

"Produce Pilots, Advance Airmen, Feed the Fight"

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Weather



Today

High: 82, Low: 47
Sunny



Saturday

High: 81, Low: 57
Sunny



Sunday

High: 76, Low: 44
Mostly Sunny



Monday

High: 69, Low: 42
Partly Cloudy

News Briefs

CFC Begins

The Combined Federal Campaign kicks off Oct. 4 and will run through Nov. 15. The CFC is a six week long fundraiser for hundreds of local and national charities. Civilian and military personnel can expect representatives for the CFC to contact them with further instructions on how to donate. Members may track the effects of their donations by watching the thermometer graph at the main gate to see how close CAFB is to its goal.

Fire Prevention Week Open House

This year's Fire Prevention Week Open House will kick off Oct. 2 at 10:30 a.m. with a parade through base housing by Columbus Air Force Base fire engines and their local community counterparts. There will be activities the whole family will enjoy such as Fire Prevention Trailer tours, bouncy games face painting, prizes for kids and special guest Sparky the Fire Dog. The fire department will also demonstrate what they do to protect CAFB and its people with live aircraft fire and car extrication demonstrations, as well as station tours.

Active Shooter Exercise

On Oct. 5 and 6 there will be an active shooter exercise on base to evaluate Team BLAZE's ability to respond to an incident. Base operations including the medical clinic and the commissary will be interrupted throughout both days. See the story on page 4 for more information. Traffic into both gates will be slowed and at times stopped during the exercise.

Inside



Feature **10**

SUPT Class 10-15 graduates today at 10 a.m. at the Kaye Auditorium.



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Jacob Corbin
Airman 1st Class Samuel Nabakowski, 14th Operations Support Squadron and a volunteer at this year's Retiree Appreciation Day, gives information on the Airman and Family Readiness Center to Retired Tech. Sgt. William Eubanks Sept. 24 at the Columbus Club.

Base holds retiree appreciation day

Staff Sgt. Jacob Corbin
14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

The men and women of Team BLAZE took some time Sept. 25 to say thank you to the men and women who have retired from service in the armed forces.

This year's Columbus AFB Annual Retiree Appreciation Day saw visitors from hundreds of miles away coming to learn

about Columbus AFB, the base's services and opportunities for retirees.

Nearly every organization on-base, from the commissary to family housing, and from the legal office to the local Air Force Association chapter, had booths at the event, showcasing their services that are available for retirees. In addition, those attending had the chance to receive a tour of the base.

During lunch, retirees were greeted by

14th Flying Training Wing Vice Commander Col. George Ross.

Colonel Ross thanked the retirees for their service to their country in peace time and war. He also thanked many of them for their continued service as volunteers at Columbus AFB, while also encouraging everyone to volunteer, whether on-base or in the community.

Retiree Appreciation Day is held each year in the fall at Columbus AFB.

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 (11-10)	2.27 days	2.08 days	Nov. 17	48th (10-15)	0.00 days	1.02 days	Oct. 1	49th (10-AB)	5.32 days	6.80 days	Oct. 15	T-6	3,225	3,073	35,101
41st (11-09)	3.84 days	0.82 days	Oct. 21	50th (10-15)	0.00 days	3.38 days	Oct. 1					T-1	1,087	981	11,720
												T-38	1,052	1,077	11,639
												IFF	203	202	2,431

The graduation speaker is Lt. Gen. Gary Trexler, former 14th Flying Training Wing commander.

Columbus AFB makes child a "pilot for a day"



U.S. Air Force photo/Elizabeth Owens

Victoria Hooks, a seriously ill child, stands next to a T-6 Texan II Sept. 24. Cancer survivor Ms. Hooks was invited, along with her family, to visit Columbus AFB and learn what it's like to be a pilot in the U.S. Air Force. The Pilot for a Day Program's goal is to help children and their families momentarily take their minds off of the daily stresses associated with the child's illness by partnering them with a buddy pilot for a day full of red carpet treatment and Air Force

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14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

As of press time, 75 BLAZE TEAM members are deployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.



