



14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

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Deployment numbers provided by the Installation Personnel Readiness Office.

14th SFS command changes hands



U.S. Air Force photo by Elizabeth Owens

Col. Anthony Sansano, 14th Mission Support Group Commander, passes the 14th Security Forces Squadron guidon to Maj. Eric Eaton, the new 14th SFS Commander, July 13, 2017, at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. Eaton was recently the Chief of Security for the 704th Munition Support Squadron at Ghedi Air Base, Italy.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat/Sun	Long Range Events
17 14th CV Immersion: L-3 & 14th MSG	18 Free club member breakfast, 6:30 a.m. @ Club Wing Newcomers Orientation, 8 a.m. @ Club 14th CV Immersion: MDG	19	20	21 Moolah drawing, 4:30 p.m. @ Club	22/23	July 31: Enlisted Promotions/Quarterly Awards Aug. 4: End of Summer Bash Aug. 4: SUPT Class 17 -13 Assignment Night Aug. 7: 14th MDG CoC Aug. 8: Wing Newcomers Brief
24 ALS Class 17-06 Civil Air Patrol SUPT Familiarization Course Air University Instructor visit	25	26 Hearts Apart, 5 p.m. @ A&FRC	27	28 SUPT Class 17-12 Graduation, 10 a.m. @ Kaye	29/30	Aug. 11: Senior NCO Induction Aug. 12-13: Autocross Aug. 24: ALS Graduation Aug. 25: SUPT Class 17-14 Assignment Night Aug. 29: Wing Newcomers Sept. 1: AETC Family Day

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June 13 – July 28


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Aug. 19

The Possum Town Triathlon is scheduled for Aug. 19 at Columbus Lake in Columbus, Mississippi. The race starts at 7 a.m., and competition features a 600-yard swim, 17-mile bike ride and 3.3-mile run, for more information visit http://visitcolumbusms.org/index.php/upcoming_events/info/1090#top.

Aug. 19

The Golden Triangle Comic Con 2017 is scheduled for Aug. 19 on the top floor of the Trotter Center at 123 Fifth St. North, Columbus, Mississippi. For more information, visit <http://gtcomiccon.com/>.



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Air Force to host 2018 DOD Warrior Games in Colorado Springs

Secretary of the Air Force
Public Affairs

CHICAGO — Defense Department officials announced July 8, 2017, that the Air Force will host the 2018 DOD Warrior Games at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, June 2018.

The announcement took place during the closing ceremony of the Navy-hosted 2017 DOD Warrior Games in Chicago. To mark the announcement, Navy Vice Adm. Mary Jackson, the commander of Navy Installations Command, passed the ceremonial torch to Air Force Lt. Gen. Gina M. Grosso, the deputy chief of staff for Manpower, Personnel and Services, before competition flames in the cauldron were extinguished.

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The Warrior Games was created in 2010 as a way to enhance the recovery and rehabilitation of wounded warriors through participation in adaptive sports. This year’s DOD Warrior Games featured five U.S. teams representing the Army, Marine Corps, Navy/Coast Guard, Air Force and the U.S.

Special Operations Command. During the games, teams competed in eight sports, including archery, cycling, shooting, sitting volleyball, swimming, track and field, and wheelchair basketball.

“The Air Force is excited to lead this effort on behalf of the DOD,” said Col. Gina Olive, the 2018 DOD Warrior Games director. “The Air Force Academy and the Colorado Springs community are excited to

welcome the Warrior Games back to Colorado Springs, capitalizing on past experience when the U.S. Olympic Committee was responsible for the Warrior Games and hosted several events at the Academy. The world class facilities at the Air Force Academy and the outstanding hospitality of the Colorado Springs community will provide an outstanding venue for our athletes and their families as they celebrate their resiliency, determination and ability to overcome a variety of unexpected challenges.”

The July 8 closing ceremony concluded a week of intense competition. The athletes, who traveled to Chicago from locations around the world, have upper-body and/or lower-body injuries, spinal cord injuries, traumatic brain injuries, visual impairments, serious illnesses and/or post-traumatic stress.

For more information about Wounded Warrior Care programs, visit <http://warriorcare.dodlive.mil>.

Produce Pilots, Advance Airmen, Feed the Fight

VICE COMMANDER

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ASSIGNMENTS

February 1996–July 1997, Student, Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training, Sheppard AFB, Texas

July 1997–March 1998, Student, F-15C Fighter Training Unit, 95th Fighter Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Fla.

March 1998–January 2001, F-15C Flight Lead, 493rd Fighter Squadron, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, United Kingdom

May 2001–July 2004, Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, Check Flight Commander, 25th Flying Training Squadron, Vance AFB, Okla.

August 2004–August 2007, Instructor Pilot, Flight Examiner, Group Chief of Standardization and Evaluation, 19th Fighter Squadron, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska

September 2007–December 2008, Student, Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif.

January 2009–June 2011, Congressional Liaison, Air Force Legislative Liaison, House of Representatives, Washington D.C.

January 2012–January 2014, Instructor Pilot, Director of Operations, 18th Operations Support Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Japan

January 2014–July 2015, Commander, 67th Fighter Squadron, Kadena AB, Japan

July 2015–May 2016, Student, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

June 2016–June 2017, Chief of Combat Plans, 609th Air Operations Center, Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar

FLIGHT INFORMATION

Rating: Command Pilot Flight hours: 2,790
Aircraft flown: F-15C, T-38A/C, AT-38B, T-37

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters

Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters

Air Force Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster

Air Force Achievement Medal

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with four oak leaf clusters

Combat Readiness Medal

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Second Lieutenant	May 31, 1995
First Lieutenant	May 31, 1997
Captain	May 31, 1999
Major	Oct. 1, 2005
Lieutenant Colonel	July 1, 2010
Colonel	Sept. 1, 2016

Denham meets men, women, sees mission of 14th Operations Group

Airman 1st Class Keith Holcomb

14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

Col. William Denham started his reign as the new 14th Flying Training Wing Vice Commander meeting with Col. Stan Lawrie, 14th Operations Group Commander, and other leaders of the 14th OG July 11.

