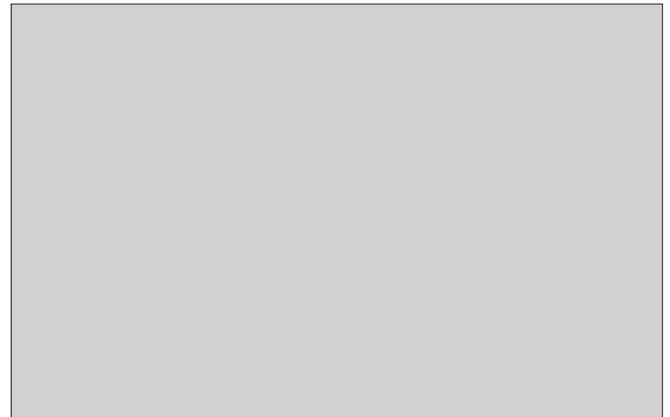
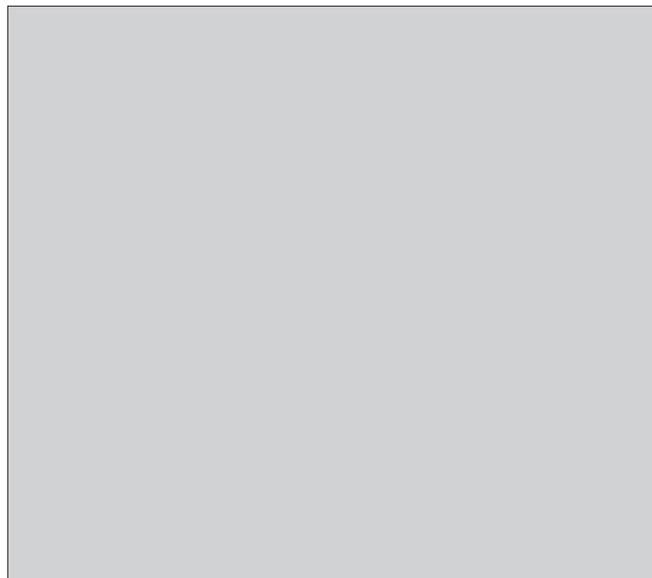
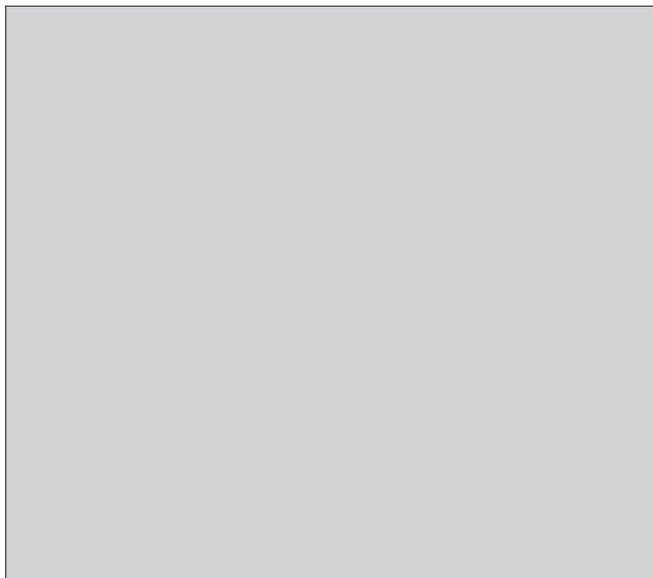
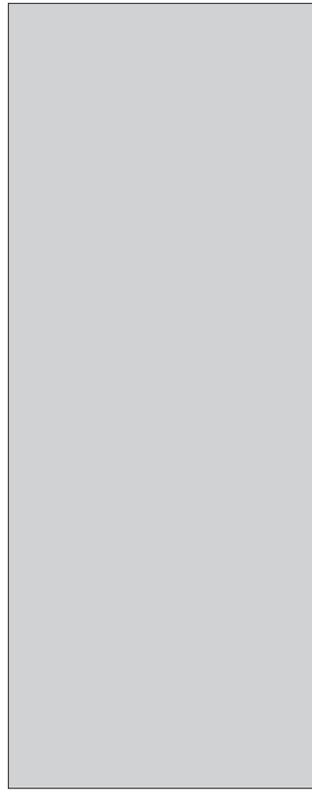
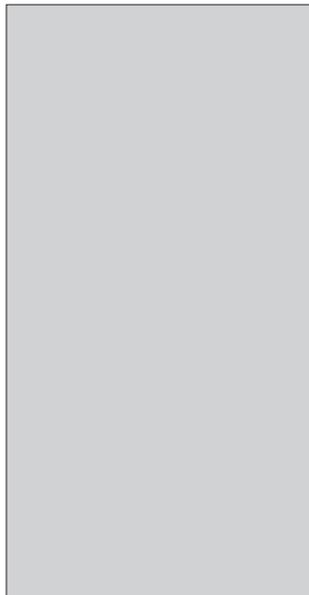
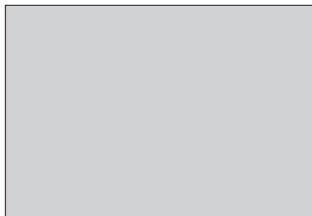
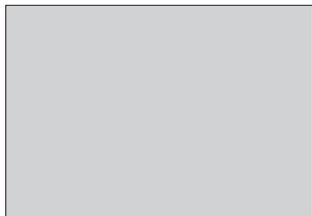
"We've had pay raises and bonuses that have continued in unprecedented levels that Congress continues to vote for us," he said.