To the Airmen of the United States Air Force:

The Air Force is engaged in a long-term effort with near-term urgency to improve our nation's energy security and make energy efficiency and conservation a reality for our current and future Airmen. Our work to achieve our energy goals requires sustained dedication, a systematic approach, determined leadership, and a firm commitment from all of us to identify and implement workable solutions.

October is Energy Awareness Month throughout the Federal government and we are using it to kick-off energy awareness campaigns across all levels of the Air Force. Our theme this year is

A New Culture: Energy as an Operations Enabler. This theme highlights the importance of energy to our overall mission to Fly, Fight and Win, and supports the Air Force energy strategy to Reduce Demand, Increase Supply, and Change our Culture.

Over the past year, we have made solid progress against our strategic energy goals as a result of your hard work. We must instill energy efficiency and conservation within our installation and aviation communities as part of our daily life and work.

Your daily commitment to enhancing our nation's energy security is consistent with our core values and supports the Air Force mission. Through teamwork and discipline we can execute our strategy and make lasting energy improvements for our Air Force and our nation.

MICHAEL B. DONLEY
NORTON A. SCHWARTZ

Secretary of the Air Force
General, USAF
Chief of Staff

Fire Prevention Week Open House to be held Saturday

Senior Airman Joshua Van Zuiden
14th Civil Engineer Squadron
Fire and Emergency Services

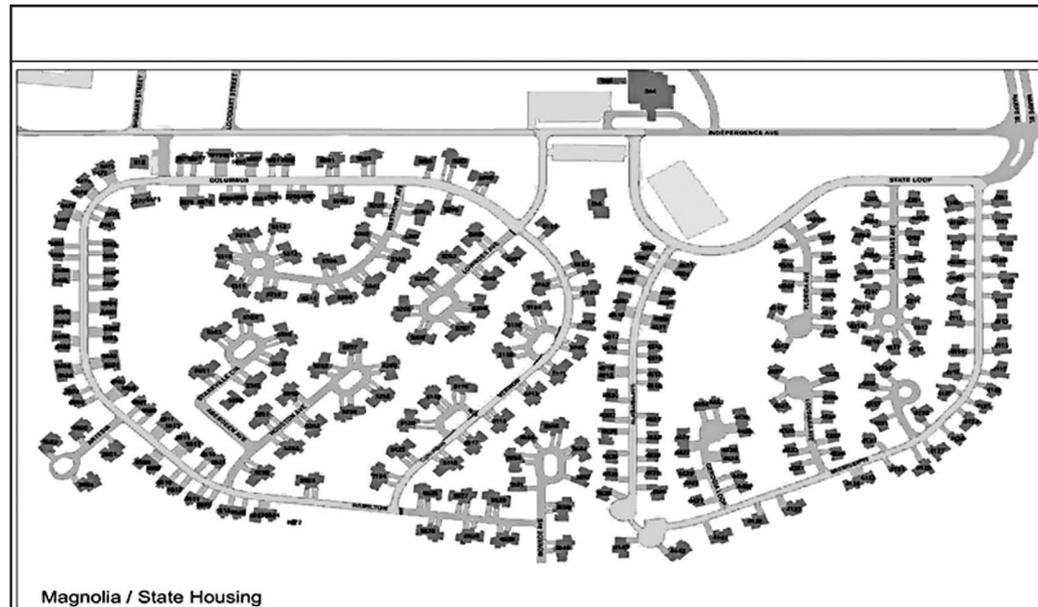
Columbus AFB Fire and Emergency Services will open its doors for the 2010 Fire Prevention Week; we have a special week planned to educate, have lots of fun, and see some great demonstrations.