Much of the new Vice Commander’s morning was filled with greetings and meetings of every aspect; Denham sat in and was introduced to the leaders’ backgrounds and capabilities within the group.

Before they got into the numbers and details of the 14th OG, Denham wanted to be clear he was only told the truth.

“I don’t want a dog and pony show, give me all the punches,” Denham said.

Lawrie then had a 30-minute brief on his group’s numbers pertaining to the pilot training operations.

After the briefing Denham was shown around the 14th OG building and led into the neighboring 37th and 41st Flying Training Squadrons.

Being shown around the T-6A Texan II squadrons, Denham asked questions and was introduced to more details specific to the squadrons’ pilot production.

“We are the heart of Columbus Air Force Base, as far as the T-6 program,” said Lt. Col. Derek Oakley, 41st FTS Commander.

From the T-6 squadrons Denham was shown the 49th FTS, the flying squadron that produces pilots for the T-38 Talon.

Denham then met with Lt. Col. Nathan Smith, the 49th FTS the 50th FTS Commander.

Smith briefed Denham on topics regarding everything from the aircraft’s maintenance to the students and instructor pilots flying time and capabilities.

To complete the student pilot squadrons Denham visited the 48th FTS to learn about the T-1A Jayhawk and the 48th FTS’s mission.

“We produce some amazing pilots here, sir,” said Lt. Col. Alan Hietpas, 48th FTS Director of Operations, in regards to the many extra hours in various areas of training the T-1 student pilots see in their time at the 43rd FTS.

Constructive information was distribut-



U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class Keith Holcomb

Col. William Denham, 14th Flying Training Wing Vice Commander, is shown the 50th Flying Training Squadron's pet snake July 11, 2017, on Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. The 50th FTS is responsible for giving student pilots advanced aircraft handling skills, tactical navigation abilities and more.



Chief Master Sgt. Bradley Reilly, 14th Operations Group Superintendent, and Col. William Denham, 14th Flying Training Wing Vice Commander, discuss air traffic control operations in the Control Tower on Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi, July 11, 2017. Columbus Air Traffic Controllers aid in the production of about 475 pilots annually and directly impact the Columbus AFB mission every day.

ed in the forms of graphs and data tables to visually show what every squadron was capable of.

Last was for Denham to visit the air traffic control tower and radar room.

The rooms provided Airmen to step into the briefing role and let Airman 1st Class Spencer Hurlburt explain the impact of each unit inside the Radar Approach and

Control Building and the Control Tower.

“Every tower is different and Columbus is unique because of the three runways,” said Master Sgt. Garrick Christian, 14th Operations Support Squadron Chief Controller.

Denham then met back at the 14th OG building to complete his first immersion into Columbus Air Force Base.

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Staff Sgt. Viviana Chalfonte, 14th Medical Operations Squadron and BLAZE 5/6 awards representative, presents Senior Airman Lucas Tate, 14th Operations Support Squadron Airfield Systems Technician, with the Blaze 5/6 Leadership Highlight award for June 2017 on July 10, 2017, at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. This award recognized Tate's outstanding leadership capabilities.

BLAZE 5/6 presents Leadership Highlight award

BLAZE 5/6

Staff Sgt. Viviana Chalfonte, BLAZE 5/6 awards representative, presented Senior Airman Lucas Tate, 14th Operations Support Squadron Airfield Systems Technician, with the Blaze 5/6 Leadership Highlight award for June 2017 on July 10. Tate showed leadership as an Airfield Systems technician by performing 40 repair actions, ensuring operation of 306 assets valued at \$7.2 million.

Additionally, he provided base level support to the Air Force Flight Standards Agency by repairing two landing systems

with repurposed assets, saving \$10,000 in temporary duty costs and ensuring flight safety for 233 aircraft. Furthermore, Tate took charge of ensuring command and control capabilities to Air Traffic Controllers and a runway supervisory unit by recycling \$350 worth of power supply batteries, protecting eight critical assets which enabled pilot training.

Lastly, he completed a three-day tech order training course, increasing his knowledge for five E-tool systems and 15 computers, allowing better use of 400 tech orders and aiding in 1,200 annual maintenance inspections and equipment fix actions.

Have you checked your location?

2nd Lt. Savannah Stephens
14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

When people think about social media, they most likely immediately think about the popular sites such as Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn – but what about Snapchat?

Snapchat recently introduced a new feature called Snap Map that allows users to share their location with their friends, and worry about safety and security surfaced immediately.

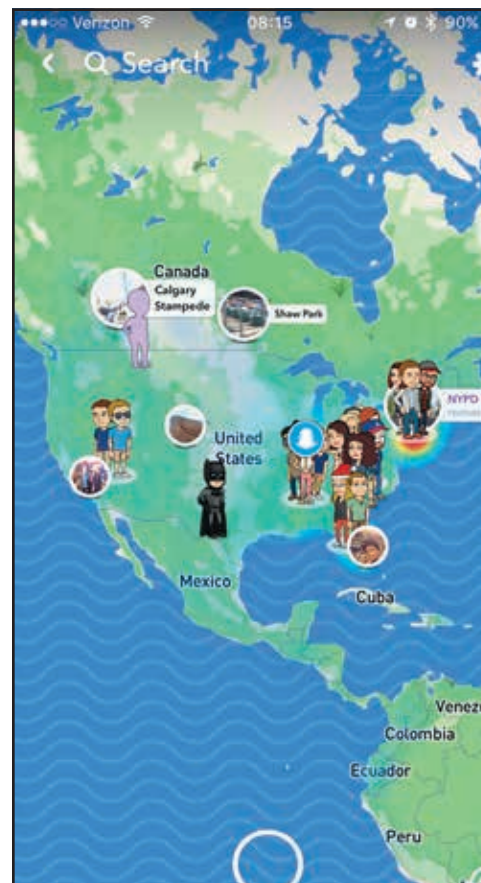
If you want to see the Snap Map, you have to pinch the screen to zoom in while using the Snapchat camera function. Then a map appears and shows where different users are in Bitmoji form, but only people who choose to share their location. Users can share their location with all friends, select specific friends or not be tracked at all by selecting “Ghost Mode.” By selecting “Ghost Mode,” this allows you to see where other users are, but they cannot see your location.