"We're not doing more with less; we are doing more with the same amount of people — particularly when you talk about trying to sustain two wars."

It all comes down to proper use of Airmen and letting them know they are valued, the general said.

General Jumper said he wants Airmen to know that "we appreciate their service, and we're going to do everything we can to keep people who want to stay in the service."

*(Courtesy of U.S. Air Forces in Europe News Service)*



## Checkertail Salute

### Airman 1st Class Brandie Boos



Lisa Norman

**Airman Boos receives the Checkertail Salute Warrior of the Week award from Col. Brian Dickerson, 325th Fighter Wing vice commander.**

The Checkertail Clan salutes Airman Boos, who graduated from technical school with distinguished graduate honors. She has produced 107 two- and three-level maintenance units, served as due-in-for maintenance and supply monitor, processed 709 line replaceable units through the repair cycle, maintained system database and researched delayed requisitions. Additionally, she helped save the wing \$96,000 in repairs to a product and also repaired a miswired cable harness received from the factory. She also volunteers in the community.

**Duty title:** 325th Maintenance Squadron F-15 Avionics Team  
**Time on station:** One year, four months

**Time in service:** Two years, two months

**Hometown:** Troy, Ohio

**Hobbies:** Reading, riding dirt bikes, spending time with my daughter

**Goals:** Get a master degree in psychology and become a chief master sergeant

**Favorite movie:** "The Butterfly Effect"

**Favorite thing about Tyndall:** The beaches

**Pet peeves:** A messy house, and individuals who do not do their work while others do twice as much

**Proudest moment in the military:** Earning distinguished graduate at technical school

*The Checkertail Salute is a 325th Fighter Wing commander program designed to recognize Tyndall's Warrior of the Week. Supervisors can nominate individuals via their squadron and group commanders. Award recipients receive a certificate, letter from the commander and a one-day pass.*

# Let your voice be heard – exercise your right to vote

## Tyndall voting officials inform Airmen of opportunities and encourage them to vote

**AIRMAN 1ST CLASS SARAH McDOWELL**  
325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

There are many countries where people have no voice, where one person rules many and the people have no say.

Here, in America, many people have a hard time imagining a lack of right and liberty, yet it seems it is sometimes a country without a voice as well – by choice.

According to the census bureau, in the presidential election of 2000, about half of the American population who were eligible to vote did not exercise the freedom.

On a smaller, yet equally important scale during the same election year, Tyndall Air Force Base had 1,300 registered voters and only 457 of them cast their ballots. That presidential election was determined by 537 votes. If the rest of the registered voters from Tyndall had exercised their right, the election might have taken a different turn.

This election, there are officials on base to make sure everyone has the opportunity to register to make his voice heard.

“There are several ways to register,” said Capt. Michael Hamer, 325th Fighter Wing installation voting manager.

He cited the Department of Motor Vehicles, the County Elections Office, as well as the unit voting managers on Tyndall, and [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), as the registration venues. People must register at least 29 days before Election Day, which means the last day to register is Oct. 5.

Also, Armed Forces Voter’s Week, dedicated to informing military members of voting responsibilities, begins today.

“[The week] is a coordinated program of all branches of service to encourage all eligible members to register and vote,” Captain Hamer said. “Tyndall will have tables set up in the Base Exchange and the Community Activities Center, where members and dependents can register and gather information and pick up voting registration forms, whether the tables are manned or not.”

Military members who may not be home for the election Nov. 2 need to either vote early or get an absentee ballot, Captain Hamer said.



Airman 1st Class Sarah McDowell

**Capt. Michael Hamer, left, installation voting manager, briefs Staff Sgt. Samuel Crain, 325th Air Control Squadron, on his voting opportunity this year.**

“Early voting starts Oct. 18 and must be done at the county election center,” he said.

Tyndall has provided these options and more for members to get information.

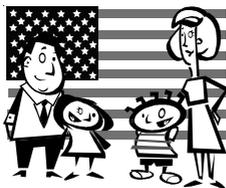
“Anyone who has questions can first contact their Unit Voting Assistance

Counselor. They have completed extensive online training and are equipped to deal with a wide variety of voting questions,” said Maj. Lester Weilacher, installation voting officer.

“People who do not vote give up one of the most fundamental rights we all serve to protect,” he said.

## Voting process FAQs and tips:

### Why is voting different for military members and their families?



Voting in the United States is controlled and conducted by state governments, which have various rules for voting at local polls and voting early or absentee if a local voter will be temporarily gone on

Election Day. Military voting is different because extended or overseas absences would prevent absentee voting using normal state voting rules. The Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act requires states and territories to allow certain groups to register and vote absentee in federal elections.

### What if I am deployed?

When not able to vote early, most deployed members must use the UOCAVA absentee voting process if they want to vote.



Members need to take a copy of two voting forms with them; Standard Form 76 (Federal Post Card Application) and SF186 (Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot.)

Assistance is also available both from home installation voting action officers or unit voting counselors and from the nearest Personnel Support for Contingency Operations team. PERSCO teams should also have copies of the SF76 and SF186.

### Who is eligible to vote under the UOCAVA law?

All active duty members, their family members and U.S. citizens residing outside the U.S. are eligible.

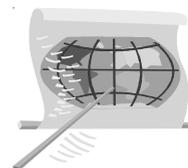


### Do all military members vote under the UOCAVA law, or can I vote locally?

Many military members, Guard, reservists, employees and family members, happen to be stationed or working in their voting residence city and state and may vote locally at the polls or use their state’s absentee process. Because there are legal and tax obligations that may be incurred members should visit their installation legal office for advice on local and state taxation policies.