Bring the kids and get ready for a spectacular

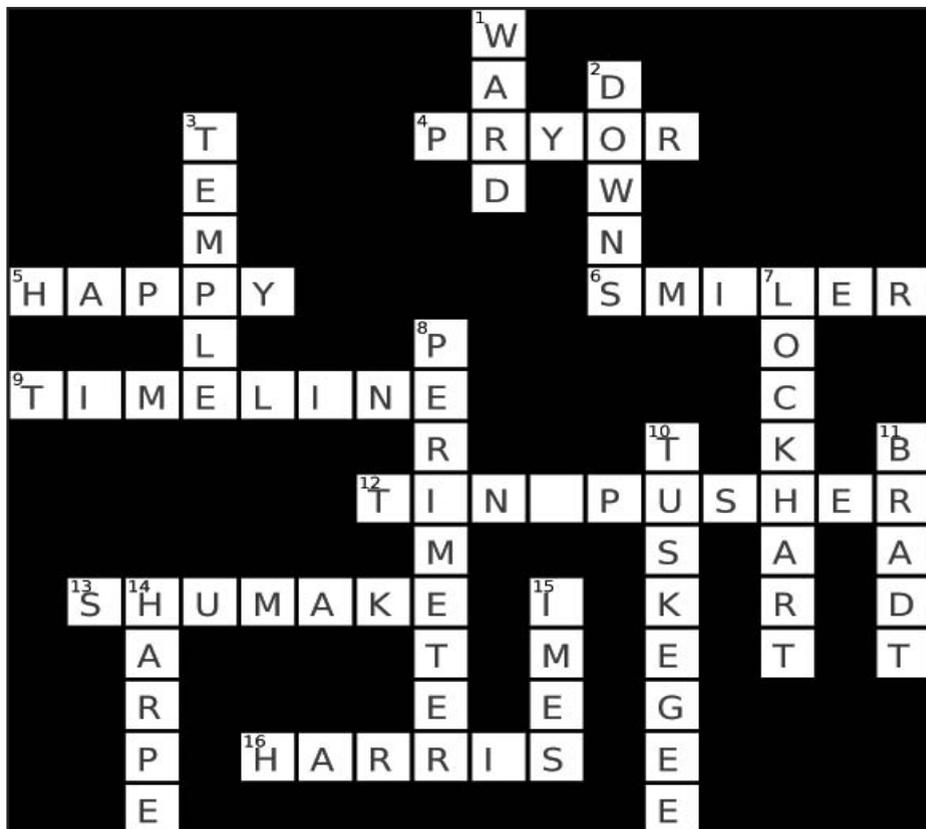
and exciting day with the firefighters, along with everyone's favorite fire safety dog, "Sparky!"

The Base Housing Parade will be Oct. 2 at 9 a.m. followed by the Fire Station Open House until 2 p.m.

There will be a live fire demo, home exit drills, certified car seat inspections, jaws of life demo, fire extinguisher training, smoke house, inflatable games, hose bowling, giveaway prizes, and much more.



U.S. Air Force photo/
Staff Sgt. Jacob Corbin
A child plays "fire hose bowling" at last year's Fire Prevention Week Open House.



Lockdown: what to do in the event of an active shooter

Staff Sgt. Jacob Corbin

14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

While next week's exercise is on the forefront of most Team BLAZE members minds, it's important to remember and understand the proper procedures during an active shooter not only during the exercise, but in the event of a real-world incident.

(Editor's note: Remember to refer any questions received about incidents to Columbus AFB Public Affairs at 434-7068).

The procedures for an active shooter incident are divided into three categories: Lockdown, Stay Put and All Clear.

Lockdown

Columbus AFB is under emergency lockdown due to an Active Shooter on base...TAKE COVER.

If indoors: Move to the nearest office; Lock/barricade doors; Take adequate cover under/behind furniture; Stay calm, quiet and out of sight; DO NOT attempt to move wounded personnel.

If driving: Park off roadway; Lock doors; Keep out of sight.

If outside: Get down; Keep out of sight.

