



## Sanjoaninas Festivities begin today in Angra

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The Sanjoaninas Festival is the largest nonreligious festival on Terceira and the Azores archipelago dating back to the 16th century, although in the beginning it had a religious connection.

Sanjoaninas honors St. John the Baptist and is a legacy of a secular tradition on the island which has evolved over the years and now includes parades, concerts, arena and street bullfights, expositions, sports, as well as other cultural events. All these activities will take place in the city of Angra unless otherwise noted.

In addition to all these events, there will be provisional restaurants and food booths installed in the area next to the marina and the old port area. This is also the location where some of the big concerts will take place.

The following schedule of events includes the Sanjoaninas 2008 highlights:

### Today

- 10 p.m. – Opening parade (main street)
- 11:30 p.m. – DJ music at Angra pier

### Saturday

- 4 p.m. – Beach volleyball tournament (Angra's little beach)
- 5 p.m. – Karate competition (main square)
- 6:30 p.m. – Arena bullfight (Angra bullring)
- 11:30 p.m. – Concert by Portuguese singer Jorge Palma (Angra pier)

### Sunday

- 11 a.m. – Triathlon competition – (Silveira swimming area)
- 2 p.m. – 1<sup>st</sup> Festival of Sports Dancing (municipal pavilion)
- 4 p.m. – Beach volleyball tournament (Angra's little beach)
- 6:30 p.m. – Arena bullfight (Angra bullring)
- 9:30 p.m. – Motorcycle parade (main street)
- 10 p.m. – Performance by Mardi Gras dance groups (top of main street)



- 11:30 – Concert by local rock bands (Angra pier)

### Monday

- 10 a.m. – Kickboxing show (main square)
- 11 a.m. – Arena bullfight for children (bullring)
- 6:30 p.m. – Street bullfight at Angra pier
- 9:30 p.m. – Parade of marches of St. John (main street)
- Midnight – DJ music at Angra pier

### Tuesday

- 10 a.m. – Soap box derby competition (Rua Santa Luzia/top of main street)
- Noon – Running of the bulls (six bulls are released at the same time) (top of main street)
- 2 p.m. – Volleyball tournament (municipal pavilion)
- 6:30 p.m. – Beach volleyball tournament (Angra's little beach)
- 6:30 p.m. – Arena bullfight (bullring)
- 9:30 p.m. – Parade of juvenile marches of St. John (main street)
- 11:30 p.m. – Concert by Lisa Coby (Angra pier)

### June 25

- Noon – Running of the bulls for children (Rua São João)
- 2 p.m. – Volleyball tournament

- (municipal pavilion)
- 6:30 p.m. – Beach volleyball tournament semi finals (Angra's little beach)
- 9 p.m. – Sports parade (mains street)
- 11:30 p.m. – Concert by Portuguese rock band "Anjos" (Angra pier)

### June 26

- 2 p.m. – Volleyball tournament (municipal pavilion)
- 6:30 p.m. – Beach volleyball tournament- final (Angra's little beach)
- 11:30 p.m. – Concerto by Portuguese band "Xaile" (Angra pier)

### June 27

- 2 p.m. – Volleyball tournament (municipal pavilion)
- 6:30 p.m. – Street bullfight (Avenida Infante Dom Henrique)
- 9:30 p.m. – Ethnographic parade (main street)
- 11:30 p.m. – Concert by Portuguese rock band "Clá" (Angra pier)

### June 28

- 2 p.m. – Volleyball tournament (municipal pavilion)
- 6:30 p.m. – Arena bullfight (bullring)
- 9:30 p.m. – Parade of folklore bands (main street)
- 11:30 p.m. – Concert by Portuguese singer Luis Represas (Angra pier)

### June 29

- 2 p.m. – Volleyball tournament (municipal pavilion)
- 9 p.m. – Parade of marching bands (main street)
- Midnight – Fireworks over Angra bay

(Schedule subject to change.)



