

SILVERWINGS

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Weather



Today

High: 86, Low: 66
Scattered T-storms



Saturday

High: 93, Low: 67
Mostly Sunny



Sunday

High: 92, Low: 68
Mostly Sunny



Monday

High: 91, Low: 67
Partly cloudy

News Briefs

Blood Drive and Bone Marrow Screening

There will be a Blood Drive and Bone Marrow Screening, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., May 27 at the Chapel Annex.

Enlisted Call

Command Chief Master Sgt. Zefrem Smith will hold an enlisted call May 26 at 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., attendance is required for all 14th Flying Training Wing enlisted personnel.

Multimedia Closed

The Multimedia Center will be closed May 25, all day, May 25, due to a power outage.

Inside



Feature 10

SUPT Class 10-09 graduates today at 10 a.m. at the Kaye Auditorium.



Fifty-six Air Force members recently received their Community College of the Air Force degrees here May 17 at the Columbus Club. The CCAF is a federally-chartered degree-granting institution that serves the United States Air Force's enlisted total force.

BLAZE Team members graduate from CCAF

Second Lt. David Maley
14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

Fifty-six Air Force members recently received their Community College of the Air Force degrees here May 17 at the Columbus Club.

The graduates are as follows:

14th Civil Engineer Squadron
- Master Sgt. Jason Baty, Human Resource Management
- Staff Sgt. Kristen Denney, Fire Science
- Staff Sgt. Justin Fordyce, Fire Science
- Master Sgt. Darren Gause, Fire Science
- Staff Sgt. Arlene Harris, Disaster Preparedness

14th Communications Squadron
- Staff Sgt. Anedra Davis, Information Management
- Senior Airman Scott Hopkins, Electronic Systems Technology
- Tech. Sgt. Mark Shelton, Information Management
- Master Sgt. Samuel Thornton, Electronic Systems Technology

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COLUMBUS AFB TRAINING TIMELINE

PHASE II				PHASE III				IFF				WING SORTIE BOARD			
Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Track Select	Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation	Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation	Aircraft	Required	Flown	Annual
37th (11-04)	2.79 days	0.50 days	Jun. 30	48th (10-09)	0.00 days	0.16 days	May 21	49th (10-HB)	0.38 days	0.22 days	Jun. 11	T-6	1,886	1,238	21,533
41st (11-03)	1.93 days	-2.28 days	Jun. 8	50th (10-09)	1.00 days	0.40 days	May 21					T-1	625	611	7,074
												T-38	650	623	7,005
												IFF	128	138	1,478

The graduation speaker is Maj. Gen. Jay Lindell, Director, Global Power Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.

SUPT Class 10-09 earns silver wings



T-1A Jayhawk



T-38C Talon



First Lt. Lucas A. Freudenburg
Kalamazoo, Mich.
C-21, Battle Creek, Mich.



Second Lt. Saud F. Al Tamimi
Al Rass, Qassin
TBD



Second Lt. Britton D. Adamson
Trimont, Minn.
KC-135, Fairchild AFB, Wash.

Twenty-six officers have prevailed during a year of training, earning the right to be an Air Force pilot.

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 10-09 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Kaye Auditorium.

The graduation speaker for the class will be Maj. Gen. Jay Lindell, director, Global Power Programs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C. General Lindell is responsible for directing, planning and programming for 190 Air Force, joint service and international programs with a \$10 billion annual budget.

Students receive their silver pilot's wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks are recognized.

Second Lt. Skyler Collins, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Nick Kellenbence, T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in their classes.

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 2nd Lt. Nathan Babbitt, T-38, 2nd Lt. Justin Harris, T-1.

The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association — promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

Lieutenant Collins, Lieutenant Kellenbence and 2nd Lt. Paul Fowler, T-1, were named the distinguished graduates of Class 10-09.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week preflight phase of academics and physiological training to prepare students for flight. The second phase, primary training, is conducted in the single-engine, turboprop T-6A Texan II at Columbus AFB, Miss. Students

learn aircraft flight characteristics, emergency procedures, takeoff and landing procedures, aerobatics and formation flying. Students also practice night, instrument and cross country navigation flying.

Primary training takes approximately 23 weeks and includes 254.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 89 hours in the T-6A aircraft.

After primary training, students select, by order of merit, advanced training in the fighter-bomber or airlift-tanker track.

Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38C Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation. Training takes approximately 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground training, 31.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 hours in the T-38C aircraft.

The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place Beech Jet 400 business jet.

Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling and airdrop missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 43 hours in the flight simulator and 104 hours in the T-1A.

Each class is partnered with two business or civic organizations during their year of training. This program is designed to foster closer ties between the community and Columbus Air Force Base. Today, each student will be given a set of pilot wings with their names engraved on the back as a token of good luck from their partners.

Class 10-09's pilot partners are David Eudy, Stark Aerospace, and Phil Sullivan, WTVA-TV, Tupelo, Miss.



Second Lt. Jeffery H. Carter
Wallace, N.C.
E-8, Robins AFB, Ga.



Second Lt. Skyler F. Collins
Farmington, Ark.
F-15E, Seymour-Johnson AFB, N.C.



Second Lt. Derek A. Combee
Staunton, Va.
C-17, Dover AFB, Del.



Second Lt. James D. Corless
Kansas City, Mo.
C-130J, Keesler AFB, Miss.



Second Lt. Grant M. Fountain
Apex, N.C.
KC-135, Seymour-Johnson AFB, N.C.



Second Lt. George P. Fowler
Madison, Miss.
C-12, Yokota AB, Japan



Second Lt. Matthew DF Goering
Asheville, N.C.
E-3, Tinker AFB, Okla.



Second Lt. Nathan L. Haney
Dallas, Texas
B-52, Barksdale AFB, La.



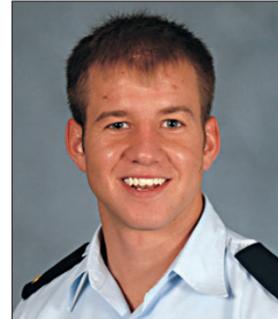
Second Lt. Ronald T. Hargrave
Granbury, Texas
KC-135, Meridian, Miss.



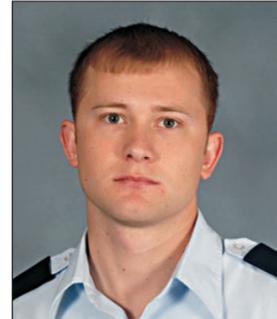
Second Lt. Daniel C. Hay
San Jose, Calif.
T-6, Columbus AFB, Miss.



Second Lt. Justin D. Harris
Orlando, Fla.
T-1, Columbus AFB, Miss.



Second Lt. Nicholas S. Kellenbence
Colorado Springs, Colo.
T-6, Columbus AFB, Miss.



Second Lt. Kurtis M. Kendrick
Belfry, Ky.
C-17, McGuire AFB, N.J.



Second Lt. Simon A. Long
Washougal, Wash.
A-10, Barksdale AFB, La.



Second Lt. Heather L. Lucyk
Conyngham, Pa.
KC-135, McGuire AFB, N.J.



Second Lt. Eric A. Scott
Franklin Springs, Ga.
T-6, Columbus AFB, Miss.



Second Lt. Joshua W. Snyder
Pittsburgh, Pa.
C-21, Ramstein AB, Germany



Second Lt. Eric R. Wahl
Occidental, Calif.
MQ-1, Creech AFB, Nev.



Second Lt. Kenneth J. Winters
Brodhead, Wis.
MQ-1, Creech AFB, Nev.



Pilot Officer Archibald N. Opoku
Akim Oda, Ghana
K-8, Accra AFB, Ghana

Base News

Commissary Closed

The commissary will be closed Tuesday, June 1 for the holiday.

Commissary Case Lot Sale

The commissary is having a case lot sale Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

AETC Civilian Tuition Assistance

To be eligible for Civilian TA, the civilian employee must be an appropriated fund, permanent AETC employee or in a term position with more than one year before the “not to exceed” date. Temporary employees will be considered on a case-by-case basis. AETC civilians can use up to \$4500 per fiscal year. Civilians are restricted to ONE course per term, and the per semester hour tuition cap is \$250. Courses must be Air Force mission-related. Call the Education Center at 434-2562/2563 or send an email to edward.hodge@ columbus.af.mil for more information.