Stay Put

Authorities believe the Gunman has been subdued however stay where you are.

Do NOT leave your facility unless directed. It is permissible to move inside your present facility, remain clear of exterior windows.

Recovery personnel (Fire/medical) will be in your area to assist. Members of recovery teams expect recall.

All Clear

Gunman has been subdued and base is secure, emergency/recovery actions are completed. It is now safe to move outside your facility.

Other Information

Columbus AFB members can expect to be notified by the on-base "giant voice" system; AtHoc Information System; BLAZE All e-mail; and by Columbus AFB Twitter.

To get updates about ongoing incidents contact 434-CAFB for the latest news; listen to new "giant voice" messages; monitor CableOne (on-base) channel 64; and follow the Columbus AFB Facebook and Twitter sites.



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS 14TH FLYING TRAINING WING
COLUMBUS AIR FORCE BASE MISSISSIPPI

24 September 2010

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL COLUMBUS AFB PERSONNEL

FROM: 14 FTW/CV

SUBJECT: Air Force Climate Survey (AFCS), 1 Oct – 28 Nov 10

1. Each of you will be receiving a personal e-mail invitation from the Chief of Staff of the Air Force asking you to provide feedback on the organizational climate of your unit. The purpose of the survey is to "tap the pulse" of the Air Force by soliciting the opinions from those that make it work. Air Force members (active duty, Reserve, Air National Guard and civil service employees (including Nonappropriated Fund employees)) are highly encouraged to participate. Students, new accessions and contractors are not eligible to take the survey.

2. On behalf of Col Seguin, your commander, I want to take this opportunity to encourage each one of you to participate in this survey when you receive your personal e-mail invitation. By examining our organization climate, actionable data concerning the ability of a unit to sustain effective performance is obtained. In addition, the other commanders and I will gain insight into issues affecting retention within our units including recognition, unit leadership and overall job satisfaction.

3. This is your opportunity to tell me directly what the BLAZE leadership team is doing right AND in what areas we can make improvements. Air Force leadership will receive a final report, containing your feedback on the areas that have the greatest influence on your service, job satisfaction, recognition, supervision and more. Responses to the survey directly influence and assist in building the structure and support you need to accomplish our ever-changing and demanding mission. By sharing your voice, you ensure a stronger Air Force for the future. By speaking today, you can shape tomorrow!

George H Ross III

GEORGE H. ROSS III, Colonel, USAF
Vice Commander

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,

\$4,200. Call 329-1843.

For sale: 2005 Clayton mobile home, 14 X 56, two bedrooms, one bath, all electric. \$17,000, call 251-5990.

Land for sale: 2.1 acres on Wood Road in Caledonia. Ready to build! Call 356-6844 after 6 pm.

For sale: 2007 Honda Odyssey AXL van, new tires, XM radio, leather, heated seats. Excellent condition, many extras, 57,500 miles, under warranty. \$20,995. Call 356-4511 after 4 p.m.

Transportation

For sale: 2000 Honda Odyssey EX Minivan. Brand new Michelin tires, CD player, excellent condition. Only 84,000 miles. \$8,300. Call 356-4538.

For sale: 2003 Sea Doo GTX-4 Super Charged 185 HP 3 person jet ski with trailer. Just fully serviced by Sea Doo dealer, ready to go. Seats three, pulls wakeboards, tubes and houseboats. \$4,200, (859) 248-1428.

For sale: Powered Paraglider (15-20 HP), solo 210 motor, two wings included, electric starter, \$2,700. Please call (859) 248-1428.

For sale: 2007 Prius, 66,000 miles, selling for \$13,500. Call (707) 386-7304 or (707) 803-0569.

For sale: 1987 Ford Escort, automatic, good condition, new tires, some engine work done, A/C works but needs recharging, as is, \$1,000 or best offer. Call 251-1413.

