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Saturday (a.m. / p.m.)

Cloudy Rain / Partly Cloudy

Wind NW 5 mph
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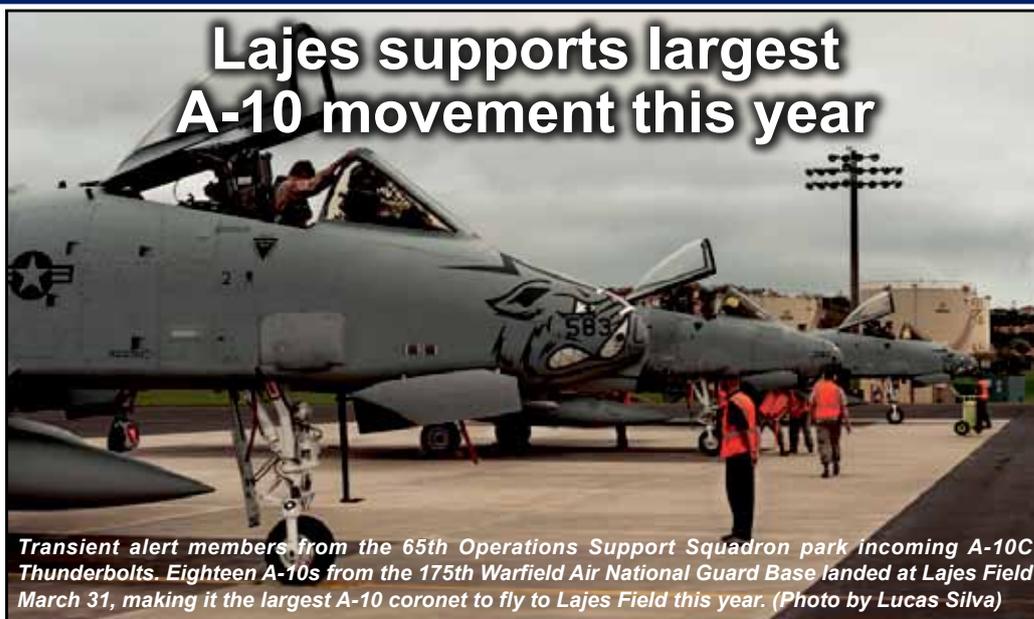
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Lajes supports largest A-10 movement this year



Transient alert members from the 65th Operations Support Squadron park incoming A-10C Thunderbolts. Eighteen A-10s from the 175th Warfield Air National Guard Base landed at Lajes Field March 31, making it the largest A-10 coronet to fly to Lajes Field this year. (Photo by Lucas Silva)

By Tech. Sgt. Chyrece Campbell
65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Eighteen A-10C Thunderbolts from the 175th Warfield Air National Guard Base landed at Lajes Field March 31, making it the largest A-10 coronet this year to Lajes Field.

Members of the 175th Warfield Air National Guard Base Maintenance and Operations Group departed their base in Martin State Airport in Middle River, Md., to support ongoing combat operations in Afghanistan and landed at Lajes Field for crew rest.

"I think everybody is familiar with what's going on and the events over there, and I think we're at a very critical juncture in the fight against al-Qaida," said Col. Kevin Campbell, 175th Operations Group commander. "I think what you're going to see from this deployment is crucial in the ultimate success in the fight that's ongoing over there."

Seven support aircraft for the A-10Cs also landed at Lajes Field, making the coronet package 25 airplanes, all landing within one hour of each other.

"It took the entire Transient Alert shop to recover that many aircraft," said Tech. Sgt. Gerald Redd, 65th Operations Support Squadron's Transient Alert NCO in charge. "When there are that many aircraft coming in normally there is a break in between landing times. Despite the fact that 25 planes plus the weekly rotator all landed in the same hour, it went seamlessly and we had everything done in about two hours. I was very proud of my guys."

Last year Lajes Field had more than 20 coronets consisting of 135 coronet aircraft with 35 support aircraft. With the rotation rate of the military and the range of the experience of TA members it is possible for Lajes Field TA personnel to have never worked a coronet before.

"This was my first coronet package since I have been in because I came from a heavy aircraft base," said Staff Sgt. Andres Jimenez, transient alert technician. "I was

nervous and excited all at once. It was a great opportunity to experience something new while being a part of a coronet of this magnitude."

Sergeant Jimenez arrived at Lajes Field in February and besides marshalling three aircraft he also helped with the burger burn which was provided by the 65th Operation Support Squadron on the A-10 crew's behalf.

