

A new special interest program focuses on mentoring the junior officer corps. For more about Project Connect see page 3.

First Look

Heritage Banquet

The African American Awareness Committee is holding its annual African American Heritage Banquet Saturday, 6-9:30 p.m. at the Top of the Rock club. The speaker is Dr. Robert V. Scott. Cost for members is \$11.50 for chicken, \$13 for beef and salmon; for non-members \$13.75 and \$15. Dress is business casual. For more information or to buy tickets, call Tech Sgt. Gerard Dumas at 2-6451, Senior Airman Tayquoyah Johnson at 2-6383, or Airman 1st Class Kara Boone at 2-6268.

Preflight

- Days since last DUI 19
- DUIs since Jan. 1 One
- Current AEF Silver (5&6)
- Current FPCON Alpha
- Guest DJ Shirley Paz
- **Combat Nighthawk:** **Capt. Gilbert Hinojosa**, 65th Communications Squadron; **Capt. Edward Liderman**, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron; **Master Sgt. Carlos Aponte-Ramos**, 65 CES; and **Master Sgt. Dwana Moore**, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron.

911 call

Life, limb and eyesight are the reasons the 65th Medical Group has an ambulance service available and why the ability to call 911 is in place. Page 5.

STEP



Tech. Sgt. Matt Kaczor, 65th Services Squadron, hands a key to a lodging guest. Sergeant Kaczor was promoted to technical sergeant under the Stripes for Exceptional Performers program during a recognition ceremony at the Top of the Rock Feb. 6. During Operation IRAQ FREEDOM he orchestrated the bed down plan for over 4,000 deployed personnel to include 544 troops from three tanker task force units. Sergeant Kaczor was the first to respond from off-duty to direct a no-notice bed down of 201 stranded passengers from a damaged L-1011. He is actively involved in the base and local community; he holds the position of AFSA secretary, SVS booster club president, team leader for Combat Education, member of the AAFES/DECA council. According to Air Force Instruction 36-2502, STEP promotions are intended to provide a means to promote airmen for compelling reason. Selections are based on recommendations from subordinate commanders or personal knowledge of the individual. Only a limited number of candidates get sent up for the 90-day review process, and the major command commander selects the final promotees for each rank from staff through master sergeant. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

Leader lauds 200 days of progress

by **Gen. Robert H. "Doc" Foglesong**
USAFE Commander

We can be incredibly proud of USAFE's accomplishments over the last six months. Chief Coleman and I are inspired by the intense mission focus and boundless enthusiasm demonstrated throughout the command, and we are encouraged by the progress at all levels.



General Foglesong

At the strategic level, we focused on several major endeavors: development of a strategy for U.S. Air Forces in Europe for the next decade,

reorganization of USAFE HQ, our theater engagement plan, and a measurement system to track our progress. The progress we make today is shaping how we'll fight tomorrow. USAFE's strategic presence and unparalleled readiness are key enablers for our nation, and the thrust behind our Air Force strategy for Europe. Based on national, joint, and USAF strategies and visions, our new strategic plan centers on four primary principles: our ability to influence global actions; readiness; theater engagement; and our ability to retain a leadership role in NATO. Our efforts embody these principles and ensure our forces are ready to meet the

challenges of the future. We reorganized USAFE HQ by divesting it of those non-management HQ functions that had been attached — some 1,000 personnel / functions realigned from the strategic level to either the operational level or tactical level. We also identified those functions that could be streamlined by using reach-back to CONUS services, resulting in a significant number of functions migrating back to parent commands or HQ Air Force. These actions permit our HQ to more clearly focus on its mission — to provide policy, oversight, and evaluations on command units.

As part of the reorganization, we converted our headquarters to an A-Staff. This structure

more clearly aligns with our parent command — EUCOM, our subordinate warfighting headquarters — Air Forces Europe, and our sister services. This realignment postures us to function as a warfighting headquarters and permits cleaner lines of communication across the spectrum of functions accomplished by USAFE Headquarters.

While squaring away HQ, we established and formalized our theater engagement plan to support CDRUSEUCOM's vision of US military interaction with our allies and coalition partners. Execution of the plan resulted in USAFE / USAF assets visiting or operating in

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over 20 countries regarding several areas of interest for our air forces — safety, medical, operations, logistics, etc. An important part of this plan was the development of four engagement teams that are regionally focused and tailored to the appropriate topics of interest for the Air Forces of a particular region.

Lastly in the strategic realm, we developed and implemented a measurement system to determine whether USAFE is meeting its goals. This measurement system covers the spectrum of important functions within the command — readiness, quality of life, morale, and welfare. Each month we review our Combat and Special Interest Program metrics and some 23 other key indicators, covering everything from medical performance factors to mission capable rates. This system provides valuable insight into the health of the command and progress towards our goals.

We were equally as engaged at the operational level, as we made progress with our warfighting HQ, situational awareness, strategic footprint, and operational evaluation construct. We planned for, stood up, and certified a 24/7 warfighting headquarters. Called Air Forces Europe, or AFEUR, its mission is to provide theater planning, sustainment, and execution in the Global War on Terrorism, contingencies, and daily operations. As all of this was accomplished, over 550 USAFE HQ personnel were ear-tagged, and are in the process of being trained, to perform as part of a wartime construct for AFEUR. Eventually, AFEUR will assume the role and responsibilities currently performed by our Numbered Air Forces.

Situational awareness is a key aspect of AFEUR's mission. We improved operational SA across the command by giving our flying units the appropriate mechanisms to receive command-wide data relative to Air Tasking Order / asset utilization. In addition to providing USAFE this "Big ATO", we improved interoperability between the AFEUR Air and Space Operations Center and NATO. We dramatically increased our SA with access to key NATO C2 systems, including NATO's Recognized Air Picture and ATO generation tool.

On another front, USAFE reinforced the strategic footprint of the USAF's long-reach enablers by redistributing the leadership



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and C2 at RAF Fairford and Moron AB.

These bases have been, and continue to be, very important in every recent contingency. Improving the C2 and robusting the leadership has had a direct impact at the operational level on the fight as these bases contribute to the broad operations in and across the EUCOM AOR.

As a final point, we conceived, developed, and implemented a no-notice operational evaluation construct to measure and critique the readiness of units across the command for events associated with GWoT. Called Euro Thunder, this initiative provides immediate feedback to commanders about unit tactical and operational readiness to counter events relevant to terrorist attacks.