Military personnel

Whenever you move your residence (including from one base residence to another), it is important to update your new address as well as your Virtual Record of Emergency Data (vRED) in Virtual Military Personnel Flight (vMPF). It is vital that your dependent's emergency contact information always remain current in vRED.

vMPF may be accessed via the Air Force Portal or the AFPC Secure Applications website. To update one's address in vMPF, select Self-Service Actions, Personal Data, Record Review/Update, Individual, and then click on the blue links to update your data. To update one's vRED, there is a link at the bottom left of the vMPF main page. If you have any questions, please contact the AFPC Total Force Center at DSN 665-5000.

MPS Training dates require appointments

The Military Personnel Section(MPS) in building 730 will hold in-house training on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons during Night Flying Weeks. They will utilize appointments-only on these days to accommodate this necessary training. The MPS provides CAC/ID cards, out-processing, evaluations and awards/decs processing, promotions and re-enlistment services. If you have any questions, contact the MPS Supt, Master Sgt. Heng, at 434-2611.

Notice and Consent General Notice:

The Air Force uses information technology such as telephones, cellular phones, radios, fac-

simile, information systems, networks, and other wired or wireless electronic devices to conduct day-to-day official business. All DoD telecommunications systems and information systems are subject to monitoring for authorized purposes as prescribed by DoDI 8560.01. The Air Force, as mandated by DoD policy, must provide authorized users of telecommunications systems and devices general notice that monitoring is conducted and that use of the system or device constitutes consent to monitoring.

1.) Notice and Consent Banners must be displayed (at Login) on all Govt. Network Computer Systems, including Stand-Alone computers.

2.) DD Form 2056s (red stickers) must be on all Govt. Telephones/Fax Machines.

The AF Notice and Consent program is covered in AFI 33-219. For questions/concerns please contact your Unit's IAO or Wing Information Assurance (IA) Office at 434-3194.

Base Thrift Shop

The Base Thrift Shop is open on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Consignments till 12 p.m.. Please visit the Thrift Shop for more information on consignments. Donations are accepted and very much appreciated. They can be dropped off anytime in the donation shed. The Thrift Shop is non-profit and all proceeds benefit CAFB Community. It is located in Bldg/ 345, Imes Street (next to Youth Center), Phone: 434-2954

School Liaison Officer

The Columbus Air Force Base School Liaison Officer works with local school districts, schools, parents and students on issues related to elementary and secondary education for the children of ALL personnel (civilian, military and contractor) assigned to the installation. As parents of school age children are aware, there are many unique issues our children face as they transition to new schools. The role of the School Liaison Officer is to assist families ensure their children receive the best possible education regardless of where they attend school. For assistance, please contact the School Liaison Officer at 434-2792 or via email at slo@columbus.af.mil.

Library Story Time

The base library will hold Story Time on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Story Time will continue to be held each week.

Education Counseling Hours

Education counseling (CCAF, Bachelor's/Master's programs, Tuition Assistance, etc.) is now available Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. by appoint-

ment only. Please contact Edward Hodge at 434-2562 to schedule.

Attention All Deployers

The 14th Communications Squadron has a new system which allows you to place “free” telephone calls back home from your deployed location via DSN. You can call every day or once a week; whichever you prefer (allotted time is 3.5 hours a week). Pin numbers are required and can be picked up along with instructions from the Telephone Systems office located in Building 900, Room 9. Please call 434-2020 for additional information.

Do you have a supply problem?

Do you need status on an item you ordered? Did you receive the wrong part? The Customer Support section is the single point of contact when requiring assistance on supply related matters. For assistance, you may contact Customer Support at 434-7178.

Zero overpricing program-incentive awards

Overpricing is an issue everyone should be working. All personnel are encouraged to participate, and will be rewarded for any tangible savings resulting from their price challenge. Monetary awards will be given in accordance with AFI 38-401, The Air Force Innovative Development Employee Awareness (IDEA) Program. Advice and guidance are available by calling the Customer Support section of Base Supply, located in Building 158, at 434-7178.

DRMO as a source of supply

Authorized personnel may retrieve property that is marked for DRMO Facilities only if they are still physically located in Base Supply. For more information, call the Inspection Section at extension 434-7233 to review the property, Stock Control at 434-7198 to check for authorization and Customer Support at 434-7178 to order the property. All other DRMO processing is done via the Web at: www.drms.dla.mil.

Airman and Family Readiness Center

(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 or email afr@columbus.af.mil.)

Newcomers Orientation

The next Newcomer's Orientation will be June 22 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the AFRC.

Pre-Separation Counseling (DD

Form-2648)

Mandatory briefing for personnel separating or retiring. Briefing should be completed at least 90 days prior to separation and may be completed up to 12 months prior to separation or retirement. Counseling held daily at 8:30 a.m. and takes approximately 30 minutes.

Pre and Post Deployment Tour Brief

Mandatory briefings for active duty personnel who are deploying or returning from deployment or a remote tour. Briefings are held daily at the AFRC; Pre-deployment at 9:30 a.m. and post-deployment at 1:30 p.m., 434-2790.

Chapel Schedule

Vacation Bible School

Come join us on the High Seas for Columbus Air Force Base Chapel Vacation Bible School. June 7 to 11 from 9 a.m. to noon, for ages 5 to 12 years old. Register your kids now at the Base Chapel! There will be crafts, games, snacks and good clean fun. Crew Leaders are needed and the ages are: 18 yrs. and up for crew leaders and 12 yrs. and up for assistant leaders. Nursery care will be provided for crew leaders. For more information call 434-2500. Military members are eligible for PTDY, ask your supervisor for details (AFI 36-3003 Section 12 Table 7 Rule 29).

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Study

The CAFB Chapel will be holding a variety of Adult Bible Studies from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. A Pot Luck dinner will be served at 5 p.m., please bring a side dish or dessert to share if you are able. Please call the Chapel at 434-2500 for a list of studies.

Protestant

Sunday: 9 a.m. — Adult Sunday School
10:45 a.m. — Traditional
Worship Service (Children's Church)
All are invited to a fellowship luncheon following the 10:45 a.m. service the fourth Sunday of each month

Catholic

Thursday:
5 p.m. — Choir Practice
Sunday:
3:45 p.m. — Choir Practice
4:30 p.m. — Confession
5:00 p.m. — Mass
6:00 p.m. — RCIA

Base families offered a variety of activities

No Tap Bowling Tournament

The bowling center offers this fun tournament starting at 7 p.m. tonight. Cost is \$10 and includes 3 games of bowling, shoe rental and prizes. Register by 6:30 p.m. the day of the event. For more information, call 434-3426.

Golden Tri

The early bird reservations are due by tomorrow for the reduced rate for this 750 meter swim, 20 kilometer bike and 3.1 mile run scheduled for June 5. Check in for the race from 7 to 7:45 a.m. with the first heat of race starting at 8 a.m. Race will be held rain or shine. All events start and stop at the Columbus Club. Early bird entry is \$35 for single athlete, \$60 for team entry. After May 22 is \$50 for single athlete and \$75 for team entry. Heats are in 11 age groups. Awards given immediately following completion of final heat and will be awarded to top male and female per age group, top three male/female overall; top male/female military member and top team. Entry fees may be paid by cash, check or money order only. Make checks payable to Columbus AFB Services. For more information, call the fitness center at 434-2772.

Home Décor Workshop

The Arts and Crafts Center's project for May is a large patriotic bear entry display. The class is \$20 and includes all supplies. Class date and time are tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. Register by May 17. For more information, call 434-7836.

Creativity Cooking Camp

The youth center is offering this three-hour camp Monday starting at 9 a.m. Today is the last day to register. Cost is \$10 per person which includes refreshments and supplies for the camp.

Two for One Night

The Columbus Club is offering a two-for-one prime rib, crab legs or stuffed chicken breast dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. June 4. Buy two and pay only for the higher priced meal. Featuring an appetizer menu, wine list, kids menu and dessert tray. Prime rib is \$19.95, crab legs is \$24.95 and stuffed chicken breast is \$14.95. Reservations required by 4 p.m. May 28. For more information, call 434-2490.

First annual men's invitational golf tournament

This individual stroke play tournament is June 5 to 6 starting at 1 p.m. Tournament will be flighted after the first day of play. Entry is \$60 per person and includes greens fees, cart, prize fund and lunch each day. Register by June 2 at the pro shop. For more information, call 434-7932.

Super Scramble

The 8th annual super scramble sponsored in part by Sonic Drive In is June 12 starting at 8 a.m. Tournament format is an 18-hole four-person scramble. Entry is \$50 per person and includes greens fees, cart, prize fund, mulligan, door prizes, goody bag, breakfast and lunch. Field is limited to the first 18 teams. Deadline for entering is June 10. For more information, call 434-7932.