"Being a part of the burger burn made me proud to give the crew a little of home before they went down range to support the mission," Jimenez added.

The A-10s received more than 30,600 gallons of fuel from the 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron's fuel flight. The 65th Air Base Wing's command post aids in coordinating fuel as well as ensures the crew gets crew rest and alerts the crew of their mission while coordinating with TA, Tanker Airlift Control Center and various other agencies.

"This was my 10th coronet here at Lajes and it never gets old doing my job assisting with fuel, cargo or even communicating with the crew about their mission," said Staff Sgt. Eric Hall, 65th Air Base Wing's command post training NCO in charge. "It was totally a group effort getting so many airplanes taxied and serviced."

According to the 175th Wing's official website, the mission of the Maryland Air National Guard is to provide air combat forces and theater airlift aircraft to America's Unified Combatant Commands. When Maryland Air National Guard units are not mobilized or under federal control, they report to the governor of their respective state, territory or the commanding general of the District of Columbia National Guard.

Approximately 300 personnel consisting of aircrew and ground support deployed in support of the A-10 mission to provide close air support to NATO ground forces in the AOR for a 90-day deployment rotation.



Guarding our most precious possessions

By Alexandra Baird
65th Force Support Squadron



Would you leave your iPad unattended at the park? Surely not; it is much too important for that, right? Well then, why are so many of us willing to let our children play unattended? While you're pondering that thought, here are some handy reminders regarding what the rules are at Lajes when it comes to minding our precious possessions.

Children age five or younger must be attended by a chaperone at all times.

Children ages six through nine must be attended at all times except while traveling to and from school or while on approved playgrounds during daylight hours within sight of the child's residence.

Children ages 10 to 11 may be left unattended for a period not to exceed two hours between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. They may also travel on errands to on-base facilities and the Lajes Youth Center with their parent's permission.

Children ages 12 to 15 may be left unattended, but not overnight. Additionally, they must be checked on by an adult every six hours.

Our 16 to 17 year olds may be left unattended while their sponsor is on short temporary duty or leave not to exceed seven consecutive days. An adult guardian must be available to make periodic checks and have a power of attorney for medical care.

Babysitting for other families is alright as long as the sitter is at least 12 years old and has attended the Red Cross Babysitting Course and is certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Overnight baby-sitting between the hours of 1 and 5:30 a.m. is not permitted. Siblings can baby-sit for less than 2 hours if they are 11 years old or in the 6th grade.

Children age six and under should never be left alone in a vehicle. Children ages seven through 10 may be left unattended in a car for less than 10 minutes, providing that an adult is within sight, the keys are removed, the engine is off, the handbrake is in use, and the weather is below 80 degrees Fahrenheit.

With summer Fest and summer break approaching please keep these rules in mind and remember to respect your neighbors. The wing commander has the authority to implement a curfew if deemed necessary.

Commander's Action Line
535-4240
65abw.actionline@lajes.af.mil

The Commander's Action Line is your link to the commander for suggestions, kudos and as a way to work problems or issues within the 65th Air Base Wing for which you can't find another solution. Your chain of command should always be your first option — but when that's not the answer, call or e-mail the Commander's Action Line at 535-4240 or 65abw.actionline@lajes.af.mil.



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Commander, 65th Air Base Wing

School registration is key to DoDD's success

Lajes Elementary/High School: April 9 to 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. & 2 to 4 p.m.

School registration is an annual requirement by Department of Defense Regulation to determine continued eligibility for school enrollment. Accurate and complete school enrollments assist principals and District Superintendent's Offices' in projecting appropriate resources to support the coming school year. It is also a critical activity for schools since funding and staffing authorizations are based on enrollment and enrollment projections.

We are therefore requesting that as you enjoy spring break, to please remember that registration for the 2012 to 2013 school year is mandatory for all returning students and will take place April 9 to 13 from 9 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. If you are off island, DoDDs is requesting you register with the school on the first school day after you return.

We ask that every sponsor of returning students, including Sure Start students coming back for Kindergarten, to come by the school and register your child or children for next school year. It is a simple process: verify that all information we have on record is correct and up-to-date. If you have extended your tour, we will require documentation listing your new deros date. It will only take a few minutes of your time.

If you have a child or know of any child who will be 5 by Sept. 1, 2012, he or she, too, should be registered for Kindergarten for next school year during this time.