For sale: 2003 Ford Sport Trac XLT, 63,400 miles, 4.0 V6, five speed automatic. Tilt, cruise control, AM/FM CD cassette, driving lights, grill guard, electric windows, electric door locks, electric rear window, keyless entry, power driver's seat, outside temperature and compass, tires have 6,000 miles and were just balanced and rotated. Recent oil change and air filter. \$10,500 or take up payments at Credit Union. 549-6867.

For sale: 994 Merry Valley. Gorgeous wooded one acre lot. 1,900 sq. ft. Three bedrooms, two full baths, large open kitchen with abundant storage, large master bath, spacious bedrooms, ceramic tile kitchen and bathrooms, fireplace, built in microwave and attached garage. \$149,900. Call 386-9750.

For sale: 2004 Lincoln Towncar Ultimate, 4.6L V8 engine. 74,000 miles. Ivory with tan interior. Has two and a half years dealer's warranty. Will negotiate. Call 425-4953 or 274-5479 for more information.

For sale: 2007 Yamaha R6, 2,500 miles, black, full LEO exhaust. \$6,950 or best offer. Call (808) 221-2005.

For sale: 2005 Triumph Rocket III, black with lots of extras! 7,400 miles. Excellent condition. \$8950 or best offer. Call (808) 221-2005.

For sale: 2000 BMW R1200C, cruiser, black w/ pinstripes. 11,700 miles. Recently serviced. Excellent Condition. \$6,450 or best offer. Call (808) 221-2005.

For sale: 15 foot V haul Fishing boat, refurbished. 15 HP motor. \$2,500 or best offer. Call 386-8165.

Miscellaneous

For sale: Patio set with six chairs, \$60 or best offer. Call (707) 386-7304 or (707) 803-0569.

For sale: HP Pavilion Slimline Desktop Computer with Windows Vista Premium, 1 GB Intel Pentium Dual Core processor, 160GB hard drive, DVD+/R/RW. Loaded with additional software i.e. photo package, Norton, 22 inch LCD monitor. Internet ready. \$495 or best offer. Please call 327-1205.

For sale: IBM ThinkPad R52 Laptop, 1.8 MHz, P4, 512 RAM, 40GB hard drive, DVD/CDRW drive, USB ports, Wifi, Windows XP, Microsoft Office Suite & Adobe. Comes with carrying bag. Asking \$240 or best offer. Call 386-6981.

For sale: HP Desktop PC, 250GB hard drive, Intel 4-3Ghz, 2GB RAM, 19" LCD monitor, MS Office, Vista, \$350 or best offer. Delta crib and changing table with drawers, \$300. Baby stroller that converts to back carrier, \$30. High chair, \$15. For more information please call 497-2175.

For sale: 12' Flat bottom jon boat, \$100. Green recliner, \$20. Quick Set 18'x48" pool w/filter, pump, HD ladder, etc. \$100 for all. Call 251-1415.

For sale: Day Bed. Brand new. Beautiful decorative dark wood. Bedspread and shams included. \$200. Call 312-7501.

For sale: Chaise lounge, beige microfiber, excellent condition, \$125. Sofa, pillow-back, light blue and beige plaid, excellent condition, \$150. Call 329-4615 and leave a message.

For sale: French provincial dining set with eight chairs and china cabinet \$200. Solid wood end tables \$10 each. Drop leaf table, \$15. Antique steel full size bed \$30. Antique dresser \$35. Pressboard bookshelves \$10 each. Side chairs \$15 each. Durapella couch \$250 and matching loveseat \$150. Treadmill \$100. Fifty five gallon aquarium with stand \$100. Wall oven \$30. Lay-in electric/glass cooktop \$30. Dishwasher, \$30. Call 549-8137 or 549-8180.

For sale: 21 in. RCA TV in like new condition \$35. Nice foosball table. Side wall sustained minor damage from movers, requires a little wood work, but it can be as good as new. The rest of the table is in like new condition \$35. Beautiful red brand new queen size quilt \$20. All prices negotiable. Call (302) 359-1754.