Youth center trips

The youth center is offering a trip to the Tupelo antique car museum and buffalo park June 10. Cost is \$17 for both. Transportation is free. Deadline to register is June 7. Open to ages 9 to 18. Children, ages 9 and younger, must be accompanied by an adult.

A trip to the Alabama Adventure Amusement and Water Park is June 15. Register by June 9th at the youth center for this trip. Cost is \$40 and includes tickets and transportation. For more information, contact the youth center at 434-2504.

Deep Sea Fishing Trip

Outdoor Recreation offers a trip to Biloxi MS June 11 to 13 for deep sea fishing. Cost is \$249 per person and includes transportation, lodging and deep sea fishing. Register no later than May 28 at outdoor recreation. Departing Columbus AFB at 3 p.m. June 11 and returning Sunday afternoon. For more information, call 434-2507.

Parents Night Out

The child development center and youth center offer this night out from 5 to 11 p.m. June 12. Register at the respective facility by Wednesday, June 9. Cost is \$4 per hour per child. A \$5 non-refundable deposit is required to hold a space.

Operation Orlando

The information, ticket and travel office is offering a trip to Orlando starting June 14. Accommodations are one price of \$325 for up to six people in the same room. Bus transportation is \$180 per person. For more information, call ITT at 434-2505 or 2507.

Blaze “N” Wheels car, truck and motorcycle show & flea market

Mark your calendars for June 19 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for this fun day of fun, food and entertainment in Freedom Park. Register for the car show from 8 to 10 a.m. Showtime is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Entries must be ready to judge by 10:30 a.m. Classes include: classic (1950-85), late model (1986 to present), antique (pre-1950), trucks (all years), and motorcycles. Entry fee is \$15 per vehicle if paid by June 5 or \$20 per vehicle after June

5. Guaranteed \$500 cash prize for “Best of Show” in all categories. First and second place trophies awarded for all classes. Entry forms may be downloaded at www.cafbservices.com. For more information, call 434-2772 and ask for Tim Dill or 434-2314 and ask for Linda Dodson.

Summer Reading Program

The Base Library will begin registering children for the Summer Reading Program Tuesday. This program is open to children and teens up to the age of 19 (at the time of registration). Preschool children can participate – parents read to preschool participants and record reading in a log. Prizes, crafts, stories and more. This year's program theme is “Voyage to Book Island”. For more information, call 434-2934.

Cruise in 2011

The Information, Ticket and Travel Office has book two group cruises in 2011. Register by Aug. 1 for the five-day cruise starting Feb. 12 to Cozumel and Progresso. Register by Sept. 1 for the four-day cruise starting Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24 and going to Cozumel. Cost for two people for the February trip is as low as \$682 with a \$75 shipboard credit. Cost for two people for the November trip is as low as \$816 with a \$50 shipboard credit. For more information, call 434-2507 or 7861.

New Orleans Saints

The ITT office has tickets for the Saints home games and pre-season games. For more information about the tickets and group trips, call 434-7861. Limited seating/tickets available.

Tops in Blue

Tour positions are available with this special group with auditions open now for trumpet, bass, video technicians and technician support staff. The deadline for audition packages for the 2011 worldwide talent search is Nov. 5, 2010. The competition will be held December 5 to 13 at Lackland AFB. Go to www.topsinblue.com to begin the application process.

Karaoke's Best

The Columbus Club is hosting this ten-week contest every Thursday from 7 to 11 p.m. until June 10. Contestants will be judged by audience response and guest judges. First second and third place winners will be decided each night. Winners will receive \$25, \$20 and \$5 plus a \$5 Indy's coupon, respectively. First place winners each week will automatically compete in the finale. Finale date will be announced later. Second and third place winners may continue to compete throughout the ten-week run. Grand

prize for first place winner at the finale will be \$300, second place is \$100 and third place is \$50. For more information, call 434-2490.

Inventory Reduction Sale:

The Arts and Crafts Center is offering up to 90-percent off their existing stock of frames, T-shirts, plaques, etc. during the month of May. For more information, call 434-7836.

Vegan menu available

The bowling center now offers a vegan menu. To place an order, call 434-3426.

Club scholarship program

Write a 500-word or less essay on “What does it mean to be part of the Air Force Family? Open to current Air Force club members and their family members. Entries are due by July 1 to the FSS commander. Twenty-five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded throughout the Air Force. For more information, go to www.afclubs.net.

End of Club membership drive block party

Mark your calendars for 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday for this fun night of jumpers, games, live music, prizes and loads of fun. Cost is \$2 per plate for members and \$5 for non-members. Members kids is \$1 per plate. Non-members children is \$4 per plate. Menu includes hamburgers, hot dogs, brats, potato salad, potato chips, corn on the cob, cookies and punch. Current members receive 3 months free dues for signing up a friend. For more information, call 434-2490.

Youth Summer Day Camp Registration

The youth center is accepted registrations for the summer day camp program until all slots are filled. A \$10 nonrefundable deposit is required for each week to hold a space. Cost is based on total family income. All meals, educational entrance fees, supply costs, etc. are included in cost. For more information, call 434-2504.

Family child care homes needed

Ever dreamed of owning your own business? Are you willing to work out of your own base home? Do you enjoy working with children? Then family child care might be for you. Please contact Kat Savage, Airman and Family Services at 434-3602 for more information.

Lifeguards/Instructors needed

Outdoor Recreation is looking for swim instructors and lifeguards for the coming summer season. For more information, call Steve Bockel at 434-2507.

Air Force couple experiences dream wedding

Randy Roughton
Defense Media Activity - San Antonio

SAN FRANCISCO — Cancer seemed as far away as a San Francisco seagull could fly as an Air Force captain danced his first dance with his new bride. Capt. Mike and Vanessa Hawkins married in a ceremony on the San Francisco waterfront May 14, and for a few weeks, they could push aside her stage IV Hodgkin's lymphoma illness for a wedding won in the San Francisco Dream Wedding Giveaway.

The online contest provided the couple, she an Air Force Academy graduate and he a University of Virginia ROTC graduate, with a \$100,000 wedding package that included the ceremony at a luxury waterfront hotel, custom-designed rings, a honeymoon in nearby Napa, Calif., and allowed the bride to temporarily set aside the sweatpants and T-shirts she wears for chemotherapy and radiation treatments for a white, strapless Lee Ann Belter gown. The only visible sign of the bride's stage IV Hodgkin's, which is usually widespread in the lymph nodes and other parts of the body such as lungs, liver or bone, was a bandage on her forearm.

"It was definitely like a dream," Mrs. Hawkins said just before the ceremony on the roof of Hotel Vitale, across from the Port of San Francisco. "Even what you can dream cannot be anything like this. I really don't know if I could've planned a wedding right now. This is better than I ever dreamed I could feel and I feel prettier than I ever dreamed I could look."

The couple met exactly three years earlier at Columbus Air Force Base, Miss. Captain Hawkins was a contracting officer; his future bride worked in personnel after she was given the option of cross-training into services or separating from the Air Force and remaining in her career field as a civilian. She chose to separate. They became engaged in July 2008 and received the news of her diagnosis the day before Captain Hawkins deployed to Southwest Asia.

They survived the separation while she endured her treatments with the help of the Columbus AFB community and family. Through SKYPE video chats, Captain Hawkins shaved his head when his fiancé lost her hair because of her chemotherapy treatments. While he was deployed, she was in Wisconsin with her family, so both were apart from their friends in the squadron at Columbus.

"But they never forgot about me," she said.

Mrs. Hawkins' nurse submitted the couple in the online San Francisco Dream Wedding Giveaway, and they wrote an essay and produced a video that told the story of their relationship and her battle with Hodgkin's. The Air Force community quickly went to work, along with Mrs. Hawkins' father, Van Teskey, in Wisconsin. Captain Hawkins and his fiancée were one of 350 couples in an online contest decided by website voting.

"I was getting calls from people on bases throughout the country who had heard about us," said Captain Hawkins, now a contracting officer in Chantilly, Va. "People Air Force-wide had heard about us through the global network. Even people who didn't know us were voting for us and sending it to old squadrons and church groups. They were telling people, 'This



U.S. Air Force photo illustration/Lance Cheung
The wedding ceremony for Vanessa Muza Teskey and Capt. Mike Hawkins took place on the rooftop of Hotel Vitale on San Francisco's waterfront May 14, 2010. They won the San Francisco Dream Wedding Giveaway with viewer votes as vendors donated \$100,000 of goods and services for the wedding.

is an Air Force captain and they deserve this."

He returned home in November and was with his fiancée on Valentine's Day when a team of photographers and videographers appeared at his mother's home in Stafford, Va., to tell them they were named "the most inspirational couple" in the first San Francisco Dream Wedding Giveaway. Many of their Air Force friends booked their airline tickets and hotel reservations before the couple had theirs.

