

Thanks to the Combat Exit and the Air Force's Virtual Outprocessing initiative, outprocessing is no longer as frustrating or time consuming as it once was, see page 2.

First Look

Off-Limits

Due to a recent event and an increased potential likelihood of violence, the Wolf Nightclub, on the Island of Terceira, the Azores, Portugal, is off limits to all DoD sponsored personnel, to include dependants. Service members are prohibited from entering establishments or areas declared off-limits according to AFJI 31-213. Violations may subject the member to disciplinary action per applicable service regulations, and the Uniform Code of Military Justice. This order is effective immediately and will remain in effect until rescinded.

No global

The Lajes Field Outlook email Global Address Listing is going to be unavailable starting this Friday, 27 Feb, and could take up to three weeks to come back online. However, during this time we will have another tool to find addresses: Lightweight Directory Access Protocol. LDAP is a search tool that allows users to search for an email address using the last name or organizational name. All Workgroup Managers have been given instructions on how to configure and use LDAP. Your WM should be the first one you call if you need assistance during this time.

Lord of the Rings

Showing Friday at 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday at noon and 7 p.m. and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. Tickets for the weekend shows on the go on sale at 10 a.m. each day.

Preflight

- Days since last DUI 26
- DUIs since Jan. 1 One
- Current AEF Silver (5&6)
- Current FPCON Alpha
- Guest DJ Senior Airman Angelique Avendano, 65th Mission Support Squadron
- Combat Nighthawk: Capt. Kenneth Hobbs, 65th Sir Base Wing; Capt. Steven Pinto, 65th Medical Operations Squadron; Master Sgt. Christopher Jett, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron; and Master Sgt. Todd Robbins, 65 MIDOS

Honoring a Vet

U.S. Forces Azores and the U.S Consulate provided military funeral honors for a Portuguese-American WW II veteran laid to rest on the island of Sao Miguel. Page 4.

Skate Park opens



Ruben Lima leaps off a ramp inside the Lajes Field skate park trying his chops on the equipment that makes up the skate park inside the skating rink here. With more than \$40,000 in new equipment, the park includes two 8-foot quarterpipes, two 4-foot quarterpipes, one 8-foot spine, one 4-foot spine, two launch ramps, two 8-foot waves, two grind boxes and four grind rails. A limited number of skateboards, helmets and pads are available for a small fee. Ruben is the son of Eduardo Lima, 65th Air Base Wing community relations adviser. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jason Tudor)

Flight's on the money for new processes

by Tech. Sgt. Jason Tudor
NCO in charge of
public affairs

Reorganization and streamlining of processes within sections of the 65th Comptroller Flight is saving money and allowing workers there to perform with more efficiency, according to the flight's commander.

Using computers and improved electronic means to manage data, the comptroller flight's travel and accounting liaison sections are projected to save greater than \$13,000 since the effort began October 2003, according to Rommel Ventura, one of two people leading the effort.

The idea, Mr. Ventura said,

came from a similar work done at Kadena AB, Japan. "When I first heard about the process there, I thought this was the perfect place to implement it."

Tech. Sgt. Scott Rios, chief of the flight's customer support section, thought moving from a bulky paper-filled process to an electronic one made perfect sense. There were, however, challenges.

"The biggest obstacle was people's mindset. Clients and workers here were used to dealing with paper," Sergeant Rios said. "Whenever you introduce change, there's always some kind of hesitation. We had to sell it to them and encourage them."

Sergeant Rios and Mr. Ventura said that's exactly what they did.

With better than 2,950 travel vouchers filled in 2003, they started with the travel section. The duo began by examining the old processes first and looking for inefficiencies, according to Ventura. He built a flow-chart for the old process and then another for the new. It's an effort the twosome has nicknamed "Combat Comptroller."

"I took what Kadena was doing and scaled it down to our size," Mr. Ventura said.

Sergeant Rios said an extraordinary amount of effort went into the planning.

"We didn't want to have it blow up in anyone's face," he said.

When they had decided the new

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In Focus

Graduate

Staff Sgt. Tanya Flugence, 65th Communication Squadron, was the distinguish graduate at the Customer College Course graduation Feb. 13. Other graduates were:

Fatima Aguiar, 65th Services Squadron; **Staff Sgt. Khalilah Hayden**, 65 SVS; **Airman 1st Class John Beliew**, 65th Medical Operations Squadron; **Maria Lourenco**, 65th Mission Support Squadron; **Staff Sgt. James McGarr**, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron; **Jose Medeiros**, 65 CES; **Airman Devyn Phillip**, 65 SVS; **Paulo Sousa**; **1st Lt. Robert Toney**, 65 CES; **Rui Vasconcelos**, 729th Air Mobility Squadron; and **Celestina Viveiros**

Open volleyball

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

Project Hidden Hero



Col. Michael Giroux, 65th Mission Support Group commander, prepares to bowl during the 9 pin bowling fund raiser for the Hidden Hero program Feb. 20. Col. Giroux bowled a three games series of 630. Members from the Hidden Hero program raised nearly \$800 between the bowling tournament and a bake sale and car wash Saturday. For more information about the Hidden Hero program, call Else Wingert at 2-4138. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

Chaplains provide Combat Touch

by Chaplain, (Lt. Col.)
Michael Coggins
65th Air Base Wing chaplain

Twice a week the Patriot Express makes it stop at Lajes Field carrying an average of 250 passengers either en route to Germany and Kuwait or returning to Baltimore and Atlanta.

The majority of passengers with each planeload are troops—Air Force, Army, Navy and Marine going into, or returning from, SWA (mostly Iraq).

Since October 2003, Combat Touch has reached out with a vibrant—and much appreciated—ministry of presence to these transient personnel.