### Where is my “legal voting residence?”

For voting purposes, “legal voting residence” can be the state or territory last resided prior to entering military service or the state or territory claimed as legal residence. To claim a new legal residence, simultaneous physical presence and the intent



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# Absentee voter registration under way



Graphic illustration by Airman 1st Class Sarah McDowell

**An Airman fills out the Standard Form 76, which allows deployed members to receive an absentee ballot. Airmen should fill out the form and get approval to vote before deploying.**

**ARMY SGT. STEPHANIE CARL**  
17th Public Affairs Detachment

**BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan (AFP)** — In just three months, voters nationwide will be taking advantage of their Constitutional rights as they help decide who will win the 2004 general election. With many servicemembers and civilian employees deployed overseas, voting by absentee ballot is just as important to the election as the votes of those still in the United States.

“Voting is just one of the rights we’re here for,” said Marine Maj. Bryan Carter, Coalition Joint Task Force-76 senior voting assistance officer. “Voting is how our democracy works. Really, it’s how we speak to our government.”

By registering to vote on a Standard Form 76, Federal Post Card Application, U.S. citizens overseas can vote in all elections held at their home of record for a period of one year. The only requirements to be eligible to vote are that you are a U.S. citizen who will be 18 years old on the date of the election.

“Once you fill out a SF-76, you send it back to the [United]

States, where it gets approved by your local voting official,” Major Carter said. He said it is important to make sure all your data on the card is correct, otherwise, it may affect the district a person is able to vote in.

District registration gives vot-

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**MARINE MAJ. BRYAN CARTER**  
Coalition Joint Task Force-76 senior voting assistance officer

ers a voice regarding different laws being considered in their voting district, and it allows them to vote in elections at every level.

An alternative to the standard form is the online version of the FPCA. The online version can be filled out on the Federal Voting Assistance Program’s official Web site at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov), printed out and mailed to local voting officials.

After a local voting official approves the registration form, the voter will receive ballots in

the mail for every election held in the next year, Major Carter said.

Major Carter said he anticipates ballots for the presidential election to arrive sometime in September; however, those who want their vote counted should not wait until the last minute to mail in their ballots.

This election year, a lot of attention is focused on absentee voters getting their paperwork in on time and participating in the elections.

“A big concern right now is that there are so many servicemembers (and civilians) deployed right now,” Major Carter said. “That’s why there’s so much of an emphasis on voting.”

“We want to make sure everyone knows that individuals do count,” he said. “And their votes will be counted for their future. Our elections aren’t just about people; they’re about taxes, bonds, referendums, schools, cities and counties. We’re allowing the people we elect to work and perform different functions, and by voting, we get to approve or disapprove many of these functions.”

to that location as primary residence is needed. and family members may change their legal residency time they change permanent duty stations may retain their legal residence without change. members may have a different legal voting residence from the member.

## Family members are not in the military; can they vote absentee?

The law entitles eligible family members of military personnel to vote absentee. Family members are considered to be in the same category of absentee voter as military members

generally should follow the same procedures. Family members of military personnel residing overseas, who are U.S. citizens and who have never resided in the U.S., may claim a U.S. citizen parent’s legal state of residence on their own.

## Is more help available?

Yes. Tyndall’s installation voting officers are Capt. Michael Hamer and Maj. Lester Weilacher. Captain Hamer can be reached by calling 283-3273 and Major Weilacher can be reached by calling 283-3265.

They will answer questions or refer callers to their unit voting representative. Assistance is also available by calling the Headquarters Air Force Personnel Contact Center at (800) 616-3775.

## OK I’m ready—how do I start?

See your IVO or UVR or visit one of the voting Web sites such as [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov) or [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/airmenvotes/#4](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/airmenvotes/#4).

(Courtesy of Air Force Personnel Center.)



## Quick reference to helpful Web sites:

### Federal Voting Assistance Program

[www.fvap.gov/](http://www.fvap.gov/)

### Voting Assistance Guide

[www.fvap.gov/pubs/vag.html](http://www.fvap.gov/pubs/vag.html)

### On-line version of the Federal Post Card Application(SF76)

[www.fvap.gov/pubs/onlinefpc.html](http://www.fvap.gov/pubs/onlinefpc.html)

### State Election Sites

Information on State elections.

[www.fvap.gov/links/statelinks.html](http://www.fvap.gov/links/statelinks.html)

### FVAP Contact Information

[www.fvap.gov/contactus.html](http://www.fvap.gov/contactus.html)

### Toll-free access to the FVAP and DOD Voting Information Center from 64 countries

[www.fvap.gov/services/tollfree.html](http://www.fvap.gov/services/tollfree.html)

### US Census Bureau County search

[quickfacts.census.gov/cgi-bin/lookup?state=0100](http://quickfacts.census.gov/cgi-bin/lookup?state=0100)

# Human contact, rabies, devastating to local wildlife



Jack Mobley

**Tyndall AFB Wildlife experts remove a nuisance alligator from Felix Lake here recently. The big alligator gradually lost its fear of humans, which was the result of people feeding it over time.**

## JIM WESLOWSKI

325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Tyndall has 29,000 acres to call home, and its Airmen are finding out they share it with some potentially dangerous animals.

Wildlife living near the base's runways are a threat to pilots, maintainers and aircraft, while in residential areas, some wild animals are losing their fear of humans, posing an even greater danger.