You can keep your Snapchat safe and secure in many different ways, but there are a few key features to be aware of.

Ensure that your account is set so that only your friends can see your Snapchat stories. This keeps your location safe and you know who is viewing your snaps.

Turn on login verification in account settings. Snapchat offers two-factor verification across all of your devices – turn it on! This is a simple security step that keeps your account secure and prevents you from losing your account.

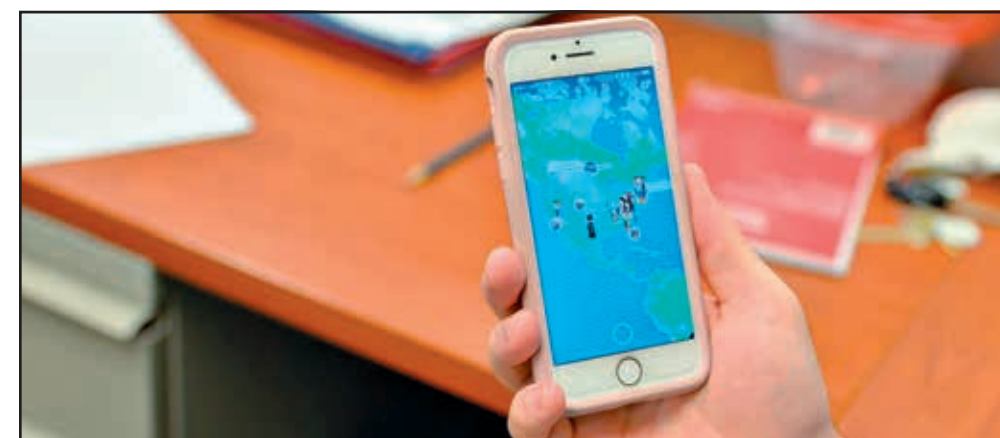
Ignore those random requests! Every now and then, you'll receive a Snapchat friend request from someone you don't know. This



Snapchat users can see where their friends are at anywhere in the world. Users can zoom in so far that they can see the street their friends are on.

can create a privacy issue. Delete their request by tapping “ignore” when it appears. If the user continues to add you, block them.

Snapchat is a fun way to keep in touch with friends and family all around the globe. Keep it safe, secure, and enjoy using it!



U.S. Air Force photos by 2nd Lt. Savannah Stephens

Snapchat introduced a new feature that allows users to track other users on a map. The map can be used to view their stories and see their location in real time. If a user does not want to be seen, they can activate “Ghost Mode” and be removed from the map.

Mentoring is for total force

Air Force Staff Report
Secretary of the Air Force
Public Affairs

WASHINGTON — Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Kaleth O. Wright was a self-proclaimed undisciplined Airman during his first enlistment in the early 1990s ... that is, until his mentor stepped in and provided the leadership he needed to set him on the right path.

Though that intervention was more than two decades ago, the importance of mentors has not changed across the Air Force – the service is still dedicated to developing the total force into well-rounded, mission-focused leaders.

“Leveraging the wisdom and experience of others enabled me to grow and achieve my goals faster,” said Chief Master Sgt. John Bentivegna, the Air Force Enlisted Force Development chief. “To this very day I have mentors who are both senior to me and who are peers, officers, civilians and enlisted.”

“Mentoring is about helping you grow as a person and as a professional in the direction you want to go,” said Nancy Dolan, the Headquarters Air Force Staff Strategy concepts deputy director.

Whether it be an enlisted, officer or civilian member a mentor can help them reach their goals. Air Force mentors and mentees can connect on MyVector, a system on the Air Force Portal.

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Mentors can have four different roles: counselor, advocate, facilitator and coach, according to McGill.

“If you want the mission to be successful, you have to cultivate your people,” McGill said.

The Air Force’s mentor program focuses on the mentee, and pairs them with the



Photo Illustration by Vernon Greene

MyVector is an enterprise solution supporting force development and mentoring across the Air Force. It supports individual Airmen, career field managers and development teams. More than 120,000 Airmen have registered in MyVector and more than 15,000 Airmen have created a mentor profile.

best mentor match.

The introduction of Air Force Manual 36-2643, Air Force Mentoring Program, only helps further through its comprehensive information, guidelines and expecta-

tions both personal and professional development.

For more information about the mentor process visit <https://afvec.langley.af.mil/myvector>.

AF selects 8,167 for promotion to technical sergeant

Richard Salomon

Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH — Air Force officials selected 8,167 staff sergeants for promotion to technical sergeant out of 25,552 eligible for a selection rate of 31.9 percent.

The technical sergeant promotion list will be available on the Air Force Portal and myPers July 20, 2017, at 8 a.m. CDT. On July 21, Airmen can also access their score notices on the Virtual Military Personnel Flight via Air Force Personnel Center’s secure applications page.

Those selected for technical sergeant will be promoted beginning Aug. 1 according to their promotion sequence

number.

Commanders will receive notice of their selects from their senior rater’s agent starting this week and will begin congratulating those selected for technical sergeant on the morning of July 20.

For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to myPers.



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Columbus Air Force Base Information and Events

Join our Facebook page at Columbus AFB Living, Twitter @columbusafbliving, Instagram at columbus_afb_living, or visit our website at columbusafbliving.com to keep up to date with all the great events happening around base. Check out the calendar on the website for important Airman and Family Readiness Center events. For more information, contact 434-2337.