At the tactical level, we provided significant capabilities to several contingency operations, transitioned our aeromedical evacuation mission, established USAFE University, and made noteworthy progress on several key mission enablers. In the last six months alone, we flew over 2,100 combat sorties totaling over 9,300 combat hours in support of OIF/OEF, JTF Liberia, and Balkans operations. We provided an aeromedical evacuation capability that moved over 5,200 OEF/OIF patients out of CENTCOM, and transported patients all over Europe. Our tactical airlift, tankers, fighters, and airmen, delivered airpower and services whenever, wherever needed.

Seamless to our contingency operations, in September of 2003 we successfully transitioned AE from a single-role airframe, the C-9 Nightingale, to the use of multi-role airframes. Within EUCOM our C-21s successfully took over 24/7 alert coverage for intra-theater movement of emergent patients. We accomplished other AE missions via a combination of C-21s, C-130s, opportune airlift, civilian air ambulances, and creative solutions.

Creative solutions also helped us make remarkable progress with our Combat and Special Interest Programs, and other efforts. Results clearly indicate the command is focused and energized on key mission enablers: readiness, force development, services, and quality of life.

Four programs contributed to improvements in our readiness. As an example, Combat Flightline reduced the number of maintenance personnel working outside of their core duties by returning almost 40 airmen back to maintenance production, in addition to other flightline initiatives. USAFE HQ's generals, colonels, and chiefs (and selects) were among the first in the command to taxi to the test ramp under our new AF Fitness testing guidelines. Thanks to Combat Fitness, they set the standard with an average score of 86 percent. Combat Care is gaining momentum to improve the care, attention, and information flow to spouses and family members affected by deployments, and to personnel deployed to USAFE. Lastly, we just initiated Project SMART (Smartly Managing Awareness, Risk, and Threats) to embed a safety culture and to help us

Days of Progress

manage our awareness of risk, actively combat the threats we face, and act smartly when we see something that needs to be fixed.

Improving services, like readiness, is more than just an enabler — it's one of USAFE's three primary goals. Our progress in this area is significant and far reaching. Over 700 targeted service professionals graduated from Customer College since its inception. The seeds are planted and improved customer service is already noticeable throughout the command.

Combat Education initiatives are removing barriers to education — throughout USAFE nearly 50 percent of all college courses are now taught during non-standard times, and nearly 15 percent of all classes are offered outside traditional classroom locations. Project Wizard helped our libraries reach out to stock reading materials you desire, redirect their programs, and improve their services. We have over 2,500 registered volunteers with Hidden Heroes who logged in over 14,000 hours of service. Combat Intro / Exit streamlined requirements to minimize PCS stress and frustration. We reduced the number of in-processing stops to three at all USAFE bases — down from as many as 15 stops at some locations. We are also on line with Virtual Outprocessing, which reduced the number of required outprocessing stops to an average of five per base. Finally, we responded to the need to improve the process for obtaining a US Forces Driver's License in Germany. We engaged USAREUR to revise the driver license test, simplify study materials, and improve testing procedures — they responded. While all of this gets ironed out, commanders may now grant PCSing service members a waiver letter, allowing them to obtain a 30-day temporary license to ease in-processing and house hunting.

We are moving forward with two force development programs to provide professional growth via hands-on experience and one-on-one mentorship. All USAFE main operating bases executed daily Combat Nighthawk sorties, and we're on track to reach 15 percent of the command's CGOs and 15 percent of our Senior NCOs each quarter — breaking them out of their functional stovepipes to learn about unfamiliar elements of Air Force operations. Project Connect is our newest program designed to provide a forum for senior officer mentors to counsel



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and enhance the individual professional development of junior officer protégés on a one-on-one basis.

Also in the spirit of force development, we created USAFE University — a first-of-its-kind entity chartered to oversee all education and training programs and processes within the command — encompassing over 550 courses. A Board of Trustees, composed of HQ USAFE Directors, will advise the University President on command-level education and training issues. The Director of Personnel and Command Chief Master Sergeant will serve as Vice Presidents, and the Provost, the Chief of Education and Training, will be our belly button for all education and training issues within the command.

On a final note, we enhanced quality of life in numerous areas. Project CHEER provided 455 high-energy events serving over 46,000 airmen throughout the command during November and December alone. The Power Plant Project is a maturing initiative designed by airmen, for airmen. This concept is a welcomed opportunity for our younger airmen

throughout the command to get involved and help establish facilities with programs and activities they want. Under Combat Touch, our Chaplains initiated over 67 programs, including 13 new flightline / work center offices / prayer spaces, and two coffee houses to reach the troops. Combat Proud changed the way we look at things and strengthened our commitment to improve our command's appearance. While hard to quantify, it is easy to notice progress. Keep it up — outstanding achievement in facility pride-in-ownership will be recognized with cash awards during our upcoming Combat Proud competitions.

Chief Coleman and I ask that you stay engaged in these programs . . . they are based on enduring principles and help us stay energized and focused on increasing readiness, taking care of our people, and accomplishing the mission in an organized and effective way.

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In Focus

Lunch Seminar

The free lunch and learn seminar on Ethical Principles for Professionals, based on the lessons of Gandhi, is 11 a.m.-noon, Thursday, at the education center. To sign up, call Erika Golart at 2-3171 by Monday.

Trail run

Anyone interested in the 10K trail run needs to meet at the Chase Fitness Center at 8:45 a.m. for 9 a.m. departure, Feb. 27. The run is a scenic run at the Sulfur Pits. Everyone is welcome to run/walk at their own pace. Water and Gatorade is provided. For more, call Capt. Daniel Sweeney at 2-6206.

Dance

Dance Night at the Top of the Rock club with DJ Pun. Bar opens at 4 p.m.; DJ plays 9 p.m.-4 a.m. tonight.

Country night

Tonight at the Top of the Rock club with DJ Bob. Bar opens at 4 p.m.; DJ plays 9 p.m.-4 a.m. Saturday.

Club

Chill Out Sunday with DJ Big Pun at the Top of the Rock club 4 p.m.-midnight.

Open volleyball

Open Volleyball at the Chase Fitness Center 3-5 p.m. Sunday. If interested, just show up.

Project Connect



Project Connect manager: Maj. Kristen Nelson

Objective: Provide a forum where senior officers counsel and enhance the individual professional development of junior officers on a one-to-one basis.