"There are several programs in place to reduce the amount of wildlife on and

near the flightline and the residential areas of the base," said Jack Mobley, 325th Civil Engineer Squadron Natural Resources Flight biologist. "One of the biggest problems we are facing is how to keep wild animals in the woods and keep their fear of mankind."

According to Dr. Mobley, all types of birds are ongoing hazards to aircraft. Additionally, coyotes and foxes cross the runways and roadways, while deer graze in the grassy areas. Also, smaller animals, like raccoons, opossums or

skunks learn there are great tasting freebies in the housing areas, such as residue on barbecue grills, dog and cat food and garbage.

Aside from the typical critters roaming the base, there are the alligators living in the lakes, ponds and waterways. Additionally, there are the occasional black bears that decide to gather acorns from the yards of residents in the base housing areas.

Recently, Tyndall's natural resources staff had to trap and relocate a 10-foot alligator after a man in the Felix Lake housing area was seen feeding it. Because of these actions, the alligator lost its fear of humans and began approaching passers-by expecting a free meal.

"While it might make us feel good to give wild animals a little something special for just being here, major problems can be created," said Dr. Mobley. "When bear, deer, coyotes and raccoons make it into our yards in search of treats they must cross the roadways and are often struck by motorists. They also present a hazard for our dogs and cats and carry diseases. Simply stated, do not feed the wildlife. Watch the animals and keep your distance. They are wild animals and should stay that way."

According to the Natural Resources staff, feeding wild animals is against the law. Wild animals need to keep their fear of mankind, not only for human safety but theirs as well.

"In recent months there have been

more than a half dozen cases of rabid raccoons reported in the Parker and Callaway area," said Capt. Leah Tingley, 325th Services Squadron veterinarian. "Fortunately, no positive rabies cases have been reported or confirmed on Tyndall this year."

Any animal can contract rabies, but it is most common in animals such as raccoons, skunks, bats and foxes, according to Dr. Mobley.

"Because of the large raccoon population in this area, we are also concerned about *Baylisascaris procyonis*, a parasite found in these animals that can be transmitted to humans. So, we recommend people never handle a raccoon. If confronted by an animal that appears injured or sick, it is best to call the professionals at Natural Resources," said Captain Tingley.

Housing residents with dogs, cats, horses and ferrets should have their pets vaccinated for rabies and other vaccinations specific to their species to prevent diseases that affect their populations, according to Captain Tingley. She suggests people contact the Tyndall Veterinary Clinic or their civilian veterinarian as soon as possible if they think their pet has come in contact with a wild animal. Captain Tingley also recommends keeping your pets' vaccinations updated.

For more information about base wildlife or concerns, contact Captain Tingley at 283-2434. Dr. Mobley can be reached at 283-2641.

## Mold: Bioenvironmental flight clears up 'stale' myths

### 2ND LT. SCOTT BOYLE

325th Aeromedical Dental Squadron

While Florida's Tropical warmth attracts throngs of economy-boosting tourists, it unfortunately attracts a very unwelcome population — mold.

The summer season leads to increased mold growth in unprotected areas just as too much sun leads to painful sunburn on unprotected skin. But, like sunburns, with precaution the health affects can be minimized.

Mold, or mildew, is nothing more than fungi growing on surfaces or other materials. Everyone is exposed to mold, both indoors and out every day. While questions arise concerning potential health effects when mold is discovered, mold exposure does

not typically result in any adverse health effects. In fact, healthy individuals with normal immune systems have a very high resistance to molds.

In some cases, however, mold growth can impact human health. The most common effect is allergic response. Allergic responses are typically exhibited by those people susceptible to a variety of other allergies. In rare cases, though, disease-causing molds are found, which affect people with weakened or suppressed immune systems. One mold people associate with causing disease is "black mold." Although this type of mold can pro-

duce toxins, it is no different than any other type and has not been a problem at Tyndall. In fact, there have

been no reported cases of "toxic" mold on the base. Unfortunately, though, there are no readily available medical tests for mold exposure, making it difficult for health workers to accurately assign a set of symptoms specifically to mold exposure.

There are several ways to limit mold growth in homes and offices.

First, all sources of moisture must be eliminated. Since indoor moisture results not only from leaky walls and roofs, but also from high humidity levels, it is recommended that indoor humidity levels be maintained at 60 percent or below. This can be done by venting bathrooms, dryers, and other moisture-generating sources to the outside, using air conditioners and dehumidifiers, increasing ventilation and using exhaust fans whenever cooking or cleaning.

Once the source of moisture is controlled, areas containing mold should be cleaned and disinfected promptly.

Scrub affected surfaces with soapy water and rinse. A solution consisting of one part bleach mixed with ten parts water is an effective disinfectant. Let the area dry naturally, as this extended time is important to kill the entire mold.

If mold growth is discovered in the workplace, employees should inform their facility manager, who will consult with civil and bioenvironmental engineering to evaluate the facility and address the issue. Base residents with mold issues should contact the Housing Office at 283-8141.

As with any illness, people who feel they may have a mold-related health concern should visit the primary care manager.

### Preventing mold:

- Keep inside moisture levels at 60 percent.
- Vent moisture producing sources to the outside of buildings; use exhaust fans when cooking, dishwashing and cleaning.
- Once mold is found and removed, be sure to disinfect the area to prevent reoccurrence.

## Communication is vital during a hurricane; know who to call



**Contingency phone number:** (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 a situation's 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.