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## USAFE Airmen embrace command priorities

**Commentary by**  
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**RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany**  
— I recently returned from visiting U.S. Air Forces in Europe bases in the United Kingdom, and I may be a bit biased, but I truly believe that USAFE is the best command in the Air Force! I'm so proud of the accomplishments I see and thankful for the sacrifices each of you make every day for the mission, both at home station and in support of global operations. In spite of the challenges we've faced recently as an Air Force, USAFE Airmen are dutifully carrying on a proud legacy of excellence. However, I'd be remiss if I didn't remind you to stay focused on the mission and our Air Force and command priorities.

During my base visits I interacted with Airmen and noncommissioned officers who reaffirmed to me why we're "Winning Today's Fight." On any given day there are more than 2,500 USAFE Airmen deployed in support of the Global War on Terror, while continuing to perform vital home-station missions. You have embraced Air Force Smart Operations for the 21st Century by finding ways to streamline processes and maintain mission capabilities. Perfect examples of that are Senior Master Sgt. Ray Boone, Tech Sgt. Anthony Nardone and Tech Sgt. Jonathon Anlauf, from the 100th Air Refueling Wing's AFSO 21 office at RAF Mildenhall, who have taken "Smart Operations" to the next level. They're doing phenomenal things to help the 100th ARW continue to Win Today's Fight. They demonstrate the initiative and creativity it takes to make sure that we're ready for what lies ahead.

In order to continue our winning ways, we need to "Prepare for Tomorrow's Challenges." From what I've seen, USAFE Airmen are working hard to ensure they are prepared both physically and mentally to meet the demands of the mission. That's why it's so important to continue to work at being "Fit to Fight." We need each of you to be ready to perform at the highest level, here at home and in the AOR. The bottom line is that it's all about being mission ready.

To be ready for the future, we must understand our heritage. On June 29 we commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Berlin Airlift. The Berlin Airlift established airpower as a vital part of our military might, and we continue that legacy to this day. The Airmen from RAF Lakenheath understand that well. Airmen 1st Class Jacob Whitehead and Steven Bergland, who are both assigned to the 48th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, created an enlisted Heritage Room in their squadron, and they built it all with funds raised from

their snack bar. Their legacy will live on in their squadron and serve to remind others of the sacrifices made by enlisted Airman in service to their nation, and the awesome might of airpower.

And that brings us to our third priority - "Take Care of Our People." This is a priority that's very near and dear to my heart, especially since it's such a big part of my job as USAFE command chief. From uniform issues and educational opportunities, to family care and the sponsorship program, it's our goal to take care of you as well as you take care of the mission.

During my enlisted calls at UK bases, you raised issues that concerned you, like the new Airman Battle Uniform. I can assure you that your complaints have been heard and that changes are coming. You also brought up dormitory issues that need to be addressed, and I know that all levels of leadership share your concerns and they're doing all they can to maintain a high standard of living for all Air Force members. However, don't just assume that leadership is aware of problems. Inform your chain of command and your first sergeants when you run into a problem, and give them the opportunity to work the issue.

It's a leadership responsibility to take care of people, but it's also your responsibility to take care of each other - be a good wingman, like Staff Sgt. Edgar Acosta, from RAF Croughton's 422nd Civil Engineer Squadron. He used a personal tragedy to inspire him to breathe new life into Croughton's Airmen Against Drunk Driving program, and it's now a model for other bases to emulate.

Being a good wingman also means doing your part to prevent sexual assaults and other violent crimes against one another. If something doesn't look right, don't look the other way - stand up for what's right. What if that person was your mother, father, sister, brother or child?

Finally, we have professional organizations that share our goal of taking care of people. Get involved in your military community, like Tech. Sgt. Ken Gentner, from RAF Alconbury's 423rd Security Forces Squadron. He's a passionate spokesman for the Air Force Sergeants Association. Organizations like AFSA look out for the best interests of enlisted Airmen - get involved!

There is no nobler profession than the one we've chosen and each of you should be proud of what you do. The Air Force is the most respected air and space force on the planet because of your mission focus and constant pursuit of excellence. I'm proud to stand with you and say, WE Are American Airmen!