Liz Guthrie, a San Jose wedding consultant with the contest, who had created a non-profit organization designed to plan smaller weddings for couples like the Hawkins, said many people were inspired by the couple's story.

"We were looking for someone who was facing illness, loss or hardship to give a wedding to and the public determined the winner," she said. "Mike and Vanessa's story touched a lot of people and they won by a landslide. I think this is a great way for them to have a celebration with their family and

friends and not have to think about their illness."

After their honeymoon in Napa, the couple plans to live in their Fairfax, Va., townhouse and Mrs. Hawkins will resume her treatments. But she's already thinking past the cancer, to a future that includes nursing school and a family. Captain Hawkins and his new wife are grateful to the contest sponsors and to both their families and the Air Force community for helping them have their dream wedding day on the San Francisco Bay.

"His commanders have been totally supportive and all of the spouses of people in his squadron have been incredible," Mrs. Hawkins said. "He's only been in Virginia for two weeks and everyone has already reached out to me. Then, there are all of my friends from the Academy and some of them were here for this. That's a relationship you can't build anywhere else and it's so awesome to be able to share this with them.

"The Air Force network is incredible," she said.

Wings over Columbus 2010 – Well Done BLAZE Team!

Col. Roger Watkins
14th Flying Training Wing commander

Wow! What an absolutely incredible weekend. Over the past weekend, the BLAZE Team played host to well over 35,000 guests, military and civilian aviators, and other personnel. The Open House provided the opportunity for several special needs children getting to view the USAF Thunderbirds during their Friday dress rehearsal and then had a private autograph session with the team. Four of our BLAZE Team re-enlisted at Thunderbird One's aircraft with their family and friends and joined by the entire T-Bird team. Six of our annual award winners were treated to incentive flights with "Tora, Tora, Tora," the World War II Heritage demonstration team. Five members of the Columbus Honor Guard got to fly in the U.S. Army Golden Knights aircraft over the weekend and two of our local television newscasters received media flights with the Thunderbirds.

In addition to all the special opportunities I mentioned above, our guests were inspired by performances by the Thunderbirds, Golden Knights, "Tora, Tora, Tora," Jackie B and her Pitts biplane, a MiG-21, a vintage T-33, the incredible display of the C-17's capabilities and our own BLAZE Team com-

posite flyover with a T-1, T-6 and T-38. We had numerous aircraft static displays, the Virtual Army Experience, multiple souvenir and food booths, and even a kids play area. So how did all this happen?

It took a total BLAZE Team effort! Our air show team, led by Lt. Col Rob. "Red" Skelton has been working since September putting together everything that happened last weekend and also securing enormous downtown (without which several of our acts and activities would not have happened) and on-base financial and volunteer support. Our Services Marketing pros also secured numerous financial supporters and negotiated with the vending contractor the opportunity for our private booster clubs to earn some money by working in the booths.

Our Defenders put together the entire traffic and parking plan, as well as devised an airtight security plan for any emergency or contingency. Our civil engineers erected all the barriers and helped lay out the entire air show area and then deconstructed everything so we could get back to normal operations Monday morning.

Our medics devised and coordinated with all our regional hospitals a medical emergency and response plan and then provided treatment to numerous medical situations during the

show. They also provided some transportation to some elderly and disabled personnel who could not make the walk from the parking areas to the display area. We had project officers for everything from the transient aircraft arrival and parking plan to lodging all of our guests, to planning and executing the base-wide kickoff party at the Columbus Club (which was attended by over 650 people!), to putting together the demonstration lineup, to moving our local aircraft to make room in the display area, and on and on and on. Finally, over six hundred military members from across the wing, alongside our DynCorp maintenance team conducted a FOD-walk over the entire airfield ramp, display area, and parking area (well over two square miles) on Monday morning to ensure we could safely operate our aircraft and enable our visiting teams and static displays to return home.

BLAZE Team, you are incredible! You consistently demonstrate excellence in all you do, and this weekend was no different. From our community partners and supporters, to our families, and to every military and civilian member of the BLAZE Team who helped us really accomplish this year's air show theme: where aviation excellence meets southern hospitality.

Thank you all for a job extremely well done!

Lorenz on Leadership — Sustaining a wingman culture

Gen. Stephen R. Lorenz
Commander, Air Education and Training Command

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — On April 20, a 22-year-old man with a history of violence walked into a bookstore in Wichita Falls, Texas, and started shooting. He wounded four women, then drove to a bar and killed an employee outside before he drove home and took his own life.

Wichita Falls is home to Sheppard AFB and much of our Air Force's technical training. This particular bookstore offers a quiet environment that provides a peaceful and relaxing place to browse bestsellers ... and for some of the Airmen going through training, a quiet place to do some evening studying. On that April night, three staff sergeants sat in that very store reviewing study materials for an exam the next morning. Two were former security forces members and the third a former F-16 crew chief. They were all on temporary duty to Sheppard to cross-train into the medical field. These Airmen were three of our best, and competed against thousands just for the chance to transition into Aerospace Medicine. That evening, the silence of their exam preparation was shattered by a man with a shotgun who barged into the bookstore yelling derogatory racial remarks.

Sergeant Jesser then followed the screams to different parts of the bookstore and provided care. She directed first responders to the wounded while applying pressure to slow the bleeding from one of her fellow Airmen. After emergency medical personnel were caring for

the wounded, she contacted family members, reassuring them that all would be all right. Sergeant Jesser called a fellow student not at the scene and asked for help contacting Sheppard AFB, the security forces and her first sergeant. After filing her report with the authorities, she gathered the personal belongings of her classmates and traveled to the local emergency room.

The next day I flew up to Dallas to see our injured staff sergeants at Parkland Memorial Hospital. I wanted to make sure they understood the Air Force family stood with them. Although Sergeant Henderson was in surgery, I was able to see Sergeant Sauls. I asked her if there was anything that I could do - whether it was help notify friends, get family members situated nearby, or even assist with medical issues.

Sergeant Sauls looked me square in the eyes and said, "Sir, don't let them take my training slot. I don't want to lose it." I was really touched. With everything that she'd been through, Sergeant Sauls was most concerned about her future in the Air Force.

These three Airmen were among the many heroes of the evening. Jade and Deondra were worried about their classmates and their ability to complete training. Taye acted with a determined professionalism that facilitated immediate care and added stability to a horrific tragedy. When we talk about a wingman cul-

ture, these three Airmen personify such an ideal. They were concerned for others; they were selfless.

The lives of many were forever changed that evening. It's not only the individuals who were directly attacked - it's their friends and families too. In this disaster, it doesn't stop with the wounded. You see, the shooter also killed one individual that evening - even more tragic for his family and friends. The man killed was an Army veteran and the son of one of our civilian employees at Sheppard AFB. Witnesses that evening said that his actions may have saved the lives of others. He had his whole life ahead of him ...

No matter how hard we try to avoid or prevent it, this type of violence can occur at any time in almost any location. We must all do what we can to stay aware of how our family members and friends are doing. Look for times when they need a little more support or encouragement. Be there for them - even when they don't think they need you. There are many heroes at Sheppard AFB and the surrounding community currently supporting those affected by this tragedy. Being a good wingman is something all of us need to try to do each and every day. Knowing that you'll be there for others should give you the comfort knowing that others will be there for you - whether you think you need them or not.

AETC fields new management tool

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — Air Education and Training Command officials will field new user-friendly software called the Task Management Tool, which is designed to support the task management process for AETC headquarters, Air University, 2nd Air Force, 19th Air Force and wing staff leadership beginning in September.

The TMT program provides increased efficiency by allowing users to easily view and track tasks.

“This tool will significantly improve the way we do business today,” said Col. Merrily Madero, the AETC director of staff. “This new capability will simplify the task management and suspense tracking process for 4,000 senior leaders, executive officers and action officers across the command.”

TMT provides the ability to streamline the organizational tasking, suspense tracking, and staffing processes, allowing senior leaders, executive officers and action officers to spend more time on the mission and less time managing tasks.

“The program allows prompt, simple task creation, real-time suspense status monitoring, collaboration, standardization and audit trail features, while eliminating business process redundancies and saving costly network storage space,” said Lt. Col. James Herrick, the AETC communications directorate chief of operations.

A common problem in AETC is the large size of e-mails to numerous recipients that sat-

urate e-mail servers, slow down service and unnecessarily fill personal and organizational inboxes, said Col. Mona Lisa Tucker, the AETC Communications director. TMT eliminates this problem through the staffing process.