Project Wizard



(Above) Syden Reynolds (foreground), daughter of Suzy and Lt. Col. David Reynolds, 65th Mission Support Group, and Sean Hartzell, son of Tami and 1st Lt. Michael Hartzell, 65th Communications Squadron, read their instructions while looking through the DVD center during the Valentine Caper at the base library Feb. 13. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

Micah Franke, son of Martha and Chaplain (Captain) Matthew Franke, and Desire' Moore, daughter of Melvin and Master Sgt. Dwana Moore, get refreshments at the Project Wizard Night Out at the Library. The next night out is March 3. For more, call 2-3688. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Michelle Michaud)



911 is here for Lajes

Crossroads staff

Emergencies where a life, limb or eyesight could be lost are the reason the 65th Medical Group keeps its ambulance service available and why the ability to call 911 is in place, according to group officials.

Capt. (Dr.) Hafez A. Nasr, chief of ambulance services here, said an ambulance will respond to all medical emergencies. These include chest pain, difficulty breathing, fractured bones, seizures and cases where loss of sight may occur just to name a few.

However, if the medical event is not an emergency, Captain Nasr said other means of consultation and care are available. Those medical events include sprains, cuts, fevers, vomiting and nausea, coughing, headaches, and abdominal pains.

These situations may be urgent but are not necessarily an emergency. For these situations, people should refer to their "Taking Care of Yourself" book. If more help is needed, they can call the doctor on call instead of 911. The

doctor on call can help make the determination on whether or not to send an ambulance.

The ambulance service, however, is not a ride for incidents that are not considered emergencies, according to Tech. Sgt. Shawn Darragh, NCO in charge of ambulance services.

"If you need a non-emergency ride to the clinic or to the ER in Angra, that's something you will need to arrange for yourself," Sergeant Darragh said.

The ambulance service also has what Captain Nasr called an "information only" hotline.

"This is not for medical or emergency help," he emphasized.

Instead, calling the technician on the other end of the info-only line will allow patients to obtain information on how to reach help.

On-call physicians are available at all times, Captain Nasr said. However, the doctor emphasized patients' use of self-aid and buddy care as well as the "Taking Care of Yourself" books issued by Tricare and the clinic.

Captain Nasr said it is important to discriminate and be clear about the type of medical service a patient needs before calling the emergency hotline.

"Except for trauma, most people on this base are healthy and unlikely to have emergencies that would require calling 911," he concluded.

Hot numbers

- Emergency Line (on base): 911
- Emergency Line (off-base housing): 295-571-911
- Emergency Line (off-base): 112
- On-call doctor: 966-478-370
- On-call doctor pager number: 0429
- "Information Only" Line: 2-3757 or 295-57-3757

Sun outages may affect AFN

FRANKFURT, Germany — AFN customers may experience brief programming interruptions Feb. 29 - March 12 as the spring "sun outage" period occurs.

These seasonal outages, which take place each spring and fall, affect all satellite communications, including the American Forces Network radio and television services distributed by the American Forces Radio and Television Service.

These programming interruptions are characterized by a complete loss of signal for several seconds to even 10 or 20 minutes. They occur when the sun's position aligns with broadcast satellites

and Earth station receivers. The sun's radiation overpowers the broadcast signal causing this disruption of service.

The effect of sun outages on satellite programming received at the AFRTS Broadcast Center at March Air Reserve Base, Calif., will be minimal because alternate satellite feeds can be used in the event of a sun outage. However, the AFRTS satellite signals distributed to regional and local AFN affiliates may experience more significant outages due to their reliance on the single AFRTS satellite feed.

This year's spring sun outages will be most severe between March 5 and 6. **(USAFENS)**



Today: 7 p.m. "Cheaper By the Dozen" 99 minutes, PG. Cast includes Steve Martin and Bonnie Hunt. Synopsis: When a football coach is offered the top job at Northwestern University, he sets out to Chicago with his wife and 12 children. But when her writing career takes off, the two must balance their jobs and the chaotic task of parenting. Rated PG for language and some thematic elements. **10p.m. "Something's Gotta Give" 133 minutes, PG-13.** Cast includes Jack Nicholson and Diane Keaton. Synopsis: Harry generally dates younger women. His world is turned upside-down when he has a heart attack while visiting his girlfriend's home. With his girlfriend having gone back to the city, Harry is left in the care of her mother, Erica and his doctor but the two men soon find themselves competing with each other, as they both fall in love with Erica. Rated PG-13 for sexual content, brief nudity and strong language.

Saturday: 2 p.m. Family Matinee "Peter Pan" PG, 113 minutes. Cast includes Jason Issacs and Jeremy Sumpter. Synopsis: One night in their nursery, young London siblings Wendy, John and Michael Encounter a strange flying boy named Peter Pan, who invites them to soar with him to Neverland. There they live among the Lost Boys without adult supervision and face down the nasty Captain Hook. Rated PG for adventure action sequences and peril. **7 p.m. "Cheaper By the Dozen" PG.**

Sunday: 2 p.m. "Peter Pan" PG. 7 p.m. "Something's Gotta Give" PG-13.
Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 7 p.m. "Peter Pan" PG.
Wednesday: 7 p.m. "Cheaper By the Dozen" PG.
Thursday: 7 p.m. "Something's Gotta Give" PG-13.



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Charity doesn't discriminate

by 1st Lt. Aaron Wiley
Crossroads Staff

A local Portuguese woman and her extended family of six are the most recent benefactors of American generosity, following a fire that burned their home on Santa Rita Hill behind the American Forces Network station Jan. 31.

"What happened here was very ugly," said Maria do Rosario Dutra, crying. "It was 7:30 a.m., I was in the garage working and everyone else was still sleeping."

Smoke filled the air and Mrs. Dutra's daughter, Carla Andrade, awoke to the reality of what's become a nightmare for her Portuguese family, Mrs. Dutra said. Mrs. Andrade opened the window and yelled to Mrs. Dutra that the house was on fire.

"As soon as she opened the window, the fire began to spread quickly, and the children were all inside," said Mrs. Dutra.

Mrs. Andrade, who is 30 years old and lives at her mother's house with her husband, three sons, and a daughter, ages six, five, one and three, says she had to act immediately to get the children out.

"I wasn't scared," said Mrs. Andrade, showing the burns she received braving the flames as she handed her children one-by-one out the front window to her mother standing outside. "There wasn't time to be scared."

Mrs. Andrade and her three-year-old received burns on their hands and arm, but everyone else made it out unscathed, she said. The fire was not as kind to everything else, she said, pointing to the three pieces of furniture that were not damaged.

An anonymous caller, familiar with the Chapel Charity program, called Senior Airman George Rodriguez, the chaplain assistant.



Maria do Rosario Dutra stands next to her daughter Carla Andrade who displays the burns on her fingers while holding Liandro Andrade, the youngest of her four children that she saved from a house fire Jan. 31. Damaged household items are stacked behind them in the garage.