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# General Bishop reflects on tenure in 3rd AF

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He is one of the Air Force's most experienced operators. He has deployed numerous times through a variety of operations ranging from Desert Storm to Shining Hope. As an ops group commander, he led his group in support of more than seven named contingencies. He has responded to numerous humanitarian calls for action, including the Mount Pinatubo eruption in the Philippines and multiple typhoon, hurricane, and famine relief operations.

Yet, despite those experiences over the past 34 years, Lt. Gen. Rod Bishop sees his role as the commander of 3rd Air Force as the ideal culmination to his active duty career.

"I can't think a better job to end my Air Force career," said General Bishop. "Being in an operationally oriented command and doing our nation's bidding and working with the superb people that make up 3rd Air Force is the perfect ending to my years of service."

General Bishop entered the Air Force in June 1974 after graduating from the Air Force Academy. In the following years, he has commanded an operations support squadron, a C-141 Starlifter flying squadron, a C-141 and C-17 Globemaster operations group and airlift wing. He has



*Lt. Gen. Rod Bishop, 3rd Air Force Commander visits with Staff Sgt. Jose Vuittonet and Staff Sgt. Benjamin Himel, 65th Operations Support Squadron during his visit here Apr. 29. (Photo by Guido Melo).*

also served as the Deputy Commander of Headquarters U.S. Southern Command; the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Air and Space Operations at Headquarters U.S. Air Force; Vice Commander, U.S. Air Forces in Europe; and as Air Commander, Europe.

During his tenure as the 3rd AF commander, the unit has been extremely successful and has received accolades from as high as President George W. Bush. General Bishop credits the record of success to the superior, operationally focused people who make up 3rd AF—"from the HQ to the wings"—and to the keen foresight of some of the Air Force's leaders over the years.

"We owe much gratitude to the leaders who had the vision of having an operationally focused headquarters," General Bishop said. "Thankfully those leaders saw the need to have an organization focused on the needs of the combatant commander—not just Air Force, MAJCOM or wing-related issues."

The general said 3rd AF being the first numbered Air Force to be certified as a joint task force and "our outstanding record of providing air and space capabilities to all ten combatant commanders" are the things he's most proud of. "Also," he added, "I think we have done a very good job of taking care of our people."

"The fact that we have been certified and called upon to lead a Joint Task Force, and did it exceedingly well, is something we all can be very proud of," General Bishop stated. He urged the 3rd AF team to keep building upon what has been started.

"Keep pressing forward with clarifying the roles and mission between the numbered Air Force and the major command, keep pressing on operationalizing the Air and Operations Center, and keep pressing on trying to get a standardized Air Force-wide approach to manning and training an Air Force Forces staff," he said.

Reflecting back, the general said waking up every morning going to a job he didn't consider to be a job is what he will miss most about the Air Force. And, having good people who understand the operational level of war is what ties it all together.

"Being a lifelong operator, I love the instantaneous gratification we get when an operation is successful. But, I'm pleased to say every one of the great men and women of 3rd Air Force has been the key to that success," General Bishop said.

"I thoroughly enjoyed my opportunity to roll up my sleeves and work beside America's best sons and daughters... It's an experience I will always cherish."

## Prison Break celebrity Rockmund Dunbar visits Lajes Saturday

**HQ USAFE SERVICES - RAMSTEIN AB GE**—"Prison Break" star, Rockmund Dunbar, will tour USAFE bases June 22-29 promoting the annual USAFE Services Extreme Summer program.

Dunbar will be here Saturday to eat lunch with military personnel and sign autographs.

Military members who wish to dine with him may do so at noon, Saturday at the dining facility. Dunbar will have a meet and greet as well as sign autographs from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday at the community center.

Rockmund, whom many consider one of the industry's most talented actors, stars on "Heartland," TNT's medical drama that premiered on June 18, 2007. Rockmund portrays Tom Jonas, a well-educated top transplant Doctor at St. Jude's transplant hospital. Most recently, Rockmund captivated audiences for two seasons as the tough, mysterious inmate "C-Note," on the Fox series, "Prison Break".