Independence Run

There will be an Independence Run at 7 a.m. July 14 starting at the Fitness Center.

Unlimited Bowling, Free Movie

Watch Moana for free at 6 p.m. while you bowl unlimited July 14. Cost for bowling is \$10 for adults, \$8 for kids along with shoes, a slice of pizza and drink. For more information call 434-3426.

Breakfast at the Club

The Columbus Club will host a free breakfast for club members from 6:30 – 9 a.m. July 18. Breakfast includes classic breakfast choices and a waffle station.

Summer Fest Bowling

Every Friday in July, enjoy 15 percent off bowling from 5:30 p.m. to close. Call 434-3426 for more information.

Library Summer Reading Program

The Library Summer Reading Program has begun. Please see the Library for the schedule of activities.

BLAZE Commons Coffee House on 5th

The BLAZE Commons Coffee House on 5th is open from 6 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday – Friday and serves coffee items, smoothies, breakfast and lunch items. Drive-thru service available as well as call ahead. Call 434-CAFE (2233). The Commons also houses the Library, an Information, Tickets and Tours and Outdoor Recreation kiosk, a computer lab, and FedEx drop-off point.

Library Hours

The library is open from 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays; from 7:30 a.m. – 7 p.m. Thursdays; and from 8 a.m. – noon Saturdays. The library is closed Sundays and holidays.

Base Pool Hours

Independence Pool is open from noon – 7 p.m. daily. The daily rate is \$3 for non Club members and \$2 for members. Summer passes are available based on family size. Call 434-2505 for more information.

Water Aerobics Instructors Needed

Independence Pool is looking for water aerobics instructors for the 2017 pool season. Lifeguards are also needed. Call 434-2505 for more information.

The Overrun Open Friday Nights

The Overrun is open from 4:30 – 11 p.m. Fridays. Bar menu includes chicken wing basket, chicken tender basket, club wrap, or buffalo chicken wrap. For more information, call 434-2419.

Story Time and Circle Time

The Base Library offers Story Time at 11 a.m. every Friday for all ages. Circle Time is offered each Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. for ages up to 4 years old. For more information, call 434-2934.



Laser Bowling Special

The Bowling Center offers laser bowling for only \$12 per person from 5 – 8 p.m. every Friday and Saturday night. You also may purchase individual games for \$3 per game with purchase of \$1.50 shoe rental. For more information, call 434-3426.

Wood Shop

The wood shop is now open from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Lawn Mower and Bicycle Repair

Lawn mower repair is now available at Outdoor Recreation. The cost is only \$40 per hour plus parts; pickup and delivery available. Self-help bicycle repair is also available. For more information, call 434-2507.

Hobby and Craft Instructors Needed

Do you have a hobby or craft project you can share with others? For more information, call 434-7836.

Referees Needed

Referees needed for various sports at the Fitness Center. For more information or to sign up, call 434-2772.

Play Paintball

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Skeet & Trap

Skeet and trap is available at Outdoor Recreation. Call 434-2507 for more information.

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Hobby and Craft Instructors Needed

Do you have a hobby or craft project you can share with others? For more information, contact 434-7836.

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Instructional Classes at Youth Center

Youth programs is offering piano lessons, guitar lessons, tumbling classes, dance classes, and martial arts instruction. Times and ages vary for all classes. Call 434-2504 or stop by the Youth Center for more information.

Fitness on Request

CAFB Fitness and Sports offers a truly comprehensive group fitness platform that is available all day and completely customizable to meet your needs with over 30 different classes on the Fitness on Request system. For more information, call 434-2772.

Space A Lodging

The Magnolia Inn usually has openings for Space A family and single units. Call the lodging desk at 434-2548.

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Mississippi and Alabama Sales Tax Holidays

Alabama

Beginning at 12:01 a.m. July 21, 2017, and ending at midnight July 23, 2017, Alabama will hold its 12th annual sales tax holiday giving shoppers the opportunity to purchase certain school supplies, computers and clothing free of state sales or use tax. For additional information, visit <http://www.revenue.alabama.gov/salestax/SalesTaxHol.cfm>. Retailers are required to participate and may not charge

Mississippi

The annual Sales Tax Holiday for Mississippi begins at 12:01 a.m. July 28, 2017, and ends at midnight July 29, 2017. The items exempt from sales tax during the Sales Tax Holiday are identical to those items exempt in prior years. Clothing and footwear items, meant to be worn next to the body and

tax on items that are legally tax-exempt during the Sales Tax Holiday.

cost less than \$100 per item, are exempt from sales tax during this period. Accessories such as jewelry, handbags, wallets, watches, backpacks, and similar items do not qualify for the Sales Tax Holiday. Cleats and items worn in conjunction with an athletic or recreational activity are other sample items not eligible. School supplies and computers are not included. For more information, visit <http://www.dor.ms.gov/Business/Documents/2017%20Sales%20Tax%20Holiday.pdf>.

DeCA donates water to DOD Warrior Games

Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. – The Defense Commissary Agency and its commissary brand supplier SpartanNash are helping wounded warrior athletes stay hydrated and cool by donating bottled water at the Department of Defense Warrior Games.

The games began June 30 and run through July 8 in Chicago, with nearly 300 wounded, ill and injured service members and veterans participating in teams representing the U.S., United Kingdom and Australia.

Commissaries recently introduced their own brand of bottled water under the name Freedom's Choice, and the initial sale of Freedom's Choice Water coincides not only with the games but with the 150th anniversary of commissaries. SpartanNash donated about 3,600 bottles of water for the games.

"We believe this is a great way to introduce Freedom's Choice Water," said Tom Owens, special assistant to the DeCA director. "We wanted to do something that would help our

country's military. To be able to accomplish that and put our commissary brand water in the hands of heroes that have sacrificed for our freedom, that's a win for everyone."