1st Lt. Albert Bosco

**Robert Weller, Tyndall Class Six manager, checks the ID card of an Airman attempting to buy alcohol.**

## Underage drinking puts Airmen on wrong side of law

**CAPT. JON STANLEY AND  
2ND LT. MATTHEW GREEN**  
Tyndall Area Defense Counsel

Airmen who choose to consume alcoholic beverages irresponsibly, or assume there are no consequences to underage drinking, should think again.

If the fact that it's illegal to drink under the legal age or drink irresponsibly is not enough of a deterrent, consider the consequences:

These types of alcohol consumption by Airmen can lead to poor judgment and inappropriate conduct.

The majority of rape trials in the eastern U.S. Circuit involve underage or irresponsible drinking in base dormitories. The fact is, those who decide to chance fate could face a courts-martial for their actions.

While these statistics are appalling, they are reality nonetheless.

It is everyone's responsibility to educate the junior Airmen of the dangers posed by underage or ir-

responsible drinking.

Of the Airmen whose cases end up going to trial, one phrase is always spoken: "I wish I hadn't been drinking that night."

Unfortunately, by the time offenders reflect on their choices, it is often too late to undo the harm.

Additionally, they face unbelievable and immeasurable pressure during a courts-martial.

It is a process some in the legal profession call "going through the fire," and it's something no one would want to encounter.

Airmen who weigh the options and still decide to test fate and win are lucky at best, but they are also setting themselves up .

The follies that go with this pursuit are dangerous.

The choice is simple. If you are underage, don't drink, and if you are of age, drink responsibly. It's just not worth jeopardizing a career, or worse, someone's life for an irresponsible and often irreversible decision.



Steve Riddle

## Seeing double?

Tiffany Hampton (right) and her mom Denise show off their dog Pepper during the Pet/Owner Look Alike Contest at the Tyndall Veterinary Clinic's Pet Fair Saturday. Tiffany and Pepper won the contest, earning the dog a one year supply of flea and tick medication and heartworm prevention medicine. More than \$1,000 in pet medicine was given away, and many people took advantage of the discounted microchips offered at the event. There are still several microchips available for under \$10. For more information on discounted microchips or any other pet needs, call the veterinary clinic at 283-2434.

## Briefs

### Warehouse inventory

The Munitions Storage area will be performing a closed warehouse inventory Sept. 20-24. Emergency issues will only be performed during this time and customers need to have documents in correct order to make this run as smooth as possible. Those who have issues or turn-ins should schedule them prior to the inventory. For more information call Senior Airman Christopher Penny at 282-4610.

### Heart Link

The next Heart Link session will be held 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sept. 17. Heart Link is a fast-paced orientation to the military community for spouses, which includes presentations from the 325th Fighter Wing commander, protocol, military personnel, finance, family support, services, legal, health and wellness, family advocacy, the chapel, and TRICARE.

There are games, skits and prizes scheduled throughout the day. Learn more about the Air Force mission, cus-

tombs, traditions, protocol, available resources and services. For more information or to make reservations, contact the Family Support Center at 283-4205.

### CLC users refresher course

The Continuous Learning Center, in collaboration with The Office of the Secretary of Defense Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, and the Defense Procurement and Acquisition Planning, announced the availability of a new continuous learning module, DOD government purchase card refresher training at [clc.dau.mil](http://clc.dau.mil). Select the "Learning Center" and then select the "Course Information & Enrollment" link. To launch the module, select the name DOD Government Purchase Card Refresher Training from the list. Browse this module, as well as all DAU CL modules.

### Commissary update

The Tyndall Commissary will be open normal hours Wednesday, following Labor Day.

The Commissary will have a case lot sale in conjunction with retiree appreciation days Sept. 17-19 during regular store hours. Flyers of possible items will be distributed Tuesday and are currently on the commissary Web page [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com).

### Florida Coastal Cleanup

Tyndall and The Friends of St. Andrew's State Park invite the public to help keep the park and Shell Island beautiful 8-11 a.m. Sept. 18 at the "Florida Coastal Cleanup." Volunteers who have access to Tyndall can meet at the beach pavilion at Tyndall at 8 a.m. For more Tyndall information call 283-4498. For more Friends of St. Andrew's information, call (850) 233-5117 or visit [www.friendsofstandrews.org](http://www.friendsofstandrews.org).

### Fingerprinting notice

Due to the increase in security clearance processing, the 325th Security Forces Squadron will no longer provide fingerprinting services, other than Department of Defense-related fingerprinting. For more information, call the Personnel Security Office at 283-9911 or 283-9914.

### ERAU classes begin

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University announces the start of Federal Aviation Administration Airframe and Powerplant classes beginning Oct. 18. For more information, call 283-4557.

### Tuition assistance

Sept. 15 is the last day to submit a tuition assistance request 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.

## Classifieds

### Editorial assistant needed

Part-time editorial assistant needed for weekly Gulf Defender newspaper serving Tyndall AFB. Duties include proofreading, editing, inputting copy submissions and performing mailouts of approximately 100 papers weekly. Needed for Wednesday afternoon, and Thursday and Friday morning hours.

Applicants should possess strong spelling and grammar skills. Knowledge of Associated Press style a plus. Position is hired by the Panama City News Herald. To apply, contact 1st Lt. Al Bosco at 283-8597.

## Retiree News

### CAP affords retirees opportunity to continue supporting country

The Civil Air Patrol is looking for senior members to join the homeland security effort. Members of the retiree community and children of retirees who want to know more about CAP's cadet program, can visit [www.cap.gov](http://www.cap.gov).

## Garage Sales

3163B Tiger St.  
2901A Beacon Beach Rd.

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.