Named one of "Television's 50 Sexiest Stars of All Time" by TV Guide, Rockmund is best known for his leading role as "Kenny Chadway," the hard-work-

ing family man and entrepreneur on the long-running, critically-acclaimed Showtime drama series, "Soul Food." A true renaissance man, he has hypnotized his audience not only theatrically, but in all realms of art. From his provocative mixed-media exhibit, "ARTHERAPY," to his powerfully unforgettable guest appearance in Dylan McDermott's directing debut of "The Practice," Rockmund is undoubtedly one of Hollywood's hottest up-and-coming artists.

For more information, visit the Extreme Summer website at [www.extremesummer.com](http://www.extremesummer.com).



Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<p><b>11 a.m.</b> Red Pin Games, bowling alley</p> <p><b>6 p.m.</b> Deadline to sign up for Colossal Cookie Challenge</p> <p><b>6 p.m.</b> Build Your Own Pasta Buffet, TORC</p> <p><b>7 p.m.</b> Baby Mama (PG-13)</p> <p><b>7 p.m.</b> PreTeen American Idol Contest</p> <p><b>10 p.m.</b> Deception(R)</p>	<p><b>10:30 a.m.</b> Faith, Fish, Earth and Cheese Tour, Outdoor Rec</p> <p><b>2:30 p.m.</b> \$ .25/ game, bowling alley</p> <p><b>3:30 p.m.</b> Autographs with Rockmund Dunbar, community center</p> <p><b>7 p.m.</b> Baby Mama (PG-13)</p> <p><b>10 p.m.</b> Deception (R)</p>	<p><b>9 a.m.</b> Evangelical Service</p> <p><b>9 a.m.</b> CCD</p> <p><b>10:30 a.m.</b> Mass</p> <p><b>Noon</b> Praise Service</p> <p><b>2 p.m.</b> Open 9-Ball Tournament, community center</p> <p><b>2 p.m.</b> Baby Mama(PG-13)</p> <p><b>2:30 p.m.</b> \$ .25/ game, bowling alley</p> <p><b>7 p.m.</b> Deception (R)</p>	<p><b>6 a.m.</b> Oceanview open for breakfast</p> <p><b>10 a.m.</b> Library open - check out a book and earn Extreme</p> <p><b>11 a.m.</b> Dining Facility features lunch specials</p> <p><b>5:20 p.m.</b> Body Sculpting Class, fitness center</p> <p><b>6 p.m.</b> Spin Class, fitness center cycle room</p>	<p><b>10 a.m.</b> EDIS Playgroup, LYP</p> <p><b>10 a.m.</b> Thrift Store now open Tuesdays</p> <p><b>1 p.m.</b> Seamstress Available, community center</p> <p><b>5:20 p.m.</b> Step Class, fitness center</p> <p><b>5:30 p.m.</b> Mongolian BBQ, TORC</p> <p><b>6 p.m.</b> Spin class, fitness center cycle room</p>	<p><b>8:30 a.m.</b> Spouses coffee and donuts at the TORC</p> <p><b>10 a.m.</b> Thrift Store open</p> <p><b>Noon</b> Give Parents a Break certificates due for Jun. 27</p> <p><b>Noon</b> Pool open - buy your season pass</p> <p><b>5:30 p.m.</b> Metal Embossing Class, Arts &amp; Crafts</p> <p><b>6:30 p.m.</b> \$ .35 Wings, TORC</p>	<p><b>1 p.m.</b> Tech and Master results released publicly</p> <p><b>2 p.m.</b> Thrift Store open until 6 p.m.</p> <p><b>3 p.m.</b> Summer Reading Program for preschool children, library</p> <p><b>5:30 p.m.</b> Metal Embossing Class</p> <p><b>7 p.m.</b> Baby Mama (PG-13)</p> <p><b>9 p.m.</b> Chili Dog &amp; Karaoke, TORC</p>

## Education

**University of Oklahoma:** The next onsite class is Organizational Behavior in Human Relations. Class dates are July 22-27. The last day to add/drop is June 23. This is an elective in the Masters in Human Relations degree. For details, call 535-3171 or e-mail [aplajes@ou.edu](mailto:aplajes@ou.edu).