He alerted Tech Sgt. Silvia DeJesus, the Chapel Charities coordinator.

"I picked up some boxes from the Chapel Charities closet, containing some clothing and other miscellaneous items," Sergeant DeJesus said. "When I delivered them, I saw they needed so much more; they lost everything."

Jacinta Pires, the chapel's interpreter helped deliver additional items to the family. She hopes more donations come in, but even if they do, she said, it's hard to come by the things the family needs most, like beds, a crib, a dining room table and dresser drawers.

"We hope to get the word out, so those who are in a position to help, can," said Sergeant DeJesus, after sending an e-mail to the base First Sergeants.

Those interested in donating can contact Sergeant DeJesus for more information at 2-1304 or 295-549-430, or bring their donations to the Chapel Charities closet from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, at building T-426.



Maria do Rosario Dutra shows the window her daughter handed the children out. The concrete structure was salvaged, and the windows, doors, ceiling and floor are being replaced.

"The organization was established to help the poor or those in need", said Chaplain (Maj.) Stan Pieczara, who oversees Chapel Charities, part of the chapel outreach program established about eight years ago by Chaplain (Capt.) Thomas Doyle.

The program helps the local orphanages, nursing homes, churches and airman in need.

"We're not normally allowed to donate directly to individual families, but in special circumstances like this, we do what we can," Chaplain Pieczara said.



(Above) Maria do Rosario Dutra accepts kitchen items that Jacinta Pires delivered from the Chapel Charities Closet. Most everything in the home was destroyed by the fire besides three pieces of furniture. (Right) Local emergency officials determined it was an electrical fire that started in this front room, adjacent to the room from which the family escaped. (Photos by 1st Lt. Aaron Wiley)



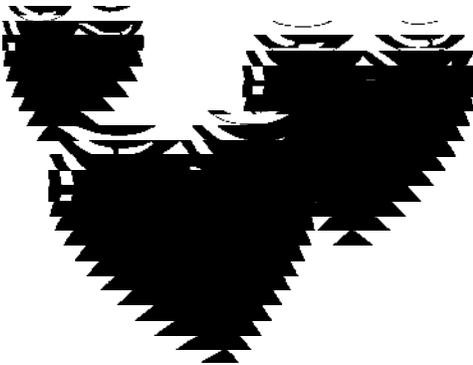
Valentine's Day



♥ Third-grader T.J. Daly, son of Beth and Brian Daly, reads a Valentine he received from a friend during his class holiday party Feb. 13.



(Above) First-grader Matthew Maasen, son of Leah and Tech. Sgt. David Ross, decorates a sugar heart cookie during his holiday party in Kelly Raby's class Feb. 13. (Left) Chaplain (Capt.) Matthew Franke and his wife, Martha, serenade people at the Protestant Women of the Chapel Valentine's Banquet at the Top of the Rock club Feb. 6. ♥



Alicia Smartt, daughter of Kim and Staff Sgt. Larenza Smartt, delivers a candy gram to Wyatt Boone, son of Becky and Senior Airman Dale Boone, in Genevieve Trudell's multi-age class Feb. 13. The student council sold the candy grams during lunch periods for \$1. The council sold more that 600 candy grams.



Sports briefs

Paintball

Everyone is welcome to play 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday. Sign-ups are at outdoor recreation three days in advance. Eight to 25 people can play, participants must be at least 16, and it is \$20 a person. Price includes transportation, a CO2 cartridge and a full face mask. For more, call 2-4140.

Fishing trip

The trip is aboard the Catamaran "Tango," 8 a.m.-noon, Saturday and Feb. 28. It is \$65 per person, for four-six people can go and children must be at least 8 years old. Sign up three days before the trip at outdoor recreation. For more, call 2-4140.

Taekwondo

Classes are 6:15-7:30 p.m., Tuesdays for 5-12 year olds, 6:15-7:30 p.m., Thursdays for 13 and up, and 10 a.m., Saturday, at the fitness center. For more, call Airman Joshua Clark at 2-6126.

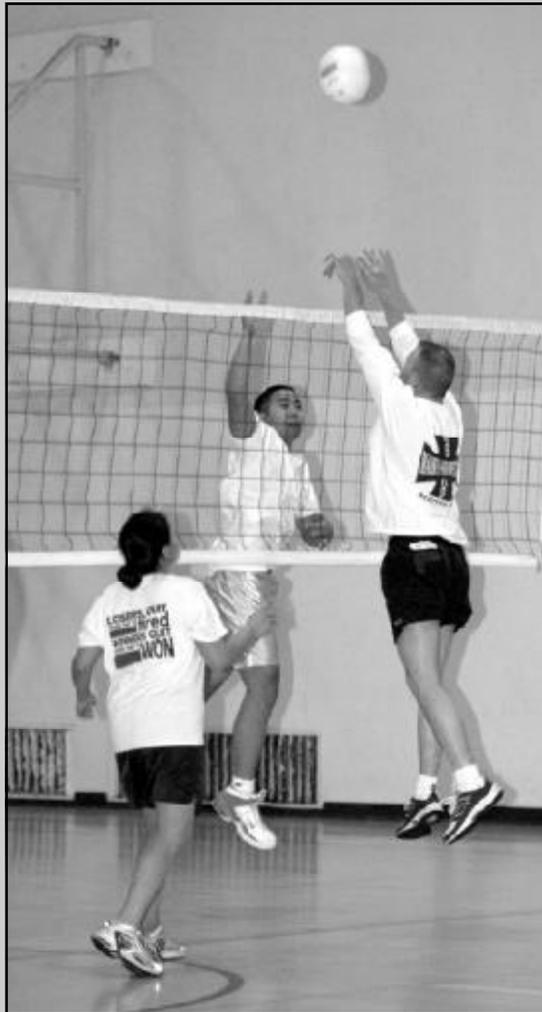
Yoga

Classes are at 9 a.m., Saturdays, at the fitness center. For more, call Airman Joshua Clark at 2-6126.

Fitness Monopoly

Everyone's welcome to play at the fitness center when working out, by rolling the dice once a day and doing whatever the property landed on asks. For more, call Senior Airman Sarah Haylett at 2-6390.

