



## In Brief

### Commissary

The base commissary Wheel'n Deal'n sale for active-duty personnel and their families is 4 p.m. Wednesday.

### Adoption

The Airmen and Family Readiness Center, 'Adoption is an Option' seminar are 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. March 4 at building 743. To reserve a seat, call 283-4204 by Wednesday.

### Relay for Life

A Relay for Life bowling fundraiser is 11:30 a.m. Feb. 29 at Raptor Lanes bowling alley.

Each five-person team is asked to raise \$100 for the fundraiser, which will also cover lane fees and shoes.

Registration is open to the first 12 teams. Interested participants, call Senior Master Sgt. Bob Love at 283-2017.

### Dining Facility

The Berg-Liles dining facility is closed March 1-31 due to drainage system repairs. For additional information, call the food service staff office at 283-4422.

### Country Music Star

Country music star Aaron Tippin will perform a free concert at the 2008 Gulf Coast Salute Air Show March 29. For more information about the air show, visit [www.tyndall.af.mil](http://www.tyndall.af.mil).

# The Call of Duty sweeps Tyndall

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**325TH FIGHTER WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

Tyndall Air Force Base servicemembers have found a way to interact with one another outside of work without actually seeing each other in person.

A group of Airmen have been spending a majority of their off-duty time playing a game called "Call of Duty 4: Modern Warfare," for the Xbox 360 gaming-console.

Call of Duty 4, also referred to as COD4, is a first-person shooter game released Nov. 9, 2007. COD4 is the fourth installment in the Call of Duty video game series, but the first one to transition away from the World War II setting.

"COD4 is a present-day game that deals with a fictional war between the U.S. and Europe against Russian Ultranationalists and Middle Eastern rebels," said Senior Airman Robert Schmidt, 325th Air Control Squadron pilot simulator technician. "You play as United States Marines and British Special Air Service Regiment troops."

The multiplayer mode in Call of Duty 4 includes a character class system that allows players to create custom infantry classes with numerous weapons and special equipment to assign to their soldier.

The game has a variety of weapons in several different categories such as assault rifles, pistols, submachine guns, light machine guns, shotguns and sniper rifles. As a player progresses through experience levels, he or she can unlock more weapons. Furthermore, when a player gets



Photo by Airman 1st Class Anthony J. Hyatt

**Airman Tyminski's screen turns red playing Call of Duty 4, because he is being shot by the enemy.**

a certain number of kills for an individual weapon, they unlock certain upgrades to the weapon, such as red dot sights, silencers, under-barrel grenade launchers and scopes. All the available weapons used on Call of Duty 4 are accurate to those used in modern-day combat.

There are many different game modes on multiplayer: team death match, mercenary team death match, free-for-all, domination, search and destroy, headquarters, sabotage, hardcore team death match and hardcore search and destroy, old school free-for-all and old core.

One of the first things Airman 1st Class Christopher Tyminski, 325th ACS weapons technician, does when he gets off work is turn on his 360, sign on to Xbox LIVE, search for friends and start playing COD4.

"Bearski2787 (Airman Tymin-

ski's Xbox LIVE tag) has just signed on to Xbox LIVE," the Xbox 360 reads.

Xbox LIVE, an online-multiplayer gaming and digital media delivery service created by Microsoft Corporations, connects these Airmen together.

"The game is intense and it's so realistic," said Airman Tyminski. "I usually play five days a week, anywhere from one hour to five hours a session."

Ready to play, Bearski2787 sends party invites to other Airmen around the base and around the world.

"There are a few Airmen from my squadron and other squadrons around Tyndall that I play with," said Airman Tyminski. "Through LIVE, I am also able to play Call of Duty with my brother, who lives in Illinois, and other Airmen overseas."

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### 2008 Tyndall Intramural Basketball scores

Feb. 14, 2008

5:30 p.m. OSS-49 WEG-43

6:30 p.m. AMXS2-56 MOS-47

7:30 p.m. MXS-71 2FS-29

Feb. 19, 2008

5:30 p.m. CES-41 OSS-52

6:30 p.m. AMXS1-72 AOC-36

7:30 p.m. AMXS2 forfeits WEG

Feb. 20, 2008

5:30 p.m. WEG-48 2FS-45

6:30 p.m. MSS-25 MOS-99

7:30 p.m. AMXS2-61 MXS-44

### 2008 Tyndall Intramural Basketball standings (as of today)

Team	Win	Loss
53WEG	10	1
MXS	9	2
AMXS2	9	2
MOS	10	3
OSS	9	3
AMXS1	7	5
COMM	7	5
SVS	5	4
AFCESA	6	6
SFS	5	6
ACS	5	7
2FS	3	9
CES	2	10
MSS	2	11
AOC	0	13

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Talking through headsets, each Airman can interact with one another as if they were holding a conversation in the same room or on the phone together.

Airman Schmidt and four other Airmen from the Air Control Squadron are in a group together called "SoCo." Being in a group shows other players online that they are a team. Their team is also comprised of family members spread across the United States and friends from back home.

Next door to the 325th ACS is the 81st Range Control Squadron, which also houses players of the game.

To compete against the ACS Airmen and other players around the world, Senior Airman Travis Eckenroth, 81st RCS weapons director technician instructor, also is part of a team -- team "I." Airman Eckenroth's group is comprised of friends from Tyndall and friends from other military bases.

"The war that's going on in the game is similar to the war that we (United States) are fighting now," said Airman Eckenroth.

The two groups, "SoCo" and "I" have not yet battled against each other, but there is a great possibility in the near future according to Airman Tyminski.

"It's just a fun game to play when you get a bunch of your friends online," said the RCS Airman. "The real-life action in the game is unreal and just pulls you in."

## Checkertail Salute

### Maj. Lawanda Clark



Photo by Chris Dahmer

Maj. Lawanda Clark, 325th Medical Group Family Practice flight commander, demonstrates proper usage of the Pulmonary Function Test machine to Senior Airman Otis Latson, a 325th Medical Group technician.

Major Clark transformed the personal health assessment process, increasing the 325th Fighter Wing medical readiness rate from 71 percent to 92 percent. She personally raised more than \$1,000 for New Hope Primitive Baptist Church's 133rd anniversary celebration.

**Hometown:** Cantonment, Fla.

**Time on station:** Three years

**Time in service:** 13 years

**Hobbies:** Walking and watching movies

**Goals:** Finish Air Command and Staff College

**Favorite thing about Tyndall AFB:** The weather

**Favorite movie:** Color Purple

**Favorite book:** TD Jakes "Reposition Yourself, Living Life Without Limits"

*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.*



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