No matter what time of day or night, a Lajes' chaplain is there to counsel, listen to war stories or just chat.

We also have a table/literature rack set up with free religious reading materials for anyone who is



Chaplain, (Lt. Col.)
Michael Coggins

interested.

Since the inception of this Combat Touch initiative, we've been present to greet approximately 10,000 transient personnel on 40 Patriot Express planes.

In December, we established a fulltime Flightline Chaplain's office directly on the flightline in the OSS/Transient Alert building called "Fiddler's Green."



Chaplain, (Maj.)
Stan Pieczara

This put us at the central hub where all transiting aircrews in-process and depart the base.

That prompted another Combat Touch initiative—to meet every transiting aircrew when they arrive at Lajes, and attend with them the traditional OSS aircrew "burger burn."

Since we began that outreach, chaplains have



Chaplain, (Capt.)
Matthew Franke

attended 15 "burger burns" and met with hundreds of aircrew members transiting our base on numerous different air frames.

Though we will probably never again see the majority of these transient troops/transiting aircrews, we're excited about the opportunity we have here at Lajes to "touch" them in a meaningful way, even if only briefly.

Sun and Sand Hut



Staff Sgt. James McGarr and Airman 1st Class Erin Kiemele, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron, clean up and remove old equipment at the Community Activity Center to prepare for the Sun and Sand Hut Monday. The Sun and Sand Hut is the Lajes version of a USAFE special interest program to bring a high-tech, high-energy entertainment center to airmen on base. There will be pool tables, Play station gaming systems, arcade games and a home theater area with a plasma television for movies and TV. The Hut is located in the rear area of the Community Activity Center, encompassing the fireplace room and the old children's playroom. It is scheduled to open in June. Any airman interested in helping with any construction, painting or any other skill is more than welcome to assist. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

Combat Exit makes outprocessing easier

by Maj. Rickey Harrington
U.S. Air Forces in Europe Force
Management Branch chief

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany — The end of your overseas tour is rapidly approaching and you just found out that you received the assignment you wanted. Your first step is to develop a permanent change of station plan that starts with prioritizing which tasks to do first from your Military Personnel Flight and Commander's Support Staff outprocessing checklists.

At this point, you reflect back on your last move and you begin to cringe at the frustration you felt trying to get everything done in time.

You recall how frustrating it was running around base from one agency to the next, like the library or Morale, Welfare and Recreation, just to get your checklist signed off even though you'd never checked out a book or any equipment your entire time on base.

But wait, you remembered reading something about the U.S. Forces in Europe Commander's Combat Exit initiative in the base paper and how the process has been streamlined.

You contact the MPF and they explain that due to Combat Exit and the Air

Force's Virtual Outprocessing, vOP, initiative, outprocessing is no longer as frustrating or time consuming as it once was.

You are relieved to hear this and thanks to technological advancements, your expectation for outprocessing changes instantly.

In fact, you leave the MPF with the understanding that since outprocessing is "virtual", you can take care of all your outprocessing requirements from your office or work center without ever physically going to any base agencies ... NOT!

Every USAFE base has implemented vOP and made tremendous strides to streamline outprocessing requirements. But "virtual" does not mean that everything can be done from the comfort of home.

Through Combat Exit and vOP, those annoying stops to agencies that you've had no interaction with will be accomplished without you physically visiting the agency.

The virtual outprocessing program is simply a database managed by the MPF Relocations Section that allows base agencies to identify only those personnel needed to be seen before leaving the base for a PCS, separation or retirement. The vOP program benefits both the mem-

ber and the agency by reducing outprocessing workload.

In fact, we anticipate that the average number of agencies the typical member will visit for outprocessing will drop 60 percent or more.

One base has already reported an initial reduction from 30 stops to less than 10.

Although vOP eliminates unnecessary stops, it may not eliminate the requirement to physically go to certain agencies such as the hospital for members going on consecutive overseas tours for physicals, the Transportation Management Office to schedule flight departure and household goods pickup, vehicle deregistration/shipping, chemical gear turn in, or housing, to name a few.

At this point, there's just no getting around visiting some agencies on base to ensure all of your personal affairs are in order prior to moving.

Even though outprocessing is not yet totally "virtual", thanks to Combat Exit and vOP, we've made significant improvements.

Furthermore, as you outprocess we ask that you take the time to complete our Combat Exit customer survey and let us know if there are other items we can incorporate into this initiative to enhance the outprocessing experience.

Guard honors fallen veteran

by 1st Lt. Aaron Wiley
65th Air Base Wing
Public Affairs

U.S. Forces Azores and the U.S. Consulate provided short-notice military funeral honors Feb. 18 for a Portuguese-American World War II veteran laid to rest on the nearby island of Sao Miguel.

The ceremony honored Private 1st Class Arthur Santos. Private Santos served in the U.S. Army as an infantryman. He was wounded in the knee during the war and was honorably discharged when the war ended.

Honoring the private and his widow, Bibiana Santos, the U.S. Forces Azores honor guard presented a folded interment flag provided by the Veterans Administration. The bluesuit team also played "Taps."

The honor guard team of 2nd Lt. John-Paul Arre, Staff Sgt. Mo Frederick and 1st Lt. Brian Matchik had less than a day's notice to make the 90-mile trip over water.

According to Lieutenant Arre, he and his team were put on standby at 3:35 p.m. Feb. 17. By 5:30 p.m., they got the call to go to Sao Miguel — at 6:30 p.m., just one hour later.

Needless to say, there were challenges to overcome from clothing to emotional attachment.