Project CHEER



During a Project CHEER event Local Lajes members batted it out during a co-ed 4-on-4 volleyball tourney at the Chase Fitness Center Feb. 14. The next five intramural volleyball games are Monday at 5:30, 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The center has open volleyball 3-5 p.m. every Sunday. If interested, just show up. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Robert Valenca)

AFN Weekend Sports

Friday

AFN-Sports

Motorcycle Racing: THQ world Supercross GP, 6 p.m.
PGA Tour: Nissan Open – Second Round, 7 p.m.
NBA: Minnesota Timberwolves @ Detroit Pistons, midnight

Saturday

AFN-Sports

NBA: Philadelphia 76ers @ Los Angeles Lakers, 2:30 a.m.
Friday Night Fights: USBA Jr. Middle-weight Title Bout, 7 a.m.
NBA: Philadelphia 76ers @ Los Angeles Lakers, 11 a.m.
NASCAR Busch Series: Rockingham 200, 4:30 p.m.
PGA Tour: Nissan Open – Third Round, 7 p.m.

College Basketball: WAC – Teams TBD, 10 p.m.

SEC – Florida @ Mississippi, midnight

AFN-Atlantic

College Basketball: Big East – Syracuse @ Georgetown, 4 p.m.

Big East – Notre Dame @ UCONN, 6 p.m.
Teams TBD, 8 p.m.

AFN-Pacific

College Basketball: Teams TBD, 5 p.m.
CUSA – UAB @ Memphis, 11 p.m.

Sunday

AFN-Sports

College Basketball: WAC – Teams TBD, 4 a.m.

Teams TBD, 7 a.m.

NHL: Nashville Predators @ Phoenix

Coyotes, 11 a.m.

NBA: Cleveland Cavaliers @ NY Knicks, 5 p.m.

PGA Tour: Nissan Open – Final Round, 7:30 p.m.

NBA: Los Angeles Lakers @ Phoenix Suns, 11 p.m.

AFN-Atlantic

College Basketball: Teams TBD, 11 p.m.

NASCAR Nextel Cup Series: Subway 400, 5 p.m.

PGA Preview: World Golf Championships – Accenture Match Play Championship Preview Show, 10 p.m.

AFN-Pacific

College Basketball: Teams TBD, 1 a.m.

Motorcycle Racing: THQ World Supercross GP (125CC) Minneapolis, 4 p.m.

THQ World Supercross GP (250CC)

Minneapolis, 7 p.m.

College Basketball: Big Ten – Wisconsin @ Michigan, 6 p.m.

ACC – Maryland @ Duke, 8 p.m.

LES changes reduce theft

ARLINGTON, Va. — Leave and earning statements for all servicemembers and Defense Department civilians, and paychecks for military retirees will soon have more identity theft protection. Over the next several weeks, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service will drop the first five digits of a person's Social Security number from all pay statements and checks to guard against identity theft.

"The changes apply to everyone," said Patrick Shine, acting director of DFAS. The proposal "originated internally and will be phased in over the next couple of pay periods."

Reports of identity theft have substantially increased in recent years, according to the Federal Trade Commission, which monitors the issue.

This change is to be for all hard copy leave and earning statements. This does not apply to electronic copies of statements found on myPay, the online system for access and control of customers personal pay information.

Five years ago, the number of identity theft complaints to the FTC was roughly 23,400. By 2001, the rate had more than tripled to about 86,200. Based on figures released in January, the number of complaints of identity theft nearly topped 215,000 for 2003. The Social Security Administration also has taken the same step of eliminating the first five Social Security numbers on the millions of checks it issues. (*Air Force Print News*)

New site makes move easy

WASHINGTON — Relocating an Air Force family can be challenging. To ease the strain, Air Force officials recently launched "AF Move," a Web site designed to put as much moving-related information as possible into a mouse-click away.

While many units have local sites to help Air Force families in the moving process, this site aims to give people Air Force-level guidance.

The site links users to everything from making permanent-change-of-station moving arrangements to tracking a personally owned vehicle shipment.

The site's usefulness does not end there. "When people use it early in the PCS process, they can plan the move intelligently," said Jim McAllister, personal property and passenger policy division chief.

"We've tried to make it one-stop shopping, the best we can," he said. "It helps you ask the right questions. It may even satisfy all your questions, even before you go in and get personal counseling."

It also serves as a great tool for remembering what items were briefed during that counseling, Mr. McAllister said.

The site also contains links to a toolbox full of technical information that Air Force personal property specialists can reference. This allows officials to quickly disseminate information to offices in the field and serves as an invaluable resource, Mr. McAllister said.

Some gave all



BAGRAM AIR BASE, Afghanistan (USAFENS) — Master Sgt. Mark Knapp, 455th Expeditionary Operations Group fuels superintendent (far right), stands with hundreds of soldiers and airmen here to pay respect to a fallen comrade who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the name of freedom. Sergeant Knapp is deployed from Aviano Air Base, Italy in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Brian Davidson)

The next time PCS orders drive Air Force members to pack up personal property and head for a new base, afmove.hq.af.mil can help keep the headaches and hassles to a minimum. (AFPN)

2004 BAH pay charts

Basic Allowance for Housing pay tables have been updated for 2004. BAH is based on geographic duty location, pay grade, and dependency status, and provides servicemembers housing compensation based on housing costs in local civilian housing markets.

In areas where the published BAH for a grade is lower than last year, individuals will continue to receive the higher amount, indefinitely, until an interruption in eligibility, defined as a PCS move or change in dependency status. DoD and the services developed BAH to improve and enhance housing allowances for all members, taking into account complaints with the old VHA program.

To find out how much basic allowance for housing a base provides, visit an interactive map at www.military.com/Resources/ResourcesContent/1,13964,30825,00.html, with pay tables for your area. Tables include amounts for military personnel with and without dependents. (AFPN)

Valentines for veterans

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — Valentine's Day came early for more than 200 local veterans.

The veterans were recipients of "Valen-

tines for Vets," thanks to a program that was initiated by former Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Ronald Fogleman, as an offshoot from the National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, fittingly Feb. 8 to 14.

Instead of red, Air Force blue was the color of the day as volunteers from across the base visited local retirement communities. They delivered valentines, hand-made by students at local elementary schools and Eglin's after-school youth program, to show support and gratitude those who served before them.

Veterans in 18 area assisted-living facilities received valentines, said Master Sgt. Bob Branham of the 96th Communications Squadron and project organizer.

"The volunteers were members of units from all the wings on base," Sergeant Branham said. "The response from the school principals and the youth center director was excellent."

Second Lt. Kimberly Curtis, of the Air Armament Center, volunteered because she said she remembered letters she received while at Officer Training School.

"I wanted to give back," she said. "It made me feel better when I was there, so I thought this would be a good way to support our vets."

Henry Wonner, a Marine during World War II, said he is honored to be remembered.