If you are leaving Lajes and your children will not be returning for next school year, please call the school at 535-3357 or 4151 to make arrangements for withdrawing your students.

When should children stop sucking their thumbs?

By Tech. Sgt. LaSorsha Collins
65th Medical Operations Squadron

Parents often wonder when is the appropriate time for their children to stop sucking their thumb.

It is best to wean the children sooner than later. Aggressive thumb sucking can cause problems with baby (primary) teeth.

Even before the adult (permanent) teeth begin to come in, the sucking may cause problems with the growth of the mouth and proper alignment of teeth.

Usually children stop between the ages of two

to four years old. Pacifiers tend to have less of an effect on the teeth than sucking fingers or thumbs and are usually an easier habit to break.

Some tips to help your child: 1. Praise the child for not sucking instead of scolding them when they are sucking their thumb. 2. Children often suck their thumbs when feeling insecure or needing comfort. Focus on correcting the cause of the anxiety and provide comfort.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's oral health contact your dentist for assistance.

Visit the official American Dental Association web page for more information at www.ada.org.



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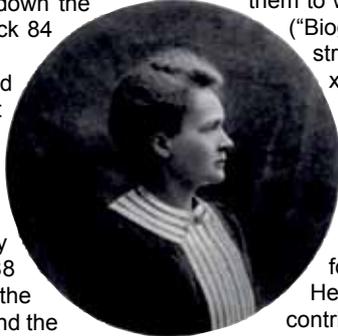
By Gabriel Labrador
Mr. Stumler, Chemistry 10

I'm in my chemistry class sitting there and taking notes on the gases chapter. Our chemistry teacher pulls down the periodic table and points to Neon, a noble gas. As I was going down the columns I realized that there were gaps where block 84 and 88 should have an element in it.

I asked my teacher about the missing elements and he replied, "Someone hasn't discovered that element yet, but that person could be you if you study and work hard!"

Marie Curie, the first woman to win two Nobel prizes, is one of our human history's famous feminine figureheads. Working closely with her husband, they both discovered Radium and Polonium (Block 88 and 84 respectively), elements that are present on the periodic table as of today. She inspired women around the world that through hard work and by striving for excellence, anybody can become whatever they want to be. Marie Curie definitely deserves a spot at the top of the most famous woman list specializing in chemistry and in general the sciences. She deserves to be called a famous historical woman for she discovered radioactive metals, won two Nobel prizes, and successfully taught in the Sorbonne University, Paris.

Marie Curie, born in Poland on Nov. 7, 1867, was to be destined a great future. She made money as a teacher in Poland and a governess



which funded a trip to Paris in 1891 ("Biography"). Learning at Sorbonne University, she studied hard and met many other famous physicists. Pierre Curie, the man she married in July 25, 1895, encountered her in the university studying together. Later, they discovered Radium and Polonium, which made them world famous. Their discovery led them to win the Nobel Prize in Physics shared with Becquerel ("Biography"). Sadly, Pierre died in 1906, but his death only strengthened Curie's struggle to crack the mystery behind x-rays ("About"). Together with her daughter Irene, they figured out the harmful effects of x-rays and radioactivity which led Curie to win her second Nobel Prize but this time in chemistry ("About").

Marie Curie was on top of the world after World War I ended, at least in the world of chemistry. Curie stressed that radioactive materials need to be stored for future generations to conduct their own experiments. Her decision to store radioactive elements like Radium contributed to the experiments conducted by Sir Chadwick and even her own daughter, who discovered artificial radioactivity with Frederic Curie ("Biography").

Sadly, Marie Curie died of leukemia around 1934 due to radioactive exposure ("About"). Her contributions to the science world have indeed proved that she deserves to be one of our best women figureheads in our known history. Marie Curie celebrates the fact that she's a woman and can achieve what man achieves. She lived life to the fullest, doing what she loves: teaching, experimenting, and discovering. "Nothing in Life is to be feared. It is only to be understood" - Marie Curie.

Lajes Airmen donate bone marrow, save lives

By Staff Sgt. Erica Horner
65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

Being stationed in the middle of the Atlantic hasn't stopped two Airmen from saving lives in the United States.

Senior Airman Justin Palmer, 65th Operations Support Squadron, and Tech. Sgt. Adam Wurtz, 729th Air Mobility Squadron, were recently sent to the U.S. to donate bone marrow to save the lives of two cancer patients.