"What a special way to celebrate our 150th anniversary and the Warrior Games," said Chris Burns, DeCA executive director for business transformation. "SpartanNash did not hesitate for one second to get involved in this worthy venture and we thank them for their philanthropy and patriotic spirit. We look forward to partnering with them to support more events like the Games in the future."

The Warrior Games began in 2010 "as a way to enhance the recovery and rehabilitation of wounded warriors and to expose them to adaptive sports," according to a news release posted on <http://www.dodwarriorgames.com>.

The first event was sponsored by the U.S. Olympic Committee in Colorado Springs, Colorado, with about 200 wounded, ill and injured service members participating.



Commander's Action Line

434-1414

The Commander's Action Line is your direct line to the commander for comments and suggestions on how to make Columbus AFB a better place. Although the Commander's Action Line is always available, the best way to resolve problems is through the chain-of-command.

The Commander's Action Line phone number is 434-1414. Callers should leave their name and phone number to receive an answer. All names will be kept confidential. Message may be answered in the Silver Wings without names.

Written questions may also be brought to the PA office in the Wing Headquarters building, BLDG. 724, suite 210. Questions and answers may be edited for brevity and style.

‘FAIP Mafia’ gathers at Laughlin AFB

Capt. Joe Hollway
50th Flying Training Squadron

Despite temperatures exceeding 100 degrees, dozens of First Assignment Instructor Pilots gathered to “chill out” at Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas, for FAIPaPalooza June 23–25, 2017.

Several 14th Flying Training Wing T-1A Jayhawk and T-38 Talon FAIPs joined instructors from throughout Air Education and Training Command and beyond to network, build camaraderie and ex-

change pilot training experiences. Events included a banquet, golf tournament, piano-burn, river float and lakeside barbeque.

The keynote address was delivered by Gen. Robin Rand, Air Force Global Strike Command Commander and former T-37 FAIP. Rand reminded his audience FAIPs are the engines that drive a pilot training squadron.

“The future of our Air Force depends on your work,” Rand stated, “now more than ever.”

His message encouraged FAIPs to “stay humble ... know your heri-

tage ... take care of your people ... hold the standard ... and don’t be afraid to let them see you smile.”

FAIPaPalooza has been an on-again, off-again tradition dating back almost 30 years. Its intent is to gather young instructors from throughout the pilot training bases to discuss aviation topics, meet with senior leadership, foster fellowship, and promote esprit de corps.

One of the features of more re-

cent years has been the invitation of former FAIPs, currently flying various aircraft across the Air Force, to pass advice down to the current generation. This year featured F-16, F-15E, and AT-38 pilots.

“It’s a privilege to be a part of the FAIP Mafia,” said 1st Lt. Harrison Jerrolds, 50th Flying Training Squadron. “Only so many get the opportunity to jump into instructing right out of training. The

pilots I met this weekend are some of the most motivated in the Air Force.”

First Lt. Michael Gonzalez, 14th Operations Support Squadron, added, “Our mission is to produce pilots and these men and women are the best in the biz.”

Special thanks to Col. Thomas Shank and all those at the 47th Flying Training Wing for hosting this year’s FAIPaPalooza. Hook ‘em all.



Courtesy photo

A First Assignment Instructor Pilot, or FAIP, Mafia flag flies on the Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas, flightline June 23, 2017. FAIPaPalooza 2017 took place June 23–25 to gather FAIPs from throughout Air Education and Training Command and beyond to network, build camaraderie and exchange pilot training experiences.



Courtesy photo

First Lt. Harrison Jerrolds, 50th Flying Training Squadron, taxis on the Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas, flightline June 23, 2017. Several 14th Flying Training Wing T-1A Texan II and T-38 Talon First Assignment Instructor Pilots joined instructors from throughout Air Education and Training Command and beyond for FAIPaPalooza 2017.



Be safe on the water, wear a life preserver



Ride safe. Wear a helmet and protective gear.

Air Force Readiness Programs

(Editor’s note: All activities are offered at the Airman & Family Readiness Center unless otherwise specified. For more information about any of the activities listed, call 434-2790.)

Transition Assistance Program GPS Workshop

This workshop is from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. July 17-21. The Transition Assistance Program Workshop has seminars on transition, military occupational code crosswalk, financial planning, health benefits, Mississippi Department of Employment Security, Department of Veterans Affairs, Disabled TAP, and the Department of Labor TAP portion. Pre-separation counseling is required before attending. Recommend attendance is eight to 12 months prior to separation/retirement. Spouses are encouraged to attend with their sponsor. For more information or to register call 434-2839.

Wing Newcomers Orientation

This brief is from 8 a.m.–12:15 p.m. July 18 and is mandatory for newly arrived active-duty and civilian personnel. Spouses are encouraged to attend. The orientation is held at the Columbus Club. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

Military Life Cycle

The Military Life Cycle workshop will be from 1-2 p.m. July 18 and allows the VA contractors to explain to service members, whether first term, separating, retiring or a veteran, what services the VA offers and what they are able to provide throughout the member’s military career and how to apply for benefits. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

VA Home Loan Seminar

The Department of Veterans Affairs Home Loan Guaranty Division presents a seminar from 1–3 p.m. July 20. It includes information for active duty and veterans on using their VA entitlements to purchase their homes. It will consist of a presentation and Q&A session. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

Career Technical Training

This transition event is from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. July 24-25 and explores technical careers for post military personnel using VA educational benefits. It is conducted by CALIBRE, private company contracted by the VA. Prior registration is required, company requires 10 days notification and must have minimum of eight participants. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

Federal USAJobs Workshop

This workshop from 9-10:30 a.m July 26 is on writing resumes, completing applications, and job searching using USAJobs. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

5th annual Color Run held



U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Keith Holcomb

Participants throw a flurry of powder in the air after the 5th annual Color Run July 8, 2017, at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. The Color Run had two routes, a 5-kilometer run and a 2-mile route. The Red Cross provided water, Gatorade and fruits after the race.