"Making it to my home in Porto Martins to pick up my uniform and



Staff Sgt. Mo Frederick, 65th Services Squadron, renders honors to the flag after presenting it to 2nd Lt. Jean-Paul Arre, 65th Communications Squadron, Feb. 18 during funeral services on Sao Miguel for World War II veteran Private 1st Class Arthur Santos. (Photo by Robert Farquhar)

then back to the airport in time to make the flight wasn't easy," Lieutenant Arre said. "But it was important for us to be there."

"After first hearing the news, I was awestruck," said Arre, the honor guard flight leader. "Not only was this my first funeral service, but we were going to be representing the U.S. in a foreign nation."

Meanwhile, the impact of U.S. involvement with the ceremony reaches beyond borders, according to one State Department official.

"The fact that Private Santos was buried with military honors was noticed in this community and will al-

most certainly be noted in the Azorean-American communities back home," said Robert Farquhar, the U.S. Consul who represented the U.S. and the Consulate at the funeral. "Azoreans are very proud of the role they and their Azorean-American brethren have played in the history of our country."

Lieutenant Matchik, the 65th Air Base Wing's protocol officer, played "Taps" for the event.

"I have to pray before each service that God will help me control my emotions while I render 'Taps,'" said the lieutenant, who earned his bachelor's degree in music educa-

tion. "It's always a touching experience."

The honors provided by the U.S. Forces Azores team were the same as those given in the U.S. for an honorably discharged veteran, according to 65th Services Squadron Commander Maj. Steve Rickert. His Squadron manages honor guard activities in the Azorean region.

Sergeant Frederick said traveling to one of the other nine islands here and rendering honors was special.

"This funeral was unique in that two cultures came together to honor one person. Our presence was a powerful statement of loyalty to our fellow service members in the eyes of the Portuguese family and friends that attended."

Mr. Farquhar agreed.

"There are times when the pride to be an American leaves a lump in my throat and tears in my eyes," he said. "I was deeply moved when Lieutenant Arre presented the flag to Mrs. Santos at the gravesite and expressed the gratitude of the President and the nation."

The consular officer also thanked Col. Barbara Jacobi, U.S. Forces Azores commander, on behalf of Mrs. Santos and the consulate for sending an honor guard at such short notice.

"You certainly sent the right group of people. I was impressed by their professionalism and how important this was to them," Mr. Farquhar said.

Practice makes perfect



(Above) During an exercise Feb. 13, fire fighters with the 65th Civil Engineer Squadron Delio Gomes (front) and Antonio Martins find a "victim" and drag it to safety. (Right) Staff Sgt. Travis Johnston practices his salvage and over haul technique by hacking away at the ceiling looking for hidden fires, while Mario Vieira prepares to hose down any flames that might erupt from the ceiling. The fire department exercise different situations nearly everyday to practice for any possible real-world situations. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

Heritage



Dr. Robert Scott, from the University of Maryland University College in Heidelberg, Germany, spoke to more than 100 people at the African American Heritage Banquet Saturday at the Top of the Rock club. (Photo by Master Sgt. Dwana Moore)

Tickets available

USAFE's Annual Awards Banquet

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany - Tickets for the U.S. Air Forces in Europe's Annual Awards Banquet are available for purchase Monday.

The USAFE Annual Awards Banquet will be 6 p.m. April 2 at the Ramstein Air Base Officers' Club. Price of the tickets are \$23 for club members and \$26 for non-members.

The USAFE Annual Awards Banquet honors the command's outstanding airmen and civilians competing in the categories of airman, noncommissioned officer, senior NCO, Company Grade Officer, First Sergeant of the Year and Civilian - Categories I and II. USAFE leaders will announce the winners from each category during the event.

The deadline for ticket purchase is March 25 and can be purchased from wing command chief master sergeants or organization first sergeants. Guest speaker for the evening will be the Air Force's fifth Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force, Robert D. Gaylor. Both civilians and military members of all ranks are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact your wing command chief master sergeant or first sergeant. (USAFENS)

AF cuts re-enlistment period

Beginning March 5, active-duty airmen will have only a three-month window during which they'll be eligible to re-enlist, instead of the current 12 months, Air Force officials announced last week.

The window will open three months before an airman's term of service expires, according to Master Sgt. Maria Cornelia, the Air Force's chief of retention and bonus programs at the Pentagon.

Historically, the Air Force has expanded and contracted its re-enlistment window to match the force's retention situation, Cornelia said.

The new window may change back to 12

months "if retention is very, very poor." No one will be "grandfathered" under the new policy, according to Air Force spokeswoman Judy Grojean at the Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph Air Force Base.

If any airman is now in his or her 12-month re-enlistment window, they can re-enlist until March 4.

After that date, the clock resets. Airman would then have to wait until three months before their projected separation date before they are once again eligible to re-enlist. For more information, see http://www.military.com/NewsContent/0,13319,FL_enlist_021404,00.html.

Something for everyone



During the flea market at the Community Activity Center Saturday, shoppers browsed through the merchandise being sold by concessionaires. The next flea market is 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. March 20. For more information or to reserve a table, call 2-4135. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

At Their Best

NCO Academy

The following technical sergeants graduated from the Kisling NCO Academy in Vogelweh, Germany, Feb. 12.