Both Airmen had their mouths swabbed to test for compatibility; Palmer was attending technical school at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, in 2007, and Wurtz was deployed to Southwest Asia in 2004.

During a blood drive while in technical school, Palmer, who said he wasn't one for giving blood, walked over to the bone marrow table which was right outside the Red Cross.

"The lady running the table kind of talked me into it," he said. "She said that even if I volunteered to do it, the likelihood of being contacted was rare."

Wurtz had a different scenario for how he became a donor. "There was a bone marrow registry drive at my deployed location," he said. "In order to get your steak during the steak-burn, you had to pass right by the registry table, so I sat down and filled out the paperwork."

Their DNAs were kept on record for a possible donor match. In February, both Airmen were contacted by the Department of Defense Marrow Donor Program with possible matches, and both were very surprised.

"I didn't think that I would ever be a match," Palmer said. "I was a 97 to 98 percent match for the gentleman I was donating to. I didn't know who he was; I was only told that he was a 44-year-old male with acute lymphoblastic leukemia."

After eight years, Wurtz was also astonished. "After doing the registry, I never thought about it," he said. "I guess I was surprised that I was a match, but I am happy I could help."

Both Airmen were flown to the U.S. to perform two different procedures for donating their bone marrow.

Palmer underwent a surgical procedure, which placed him under general anesthesia while a doctor used needles to withdraw liquid marrow from the back of his pelvic bone.

Wurtz performed a peripheral blood stem cell donation, which is most common. Blood stem cells were collected directly from his blood.

No regrets

After speaking to a program representative and conducting his own

research, Palmer agreed to go ahead with the procedure. Once various consent forms were signed and a multitude of tests were performed here at Lajes, including a full physical and chest X-rays, Palmer was sent to George Town University Hospital in Washington, D.C., where they specialize in bone marrow donations.

Within hours of landing, Palmer already had two appointments set up.

"I met with the bone marrow doctor and he went more in depth about my procedure. They will be making two incisions into my lower back hip area then making multiple little holes in my hip to pull out the bone marrow, one on each side of my hips."

It's been three weeks since the surgery and Palmer is still sore and stiff.

"Was I hesitant? Yes. Very. It was the worst pain I had ever felt, but I don't regret a second of it and if I could do it again, I would," he said.

Pretty simple process

Wurtz also had to perform a series of tests by the National Marrow Donor Program before he was able to donate.

"The donation center called Friday, Feb. 24, and told me I needed to be in Washington, D.C., by the 28th for initial testing," he said.

It was then Wurtz had to rely on his squadron to assist him in getting on a plane quick enough to help save a life.

"That Saturday, Lt. Col. Loren Graham, Master Sgt. Billie Clark, Master Sgt. Charles Hawley, and Staff Sgt. Alvin Taisague from the 65th Force Support Squadron Military Personnel Section, gave up their day to get me off the island by Sunday night. I made it to D.C. on Monday to do all the blood work in enough time to ensure a donation the following week."

According to Wurtz, the donation process was pretty simple. "I went in to the clinic and received a shot then was released for the day. The shot was meant to stimulate my stem-cell production. This process repeated itself for four days. On the fifth day, I was hooked up to a machine that took blood from one arm, extracted the stem cells and then placed the used blood back into my other arm."

Glad to help

Although the donors may never meet the patients whose lives they may have saved, both say they were very glad to have gone through the process of donating.

Two hundred and twenty-seven Lajes Field members were entered into the bone marrow registry December 2011.

DoD members generally donate to DoD members, as well as retirees, civilians and their dependents.



Portuguese Red Cross thanks Lajes for support

By Staff Sgt. Angelique N. Smythe
65th Air Base Wing Public Affairs

The Portuguese Red Cross recently presented a medal to the 65th Air Base Wing in gratitude for all the support they've received over the years.

Col. Jose Rivera, 65th Air Base Wing commander, received the Portuguese Red Cross Merit Medal on the wing's behalf from Octavio Teixeira, the commander of the Portuguese Red Cross Delegation in



On March 9 Senhor Octávio Teixeira, Portuguese Red Cross Regional Emergency Coordinator in Angra, presented the Portuguese Red Cross Merit Medal to Col. Jose A. Rivera, 65th Air Base Wing commander, who accepted it on behalf of the 65th Air Base Wing, in recognition for all the support the wing has provided to the Portuguese Red Cross on Terceira Island throughout the years. (Photo by Lucas Silva)

Angra do Heroismo, on March 9.