For sale: Emergency roadside warning signs. \$10. Sharp Carousel II microwave \$20. American camper back pack. \$10. Small fold up vinyl table. \$5. Three way Bissell broom style vacuum cleaner \$10. Regal Electric 12 cup coffee maker \$10. Stove top griddle, non-stick \$5. Please call 327-1205.

For sale: New Nature Purest high chair \$45. Hamilton Beach Prep Star food processor \$15. New PSP ultimate travel kit \$8. New PSP Final Fantasy video game, new Bright Starts Dream Along Mobile \$15. New Leap Frog Click Start Learning System \$20. Vtech V-Smile Learning System \$20. New V-Smile Baby Learning System \$20. Baby bedding set, includes comforter, bumper, fitted sheet, bed skirt and two pillows \$20. Box of beanie babies \$15. New digital picture frame \$30. Conair whirlpool massaging foot spa \$20. Dirt Devil spot scrubber \$15. Elmo Live doll \$30. Conair Pet grooming kit \$15. Schwinn jogging stroller \$80. Black entertainment center \$20. Tall Christmas tree \$15. Please call (337) 274-5479.

For sale: Dark cherry wood armore small closet door on right, seven drawers and small shelf space on left. 67 inches tall, 41 inches wide. \$100 or best offer. Dark cherry wood TV cabinet 77 inches tall, 45 inches wide \$100 or best offer. Call 386-8166.

For sale: Ashley sofa. Pillow-back, light blue and beige plaid, with accent

pillows, excellent condition, \$150. Call 329-4615 and leave message.

For sale: 455 power reflector telescope. Tasco. \$250. Fender Starcaster electric guitar and amplifier. \$150. Call 356-4538.

For sale: 27" Zenith color TV \$35. HP Deskjet Color Inkjet printer model 6122 \$35. Call 328-2550.

For sale: Extang Tonneau cover, classic platinum, black, fits 99-06 6foot 6 inch Chevrolet short bed. \$100. Herculiner brush-on bed liner, gray. \$40. Call 889-3974.

For sale: Component stereo system: MCS 100W amp with AM/FM receiver, Scott dual cassette tape deck, Garrard record turntable, and Panasonic dual CD player with all connecting cords and owner's manuals. \$100 for system or components sold separately for \$35 each. Call 329-1064 after 5 p.m. or 251-2815 cell.

For sale: Portable hot tub. Seats four adults. \$3,500. Call 329-1843.

Wanted

Wanted: Swingset in good shape. Call 570-1856.

Wanted: 38 Cal revolver or 9 MM semi-automatic pistol. Must be in excellent condition. Call 329-1843.

Yard Sales

Yard sale: 4112 Mississippi Ave. State Village. Oct. 2, 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. Multi-family, moving sale. Clothing, baby items, books, holiday decor and more.

Yard sale: 5523A Hamilton Ave, Magnolia Village Saturday Oct. 22010. A poker table that seats ten. Young boy and girl clothing and toys. Four, 07 DTS, 17 inch Chrome Cadillac Rims on Michelin tires (Low miles). Men and women winter jackets and clothes.

Garage sale: Humphries Cove neighborhood garage sale Oct. 2, 7 a.m. to noon. Take Highway 50 West towards West Point, and go over the Tombigbee River Bridge. First and second left for Humphries Cove. Multiple homes involved. Furniture, books, clothes, motorcycles, cars, and more.

Base News

Housing Asset Management Office Co-location

The Housing Asset Management Office in-processing and relocations services have co-located to 256 State Loop (Landings at Columbus). The Relocations Services telephone number is 434-8402.

Adjunct Instructors Needed

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University needs instructors for their Master of Aeronautical Science and Master of Science in Management degree programs at Columbus AFB. Email resumes to the ERAU's Director of Academics at reginald.boring@erau.edu.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Columbus AFB classes for ERAU's Master of Science in Management and Master of Aeronautical Science degree programs will begin Oct. 18. Please contact (901) 507-9969 for more information.