Bundles of Joy

The Bundles of Joy workshop is from 1–3:30 p.m. July 26 for active-duty families assigned to Columbus Air Force Base who are expecting or have a child up to four months of age. It is an Air Force Aid Society program with presentations about TRICARE, child care, breastfeeding, car seat safety, labor and delivery. For more information or to register, call 434-2790.

Hearts Apart

The Hearts Apart Social program from 5-7 p.m. July 27 is a monthly event to provide community bonding, fun and appreciation for the families of active-duty personnel who are deployed, remote, or on an extended temporary duty. Food and activities are provided. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

Pre-separation Counseling

This counseling is a mandatory briefing for personnel separating or retiring, to be completed at least 90 days prior to separation. It may be completed up to 12 months prior to separation or retirement. The counseling takes place daily at 8:30 a.m. It takes approximately 60 minutes. Please contact A&FRC, 434-2839/434-2790 for more information.

Pre, Post Deployment Tour Brief

These briefings are mandatory briefings for active-duty personnel who are either deploying or returning from deployment or a remote tour. The briefings are held daily at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Pre-deployment is at

9:30 a.m., and post-deployment is at 1:30 p.m. Please contact A&FRC, 434-2839/434-2790 for more information.

Survivor-Benefit Plan

Are you nearing military retirement? The one decision you will need to make before you retire involves participation in the Survivor Benefit Plan. As with all good decision-making, you need to know the facts before you can make a sound decision, and be wary of anyone telling you they can offer you a better deal. Always get the true facts about the SBP before making up your mind. Additional details are available by calling (662) 434-2720.

Military and Family Life Consultant Program

The MFLC counselors provide non-medical counseling to help Airmen (both single and married), their spouses and other family members to cope with stressful situations created by deployments, reintegration, and life challenges such as martial issues, parenting, career stress and anger. All consultants are licensed mental health providers. Counselors can meet either on or off base. There is no charge for services and appointments can usually be made within one to two days. To contact the MFLC, call 662-364-0504.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Airman & Family Readiness Center. We have volunteer opportunities located throughout the base for a one-time event, special events,

or on a continual basis. Volunteers are needed on base at the Youth Center, Child Development Center, Library, Golf Course, Medical Clinic, Chapel, Airman Attic, Thrift Store, the Retiree Activities office and many others. For more information please call A&FRC at 434-2790.

Air Force Recovery Coordination Program

The Recovery Coordination Program streamlines and improves the way care and support are delivered to wounded, ill, and injured Airmen and their families. The RCP provides the support of a Recovery Care Coordinator who guides the Airman and family along their road to recovery. Those eligible include wounded, ill and injured Airmen who: (1) have a serious illness or injury (2) are unlikely to return to duty within a specified amount of time (3) may be medically separated from the military. Additional details are available by contacting the Columbus AFB RCC at DSN: 493-3399, Office: 334-953-3399 or tim.griggs.1.ctr@us.af.mil.

Personal Financial Readiness

Make the most of your money. Contact 662-998-0411, or 434-2790 for an appointment. Get help managing finances, resolving financial problems and reaching long-term goals such as getting an education, buying a home and planning for retirement

Chapel Schedule

Whether you are new to Columbus Air Force Base or have been around for a while, our parish communities welcome you to join us as we worship, fellowship, and encourage one another. For more information, please call 434-2500.

Catholic Community

Sundays:
3:45 p.m. – Religious Education, grades K-9 (Chapel Annex)
4 p.m. – Choir Practice (Chapel Sanctuary)
4 p.m. – Confession (or by appointment)
5 p.m. – Mass w/Children’s Church
Fellowship Dinner after Mass on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month
Tuesdays:
11:30 a.m. – Daily Mass
Wednesdays:
11:30-12:30 p.m. – Adoration

Protestant Community

Sundays:
9 a.m. – Adult Sunday School (Chapel Library)
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship Service
Tuesdays:
5 p.m. – Student Pilot Bible Study (Chapel Library)
Wednesdays:
4 p.m. - Music Rehearsal

Ecumenical services

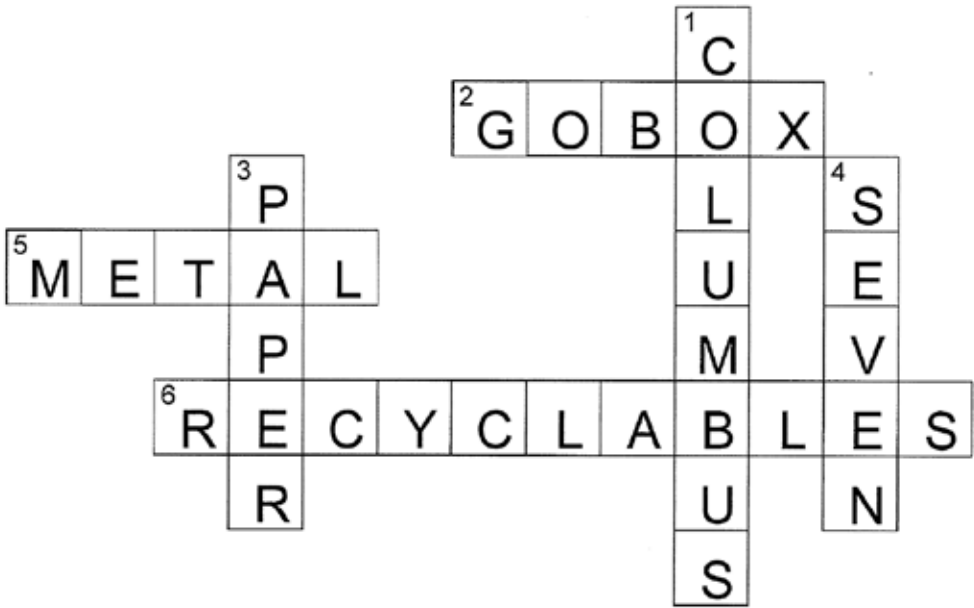
Wednesdays:
6 p.m. – AWANA, a religious education program for children ages three years old to 6th grade
6 p.m. – Adult Bible study on the Gospel of John
6 p.m. – Youth Group

Airmen enjoy pool party



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Brittani Amavizca-Waddington
Multiple Airmen and their families enjoy a pool party for airmen in the ranks of E-1 through E-4 on July 8, 2017, at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. The 14th Force Support Squadron kept the pool open until midnight and the BLAZE First Four provided food and drinks.