"Since the Portuguese Red Cross was established on the island, the wing's support has been exceptional in assisting those who need help," Teixeira said. "I hope our friendship and cooperation continues to the same way it has been until now for the benefit of all in need."

The 65th ABW Chapel is one organization that often works with the Portuguese Red Cross on Terceira.

The Charities Committee is a ministry that advises, supports, and provides guidance to 65th ABW organizations on how to assist the Portuguese and American community in times of need. The committee works to help meet the needs of base personnel as well as local nationals, orphanages and nursing homes.

"In one of my visits to the Angra Orphanages (Lar de Santa Maria Goretti and Livramento) the nuns said in 1980 when Terceira had a big earthquake, the base donated dormitory beds, mattresses, blankets, among other things to the Red Cross," said Jacinta Pires, who has been working as an interpreter for the 65th ABW Chapel since 1989 and is also the Chapel Charities Outreach point of contact for the base.



April Awareness

Get Aware at the Fair - Multi-Awareness Fair

Friday, April 20, 1 to 3 p.m. Community Center

Get your awareness raised and have fun at the same time.

Drunk goggle and dance demo / Motorcycle display / Pig lung exhibit / Make it yourself cat scratching post demo / Pet First Aid / Mocktail bar / Silly putty & bubbles / Holy Humor / Information you can use / AND Lots of give-aways!

Visit all the info tables for a chance to win a Harley Davidson Jacket, compliments of Exchange New Car Sales.

LAJES WARRIORS OF THE WEEK



Name: Daniel Reis
Rank: LGS-06
Unit: Defense Commissary Agency
Hometown: Praia da Vitoria, Azores
Duty Title: Supply Technician
Accomplishments: Mr. Reis is responsible for preparing and ordering all merchandise that the Commissary carries on the shelves; he also maintains stock levels for authorized supplies; investigates and reconciles discrepancies relating to actions such as

receipts control, stock control and inventory; and updates "on order" records using clear cut information from requisitions, contracts and shipping personnel. Reis also leads 5 local national material handlers in conjunction with his other duties; Lajes commissary warehouse is recognized for being one of the best Defense Commissary Agency of Europe small warehouses. He also provides assistance to other organizations on base. All in all he is responsible to the Commissary officer for over \$800,000 a month.



Name: Svetlana Loyd
Rank: WG-04
Unit: Defense Commissary Agency
Hometown: Kazakhstan
Duty Title: Store Worker
Accomplishments: Mrs. Loyd is one of the commissary six U.S. employees. She currently works in the Grocery department. Performs a variety of duties involved in the handling, marking, preparing, and maintaining of stock levels of resale items, to

include the operation of a manual or electrical pallet jack. Works in one or more departments within the store. Her ability to adapt and learn new methods along with her friendly personality and willingness to assist customers has made her a great asset to the store. Currently she has been working at the commissary just under one year.



"6-5...IN THE FIGHT!"

Feature



Team Lajes congratulated seven of their newest promotees during a monthly promotion ceremony March 30. (Photo by Guido Melo)



Tanya Saenz, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron, recently received the USAFE 2011 Key Spouse of the Year Award. (Photo by Guido Melo)



Staff Sgt. John Hudgeons, 65th Comptroller Squadron, putts during the Air Force Assistance Fund Golf Tournament at the Terceira Golf Club March 29. (Photo by Lucas Silva)



Dino Sebastião, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter, explains the proper use and operation of personal protection equipment to 75 Portuguese cadets from the Portuguese Air Force Academy April 3. The cadets visited to learn more about the mission of Air Base 4 and Azores Air Zone. The group also included members from the Angolan Air Force and Mozambique Air Force who are in Portugal as part of a military exchange program. (Photo by Guido Melo)



Lajes Praise in Motion performs for the Women's History Month Luncheon in Lajes Top of the Rock Club March 30. More than 120 Team Lajes members attended the Women's History Month Luncheon, featuring guest speaker Brig. Gen. Stayce D. Harris, Mobilization Assistant to the Commander, U.S. Africa Command, the Pentagon, Washington, D.C. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Chyrece Campbell)



Team Lajes members attend the single and unaccompanied members dinner at the chapel March 29, which was hosted by the Air Force Sergeants Association. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Chyrece Campbell)



Mark your calendar

WING TRAINING DAY: Wing Training Day is April 10.

MDG TRAINING EVERY 2nd TUESDAY: The 65th Medical Group clinic is closed for unit training every second Tuesday of the month. TRICARE On-line is always available as an option for appointment booking.