Another program feature is a centralized repository for supporting documents and comments related to a task. All action officers upload documents to a single location associated with a particular task, where data is saved at one team site, allowing for collaboration on documents.

During program implementation, users will receive in-depth training. Additionally, templates and intuitive training modules are available within the program to ensure standardization and ease of use.

The TMT program interfaces with Microsoft Outlook, allowing users some ease adapting to the new application.

In addition to the training, the AETC Computer Systems Squadron is developing an enterprise information services help desk to support TMT fielding, Colonel Herrick said. Users will have a responsive lifeline to get answers to TMT-related questions or issues during fielding and sustainment.

“This is the right step forward for AETC and brings us in line with headquarters Air Force and other major commands,” said Gen. Stephen R. Lorenz, the AETC commander.

In 2007, U.S. Air Forces in Europe was the first major command to implement TMT.



U.S. Air Force photo/Steve Thrown
Rod Mack reviews command taskings using the new Task Management Tool software May 5, 2010, at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas. Mr. Mack is the Air Education and Training Command Task Management and Workflow Program chief.

Internal studies have shown they achieved a 90 percent reduction in data storage and man-hours per week.

Colonel Tucker expects AETC to experience similar results.

“AETC is joining the ranks of other major

commands, combatant commands and headquarters Air Force in using TMT to streamline task management,” she said.

TMT training continues through the end of August. AETC leaders plan to have TMT fully operational by September.

Air Force fitness program revisions begin July 1

Jon Hanson

Air Force Personnel Center
Public Affairs Office

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — In less than two months, Airmen across the globe will begin testing against new fitness assessment standards.

These standards were deemed necessary by senior Air Force leaders to ensure a fitter and healthier fighting force. Changes include bi-annual testing, minimum requirements within testing components and establishing fitness assessment cells to proctor tests.

“Our senior leadership has gone to great lengths to ensure every Airman stays fit year round,” said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Long, the Air Force’s chief of enlisted promotions, evaluations and fitness policy. “We want all Airmen to take fitness serious-

ly. We intend that the days of ‘cramming’ for the annual fitness test will be replaced by an emphasis on year-round fitness. We were the only military service who did not test at least twice a year, and it’s a definite step in the right direction to change the Air Force fitness culture.”

Although twice-a-year testing began Jan. 1, the Air Force delayed implementing the new fitness program until July 1 when Air Force Instruction 36-2905 becomes effective. The program promotes aerobic and muscular fitness, flexibility and optimal body composition for Air Force members.

During the bi-annual fitness assessments, Airmen will receive an overall composite fitness score based on four components: a 1.5-mile timed run for aerobic fitness, body composition and the muscular fitness components of pushups and sit-ups. Additionally, Airmen must meet minimum requirements

as defined by the new instruction for each of the four components. Components are weighted as follows: 60 points for aerobic, 20 points for body composition, 10 points for pushups, and 10 points for sit-ups, for a total of 100 possible points.

Another key change is the use of fitness assessment cells where trained civilian employees administer the fitness assessment. The purpose of these cells is to reduce the administrative burden on squadrons and maximize consistency in testing.

“The fitness program changes will help the Air Force in many ways,” Chief Long said. “They will help our Airmen stay healthier and help reduce associated medical costs in this budget constrained environment. Most important is a fitter force will help ensure we meet and exceed mission requirements.”

To learn more about the new fitness program, visit www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/affitnessprogram.

Pinnacle Military Housing holds town hall meeting

Senior Airman Jacob Corbin
14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

Pinnacle Military Housing recently held a town hall meeting May 18 to address some key issues effecting BLAZE Team members living on-base. The primary focus of the meeting was the upcoming changes to how utilities work, while landscaping requirements were also touched on and a question session also occurred.

“We need feedback, both good and bad, to make this work,” said Col. Roger Watkins, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, in his opening statements.

After Colonel Watkins opened the proceedings, Cassandra Price, regional director for the bases area and previous community manager here are Columbus Air Force Base, then discussed how utilities would be working in the future.

Currently, meters are being installed throughout base housing. While the electric meters have been installed, they are still working to install gas meters at every home. After the meters are installed, towards the end of summer, then a one-year period of “mock billing” will begin.

During this period, each home will be metered as if they were being charged utilities. During the last six months of the “mock billing,” residents will receive a statement saying how much they would be charged if they were paying utilities, and how much the average home would have been charged based on their floor plan.

At the end of the one-year period, residents rent will be lowered by 110 percent of the average utility bill for their floor plan of home, and given this amount as a utility allowance. It will then be the resident’s responsibility to pay the utility companies, or a third party, for their utility month usage.

Mrs. Price said this gives residents the opportunity to monitor their utility use and then lower it so they may pocket the difference.

As an example, if at the end of the “mock billing” period the average utility cost for their floor plan type home is \$100, residents will then begin receiving \$110 a month in their utility allowance. Then, the resident will have to pay their utility bill and if it’s less than \$100 per month, they may keep the difference.

More information is available at www.columbus-familyhousing.com.

Chief learning officer of FDIC to speak at Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month Luncheon

14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

Dr. Thom Terwilliger will be the guest speaker at the Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month Luncheon, at 11:30 a.m. May 26 in the Columbus Club.

Terwilliger is a senior executive of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and serves as the Chief Learning Officer. He was appointed to his position May 14, 2007. In this capacity, he is responsible for Corporate-wide learning programs that focus on creating opportunity, enriching career development, and growing the Corporation’s future leaders.

He is also the Director of the FDIC Corporate University, which encompasses three colleges, the Corporate Employee Program, and the Dallas Learning Center with locations in Dallas, Jacksonville,

Irvine, CA, and Chicago.

Prior to joining the FDIC, Thom Terwilliger served in the United States Air Force for nearly 28 years at all levels of command to include an assignment at the Pentagon with Headquarters, United States Air Force and culminating his career at the National Defense University in Washington, DC as Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. His many leadership roles include command of the 341 Services Squadron, leading that organization to the “Best in the Air Force.” He also served as Associate Professor of National security and leadership at the University of Texas at Austin. He was formerly the President of CSJ Associates, a consulting firm in the metropolitan DC area. His teaching experience includes adjunct associate professor of education at George Mason University and adjunct professor of leadership, organizational behav-

ior, and communication at the University of Maryland University College.

Dr. Terwilliger is an emeritus member of the College of William & Mary School of Education Development Board and served on the Great Falls Montana School Board and the Great Falls Higher Education Committee. Dr Terwilliger has numerous military honors and awards, is a recognized leader in higher education, and has published a number of journal reviews and conference presentations. He has presented at the CLO Summit, ASTD, and other venues.

His education includes a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree from Christopher Newport College; Master of Business Administration degree from Golden Gate University; and an Educational Specialist and Doctor of Education degrees from the College of William & Mary.

Official equates financial, military readiness

Army Sgt. 1st Class Michael J. Carden
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Through outreach and a robust system of educating servicemembers, Defense Department officials are working to keep troops financially fit to fight and protected from predatory lenders, a Pentagon official said May 19 here.

Since the downward turn of the credit market in recent years, Defense Department officials and lawmakers have grown more concerned with servicemembers falling into bad financial standing, said Marcus Beauregard, a senior program analyst for the Pentagon’s military community and family policy office.

Officials hope Congress soon will pass legislation that puts auto dealers under the scrutiny of a proposed watchdog agency that also would oversee banks and lending institutions, Mr. Beauregard said.

Poor financial situations among troops can greatly affect military readiness and the ability of servicemembers to accomplish their mission, he said.

“Financial stability helps servicemembers (and the DOD),” he said. “If they’re paying more attention to their financial concerns, they’re paying attention less to their primary mission and their primary jobs.”

Commanders have voiced concerns to defense policy makers, making them more aware of issues troops have had in buying automobiles and repaying short-term loans, Mr. Beauregard said. Leaders also have learned certain products perpetually have caused problems for their servicemembers and they hope to prevent issues from becoming problems.

A DOD study showed financial issues are behind only career

and mission issues as the top stressors among servicemembers, Mr. Beauregard said.

Noting the busy tempo and numerous requirements placed on the lives of troops today, he said it’s important to the department that troops sustain good financial standing and learn how to avoid being burdened by obligations they may not be able to handle.

Educating troops is the best way to ensure their readiness and financial situation remain intact, Mr. Beauregard said. The Military OneSource website, unit advisers, installation financial counselors and legal assistance advisers are great sources of information.

“(DOD officials are) looking for opportunities and protection that will support our servicemembers,” he said. “Anything that will help a servicemember to do their job better and feel more prepared for their duty in taking care of their finances is certainly beneficial.”