Recycling Crossword puzzle answers from July 7 Silver Wings



Produce Pilots, Advance Airmen, Feed the Fight

BLAZE Hangar Tails: F-15 Eagle

Mission

The F-15 Eagle is an all-weather, extremely maneuverable, tactical fighter designed to permit the Air Force to gain and maintain air supremacy over the battlefield.

Features

The Eagle's air superiority is achieved through a mixture of unprecedented maneuverability and acceleration, range, weapons and avionics. It can penetrate enemy defense and outperform and outfight any current enemy aircraft. The F-15 has electronic systems and weaponry to detect, acquire, track and attack enemy aircraft while operating in friendly or enemy-controlled airspace. The weapons and flight control systems are designed so one person can safely and effectively perform air-to-air combat.

The F-15's superior maneuverability and acceleration are achieved through high engine thrust-to-weight ratio and low wing loading. Low wing-loading (the ratio of aircraft weight to its wing area) is a vital factor in maneuverability and, combined with the high thrust-to-weight ratio, enables the aircraft to turn tightly without losing airspeed.

A variety of air-to-air weaponry can be carried by the F-15. An automated weapon system enables the pilot to perform aerial combat safely and effectively, using the head-up display and the avionics and weapons

controls located on the engine throttles or control stick. When the pilot changes from one weapon system to another, visual guidance for the required weapon automatically appears on the head-up display.

For low-altitude, high-speed penetration and precision attack on tactical targets at night or in adverse weather, the F-15E carries a high-resolution APG-70 radar and low-altitude navigation and targeting infrared for night pods

Background

The first F-15A flight was made in July 1972, and the first flight of the two-seat F-15B (formerly TF-15A) trainer was made in July 1973. The first Eagle (F-15B) was delivered in November 1974. In January 1976, the first Eagle destined for a combat squadron was delivered.

The single-seat F-15C and two-seat F-15D models entered the Air Force inventory beginning in 1979. These new models have Production Eagle Package (PEP 2000) improvements, including 2,000 pounds (900 kilograms) of additional internal fuel, provision for carrying exterior conformal fuel tanks and increased maximum takeoff weight of up to 68,000 pounds (30,600 kilograms).

F-15C, D and E models were deployed to the Persian Gulf in 1991 in support of Operation Desert Storm where they proved their superior combat capability. F-15C fighters

accounted for 34 of the 37 Air Force air-to-air victories. F-15E's were operated mainly at night, hunting SCUD missile launchers and artillery sites using the LANTIRN system.

They have since been deployed for air expeditionary force deployments and operations Southern Watch (no-fly zone in Southern Iraq), Provide Comfort in Turkey, Allied Force in Bosnia, Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Iraqi Freedom in Iraq.

General Characteristics

Primary function: Tactical fighter
Contractor: McDonnell Douglas Corp.
Power plant: Two Pratt & Whitney F100-PW-100, 220 or 229 turbofan engines with afterburners
Thrust: (C/D models) 23,450 pounds each engine
Wingspan: 42.8 feet (13 meters)
Length: 63.8 feet (19.44 meters)
Height: 18.5 feet (5.6 meters)
Weight: 31,700 pounds

Maximum takeoff weight: (C/D models) 68,000 pounds (30,844 kilograms)

Fuel Capacity: 36,200 pounds (three external plus conformal fuel tanks)

Payload: depends on mission

Speed: 1,875 mph (Mach 2 class)

Ceiling: 65,000 feet (19,812 meters)

Range: 3,450 miles (3,000 nautical miles) ferry range with conformal fuel tanks and three external fuel tanks

Crew: F-15A/C: one. F-15B/D/E: two

Armament: One internally mounted M-61A1 20mm 20-mm, six-barrel cannon with 940 rounds of ammunition; four AIM-9 Sidewinder and four AIM-120 AMRAAMs or eight AIM-120 AMRAAMs, carried externally.

Unit Cost: A/B models - \$27.9 million (fiscal 98 constant dollars);C/D models - \$29.9 million (fiscal 98 constant dollars)

Initial operating capability: September 1975

Inventory: Total force, 249



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Laura Turner

An F-15 Eagle takes off from Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. The F-15's superior maneuverability and acceleration are achieved through high engine thrust-to-weight ratio and low wing loading.



U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Abby M. Young

A row of F-15 Eagles from Kadena Air Base, Japan, line up before a takeoff. The F-15 Eagle is an all-weather, extremely maneuverable, tactical fighter designed to permit the Air Force to gain and maintain air supremacy over the battlefield.

VIEWPOINT

Hellfire's over Irbil: Leadership necessary in flight, on ground

Capt. Kyle Sellner

49th Fighter Training Squadron

In the past two months there has been an interesting debate online regarding the Air Force and Navy's different leadership styles.

Maj. Mike Benitez, an F-15E Strike Eagle Weapons System Officer, recently wrote an article in defense of the Air Force's leadership style.

In his article, Benitez states the Air Force does an outstanding job of demonstrating leadership every day, but the problem is that these leadership opportunities are often exercised in the air or behind closed doors of a vault, out of sight of the public eye. The vast majority of the public will never get a chance to witness an Air Force sortie firsthand, so it is difficult for them to truly understand what it means to lead aircraft into combat.