AFRC Closed for training

The Airman and Family Readiness Center will be closed at 2:30 p.m. every Thursday for training. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Dependent ID Cards

The Military Personnel Section wishes to remind its customers that a dependant's sponsor must be present for issuance of a dependent ID card. Alternatively the sponsor can sign a DD Form 1172 in advance and file it with Customer Support, allowing the dependent to come in at a later date to get the ID card without the sponsor. Without the sponsor or the DD Form 1172 the dependant can obtain a temporary ID card that will expire in 30 days. For all of the above options the dependant must bring a current or expired dependent ID card as well as a second photo ID.

Military Leave

In accordance with AFI 36-3003, all leave must start and stop in the local area, meaning the place where the member lives and from which he or she commutes to the duty station. When inputting the leave address in LeaveWeb or on a hard-copy AF Form 988, ensure to include a complete mailing address and telephone number with an area code through which the unit may contact the member if necessary. Please be aware that in accordance with AFMAN 65-116V2, leave requests cannot be processed more than two weeks in advance of the start date. If a member submits a leave request more than two weeks out, a leave num-

ber will not be issued to it until two weeks prior to the effective start date. If you have any questions, please contact Military Personnel Customer Support at 434-2601 or 434-2626.

JPPSO-SAT Relocation

JPPSO-SAT will relocate to Port San Antonio, Texas on Oct. 7 and will be minimally manned the month of October. JPPSO recommends that all service members relocating in the month of October visit their local PPPO (TMO) no later than 30 days prior to their pickup date to ensure a smooth personal property move.

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 434-7231 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.

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.

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 afrc@columbus.af.mil.)

Self-paced Tutorials

Available on MS Office 2007 Suites; Access, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, Word and Windows Vista. Set your own learning pace at your AFRC.

Relocation assistance

Weekly workshop on programs, services and resources available through the Airman & Family Readiness Center held every Wednesday from 9 to 10 a.m. at the AFRC. Topics of discussion include preparing for a move, environment/cultural issues or needs, adaptation and community awareness.

Resume and Cover Letters,

Oct. 4 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Workshop on writing resumes and cover letters for employment.

Base Blood Drive



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Chase Hedrick
Senior Airman Joshua Mayorga, 14th Operations Support Squadron Air Traffic Controller looks on as Charlie Dillon, Mississippi Blood Services Phlebotomist removes a needle on Sept. 28. The base's blood drive brought in 63 donors who gave 150 products of platelets, red blood cells, and units of blood. If you are interested in helping others but were not able to make the blood drive, contact 1st Lt. Adam Irvin at 434-2123 for information on becoming a bone marrow donor.

Chapel Schedule

2010-2011 Pioneer Clubs Program

The CAFB Chapel has begun registration for the children's program Pioneer Club. The program will be held each Wednesday evening 6 p.m. to 7:30p.m. This program is open to children ages three years through seventh grade. This is an ecumenical religious program geared to teach children about Christ in every aspect of life. A pot luck dinner will be served each week at 5 p.m. parents must join their children at dinner.

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 Worship Service

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 Services

Thursday
6 p.m. — Choir Practice
Sunday:
3:30 p.m. — Religious Education, grades K-9
3:45 p.m. — Choir Practice
4 p.m. — Confession
5 p.m. — Mass
6 p.m. — RCIA
Baptisms every 3rd Sunday of the month except Lent and Advent. Call (808) 271-4882 for more information.

Gone but not forgotten

Airman 1st Class Chase Hedrick
14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

Behind an iron gate, hidden under tall grass and tucked away deep inside the walls of Columbus Air Force Base lies a one-half acre plot of land filled with weatherworn headstones and unmarked graves.

Many people over the years have watched over this piece of Mississippi history known as the Greer-Rush-Nelson Burying Ground, that isn't even technically part of Columbus AFB.