Edward Pelletier, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron; **Kathryn Harshberger**, 65th Contracting Squadron; **Mark Smith**, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron; **Beatrice Eveland**, 65th Mission Support Squadron; **Juan Amador**, 65th Operations Support Squadron; **Quinzetta Patrick**, 729th Air Mobility Squadron

Quick stop



(Left) Senior Airman Eric Peaslee, 65th Operations Support Squadron, marshals in an F-16CJ flown by 1st. Lt. Shayne Sullivan, 522nd Fighter Squadron, Canon Air Force Base, New Mexico, Sunday. (Above) Lt. Col. Mark Altobelli, 522nd Fighter Squadron, takes time after his flight here to show Airman Tiago Silveira, Portuguese Air Force, the cockpit of his F-16CJ aircraft. Lieutenant Sullivan and Colonel Altobelli are on their way home after participating in exercise IRON FALCON in the United Arab Emirates. (Below) Three F-16CJs, from the 522nd Fighter Squadron, after landing at Lajes Field. (Photos by Tech. Sgt. Robert Valenca)



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process would be "leaps and bounds" better, they approached flight commander Maj. Phil Ruter. He gave them the green light — based on Mr. Ventura's projections of a 58 percent return on investment — and the money needed to create the transformation.

With the effort starting in the travel section, the two were specifically looking at its customers and the woman who processed most of Lajes Field's travel vouchers, Annie Pires.

"We knew if we didn't make her happy, she was going to shut us

down," Mr. Ventura joked.

On the second round of testing, they included her. Now she wonders how she ever did without the new process or the scanner that makes the process "so much" easier.

"This scanner is wonderful. No more pulling vouchers out of ugly folders. Eventually there will be heaps of room in our office with all the file cabinets gone and no more standing at the copier for two or three hours making 2nd and 3rd copies of everything," she said. "It's neat."

Further, it saves clients time, Mr. Ventura said. Travel clients no longer need five copies of vouchers and receipts or time spent in front of a copy

machine to make them. Mr. Ventura said all that's needed is the original and necessary receipts.

Better than half of the \$13,000 savings came from putting the process to work in the travel section. Sergeant Rios said the accounting liaison section would follow, with an expected cost savings of more than \$5,500. Other elements of the flight and its nearly 7,400 clients in 2003, the NCO said, would follow suit.

Both categorized the flight-wide change as "grassroots," saying they wanted its members to have ownership of the process versus a command-directed effort. It's

not something all Air Force bases are doing (Sergeant Rios said Kadena and Misawa have transformed to the more paperless process; others in Pacific Air Forces are following). However, he said he sees the potential for change.

"If you look at the model, the savings are going to be the same or better wherever this is used," Sergeant Rios said. "

Meanwhile, the duo said they are focused on shaping processes that are more efficient for the flight.

"We both have a shared goal to leave this a better place," Sergeant Rios concluded. "I think we're going to do that."

This chapter's not in the book

by **Command Chief Master Sgt.
Doug Hodge**
65th Air Base Wing

As many of you study for promotion in these coming days, I should caution you. There is a chapter in the Professional Fitness Examination that's been left out. It's called "experience." We senior NCOs asked the book's makers to leave it out for a good reason. Here's why.

A few weeks ago, I had the privilege of being allowed to spend time with wounded soldiers at Landstuhl Medical Center in Germany. Injuries of the patients there varied. Some would be returning to the fight. Others were fighting a second war in intensive care to stay alive.

Many of these brave recovering soldiers are my son's age. As I listened to their stories and asked them questions about their service, I heard the same message repeatedly: I want to get back to my unit. I want to fight again. I want to continue this important mission of freedom.

Some times, we become numb to a fact we should never overlook. Those of us who wear the uniform swore to defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic. Lying in those hospital beds, those soldiers with missing arms and legs have more than fulfilled that oath.

However, at times, the fact we are sworn to give our lives for our country can escape us. The 8-to-5 routine, the

gray cubicle walls, the comfortable vinyl seat of a GMC pick-up truck and the monotony of daily work can dull our edge.

What may help is keeping in mind the greater good. The big picture. How our mission fits in the overall effort. It's about knowing that your efforts contributed to helping an F-16 put a bomb on target; or helped a combat controller guide an A-10 air strike on target. Tying it all together.

The experience of seeing those wounded warriors, feeling their spirit and sharing camaraderie could not be read in a book. Moreover, knowing that all of those soldiers wanted to continue supporting America's message of democracy and freedom is an emotion I cannot fully describe here. It's overwhelming and reinforces the message of duty, honor and country.

Their collective experiences can't be written into any book, studied or shrunk into flashcards. It's something you can and should see for yourself.

As we honor those competing for annual awards tonight, let's remember the level of dedication needed to bring them to that level. In the same breath, let's also remember the immense respect for duty, honor and country every one of the nominees has shown to make it to that event.

While none of these experiences are something you'll find in a book, we can all learn from the experience we get from sharing, working and promoting our mission of freedom and peace across the globe.

Continue to study hard.



Everyday Hero

Senior Airman
Bryan Campbell

729th Air Mobility Squadron

Duty title: Aerospace Propulsion Journeyman/ crew chief

Job description: I perform organizational and intermediate level maintenance to include inspection, removal and repair of engine system components on over 1,000 C-5, C-17, C-130, KC-135, C-141 and commercial contract aircraft transiting Lajes Field annually. I troubleshoot system malfunctions and complete corrective actions based on system knowledge, technical data, wiring and schematic diagrams. I also perform aircraft preflight, thru flight, ground handling, fuel servicing and launch/recovery actions. I annotate maintenance actions into G081, AMC's Maintenance Management Information System, and the aircraft forms. Conduct on-the-job training, evaluate job performance for compliance with technical orders, safety procedures and local policies; accomplish calendar serviceability inspections on unit's propulsion system support equipment.

Time in the Air Force: Four years, one month

Time at Lajes: Six months

Spouse/children/pets: Wife, Tracy; baby on the way and dogs Lucky and Ren

Why did you joined the Air Force: To get out and travel

What are your career goals: To stay out of trouble

Life goal: To take care of my family

Best Air Force Experience: Going TDY to Thailand and meeting my mother's family for the first time.