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD DINING

OUT: The Child Dining Out is scheduled for April 14 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the TORC. Contact the Youth Center for tickets or more information at 535-3273.

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY/DAYS OF

REMEMBRANCE: The committee for Holocaust Remembrance Day/ Days of Remembrance is seeking volunteers to assist with planned activities from April 15 to 22; Contact Staff Sgt. Lora Begley at lora.begley@lajes.af.mil

“STREET ART – VISUAL URBAN CULTURE”: “The Youth and Arts Academy of Terceira Island is sponsoring a “Street Art – Visual Urban Culture” course, April 16 to 21. Those who decide to participate need to sign up by April 12. Call 295 545 700 for more information.”



Feature

Phrase of the Week A LESSON IN PORTUGUESE



ENGLISH: My name is Lucas and what is your name?

PORTUGUESE: O meu nome é Lucas e você como se chama?

PRONUNCIATION: Ooh mayo NOMEH eh Lukas, e VoSAY CO-moo say SHAHmah?

AFN Highlights:

You can see these AFN stories and more this week on AFN Atlantic on the following dates (All stories shown at these times: “News Update” at 1827 and 1857, and “Around the Air Force” at 1823.):

April 6 – School Registration – Parents are informed of what they need to know to register students.

April 9 – Weather Balloon Launch – Portuguese and U.S. Airmen work together to support critical weather mission.



ASK ED

A column that looks at the culture and history of the Azores.

By Eduardo Lima
Community Relations Advisor



Azoreans began Holy Ghost Festival



Every year, the Azoreans, especially the inhabitants of Terceira, celebrate the Holy Ghost Festival. This religious celebration begins Easter Sunday and runs for eight weeks until Pentecost and Trinity Sunday.

This ancient religious tradition began on mainland Portugal around 1296 by an initiative of Portuguese Queen Isabel. She founded the first Holy Ghost brotherhood whose intent was to honor the poorest man in the kingdom. According to the tradition, the poorest man was placed on the king's throne and crowned “emperor” for one day during a ceremony held in his honor in the royal church.

Following the crowning ceremony, a royal procession took the crowned man from the church to the palace, where a banquet was then offered in his honor. Considered an act of humbleness, the tradition was first introduced in the Azores through the first settlers around 1432 and practiced through subsequent generations.

Though the tradition has disappeared on mainland Portugal, it is still actively celebrated in the Azores, as well as in Azorean immigrant communities in the U.S., Canada and Brazil.

Although royalty and noblemen originally celebrated this religious event, it was adopted by the common people and the silver crowns replaced the royal crown. Traditionally, during natural catastrophes such as volcano eruptions and earthquakes, or when someone is seriously ill, the Azorean people carry the Holy Ghost crowns to the churches and pray for the Holy Ghost to save them.

If their prayers are answered, they host a week-long festival to honor the Holy Ghost. During the season, some members of the brotherhood previously selected by lot, are given the honor of keeping the Holy Ghost crowns and flags at their homes in a wooden altar decorated with white paper and flowers for one week.

In the evenings, the festival hosts, relatives and other guests gather in front of the altar to pray the rosary and worship the Holy Ghost.

Later in the week, on Thursday or Friday afternoon, it's time for the “festa do bezerro” (festival of the calves). The calves, usually two, are fetched from the pastures where they have been grazing year round and are paraded through the village streets after being garlanded with flowers, paper ribbons and cowbells.

Later in the evening, the calves are slaughtered and their meat is divided in different portions. Some is saved for the Sunday's banquet, while the remaining is given as alms to relatives and the town's poorest people.

On Sunday — the most awaited and important day of the celebration — activities start early in the morning with preparation of the food to be served later. At around 11:30 a.m., guests arrive at the hosts' house and a Holy Ghost parade forms and heads toward the church with the crowns and flags for the crowning ceremony during Mass.

After the Mass, the priest blesses the crowns and the individuals who are “crowned” — usually the hosts' children or the hosts themselves. The procession then heads back to the house through the village main streets with the honorees carrying the crowns in their heads.

Later in the afternoon, hundreds of guests take a seat for the Holy Ghost banquet that is served with Holy Ghost soup, boiled beef, alcatra, sweet bread and the local wine “vinho de cheiro.”

The last event of the day and of the long week is when the hosts and guests take the crowns and flags, again in a parade, to the next honoree's home, where a similar celebration begins for a new family.