Mr. Beauregard urged troops to be wary of companies and businesses that claim to be military-friendly. He also stressed they shouldn’t sign documents unless they completely understand the contract and they should avoid short-term loans.

“The most important thing we can do is to educate servicemembers and their families, make them aware of things that may be a problem (and) make them aware of how to deal with transactions,” he said. “That’s certainly their body armor that’s going to keep them in good standing.”

Defense officials work closely with financial regulators at the local, state and federal levels to ensure those institutions are aware of the needs of servicemembers and what’s going in the marketplace, he said.

Columbus-Lowndes Humane Society seeking volunteers

The Columbus-Lowndes Humane Society is seeking volunteers and foster homes. We are a non-profit and we depend on donations to operate. If you would like to help volunteer, foster, or donate; please call 662-327-3107.

Buds and Bugs

Come support Country Goes Huntin’ Sportsman Legacy Foundation at the Buds and Bugs celebration May 27 at the Farmer’s Market in downtown

Columbus. The event runs from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. and will feature all you can eat crawfish and beverages, live music and fun for everyone.

Farmer’s Market

The Hitching Lot Farmer’s Market is every Saturday from 7 to 10 a.m., and every Tuesday/Thursday from 6 to 10 a.m. every week from May to October. Come enjoy children’s activities, live music, fresh coffee, community workshops and much more. Visit hitchinglotfarmersmarket.com for more information.

The Airman’s Creed

*I am an American Airman.
I am a warrior.
I have answered my nation’s call.
I am an American Airman.*

*My mission is to fly, fight, and win.
I am faithful to a proud heritage,
A tradition of honor,
And a legacy of valor.*

I am an American Airman,

*Guardian of freedom and justice,
My nation’s sword and shield,
Its sentry and avenger.
I defend my country with my life.*

*I am an American Airman:
Wingman, leader, warrior.
I will never leave an Airman behind,
I will never falter,
And I will not fail.*

BARGAIN LINE

The deadline for submitting ads is noon Monday before the desired publication date. Ads turned in after the deadline will run the following week. Ads can be mailed to or dropped off at the public affairs office in the 14th Flying Training Wing Headquarters building, e-mailed to silverwings@columbus.af.mil or faxed to 434-7009. Calling Ext. 7068 by noon Monday can extend the run date of ads already submitted. Silver Wings reserves the right to limit ads based on content, space and frequency of requests. Advertisements for private businesses or services providing a continuous source of income may not appear in the Bargain Line. They may, however, be purchased through the Commercial Dispatch, 328-2424.

Homes

For sale: Great 3/2 brick home just outside of Caledonia city limits. Open floor plan w/10 ft. ceilings throughout, wood laminate and ceramic tile flooring, gas fireplace, wood blinds, laundry

room, pantry, large covered patio w/ceiling fans, 2-car carport w/attached workshop, on circle drive. Must sell due to military move. For photos and contact information, visit www.fsbo.com, listing #138068.

For sale: Great 3/1 home in West Point. Quiet neighborhood. New wood flooring throughout living room, bedrooms, and hallway; brand new tiles placed in dining room and kitchen. Fenced yard, shop/shed with electricity and running water throughout. A built in swimming pool (liner needs replacing) that sits on an acre lot. \$79,000. 747 Hillcrest Road, West Point. FMI call 662-295-7613.

For sale: Beautiful Home situated on 3.8 acres in a very desirable New Hope neighborhood. Approx 2,800 sqft, 13 rooms to include 3 spacious bedrooms, bonus room, living room, office, huge den/ in laws quarters, 2 and one half bathrooms, whirlpool tub, hardwood, carpet and ceramic tile flooring, crown molding, plenty of storage space. Approx one acre of fenced yard with large wired shop. Many custom extra’s and one year home warranty. Serious

enquiries only: \$289,900. Please call (662) 240-0226.

For sale: Beautiful Oakdale Park Home 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bath approx 1500 sq. ft. , New Carpet, New countertops, Outside bar area (must see!) with Hot Tub. All appliances stay, wired shed. 38 Shadow Canyon CV. \$ 143,900 call Kelly at 662-386-5501

Transportation

For sale: 2003 HUMMER H2-Orig owner, low miles, all service records, many extras, heavy duty brush guard, lights, 12,000lb winch (never used). Currently on the resale lot with original window sticker & long list of extras. Priced for quick sale, \$19,900 OBO. FMI 618-558-0789.

For sale: 2008 Harley Davidson, 883 Sportster Low Rider, only 72 miles, 2.5 Year Extended Service Plan, Midnight Pearl Blue, accessories included, \$8,000 please call (662)889-0113.

For sale: 2007 Harley Davidson Heritage Softail Classic FLSTC, Blk cherry/pewter, 7,700 mi, Screaming

Eagle exhaust, Factory Security System, Profile laced wheels, Many other extras, excellent condition, \$13,900. 662-245-0493

Miscellaneous

For sale: Large three person couch, great condition, beige, comes with five back cushion pillows, \$150 OBO; TV stand with two drawers, \$25. Contact: 662-352-1196.

For sale: Craftsman LT3000 Riding Lawnmower w/ 42" Deck and 3-Bin Soft Bagger Attachment, Excellent Condition, \$500. Call 662-356-4081, PCSing soon!

For sale: Sanyo 25" TV, never used, still in box, \$60. Futon, black with grey metal frame, \$75. Please call 434-8358.

For sale: Marlin Lucas Valley Hybrid 27 Speed Men’s Bicycle (excellent condition). Purchased December 2009 for \$ 850. Sale price \$ 684. Includes owners manual, new spare tire, water bottle and electronic bicycle computer. Call 662-364-1157 or 662-328-0862.

Pets

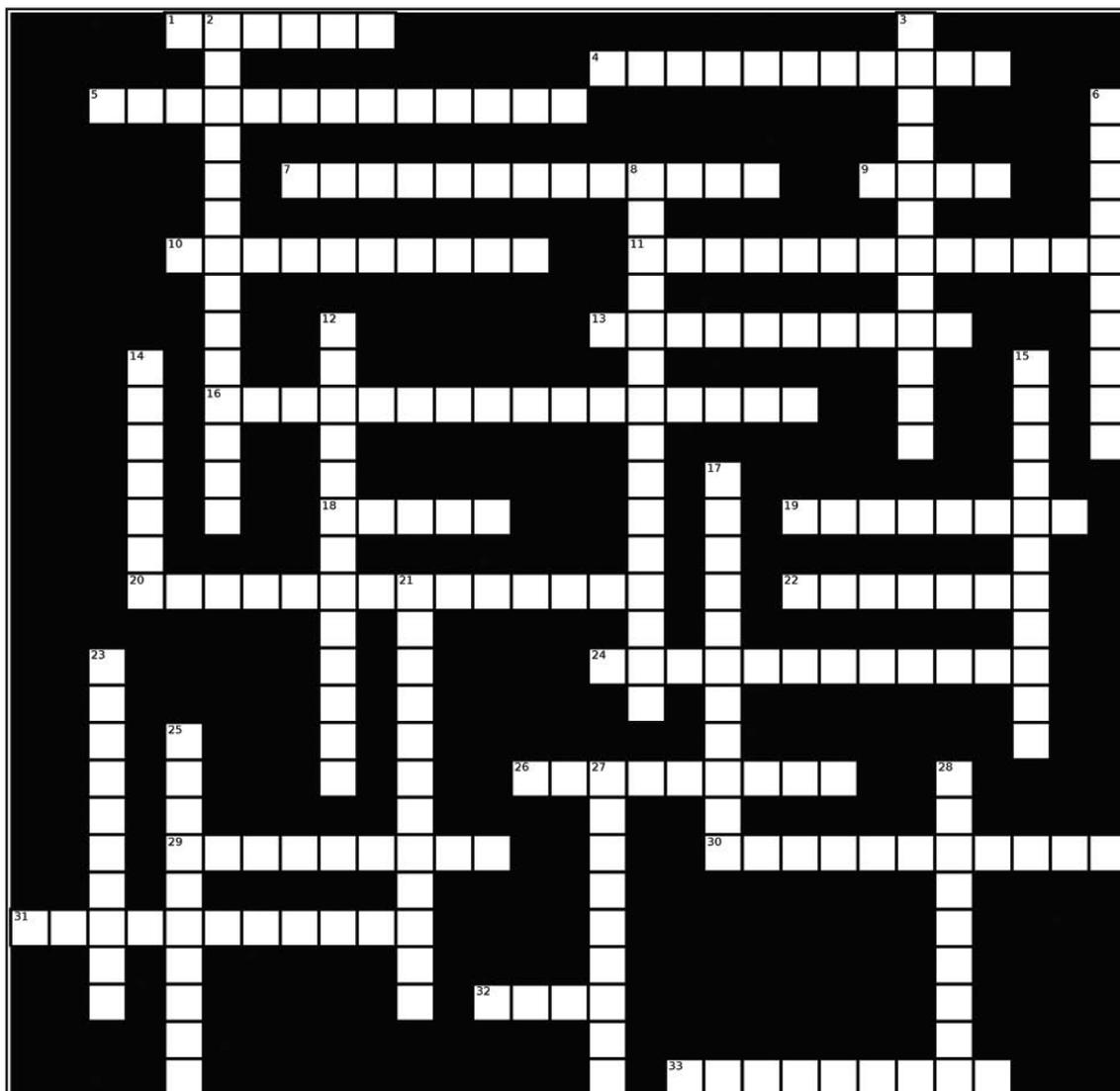
For sale: Great Dane puppies for sale. CKC registered with first shots and dewormed. Puppies will be ready to go home June 23 so call now to make your pick of the litter. Call 731-513-2727 or email depriest44@yahoo.com for more information.