Hometown: Victorville, Calif.

One word to describe you: Outgoing
Hobbies: Volleyball, scuba diving and R/C cars.

Favorite food: Coco's Curryhouse in Japan

No one knows I'm: Going to be a dad

Dress and Appearance

According to the the Promotion Fitness Exam, military personnel are required to salute in the following situations.

Outside: If a person is outside to include on a porch, a covered sidewalk, a bus stop, a covered or open entryway, the salute will be exchanged with a person outside, inside or approaching the structure.

In Groups (not in formation): First individual noticing the officer calls the group to attention, and all members salute. If conversing, all members salute at the end of the conversation.

Public Gatherings (eg. Warrior Day, Community Appreciation Day, etc.): Saluting is not required in public gatherings, or when inappropriate or impractical.

In Vehicle: Pedestrians must salute readily identifiable officers in appropriately marked vehicles. Staff cars at Lajes belonging to the 65th Air Base Wing are all blue with appropriate front license plates.

Work Detail: The person in charge salutes for the entire detail.

Colorless, odorless gas can be deadly

The deadly gas is easily detectable and avoidable with the right safety measures

by 1st Lt. Yvonne Levardi
Chief of Public Affairs

For one safety conscious American living at Lajes, the choice to install a carbon monoxide detector was easy.

"I have one installed in my garage here," said Navy Ens. Mary Decker. "When I lived in Anacortes, Wa. I had one in my bedroom because it was above the garage and I was concerned about carbon monoxide poisoning."

This is one member of Team Lajes who is protected from the silent but deadly threat of carbon monoxide poisoning by the use of carbon monoxide detectors.

The gas is colorless, odorless and poisonous, and can be present anywhere - but its deadly effects are easily detectable and avoidable when safety measures are taken.

"Anyone using gas space heaters or the instant hot water heaters common to Portuguese housing should have a carbon monoxide detector," said Capt. Dan Sweeney, 65th Medical Operations Squadron bioenvironmental engineer. "You can't see or smell carbon monoxide so a CO detector can provide early warning to occupants when CO levels begin to approach hazardous levels."

Carbon monoxide is a gas produced by the incomplete burning of solid, liquid or gaseous fuels. Appliances fueled with natural gas may produce CO, as does burning charcoal and running cars.

Captain Sweeney said while any gas powered appliance is capable of producing

To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning:

- Make sure appliances are installed according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Install a CO detector/alarm in the hallway near every separate sleeping area of the home.
- Make sure draperies or furniture cannot cover the detector.
- Never burn charcoal inside the house or garage
- Never leave car running in an attached garage, even with the door open
- Never service fuel-burning appliances without proper knowledge, skills, and tools. Always refer to the owner's manual when performing minor adjustments or servicing fuel burning equipment
- Never operate un-vented fuel-burning appliances in any room with closed doors or windows or in any room where people are sleeping
- Do not use gasoline-powered tools and engines indoors. If use is unavoidable, ensure that adequate ventilation is available and whenever possible place engine unit so that exhaust is diverted outdoors
- Never use gas appliances such as ranges, ovens, or clothes dryers for heating your home

carbon monoxide, space and hot water heaters are of higher concern because the space heater burns with no ventilation and hot water heaters may not be properly ventilated.

"The ventilation of the hot water heater may be compromised further in high winds," Captain Sweeney said.

1st Lt. Aaron Wiley said he learned about carbon monoxide poisoning from a friend while in college, and took steps to protect his family.

"At Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas, we had them installed in base housing," he said. "The alarm went off one morning, and we got everyone out and the house ventilated. We later

found out several neighboring houses had alarms go off to."

The homes had roof work done, which hampered the ventilation of the gas heaters and trapped carbon monoxide in the house, he said.

CO monitors are issued to people coming to Lajes Field from the furnishings management office along with normal furniture items.

"A CO monitor should be on each level of a house," said Captain Sweeney.

For additional safety, he said to put alarms in these locations:

— Fifteen feet away from a furnace or fuel burning heat source.

— At the top of first-to-second floor stairs

— At the bottom of basement stairs

When installing detectors, the top edge should be between 4-12 inches from the wall/ceiling line. If installing on the ceiling, install as close to the center as possible, and ensure the alarm can be heard from bedrooms, Captain Sweeney said.

Though using a detector can alert people to the presence of carbon monoxide, it can't prevent accidents from happening.

Captain Sweeney said if the detector goes off, don't ignore it.

"Assume the alarm is functioning properly," he said. "Operate the reset button and get fresh air immediately."

People should open windows and doors for more ventilation, turn off any combustion appliances, and leave the house, he said.

"If you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning, call emergency services," Captain Sweeney said.

The symptoms include headache, fatigue, shortness of breath, nausea and dizziness.

"The best prevention is common sense," Captain Sweeney said. "Don't use a space heater while sleeping; don't use your stove as a heating source; don't run your vehicle in your garage for extended periods of time."

For more, contact the 65th Medical Operations Squadron bioenvironmental engineering section at 2-6206 or 65mdgbio@lajes.af.mil.



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Sites to visit on Terceira Island

What historical places or monuments can be visited on Terceira Island?

Terceira Island has several historical sites and monuments that can be visited throughout the year.

Starting in the city of Angra, the first town in the Azores to be raised to the status of city in 1534, and a port of call for the ships plying the oceans during the 15th and 16th centuries, you can visit the Fortress of St. John the Baptist.

One of the most impressive Portuguese fortresses of the 16th century, this current military structure is a thick wall approximately 3.7 miles long that surrounds the base of Mount Brazil facing the city of Angra. The Spanish built it during their occupation of the island between 1582 and 1640.