## Operation Military Kids takes stress from children of deployed parents



Courtesy photo

(From left) Senior Airman Johnlee Gray, 325th Air Control Squadron weapons simulation technician and trainer, teaches 4-H teens Megan Gardner and Caylean Kinsel how to look for enemy aircraft in the ACS combat simulation room Saturday, while Escambia Co. 4-H extension agent Kay Brown, background, looks on.

### STEVE RIDDLE

325th Services Squadron publicist

While many teens were at the mall or beach Saturday, 59 young adults were at the Tyndall Youth Center learning ways to give back to their community.

Teens and adults from 4-H groups around the state came here last weekend to learn about a new program that teaches teens how to help their peers who have a parent in the National Guard or Reserve units who are either de-

ployed now or will be sent overseas soon.

The program, Operation Military Kids, was developed by the Department of Defense and the national 4-H offices to give teens and their families a network of support during the difficult times of separation that a deployment can cause.

"This program creates community support networks for military youth when soldier parents are deployed by delivering recreational, social, and educational programs for military

youth living in civilian communities," explained Dr. Paula Davis, 4-H Youth Development extension agent for Bay County. "It supports kids coping with the stress of knowing their deployed parents may be in harm's way.

"It will collaborate with schools to ensure staff is attuned to the unique needs of these military students, educate the public on the impact of the deployment cycle on soldiers and their families, and become part of the ongoing deployment support services for children and youth where there are military families."

Tyndall Youth Center staff members Alma Hooks, Leslie Smith and Stephanie Gonzalez, along with Tyndall teens Michael Soto, Chantelle Gregory and Aaron Rouse, gave the 4-H teens a demonstration of the course curriculum. The 4-H teens also received a tour of the base, including a trip to one of the Air Control Squadron's air combat simulation rooms.

"Three of our teens, along with members of our staff, trained the 4-H leaders how to give a presentation on military life, and how to teach kids to deal with a parent being deployed," explained Alma Hooks, Tyndall Youth Center director. "This way, they can go back to their towns and work with teens who have parents that have actually been deployed."

Ms. Hooks said although deployments are relatively common for the children of active duty parents, they can be a new and sometimes painful reality for those in Guard or Reserve families.

"We're reaching out to help the reserve and National Guard families cope with deployments," she said. "Deployments are not as normal for these folks, so this program can help them

through a difficult time."

According to Doctor Davis, the program is intended to build a support infrastructure, implement different educational programs, and support the children of these families. The teens attending the seminar brainstormed several different options for making this possible.

"One group of teens decided to develop a Web site to get this information out to anyone who needs it," she stated. "They wanted to have a chat room to give teens a chance to speak out about what they're going through, and a calendar of events that they could all go out and do together. Another group is working on a presentation to give that explains the whole process of deployments."

Doctor Davis added that this information is so vital because it has not been readily available to those reserve and guard families before.

"Many of the teens whose parents face deployment have no idea what's going on, or even about military culture in general," she said. "They have no concept of what's going to be happening."

Doctor Davis also said the teens from the Pensacola 4-H group would be some of the first to put their new knowledge to good use. There are about 125 families from Mississippi with members who will deploy overseas soon. During their family readiness training part of the deployment in-processing at the Pensacola base, the 4-H teens will provide babysitting for any family that needs it.

For more information on , call 283-4366 or visit [4h.ifas.ufl.edu/Military/OMK%20site.htm](http://4h.ifas.ufl.edu/Military/OMK%20site.htm).

## Football Frenzy and Pigskin Picks hits Tyndall Community Activities Center

### STEVE RIDDLE

325th Services Squadron publicist

With the kickoff of the 2005 NFL season right around the corner, facilities on base are offering programs so the Tyndall population can enjoy the games even more.

For the 10th year in a row, the Pizza Pub will have Football Frenzy, a program offering club members a chance to win various prizes, including a trip to the 2005 NFL Super Bowl game Feb. 6 at Alltel Stadium in Jacksonville or the Pro Bowl Feb. 13 at Aloha Stadium in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Tyndall football fans will be competing against people from other bases for those grand prizes in this Air Force-wide program, but there

are many great offerings that will be awarded locally, such as an X-Box game system and video games, along with T-shirts, hats, coolers, key chains and other souvenirs.

"This year's Football Frenzy program will start 7 p.m. Thursday with a big kickoff party here," said Amanda Eriksson, Pizza Pub manager. "For the game, we're going to have beverage specials and our pizza buffet."

They will also expand their coverage of the games to include Monday night football and the late game on Sunday.

"We offer this program so that our customers can come out and have fun watching the games while being

able to relax here on base," Ms. Eriksson added.

The Pizza Pub will open at 11 a.m. on Sundays during the season. The 10 televisions at the Pizza Pub and Oasis Snack Bar will be tuned to particular games on a first-come, first-served basis.

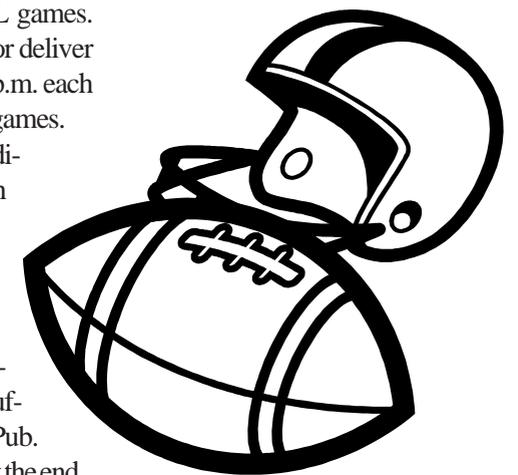
The center will also offer the Pigskin Picks program for the fifth year. Prizes have not been determined, but the center's Director Jean Cole said she is expecting much participation in this year's contest.