As an F-15E pilot who deployed in combat in 2014 to Iraq and Syria, I had the opportunity to practice this type of leadership firsthand. Flying in combat for the first time, each sortie was a constant test in leadership decisions that resulted in life and death decisions for people on the ground, which

could then result in policy changes around the world.

On one particular mission in the summer of 2014, I was flying as the wingman in our two-ship of F-15Es when our formation was tasked to provide over watch for the city of Irbil in northern Iraq. Islamic State of Iraq and Syria forces had steadily been advancing on the city, putting the civilians in that town in danger.

As we watched overhead, our formation began to receive radio communications that ISIS armored vehicles were pushing into the town. I still clearly remember the moment when our flight was given the "Cleared Hot" call, granting my flight lead authority to release his weapons and protect the innocent civilians below.

It was at this moment when years of training came to fruition, and soon we began hearing additional communications that one of the unmanned aerial vehicles below us was having a malfunction with its targeting pod. The UAV had spotted an ISIS armored truck, but as it attempted to target the vehicle it realized its targeting pod had malfunctioned.

The Joint Terminal Attack Controller who was coordinating the strikes quickly asked our flight if we would be able to

'Buddy Lase' the UAV's Hellfire missile towards the target. Our squadron had practiced Buddy Lase procedures often with other Strike Eagles in preparation for our deployment, but doing this for real with a live hellfire from another aircraft is a very rare occurrence. The inexperienced WSO flying in my flight lead's aircraft could have balked at this request, but instead he quickly agreed to attempt the difficult maneuver, coordinated with the UAV pilot for laser codes and de-confliction contracts, and then expertly guided the Hellfire to shack the armored vehicle.

That action is exactly the type of leadership demonstrated every day behind the scenes in our Air Force, yet something that is rarely broadcast to the public. At Columbus Air Force Base, leadership is demonstrated not only in the air but on the ground, from the Defenders who protect our base and make split-second decisions on who to allow in and out of the gate, to the Airman and civilians in RAPCON who safely de-conflict the busy skies over our airfield. Air Force leadership is continually practiced and perfected, and it is for this reason why our Air Force remains the greatest in the world.

Visit www.columbus.af.mil to learn about Columbus AFB agencies and other important information.

What time do you open?

Airman’s Attic

Thursday: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.-noon.
● Officers welcome for uniforms
434-1614

~Airman and Family Readiness Center

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
434-2790

~Arts and Crafts Center

Monday – Friday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
434-7836

Base Exchange

Monday-Saturday: 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Holiday hours: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
(662) 434-2988

Base Housing (Hunt)

Family housing office
Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
(662) 434-8213/8214
Maintenance office
Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
(662) 434-8303

(Automated) Base Operator

434-1110

~Barber Shop

Monday-Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Sunday: Noon-4 p.m.
(662) 434-6699

~Bowling Alley and Grill

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m.
Saturday: 11 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sunday: Closed
(Grill closes at 7 p.m.)
434-3426

~Chapel

- Sanctuary open during duty day for prayer and meditation
- Chaplains available for counseling by appointment or walk-in
- On-call 24/7 through Command Post and Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Sunday Services

Protestant Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.
Catholic Confession: Sunday before Mass
Catholic Mass: 5 p.m

Monday

9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Tuesday

7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Daily Mass: 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday

7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Catholic Adoration: 11:30 a.m.

Thursday

7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Friday

9 a.m.–4 p.m.

434-2500

~Child Development Center

Monday-Friday: 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
434-2479

~Columbus Club

- Closed on weekends unless otherwise specified

Business and catering

Monday-Friday: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
434-2489

Overrun

Tuesday- Friday: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
● Special events available for booking Mondays
434-2489/2490

~Coffee House on 5th

Monday-Friday: 6 a.m.–4 p.m.
(662) 434-2233/434-CAFE

Commissary

Sunday: Noon-6 p.m.
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 9 a.m.-7 p.m.
Wednesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Thursday: 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Friday-Saturday: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
● Check online for holiday hours or closures
434-7109

Emergencies

- Please call 911 and inform them you are on Columbus AFB.

~Finance

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
434-2705

Fitness Center

● Open 24/7, register at the front desk during hours listed below
Monday-Thursday: 5 a.m.-11 p.m.
Friday: 5 a.m.-9 p.m.
434-2772

GNC

Monday-Saturday: 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Holiday hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
(662) 434-5050

~Legal Office

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Power of Attorney/Notary walk-ins
Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
Wills done by appointment only
434-7030

Magnolia Inn

Open 24/7
434-2548

Medical Appointments

- Closed every third Thursday of the month for training
434-2273 (CARE)

~Optical Shop

Monday-Friday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
(662) 434-8496

OSI

7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
434-2852

~Outdoor Recreation

Summer hours (April – September)
Monday, Thursday and Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Tuesday and Wednesday: Closed

Winter Hours (October-March)

Monday and Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday: Closed
Saturday and Sunday: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

434-2505

~Personnel Customer Service

Monday-Wednesday and Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Thursday: 7:30 a.m.-noon
434-2626

Shoppette

Monday-Friday: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday: 8 a.m.-9 p.m.
Holiday hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
(662) 434-6026

~Stylique Salon

Sunday-Monday: Closed
Tuesday-Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
(662) 434-6717

Exchange Food Court

Subway

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

~Taco Bell

Monday: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Tuesday - Saturday: 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Sunday: Closed

(662) 434-1369

Thrift Shop

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
434-2954

~Visitors Center

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
● Closed at noon every third Thursday of the month and closed at 2 p.m. every second Friday
434-3161/7133/2111

Café at Whispering Pines

Monday-Friday: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
(662) 434-7932

~Youth Center

Office
Monday-Friday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Open Recreation

Monday-Friday: 3-6:30 p.m. (Summer hours: 1-6:30 p.m.)
434-2503

Phone numbers with “(662)” are considered off-base numbers and you must dial 99-434-#### when on base.

~ Organizations marked with “~” are always closed on federal holidays.