On top of Mount Brazil lies a monument with a Portuguese cross. The monument was erected in 1932 to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the Azores by Portuguese navigators.

On the other side of Angra bay lies the Fort of São Sebastião. This small fortress is also known as "Castelino," which means small castle, and was used by the Portuguese and British forces during World War II. Its installations inside are currently being renovated to accommodate a small inn in the near future.

On top of the city's park is the "Memória" monument, an obelisk built in 1834 to recall the presence of Portuguese King Dom Pedro IV on the island. From this place visi-

tors have a dazzling view of the entire city of Angra.

Other places to visit in Angra include the Museum, which features many old artifacts and military items; the Town Hall; and the Palace of Captain Generals, a former Jesuit monastery that features a valuable collection of ancient furniture and other works of art. The main Cathedral and the Churches of Colégio, Misericórdia, São Francisco and São Gonçalo display a variety of carved woodwork, glazed tiles, sculptures and panel paintings.

One of the most famous historical places on the island is Salga Bay. This small bay, located in the village of Porto Judeu, was the site of a famous battle on July 25, 1581 between the Spanish troops who were trying to invade the island and Portuguese forces joined by the local population.

According to history records, the Spanish fleet was defeated when a young woman named Brianda Pereira and a monk, Friar Pedro, thought of a stratagem to defeat the invaders. They gathered more than 1,000 cattle and drove them against the enemy. The Spaniards fell back to the shore, where almost all of them perished while trying to reach their ships.

Another historical place worth a visit is the Fort of Santa Catarina located next to the commercial port in Cabo da Praia. This old former military structure is the last of several small fortresses and walls that defended Praia bay at one time.

The City of Praia on the other hand, fea-

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tures the Main Church with its 15th century Gothic doorway donated by King Manuel I, the Church of Holy Christ as well as the Town Hall.

To find out more about these monuments and sites or when they can be visited, call Public Affairs at 2-3413.



Today: 7 p.m. "Lord of the Rings: Return of the King" PG-13, 200 minutes. Cast includes Elijah Wood and Ian McKellen. Synopsis: Hobbits Frodo and Sam push farther into the land of Mordor to destroy the ring of power. Traveling with them, in an uneasy alliance, is the deceitful Gollum, who brings them to the very heart of Mount Doom. The warrior Aragorn, revealed to be the lost King of Gondor, travels to Minas Tirith with an army of undead soldiers and the remaining member of the fellowship to rescue the ancient city from Lord Sauron's grasp. Rated PG-13 for intense epic battle sequences and frightening images. Tickets will go on sale at 10 a.m. each day and the snack bar will open an hour and a half before the show.

Saturday and Sunday: Noon and 7 p.m. "Lord of the Rings: Return of the King" PG-13.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 7 p.m. "Lord of the Rings: Return of the King" PG-13.

Brushing the right way



Lindsay Boyden, daughter of Katie and Capt. Robert Boyden, and Shakeen Cross, son of Staff Sgt. Antunette Cross, brush Mr. Henry "the healthy smile" Alligator during a demonstration Monday in Kelly Raby's first grade class. February is children's dental health awareness month. (Photo by Ted McGinley)

Sports briefs

Teen cardio

Teens age 13-15 may use the cardio equipment at the Chase Fitness Center 3:30 - 4:30 Tuesdays and Thursdays with staff supervision and a letter of consent from their parents. For more, call Airman 1st Class Joshua Clark at 2-6126.

5K run

Runners/walkers will meet at the Chase Fitness Center at 10:45 March 5. The run begins at 11 a.m. and is open to everyone 18 years or older. For more, call Airman 1st Class Joshua Clark at 2-6126.

Fishing trip

The trip is aboard the Catamaran "Tango," 8 a.m.-noon, Saturday. 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.

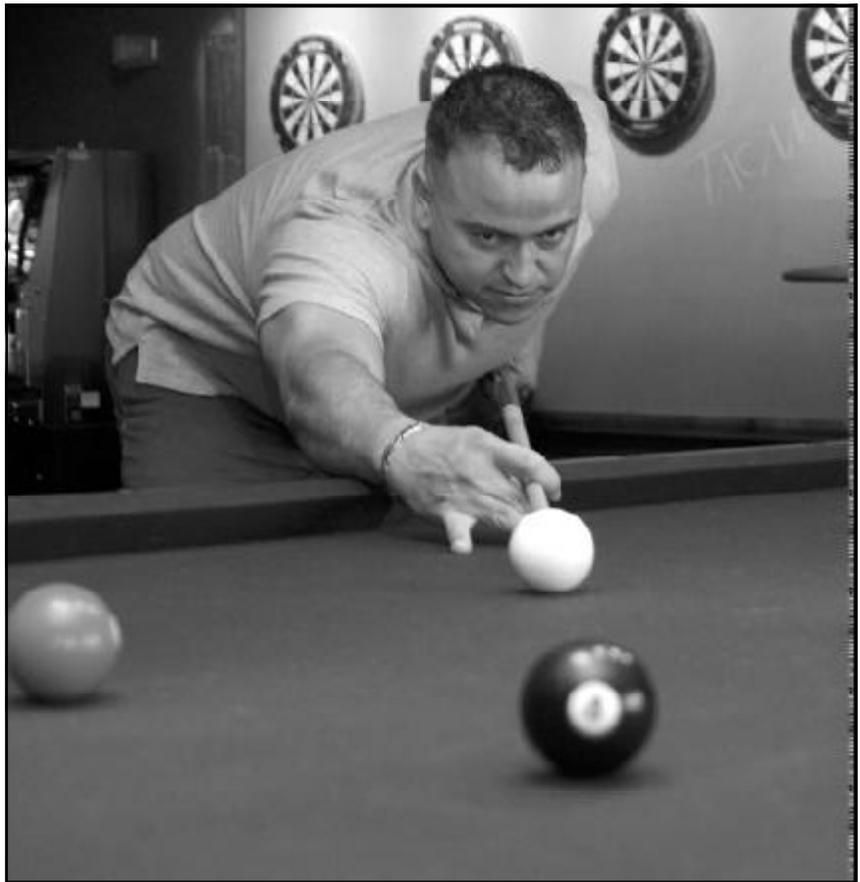
Yoga

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.