"Last year we had 71 different players turn in 670 entry forms for this event," Ms. Cole explained.

To participate in Pigskin Picks, players choose the winners of the

weekend's upcoming NFL games. They then can e-mail, fax or deliver their list to the center by 5 p.m. each Friday for the weekend's games.

The 17-week season is divided into three heats, with prizes being given away for first and second place of each heat. Anyone who correctly picks the winners of every game for a weekend will win a free pizza buffet lunch from the Pizza Pub. Also, scores will be tallied at the end of the season for all three heats. Although the winner will not receive any prizes, they will get bragging rights – the ability to say they are the "Football Guru" of the base.



For more information on either of these programs, contact the Pizza Pub at 283-3222 or the Community Center at 283-2495.

# Funshine NEWS

September 3, 2004

www.325thservices.com



**Seafood Extravaganza**  
All Ranks at the O' Club  
**Sept. 10**  
5:30-8:30 p.m.

**Featuring:**  
Snow Crab Station  
Peel & Eat Shrimp Station  
Oysters on the 1/2 Shell Station  
Beef Carving Station  
Variety of Selected Fish  
Breaded Shrimp  
Scallops  
Seafood Newberg  
Clam Chowder Soup  
Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy  
Steamed Rice  
Hush Puppies  
Vegetables  
Assorted Desserts



**Market Price:**  
\$18.95\*  
**Children ages 6-11:**  
\$9.95\*  
**5 & Under:**  
\$4.95\*  
\* Members receive a \$3 discount.

**Retiree Night**  
**Sept. 18**  
Retirees receive a 25% discount on food



**Events Schedule**

**Officers' Club**  
September 6: Club Closed  
September 7: OSC Board Meeting  
September 10: Seafood Extravaganza  
September 17: Warrior Call Mongolian BBQ  
September 18: Retiree Appreciation Night  
September 19: Sunday Brunch  
September 21: OSC Luncheon  
September 29: O' Club Advisory Meeting  
September 30: Warrior Welcome

**Enlisted Club**  
September 3: NCO Induction Ceremony  
September 6: Club Closed  
September 9: E' Club Advisory Meeting  
September 10: Seafood Extravaganza at the O' Club  
September 11: Retiree Appreciation Night  
September 16: ESC Social  
September 17: Mongolian BBQ  
September 19: Sunday Brunch at the O' Club  
September 23: E' Club Advisory Meeting



**Get In On It**  
**All Ranks Membership Night**  
at the Officers' Club  
**Sept. 2, 2004 • 4-8 p.m.**  
For Enlisted and Officers' Club Members

**FREE food & Beverages**  
**Entertainment & Door Prizes**  
**Susan Stewart - Jazz Acoustic Performer**  
**Call 283-4357 for more information.**

**Community Center**  
☎ 283-2495

**TaeKwonDo Classes**  
Master: Clifford Kinchen. Mondays and Wednesdays 6-6:50 p.m. for 6-12 yrs., 6:50-7:40 p.m. for 13 yrs. old and up. Cost: \$5 per class or \$40 for 10 class punch card. Call for more information.

**Guitar Lessons**  
Instructor: Ric Higgins. For beginners to advanced. \$20 1/2 hour session. \$30. per 1 hour session. \$60 1/2 hour session per week for one month. \$100 per 1 hour session per week for one month.

**Bicycle Rental Program**  
Weekly Rental: \$20. Daily Rental \$5.  
Weekend Special Available.

**Need help with Child Care?**  
**Extended Duty Child Care**  
available for parents required to work outside of normal duty hours.  
Call Family Child Care  
283-2266 for details



**Football Frenzy**  
**at the Pizza Pub**  
**Bldg. 1027 on Louisiana Ave.**

Prizes include: an XBOX system, T-shirts, coolers and hats for Club Members!  
**Any question call Amanda at 283-3222 / 283-2814**

**STRIVE**  
SMART STRENGTH™  
**Strive Selectorized Weight Equipment**  
at the Fitness Center  
Offers a full body strength and cardio workout.  
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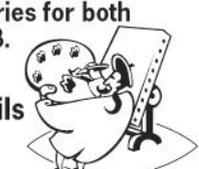
**Skills Development**  
**Air Force Photo Contest**  
The Skills Center will be accepting entries all month. This contest will be judged in September for base level and then sent off to Command Level in October. Open to all base personnel and dependents. Sponsored in part by:

**Nikon** **PPA**  
Professional Photographers of America  
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**Annual Artist Craftsmen and Photo Contest**  
Now 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.

**Deadline for entries for both contests: Sept. 8.**

**For more details 283-4511**



Every Sun. and Mon. is your chance to win trips to the Atlanta Tampa Bay game, Pro Bowl and even the Super Bowl!

**Week 1: Sept. 9 starts at 8 p.m.**  
**Sept. 12 starts at 11:30 a.m.**  
**Sept. 13 starts at 8 p.m.**



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## Youth Center

☎ 283-4366

### Surfs 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.

### Smart Start Baseball

Is your 3-5 year old ready to hit a homerun? Sign up for Start Smart Baseball and work one-on-one with your child developing basic skills. Classes run Sept. 9, 16, 23, & 30 at 10 a.m. Cost is \$30.

### Smart Start Basketball

Is your 3-5 year old ready to shoot some baskets? Sign up for Start Smart Basketball and work one-on-one with your child developing basic skills. Classes run Sept. 8, 15, 22, & 29 at 10 a.m. Cost is \$30. Call Andy at 283-4366 for more details.