"This was really a nice surprise," Mr. Wonner said. "I was in the assault on Guam and Okinawa before going into China. There are a lot of memories of my time as a soldier." (AFPN)

Volunteer for the right reasons

by Master Sgt. Clyde
Hickerson
65th Medical Group first
sergeant

I heard a commercial the other day that gave me cause to pause. It stated that a good reason to volunteer was to get that great EPR bullet.

I couldn't help but think that it seemed somewhat misguided. For military members we spend a great deal of our time working to fit the "whole person concept."

This means we perform our duties, stay fit, work to improve ourselves, and are

good citizens by giving back to the community in which we live.

The spirit of volunteerism, help ourselves by helping others. It should be an unselfish motivation.

"Service Before Self" holds we place our duty to the Air Force and our country before our own personal desires.

I believe that should also hold true when we are not in uniform. Our volunteer service away from the work center should be a charitable effort not jaded with a desire for personal glory that seems to wash away any honor and

giving which should be the driving force behind our actions.

To freely give of yourself to benefit others while expecting nothing in return is the noblest of deeds.

The personal motivation to go out and give to the local community should be the enjoyment of what you are doing and the satisfaction of knowing you have made a better place for everyone.

However, it is incumbent upon those who are in a position of leadership to recognize the timeless efforts of those who volunteer. We need to give them the piece

of mind that their actions will be properly acknowledged and documented so those who see their history will know of their outstanding contributions.

In the end, I hope anyone who gives their time and effort to help others and the community is acknowledged.

Whether this is an EPR bullet or a simple pat on the back and a "thank you", it should always be secondary to the personal satisfaction and pride realized from a job well done.

Volunteer...For the right reasons.

Question: I want to know more local places to visit, but I don't know what's out there. Why aren't more tours available on the island?

Answer: Great question, especially for our remote island audience! Lajes Field has two organizations that perform tours for all assigned members and dependants: The Family Support Center and Outdoor Recreation.

The Family Support Center within the 65th Mission Support Squadron currently has three tours: The Right Start tour to Angra, the monthly FRAME tour to Praia and the monthly Single and Unaccompanied Member Island Tour. All three of these tours are geared to get you out and about the island so you can experience the local culture and see what the island has to offer.

Outdoor Recreation within the 65th Services Squadron also offers tours. Their tours include dolphin watching, sailing to Split Rock, deep sea fishing trips and moonlight cheese and wine cruises. For more information on these tours, please visit Outdoor Recreation in building T-319.

Also worth mentioning—starting this week and for the next 30 days, the 65th Services Squadron will be conducting a survey to determine customer



The Action Line is your means of addressing a problem, concern or challenge to me about something in the 65th Air Base Wing or U.S. Forces Azores.

However, your chain of command should always be your first option. When that's not the answer, then call the Action Line at 2-4240 and I'll address it quickly and with care. Thank you!

Col. Barbara Jacobi
65th Air Base Wing commander

interest in other tours. The results from the survey will be published in March of this year. Services will add additional contractor operated tours based on customer interest as expressed in this survey.

As an alternative to the base offerings, a quick and relatively inexpensive way to get an island tour is to find two or three like minded friends and hire an English speaking taxi driver to take you sight seeing around the island. Whatever method you decide to use, be sure you take the time to get out and see the island.

Dress and Appearance

Wear of organizational baseball hats vs. BDU caps.

Unit organizational baseball caps will be worn by all 65th Air Base Wing units, the 729th Air Mobility Squadron, Det. 6 AFNEWS and Honor Guard as specified in Appendix A, USFORAZ instruction 1300.01. Unit organizational baseball caps will be black and have the appropriate organizational emblem centered above the visor with 3/8" yellow letters describing the assigned unit on both sides of the emblem. A list of approved unit lettering and emblems is located in Appendix A. Honor Guard members are authorized to wear HONOR GUARD in 3/8" yellow letters with the 65th Air Base Wing emblem as described above for other organizations, and may only wear these hats when performing Honor Guard duties. Unit baseball caps are black with no special features beyond the approved lettering and emblem, i.e., no braided ropes, exposed manufacturer's label such as a "Gear" tag, names, or any additional designs. Officers will wear the bright/ nonsubdued grade insignia centered vertically and horizontally on the front of the organizational cap. Request changes or additions to the list in Appendix A, through the appropriate unit and group commander and 65 MSS/DPM, to COMUSFORAZORES for approval. Members TDY to Lajes Field may wear their home unit's organizational hat except during wing restriction periods.

All personnel must have BDU caps and subdued grade insignia (for officers) available for wear during periods of increased FPCON conditions or when TDY to a non-USAFE base. BDU caps with subdued grade insignia will be worn as directed by COMUSFORAZORES based on force protection level conditions. Wear the winter weight BDU cap with winter weight BDU, summer weight BDU cap with summer weight BDU.

Organizational baseball caps are not authorized wear by Navy or Army personnel assigned at Lajes Field. All USFORAZORES Joint Staff Army, Navy and Air Force personnel, as well as Army personnel assigned to 65 MDG/SGOAV, will wear the proper headgear respective of their service as follows:

- Army - Black Beret
- Navy - CUU Cap
- Air Force - BDU Cap

PLANNER

Today

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-8p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 10 a.m.-12:30 a.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-1 a.m.
Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 7 a.m.; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; CWOC

Mass (1st Friday of the month) 5:30 p.m.; Gospel Choir Practice, 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Dining Hall: Breakfast 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Mexican Baked Chicken, Swiss Steak, and Stuffed Green Pepper; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m., Lasagna, Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Italian Sausage. Midnight meal, 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight.

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Library: Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Lasagna, fries or salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Lasagna, garlic bread, tossed garden salad, ranch dressing, chilled peaches, cookies, milk.

Skating Rink: Open 7-11 p.m.
Skills Development Center: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Teen Center: Teen social, 9 p.m.-midnight.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., seafood buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m., Prime and Wine

Saturday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 10 a.m.-12:30 a.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-1 a.m.

Chapel: Mass, 10 a.m.; Gospel Children's Choir Practice, 2 p.m.

Child Development Center: Closed

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Dining Hall: Brunch 7 a.m.-1 p.m., Crispy Baked Chicken, Cajun Meat Loaf, and Steak, Ribeye; Supper 4 - 7 p.m., Fish Almondine, Stir Fry Chicken w/ Broccoli, Pork Chops w/ Mushroom Gravy. Midnight meal 11 p.m.-1 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Library: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Open 11

a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Skating Rink: Open 7-11 p.m.
Skills Development Center: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Teen Center: Teen social 8 p.m.-midnight.

Top of the Rock Club: Brunch 8:30 a.m.-noon. Huff and Fin dinner special 5-9 p.m.