Steady



George Aguilar, 65th Communications Squadron, lines up a shot during the Eight-ball doubles pool tournament at the Top of the Rock club Feb 21. Four teams of two played doubles, then split up to play singles. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Robert Valenca)

AFN Weekend Sports

Friday

AFN-Sports

College Basketball: PAC-10 - Oregon @ California, 1:30 p.m.
PGA Tour: World Golf Championships - Accenture Match play championship, 6 p.m.
NBA: Toronto Raptors @ Boston Celtics, 11 p.m.

Saturday

AFN-Sports

NBA: Phoenix Suns @ Seattle Supersonics, 12:30 a.m.
Winter X Games: XIII Slammed, 5:30 a.m.
NHL: Washington Capitals @ Florida Panthers, 7:30 a.m.
NBA: Toronto Raptors @ Boston Celtics, 11 a.m.
PGA Tour: World Golf Championships - Accenture Match play

championship, 2:30 p.m.
Men's College Basketball: Big East - UCONN @ Villanova, 6:30 p.m.
CUSA - Cincinnati @ Charlotte, 9 p.m.

AFN-Atlantic

Men's College Basketball: Atlantic 10 - St. Joseph's @ Rhode Island, 4 p.m.
Patriot League - Navy @ Army, 6 p.m.
PAC-10 - Notre Dame @ UCLA, 8 p.m.

AFN-Pacific

Men's College Basketball: PAC-10 - Oregon @ Stanford, 5 p.m.

Sunday

AFN-Sports

IRL Auto Racing: The Fast Life - 2004 IRL Indycar Series, midnight
Track & Field: USA Indoor Championships, 1 a.m.

NHL: St. Louis Blues @ Vancouver Canucks, 2 a.m.
Men's College Basketball: MVC - UNLV @ Air Force, 7 a.m.
PGA Tour: World Golf Championships - Accenture Match play championship, 10 a.m., 6 p.m.
Track & Field: USA Indoor Championships, 10 p.m.
NHL: Philadelphia Flyers @ Detroit Red Wings, 11 p.m.

AFN-Atlantic

Men's College Basketball: Big XII - Texas Tech @ Texas, 11 a.m.
Big Ten - Ohio State @ Michigan, 4 p.m.
Big XII - Oklahoma @ Kansas, 6 p.m.
Big East - Syracuse @ Pittsburg, 8 p.m.

AFN-Pacific

Men's College Basketball: WCC - Santa Clara @ Gonzaga, 1 a.m.

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., Seafood Newburg, Beef and Corn Pie, and Roast Turkey; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m., Simmered Corn Beef, Pineapple Chicken, Yankee Pot Roast. 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: Gourmet fish sticks, curly fries, coleslaw, fresh fruit, cookie, 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., Savory Baked Chicken, Swedish Meatballs, and Creole Shrimp; Supper 4 - 7 p.m., Baked Fish, Hungarian Goulash, BBQ Chicken. 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: 4-11 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., Oven Fried Fish, Cantonese Spareribs, Grilled Mustardy Chicken; Supper 4 - 7 p.m., Stir Fry Beef w/ Broccoli, Turkey Nuggets, Steak, Loin Strip; Short Order: Cheese Pizza and Reuben Sandwich.

Dry Cleaners: Closed
Fitness Center: Open 8 a.m.-7 p.m.
Gas Station: 10 a.m.-5 p.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. Pot Roast, Baked Stuffed Fish, Roast Pork Loin; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m., Beef Canelloni, Chili Mac, and Southern fried

chicken. 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: Soft shell beef taco, lettuce & tomato, Spanish rice, chilled peaches, cookies, 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., Teriyaki Chicken, Veal Parmesan, and Salmon Cakes; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m., Country Captain Chicken, Meat Loaf, Turkey a La King. 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: Hamburger on a bun, lettuce, tomato and pickles, curly fries, sweetened applesauce, Rice Krispie Bar, 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., BBQ Ham Steak, Turkey and Noodles, and Beef Ball Stroganoff; Dinner 4 - 7 p.m., Lemon-Herbed Chicken, BBQ Spare-ribs, and Stuffed Pork Chops. 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: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, garlic toast, seasoned green beans, chilled pears, graham crackers, 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., Herbed Baked Chicken, Stuffed Cabbage Rolls, and Southern Fried Catfish; 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: Chicken patty sandwich, lettuce and tomato, seasoned potato wedge, seasoned peas, fresh fruit, 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

MPF facelift: The military personnel flight, Bldg. T-112 is being re-carpeted. The 65th Mission Support Squadron Command Section will move to the non-appropriated funds area.

Finance closure: Finance is closed for an official function from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesday.

Education

UMUC happenings: University of Maryland's Spouse Tuition Assistance Program deadline for term 4 is March 10. Term 4 registration is March 15-26, at the UMUC office. 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. Class is March 15-21. For more, call 2-3375.

Classes

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

Home buying: Free home buying class, 6-8 p.m., Thursday, in the family support center classroom, bldg. T-126. For more, call 2-4138.