### Skate Like a Pro

Learn basic and advanced tricks taught by World Freestyle Amateur Champion John Leathers. This class is open to youth ages 8 yrs. and older. Call for details and registration information.

### Punt, Pass & Kick

Signup for the NFL, Punt, Pass & Kick Competition, Sept. 24 at 3:30 p.m. at the Youth Center. Four age divisions 8-9 yrs., 10-11 yrs., 12-13 yrs., and 14-15 yrs. with boys and girls competing separately. It's FREE and top competitors can win a trip to the NFL Playoffs. Call and or sign up at the Youth Center.

## Marina Club

☎ 283-3059

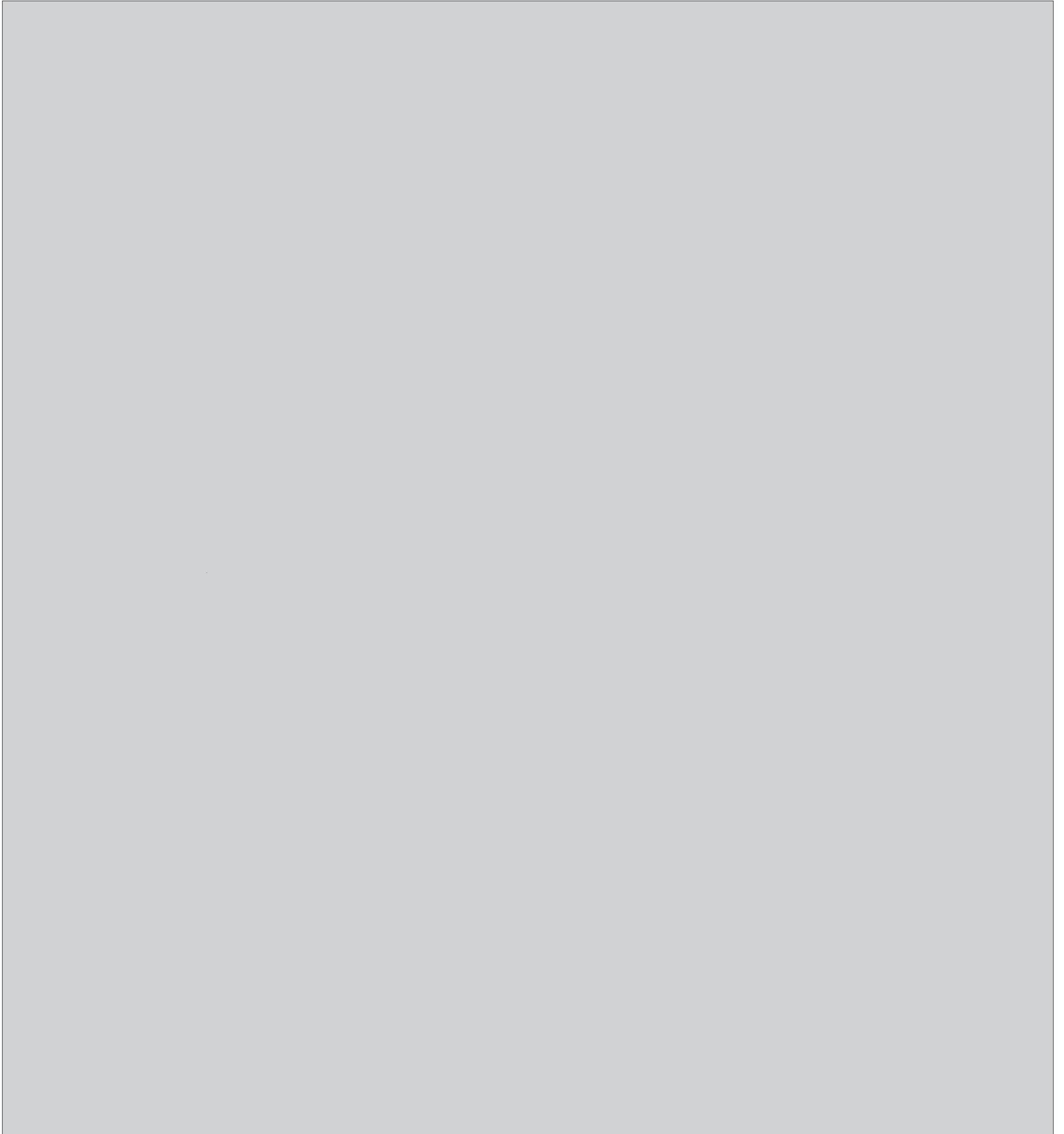
### Best Salad Bar on Base

All you can eat with soft drink \$5.95.

### Fishing and Dive Charters

Call 283-3059 to set-up a fishing or dive charter





## Back to basics



Airman 1st Class Sarah McDowell

**Q: What is the proper guidance for the blue cardigan sweater?**

A: The sweater is 50 percent acrylic and 50 percent non-irritation wool; washable; long sleeved, with cuffed or uncuffed sleeves; indoor or out outdoor garment.

It may be buttoned or unbuttoned indoors, but must be buttoned outdoors. When it is buttoned, the sweater will be completely buttoned; tie is optional; wear collar of shirt inside or outside sweater; not exposed when wearing another outer-garment. It is authorized for wear with blue service uniforms to include maternity. Hospital and food service personnel do not wear with white uniforms. Rank is worn on the epaulets of the sweater, centered, 5/8 of an inch from the outer seam.