**UMUC Term 5 Classes:** Introduction to Business and Management (BMGT110) and 3 weekend seminars: Information Literacy and Research Methods (LIBS150), Production Graphics (CMST100D), and Resume Writing (EDCP108A) Registration is currently underway. For details, call 535-4187 or e-mail [cjessop@ed.umuc.edu](mailto:cjessop@ed.umuc.edu).

**Central Texas College:** CTC is offering Fundamentals of Criminal Law, CJSA 1327, 3 credits and Gangs in the Military, CJSA 1176, 1 credit. Both will be held onsite. For details, call 535-6722 or visit <http://www.europe.ctcd.edu/>.

**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University:** ASCI 405 Aviation Law (July 7 to 13). For details, call 535-3375.

**University of Phoenix:** Get a degree in as little as 18 months. University of Phoenix offers a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Arts in Education at a discounted military rate. Courses are 3-6 weeks online, including books. For information, call 535-1970 or e-mail [Jennifer.Wells@phoenix.edu](mailto:Jennifer.Wells@phoenix.edu).

## Swimming Pool 535-3363

**Pool Open for Summer:** The swimming pool is open from noon to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Daily fees are \$2.50 for children and \$3.75 for adults. Season passes are \$50 per person, \$70 for a couple, and \$100 for a family of five. Pool Parties are available for \$75 and hour with the slide or \$60 an hour without.

## Books for Botswana

**Book Drive:** The 65th Contracting Squadron is hosting a book drive in an effort to collect books and supplies for a day care center in Botswana. To donate, drop off children's books, construction paper, crayons, misc. art/school supplies at the drop-off donations boxes at the commissary, BX, Post Office, shoppette and CDC through June 25. For details, call 535-1469.

## HAWC 535-3889

**Organic Market Tours:** The HAWC is sponsoring Organic Market Tours on the last Saturday of every month. June's will be held at 8:45 a.m. June 28 in the commissary parking lot. Ensure Euro is brought if planning to purchase fruit or vegetables. For details, call 535-4292.

## TORC 535-3202

**Club Membership Drive:** Air Force Clubs are inviting all non-member to signup free with no due payments for six months. For details, call 535-3202.

## HRO Relocates

**Human Resources Office Move:** The Human Resources Office has moved to Bldg. T-112, Room 203. For more information, call 535-6582.

## Volunteer Packages

**Volunteer of the Quarter Nominations:** Submit 2nd quarter (Apr-Jun 08) volunteer nominations to Lucy Rodriguez at the Airman & Family Readiness Center: [Lucy.rodriguez@lajes.af.mil](mailto:Lucy.rodriguez@lajes.af.mil). Nominations are due by June 26. For more information, call 535-4135.

## USAF Marathon

The twelfth annual United States Air Force Marathon will take place Sept. 20 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. Events include the marathon, wheelchair marathon, half marathon, individual 10K and team 10K. In addition, a 5K race will take place Sept. 19 at Wright State University. USAFE members are authorized PTDY to participate in this event and runners are encouraged to create unit or base teams. Visit [www.usafmarathon.com](http://www.usafmarathon.com) for more information.

## Community Center

**Colossal Cookie Challenge:** 11 a.m. June 28 in the community center. Categories include, special occasion or holiday, no bake, healthy and cookie maker's special (all others). Deadline to register is today. Call 535-5216 to register or for more details.

## Fitness Center 535-6126

**Kids vs. Parents Kickball:** 10 a.m. June 28 at the SFS Softball Field. Open to everyone; can sign up as team or individuals, and do not have to have children to play.

## Classified Ads

E-mail classified ads to [news@lajes.af.mil](mailto:news@lajes.af.mil) by 5 p.m. the Thursday prior to the week you need it published. Notify the Crossroads when items have been sold. Lajes personnel may also post ads at [Lajesads.com](http://Lajesads.com). This site is not affiliated with the Crossroads.

For Sale: White '89 Ford Tempo. Automatic locks, automatic transmission, runs fine, inspection out-of-date. Asking \$1,000. Call 295-549-114 or 969-622-401.

For Sale: 7'6" Epoxy/Tri-Fin Surfboard with board bag. Excellent Condition \$280. Call Brian 535-6137 or 295-549-499.