Sunday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Shoppette: Open noon-8 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Closed
Bowling Alley: 2-9:30 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Traditional Protestant service, 9 a.m.; Catholic religious education, 9 a.m.; Confessions, 9:45 a.m., Fellowship, 10 a.m.; Mass, 10:30 a.m.; Religious Education, 10:30 a.m.; Gospel service & Fellowship, noon; Catholic choir rehearsal, 4 p.m.; Mass, 5 p.m.; Rosary and Adoration, 5:40 p.m.; PYOC/PTOC, 6:15 p.m.

Child Development Center: Closed

Community Activities Center: Open noon-5 p.m.

Commissary: Closed
Dining Hall: Brunch 7 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuna and Noodles, Sauerbraten, Chicken Breast Parmesan; Supper 4 - 7 p.m., Ginger BBQ Chicken, Fried Shrimp, Spinach Lasagna. Short Order: Cheese Pizza and Reuben Sandwich.

Dry Cleaners: Closed
Fitness Center: Open 8 a.m.-7 p.m.
Gas Station: 10 a.m.-5p.m. (Gas only)

Library: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Skating Rink: Closed
Skills Development Center: Closed.

Top of the Rock Club: Bits & Bites menu, 4 p.m.

Monday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Closed
Bowling Alley: Closed
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 11:30 a.m.; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; Women's Bible study, 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: Open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Closed

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Dining Hall: Breakfast 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Swiss Steak, Baked Chicken, Italian Sausage; Din-

ner 4 - 7 p.m., Roast Turkey, Baked Ham, and Fish and Fries. Midnight meal 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Gas only)

Library: Open 4-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Roasted Chicken or Meatball sandwich, fries or salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Closed

School Lunch: Corn dogs, baked beans, seasoned peas, fresh fruit, milk.

Skills Development Center: Closed

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Southern buffet.

Tuesday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 4-11 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 7 a.m.; Lunch Brown Bag Series, noon; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; AWANA (3 yrs to 6 grade) 6 p.m.; Catholic Women of the Chapel (3rd Tuesday of the month), 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: Open 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Dining Hall: Breakfast 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Onion-Lemon Baked Fish, Pork Schnitzel, and Yakisoba; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m. Paprika Beef, BBQ Beef Cubes, Chicken Fajitas. Midnight meal 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Library: Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: 16" pizza with 2 toppings and drinks; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Cheese pizza dippers, carrot and celery sticks, ranch dressing, seasoned corn, and apple turnover, milk.

Skills Development Center: Open noon-8 p.m.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Mexican buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m.

Wednesday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 9 a.m.-11 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass, 7 a.m.; PWOC lunch/study noon; Adoration and Rosary, 3

p.m.; Catholic men of the chapel (2nd Wednesday of the month) 6p.m.; Traditional choir practice, 6 p.m.; Bell choir practice 7p.m.; Catholic choir rehearsal, 7:15 p.m.

Child Development Center: 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Dining Hall: Breakfast 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Caribbean Jerk Chicken, Beef Porcupines, and Chicken Enchiladas; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m., Pita Pizzas, Country Style Steak, and Fried Chicken. Midnight meal 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Library: Open 10 a.m.-9p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: Fried shrimp, fries or salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Sliced turkey, mashed potatoes & gravy, dinner roll, seasoned green beans, chilled fruit mixed, milk.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Italian Buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m. Family Buffet

Thursday

AAFES: Flight View BX: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ocean Front BX: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Shoppette: Open 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

Beauty Shop: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Bowling Alley: 9 a.m.-11 p.m.
Burger King: 7 a.m.-11 p.m.

Chapel: Meditation and Prayer, 6:30 a.m.; Mass 7 a.m.; Adoration and Rosary, 3 p.m.; RCIA, 7 p.m.; Gospel Praise Team practice and Men's Bible study, 7 p.m.

Child Development Center: 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Community Activities Center: Open 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Commissary: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Dining Hall: Breakfast 6-8:30 a.m., Lunch 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Orange-Spiced Pork Chops, Liver with Onions, and Tempura Fried Fish; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m., Mr. Z's Baked Chicken, Pepper Steak, and Pasta Primavera. Midnight meal 11 p.m.-1:30 a.m.

Dry Cleaners: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Fitness Center: Open 5 a.m.-midnight

Gas Station: Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Library: Open 10 a.m.-9p.m.

Oceanview Island Grill: 16" Pizza w/ 1 topping or Taco salad and drink; Open 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

Outdoor Recreation: Open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

School Lunch: Popeye's chicken fries, crispy potato wedges, baked roll, and tossed garden salad, ranch dressing, applesauce, milk.

Skills Development Center: Open noon-8 p.m.

Top of the Rock Club: Lunch, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Oriental buffet. Dinner 5-9 p.m., 2-4-1 Steak Night

EVENTS

The deadline for announcements on this page is C.O.B. Monday for each week's paper. Submit announcements in normal text with the what, when, where, who, why and contact info in an email to news@lajes.af.mil. Dates and times should be in civilian format, and include full name of P.O.C.

Closures/Shifts

Mardi Gras: The Portuguese Holiday is Feb. 24. AAFES holiday hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. for both BXs and the Car Care Center, and 10 a.m.-8 p.m. for the Shoppette. The Barber and Beauty shop will be closed.

Education

UMUC happenings: Term 4 on site schedules are now available. For more, call Melinda Casey at 2-4187.

Graduate course: Adolescent Issues in Human Relations, an elective course for the University of Oklahoma's Master of Human Relations degree, is April 3-8. Enrollment deadline is March 5. For more, call Erika Golart at 2-3171.

Registration: The deadline to register for Embry Riddle's MGMT 415 Airline Management is March 9. For more, call 2-3375.

NCO retraining: The Fiscal Year '04 NCO retraining program has begun. Retrain from Air Force Specialty Codes with NCO overages to AFSCs with NCO shortages. The voluntary phase of the program ends Monday. If necessary, an involuntary phase will run Mar. 8-Apr. 26. For more, call Senior Airman Jennifer Parker at 2-5143.

Classes

Quilting class: Stars and Bars quilt, 2-6 p.m., Feb. 28, at the community activity center, \$25. To register, call 2-3909 or 2-5255.

TAP Workshop: Transition Assistance Program, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and 8 a.m.-12:15 p.m., Feb. 25-27, at the Family Support Center. Learn job search strategies, how to write a resume, VA benefits and the 10 steps to Federal Employment. To register, call 2-4138.