Saturday Yard Sales

Yard Sale: 5206B Lowndes Ave. May 22, from 7:30 to 11 a.m. Several brand new baby, men and women's clothing, shoes, baby bedding sets, new baby bottles, pregnancy books, Medela pump, cell phones, new high chair, beanie babies, movies, toys, bedding sets, kitchen appliances, plates, glasses, video games, yard decorations and many more.

Remember to turn off all lights and your computer monitors when you are done for the day!

This week's puzzle: Baseball



Across

- 1 Minor League team located in Pearl, Mississippi.
- 4 Famed stadium of the Boston Red Sox.
- 5 Became the oldest rookie to play Major League Baseball at the age of 42.
- 7 Named by ESPN.com as the "greatest player of the decade" for 2000-2009.
- 9 Bill Buckner lets the ball slip through his legs allowing this team to advance to game 7 of the 1986 World Series.
- 10 This New York Yankees player is known as "The Iron Horse" and held the Major League Record for most consecutive games played at 2,130 until it was broken by Cal Ripken Jr. in 1995.
- 11 "Buy me some peanuts and _____."
- 13 Legendary St. Louis Cardinals pitcher famous for being the "Ace of the Gashouse Gang" in 1934.
- 16 Applies when there are fewer than two outs, and there is a force play at third or home. In these situations, if a fair fly ball is a hit that is catchable by an infielder with ordinary effort, the batter is out.
- 18 This team from Montreal became the Washington Nationals in 2005.
- 19 This team holds the record for the longest losing streak in baseball since 1900. They lost 23 consecutive games in 1961.
- 20 New York Giants outfielder who hit the "Shot Heard 'Round the World" to win the 1951 National League Pennant at the Polo Grounds.
- 22 This team played in Brooklyn's famed Ebbets Field until they moved to Los Angeles in 1958.
- 24 Current record-holder for most consecutive games with a base hit at 56 games.
- 26 The trade of this player from the Boston Red Sox to the New York Yankees began the famed "Curse of the Great Bambino" that was not broken until the Red Sox won the World Series in 2004.
- 29 The first modern World Series took place in 1903 and pitted the Pittsburgh Pirates against the Boston _____.
- 30 Legendary St. Louis Cardinals player known as "The Man."
- 31 This Dodger hit a pinch-hit homer to send LA on its way to a World Series upset in 1988.
- 32 This team owns the record for most winning games in a season (116) which they did in 1906.
- 33 Cincinnati Reds player that owns the record for most career hits at 4,256.

Down

- 2 The oldest professional ballpark currently in use. Used once a year by the minor league Birmingham Barons.
- 3 This home for the Baltimore Orioles began the current trend of building "retro" baseball stadiums.
- 6 City where the famed Hillerich & Bradsby Company produces their signature "Slugger" baseball bat.
- 8 Many ballplayers wear number 42 to honor this baseball barrier-breaker.
- 12 This ballpark is known for the ivy that covers the outfield wall.
- 14 This Detroit Tigers outfielder was known as "The Georgia Peach." He set 90 Major League Baseball Records between 1905 and 1928.
- 15 Location of the Baseball Hall of Fame.
- 17 In 1998 Sammy Sosa and Mark McGwire slugged it out to see who would beat this player's single season home run record.
- 21 A baseball card featuring this Pittsburgh Pirate was sold for \$2.8 million in 2007.
- 23 This Braves player hit a record 755 home runs during his career. This record stood until it was broken by Barry Bonds in 2006.
- 25 This pitcher holds a Major League Baseball record for throwing the most no-hitters, yet he never threw a perfect game.
- 27 Nickname for the 1919 Chicago White Sox who intentionally lost several games in the World Series.
- 28 The first World Series title to go north of the border went to this Toronto team in 1992.

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U.S. Army Golden Knights take part in Wings over Columbus 2010



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Jacob Corbin
A member of the U.S. Army Golden Knights jumps during a practice demonstration at Columbus Air Force Base May 14. The Golden Knights took part in this year's Wings over Columbus 2010 base air show and open house.

Track Select

2nd Lt. Wayne R. Barber	T-38	
2nd Lt. Amanda J. Beck	Helo	
2nd Lt. Christopher D. Benson	T-1	
2nd Lt. Christopher D. Blevins	T-1	AFRC
2nd Lt. Michael S. Burns	T-1	
2nd Lt. Robert D. Carpenter	T-38	
2nd Lt. Elijah D. Culpepper	T-38	
2nd Lt. Joseph J. D'Agostino	T-1	
2nd Lt. Andrew R. Davis	T-38	
2nd Lt. Jeremy K. DeGuzman	T-1	
2nd Lt. Christopher R. Engelken	T-1	
2nd Lt. Sara A. Ferrero	T-38	ANG
2nd Lt. Thomas J. Fletcher	T-1	
2nd Lt. Alexander C. Gallman	T-1	
2nd Lt. Benjamin A. Golata	T-38	
2nd Lt. John T. Harris	T-1	
2nd Lt. Brian R. Hickner	Helo	
2nd Lt. Paterson S. Hill	T-1	
2nd Lt. William K. Jenney	T-1	ANG
2nd Lt. Laura K. Martineau	T-44	
2nd Lt. Casey N. Masters	T-1	
2nd Lt. Andrew S. Mazzarelli	T-1	
2nd Lt. Anthony H. Ortiz	T-44	
2nd Lt. Daniel H. Prescott	T-38	
2nd Lt. Adam J. Teach	T-44	
2nd Lt. Andrew L. Teague	T-38	
2nd Lt. Matthew S. Williams	T-1	
2nd Lt. Justin B. Zucconi	Helo	AFRC

T-6 Top Guns

Contact: 2nd Lt. Andrew R. Davis
Instrument: 2nd Lt. Wayne R. Barber
Formation: 2nd Lt. Wayne R. Barber

Leverette Award

2nd Lt. Andrew R. Davis

11-02

Thunderbird eight flies with the 50th FTS

Sonic Johnson
14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

While the Thunderbirds team departed for home late Monday morning after their six-day stay at Columbus, one pilot, her crew chief and a select few maintainers, stayed behind with the number eight aircraft.

Shortly after engine start Saturday afternoon to begin the Thunderbirds Wings over Columbus 2010 performance, one of the Thunderbirds aircraft displayed some engine-related maintenance fault codes. Maintenance fault codes confer maintenance related information to ground crews; usually do not prevent the sortie from flying. The Thunderbirds team, always with safety as the number one factor in most decision-making process, decided to spare out the aircraft.

Capt. Kristin Hubbard, Thunderbird number eight advance pilot and team narrator, stayed behind with the aircraft as team members at Nellis AFB, Nev., prepared a replacement engine and equipment for surface transportation to Columbus AFB.

During her delay at Columbus AFB, Captain Hubbard flew a T-38C formation sortie with the 50th Flying Training Squadron "Striking Snakes."

"This provides me an opportunity to experience firsthand the mission of our pilot training bases," remarked Hubbard. "Getting a deeper understanding of the many facets of our Air Force mission helps me to better tell their story."

Captain Hubbard flew with 50th Training Flight instructor 1st Lt. Russ Hobbs with Capt. Kevin Pugh piloting the second aircraft.

"What a great sortie," beamed Lt Hobbs after the sortie. "She shared a few good tips about flying formation."