Excel classes: Free beginning and intermediate Excel classes, 5:30-8 p.m., Tuesday for beginning and Wednesday for intermediate, in the family support center classroom, bldg. T-126 computer room. To sign up, call 2-4138.

123 Magic: Free class provides parents with skills to help their children stop negative behaviors and start positive ones. The 2-part class is at 7-8:30 p.m., March 10 and 17, at the family support center. To register, call at 2-4138.

Investment class: Free investment class at 6-8:30 p.m., March 11, at the family support center classroom. Learn basic investing concepts, in-

vestments and strategies. For more, call 2-4138.

Organizations

Spring Bazaar: The Enlisted Spouses Club needs vendors and volunteers to help with the Spring Bazaar 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.

School program: Slots available for before and after school program. Before school; 7-8:30 a.m.; after school; 2:15-5:30 p.m., K-6th grade. Activities include field trips and guest speakers. Cost based on total family income. For more, call Ruth Hinojosa at 2-1197.

Volunteer recognition: The Red Cross Volunteer Recognition Ceremony is 4:30-7 p.m., March 6, at the base chapel. Registered volunteers with 10 or more hours of volunteer service will be recognized. Qualifying volunteers should call 2-3516.

Events

Awards banquet: Annual awards banquet, cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., today, at the Top of the Rock club. Contact a first sergeant for tickets. Sergeant Major John Mersino, Senior Enlisted Advisor of the US European Command will speak. For more, call Senior Airman John Trembly at 2-3414.

"Latin Night": 9 p.m.-2 a.m., Saturday, in the Top of the Rock ballroom. Free, everyone welcome. Only Latin music with DJ Big Punn. For more, call Kara Warren at 2-3202.

Movie night: Singles of the Chapel movie 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.

Open house: Beira Mar Housing, 4:30-6 p.m., Monday, at bldg. T-1536 A and B. The public is invited to tour the renovated units. For more, call Tech Sgt. Maria Kraft at 2-6838.

Terceira Island Circle: Cross Stitching for beginners, 6-8 p.m., Wednesday at the family support center. All materials are provided. To reserve a spot, call 2-4138.

Dolphin watching: 8-11 a.m., March 6. To sign up visit

the outdoor recreation by Wednesday. Cost is \$45 dollars per person, ages five and above, six-nine participants max. Call 2-4140 for more.

X-box tournament: "Mechassault" champions, 4 p.m., Thursday, at the community activity center. Military, 18 and up. \$300 and trophy for 1st place, \$200 for 2nd and \$100 for 3rd. Door prizes and refreshments. For more, call Sheryl Bush at 2-4135.

Bowling tournament: Enlisted Dining Out tournament, noon, March 5, at the bowling alley. Room for 14 teams of five. \$10 entrance fee, \$1 shoe rental. To sign up, call Senior Master Sgt. Hankins at 2-2431 or 2-6213.

AFE show: Armed Forces Entertainment presents "A Little Touch of Harry," a two person adaptation of Shakespeare's "Henry V", 3 p.m., March 7, at the community activity center. For all ages. For more, call Sheryl Bush at 2-4135.

"Room for Six": Free home-cooked meal for six single or unaccompanied Lajes members. Dinner is served at 6 p.m., March 6, at a "home." To reserve a spot, call Danielle Posey or Tech. Sgt. Aubrey Posey at 295-549-825.

Arts camp: "Missoula Children's Theater Performing Arts Camp" is a free "theater" camp for teens, ages 14-18. The camp is in Missoula, Montana, July 26-30. The application submission deadline is March 8. For more, call 295-57-4135 or 2-4135.

Mystery dinner: "Luck of the Irish," 6:30 p.m., March 13, at the Top of the Rock ballroom. Tickets are \$18. Participants needed as suspects and witnesses. Everyone is invited. For more, or to sign up, call Linette Hollandsworth at 2-6110.

Spring Photos: Family or individual photos taken by the professional photographers of Irislab. Proceeds help the base Honor guard team. To sign up, call Staff Sgt. Jessica Dunn at 2-3685 or 295-549-9437 or 2nd Lt. John-Paul Arre 2-5026.

Volunteers/Jobs

P.O. Volunteers: The post office needs volunteers to assist with sorting mail, distributing packages and customer service. Visit the post office

for more, or call 2-3625.

Thrift Shop: Part-time paid position for a Bookkeeper available. Must be an Enlisted Spouse Club or Officers Spouse Club member. Applications available at the Thrift Shop, bldg. T-400. For more, call 2-6371 or 2-3567.

Volunteers needed: Volunteers needed at family services for postal collection, data input, advertising, etc. Free childcare is available. For more, call 2-4146 or 2-4138.

Job opportunities: Services needs recreation aids at the skating rink and youth center, club operations assistant and office automation clerk at the veterinary clinic. Applications available at the Non-appropriated Funds Human Resources Office, Bldg. T-112. For more, call 2-5200.

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

Family readiness: Volunteer assistant needed 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. For more, call 2-5216.

Skating rink: Volunteers needed to distribute skates, sell snack bar items, work the DJ booth, etc. For more, call Sheryl Bush at 2-5216 or 2-6143.

Charities committee: "Chapel Charities", open 11 a.m.-2p.m. on Saturdays in Bldg. T-426, needs donations for local orphanages and nursing homes. To volunteer for the committee and base chapel, call Tech. Sgt. Silvia DeJesus at 295-549-430 or 2-1304, or call 2-4211.

Classified Ads

Ads must be submitted via e-mail to news@lajes.af.mil. Ads are due by COB, Monday.

Wanting to buy a used drum set and flute for a good price. Also looking for rugs or carpet in good condition. Please call 295-549-752.