Organizations

AFSA meeting: Air Force Sergeants' Association general membership meeting is 4 p.m., Wednesday, in the Top of the Rock club Summit room. For more, call Master Sgt. Tom Dexter at 2-3423 or Master Sgt. Vincent Petroff at 2-6111.

WHO committee: Women's History Observance committee meets at 3 p.m., Wednesday, at the base library. Looking for interested individuals to help plan

events for March. For more, call Tech. Sgt. Cristina Dixon at 2-3415.

Vendors needed: The Enlisted Spouses Club Spring Bazaar needs vendors and volunteers to help on April 3, at the Lajes youth center. To sign up, call Dana Reil at 295-549-597 or Mary Willis at 295-549-605.

Terceira Island Circle: Cross Stitching for Beginners, 6-8 p.m., March 3 at the family support center. All materials will be provided. To reserve a spot, call 2-4138.

School Program: Slots are available for the before and after school program. Before school, 7-8:30 a.m., after school, 2:15-5:30 p.m., K-6th grade. Activities, field trips, and guest speakers. Cost of program is based on Total Family Income. For more, call Ruth Hinojosa at 2-1197.

Events

LYP lock-in: The Lajes youth program will lock-in six-12 year olds, 7 p.m.-7 a.m., today, at the skating rink, for games, activities, food and skating. For more, call Joanne Cozart at 2-1197.

Movie night: Children and youth movie night, 7 p.m., today, at the base chapel. For more, call Chaplain (Capt.) Matthew Franke at 2-4211.

Bowling: 9 Pin No Tap Bowling, 12-4:30 p.m., today at the bowling center. \$10 to play. Proceeds support the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony. To sign up, call Cherie Patti at 2-5228.

Car wash: Bake sale/car wash, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, in the commissary parking lot. Proceeds support Lajes' volunteers. For more, call Cherie Patti at 2-5228.

AAH banquet: African American Heritage banquet, 6-9:30 p.m., Saturday, at the TORC. The banquet will feature Dr. Robert V. Scott, on "Brown vs. the Board of Education: 1954." Dress is business casual. Tickets are \$11.50 for Chicken or \$13 for Beef or Salmon. Entertainment to follow dinner. For more, call Airman 1st Class Kara Boone at 2-6268.

Family matinee: Movie is "Peter Pan." Doors open at 12:30 p.m., movie starts at 2 p.m., Saturday, at the base theater. For more, call 2-4100.

Game night: Singles of the Chapel game night, 7 p.m., Saturday, at the base chapel. For more, call Senior Airman Beth Turner at 2-3606 or Airman 1st Class Kara Boone at 2-6268.

Deli Sandwich: Lunch will be delivered, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Feb. 27. Cost is \$4 for a sandwich, bag of chips and a soda or water. Proceeds help base Honor Guard team. To order, call Staff Sgt. Jessica Dunn 2-3685 by Monday.

Ash wednesday: Catholic Mass, 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Protestant Service, 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, at the base chapel. Mass followed by stations of the cross and soup starting Feb. 27-April 2. For more, call 2-4211.

SUM dinner: Single /unaccompanied members dinner is at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, in the Fellowship Hall. The 65th Security Forces Squadron will host. Menu is Chicago style pizza, ribs, corn and green beans. For more, call Chaplain (Maj.) Stan Pieczara at 2-4211.

Awards banquet: The annual awards banquet to celebrate the best of Lajes starts at 6 p.m. for cocktails, and 7 p.m. for dinner, Feb. 27, at the Top of the Rock club. For ticket information contact a first sergeant. The guest speaker is Sergeant Major John M. Mersino, Senior Enlisted Advisor of the United States European Command. For more, call Senior Airman John Trembly at 2-3414.

Movie night: Singles of the Chapel movie night, 7 p.m., Feb. 28, at the base chapel. For more, call Senior Airman Beth Turner at 2-3606 or Airman 1st Class Kara Boone at 2-6268.

Photo exhibit: Various scenic views are on display at the Top of the Rock Club in the small dining room until the end of June. For more, call Theodore McGinley at 2-3646.

Bowling Specials: \$1 games, every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., at the bowling alley. Friday - Ladies morning out, 10 a.m.-noon; Saturday, open bowl all day; Sunday, mixed doubles league, 6-9 p.m. and mixed couples league, 6:30-9 p.m. For more, call Rich Christie at 2-6169.

Volunteers/Jobs

Volunteers needed: Volunteers needed at family services for postal collection, data input, advertising, administrative duties and keeping catalogs up-to-date. Free childcare is available. For more, call 2-4146/4138.

Job Opportunities: The 65th Services Squadron needs recreation aids at the skating rink and the youth center, a club operations assistant and an office automation clerk at the veterinary clinic. Applications may be

picked up at the Non-appropriated Funds Human Resources Office, Bldg. T-112. For more, call 2-5200.

Part-time employment: American Auto Insurance Company is accepting applications for part time employment. For more, call 295-513-467 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

AAFES theatre: US position available. Must be 18 yrs or older and able to work weekends and nights. Applications can be picked up at the theatre or at the Human Resources office in Bldg. T-800. For more, call Laura Hillebrand at 2-4100.

Family readiness: Volunteer assistant needed who enjoys talking to people and has good organizational skills to help maintain a program dedicated to families of deployed troops. Requires a six-month minimum commitment. Free childcare is available. For more, call 2-4138.

CAC attendants: Community Activity Center volunteers needed to work at the front counter checking ID's and parcels, distributing games and equipment, providing information to telephone and personal callers, booking party reservations, assisting patrons on the computer and in other areas of programming, running the snack bar and concessionaire room, performing office work to include working on the computer, filing, sorting and cataloging. For more, call 2-5216.

Skating rink: Volunteers needed to distribute skates, sell snack bar items, operate cash register, lead games on the rink floor, work the DJ booth, set up and clean up, etc. For more, call Sheryl Bush at 2-5216 or 2-6143.

Charities committee: The "Chapel Charities" closet, open 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturdays in Bldg. T-426, helps meet the needs of base personnel and local nationals. Donated clothing for local orphanages and nursing homes is needed. To volunteer for the committee or get involved in the community and base chapel, call TSgt. Silvia DeJesus at 295-549-430 or 2-1304, or call the base chapel at 2-4211.

Miscellaneous

Fire extinguishers: Furnishings Management Office has fire extinguishers for personnel living off base. For more, call Staff Sgt. Aaron Logsdon at 2-1241.

Seamstress services: The community center located in Bldg. T-307 has a seamstress available Tuesday-Saturday, 1:00-4:30 p.m. For more, call 2-4292.