Captain Hubbard attended Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training at two locations; the T-6 phase of pilot training at Moody AFB, Ga., and then went to Laughlin AFB,



U.S. Air Force Photo/Tammi Baudoin
Thunderbird number eight, Capt. Kristin Hubbard, climbs into a T-38C in preparation of an orientation flight May 18 at Columbus AFB, Miss. Captain Hubbard is a 2002 ROTC graduate from the University of Washington in Seattle and has over 1,000 hours.

Texas to complete the T-38 phase.

Meanwhile the Engine arrived late Tuesday afternoon and the maintenance team began working earnestly to first remove the ailing engine and prepare to install the new one.

"This will probably take us all

night to do this engine change," remarked Tech. Sgt. Joseph Michel, part of the Thunderbirds maintenance team. "Our goal is to have it ready first thing in the morning so it can launch to this weekend's show location at Grand Forks AFB, N.D."

Air Show Photo Contest Winner: Goin' Down



Courtesy photo/Darryl Hartness

This photo of a "Tora Tora Tora" performer was submitted by Darryl Hartness, a contractor with the 14th Operations Group. Tora Tora Tora is a recreation of the events of the attack on Pearl Harbor and is a "living history" performance held by the Commemorative Air Force. Second place went to a photo by Mari Scafidi, wife of 14th Communications Squadron First Sergeant Master Sgt. Kyle Scafidi.

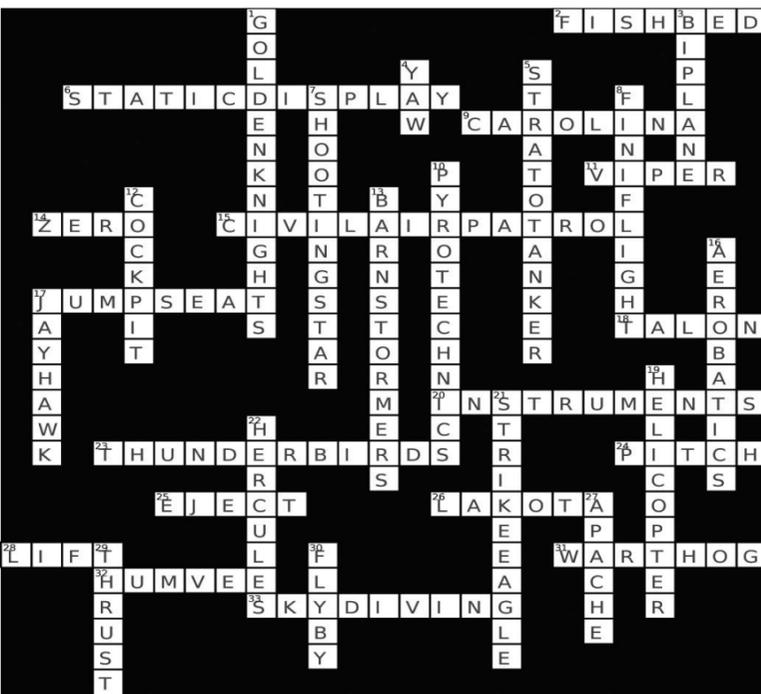
2010 Columbus' Biggest Loser Competition

Tech. Sgt. Ryian Caviness
14th Medical Operations Squadron

The Biggest Loser Competition is a comprehensive weight-loss program that promotes healthy lifestyles through good nutrition and exercise habits. Participation points are awarded based on the number of classes attended, food logs submitted, and monthly exercise activities completed. There are 18 teams vying for the title of "Columbus' Biggest Loser." Here are the point standings as of May 17:

1. PHAT-A-Licious 4
2. Southsiders
3. Fit To Be Fine
4. The Waist Watchers
5. The Most Known Unknowns
6. The Perfect Strangers
7. Too Hungry To Be Happy
- T8. Chunky Monkey
- T8. El Gorda No More Da
9. Muffins B Gone
10. I Pity the Food

Answers to last week's puzzle



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat/Sun
24	25	26	27	28	29/30
		Asian-Pacific American Heritage Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Club	Master Sergeant Promotion Release	Enlisted Promotions, 3 p.m. @ Club	
		Enlisted Call, 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. @ Kaye	Promotion Party, 4 p.m. @ Club	Class 10-10 Assignment Night, 5p.m. @ Club	
			Blood Drive @ Chapel Annex to May 27 on calendar		
31	1	2	3	4	5/6
Memorial Day Holiday	Civilian Call, 3p.m. @ Kaye	Newcomers, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. @ AFRC		Commander's Bowling Challenge	CAFB Triathlon

Long Range Events

- June 8: Class 11-03 Track Select
- June 11: Class 10-10 Graduation
- June 12: Daedalian's Golf Tournament
- June 15: Class 11-01 PPW

- June 15: Hearts Apart
- June 18: 49th FTS Change of Command
- June 18: Class 10-11 Assignment Night
- June 19: Daedalian's Golf Tournament
- June 19: Newcomers

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In addition, Staff Sgt. Murat Elahi was awarded the BLAZE 5/6 Scholarship Award; and Tech. Sgt. Erica Solis and Sergeant Elahi received the Pitsenbarger Award.



14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

As of press time, 89 BLAZE TEAM members are de-ployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.





U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Jacob Corbin

Second Lt. Sean Anderson explains an aerial demonstration to Ontarius Johnson at this year's air show and open house, Wings over Columbus 2010, May 15 at Columbus AFB. Lieutenant Anderson is a student pilot with the 37th Flying Training Squadron and Mr. Johnson is a seven-year-old attendee of the air show.



U.S. Air Force photo/Second Lt. Carlye La Pointe

Event goes at Wings over Columbus 2010 stare skyward as the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds perform May 16 at Columbus Air Force Base. Over 40,000 people attended the two-day event.



U.S. Air Force photo/Elizabeth Owens

A T-33 Shooting Star performs at Wings over Columbus 2010, May 15 here. Around 40,000 people attended the two-day open house on May 15 and 16.



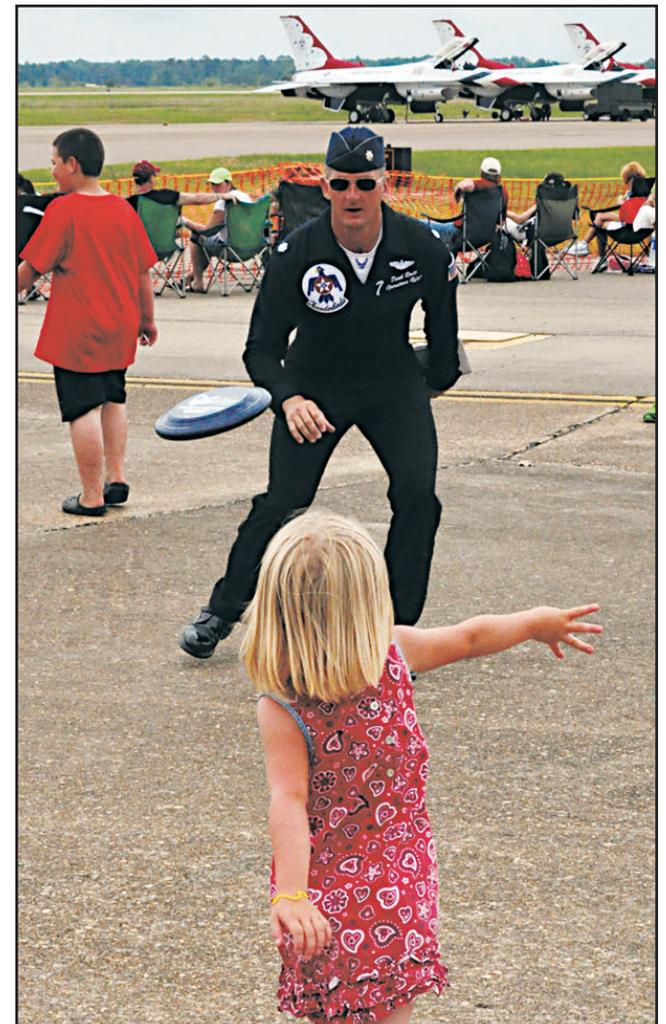
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A crowd watches as a C-17 Globemaster III lands at the 2010 Columbus AFB air show and open house May 15. The C-17 is part of the C-17 Demonstration Team, "The Rat Pack" from Altus AFB, Okla.



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Jacob Corbin

The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds perform at Wings over Columbus 2010, May 15 at Columbus AFB.



U.S. Air Force photo/Second Lt. Carlye La Pointe

Lt. Col. Derek Routt, Thunderbird seven, plays with four-year-old Kayla Lawson at the Columbus Air Force Base Air Show and Open House, Wings over Columbus 2010, May 16 during a pause in flying due to weather. Ms. Lawson visited Columbus AFB from Booneville, Miss.