The most recent person to care for this quiet cemetery was Larry Caldwell, 14th Mission Support Group logistics readiness division deputy. Using his personal tools Mr. Caldwell took on the weeds, brush, and southern heat to restore the resting place of the 51 people buried there.

"These people were part of the history of this

area and they deserve the respect of having the places they were buried," said Mr. Caldwell.

Dr. Doris Crusoe, 14th Flying Training Wing Historian stated that the cemetery has been moved on two separate occasions to facilitate runway construction. First, the Army Corps of Engineers moved Greer-Rush-Nelson Burying Ground in 1942 to build a runway for the newly established CAFB. In 1955, the cemetery was relocated again to support the new mission of the base as a Strategic Air Command, which required building a northwest southwest runway.

The graveyard is the only piece of land on base not owned by the federal government, and as such cannot be maintained with base resources. Because of this the site depends on the actions of volunteers such as Mr. Caldwell to help keep from fading into the past.



U.S. Air Force photo/Clara Whitley
Larry Caldwell, 14th Mission Support Group logistics readiness division deputy, works to clean up the Greer-Rush-Nelson Burying Ground Sept. 21. The graveyard is the only piece of land on base not owned by the federal government, and as such cannot be maintained with base resources. Because of this the site depends on the actions of volunteers such as Mr. Caldwell to help keep from fading into the past.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat/Sun
4 CFC Begins	5 Oct. 5-6: Active Shooter Exercise, all day	6 Golden Triangle Employment Expo, @ MUW	7	8 BCC Luncheon canceled Class 11-01 Assignment Night, 5 p.m., @ Club	9/10 Oct 9/10: Autocross
11 CAFB Closed for Columbus Day Holiday	12	13	14 Hispanic Heritage Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., @ Club	15 IFF Grad, 4:45 p.m., @ 49th FTS Heritage Room	16/17 Oct. 16: BLAZE Race, 7 a.m., Fitness Center

Long Range Events		
Oct 18: Wing Retreat	Oct 19: Hearts Apart	Graduation
Oct 19: Class 11-15 Pilot Partner Welcome	Oct 19: Newcomers	Oct 29: Enlisted Promotions
Oct 19: CSC Social	Oct 21: Daedalian's Dinner	Oct. 29: Boss N' Buddy Night
	Oct 21: Track Select	Oct. 30: Halloween on-base
	Oct. 21 BX Ribbon Cutting	Nov. 5: Tops in Blue
	Oct 22: Class 11-01	

AROUND TOWN

Friends of the Library

Dr. Tom Richardson, MUW's Dean of Arts and Sciences, wraps up the Friends of the Library's September series with a look at the upcoming Oct. 21 to 23 "Eudora Welty Writers' Symposium." He will preview the line-up of 12 visiting southern writers. Bring your lunch at 11:30; iced tea provided. Or join friends from noon to 1:00 p.m. for the program at the Columbus-Lowndes Public Library at 314 Seventh Street North. For more information contact the library at 329-5300.

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 327-3107.

Sundays at the Bluff

Sundays at the Bluff will explore the history of Indian burial mounds with Dr. Evan Peacock, an anthropology professor from Mississippi State University on Oct. 3 starting at 2 p.m at the Plymouth Bluff Center. For more information please call 241-6214.

Foster and Adoption Opportunities

The Mississippi Department of Human Service is in need of foster and adoptive families in Lowndes Clay County. If you would like to open your heart and home to a child please contact Penny Peralto in Lowndes County at 329-1101. For adoption contact Karen Ward in Clay County at 494-8987.

Leave the buying to us

Lt. Col. Brian Heaps
14th Contracting Squadron

One of the great attributes of our Air Force is the fact that we are normally well-trained to accomplish our mission. Whatever your AFSC, Uncle Sam spends a lot of money preparing and equipping you to meet your part of the AF mission.

Contracting is no different. Our training prepares us to buy the commodities, services, and construction to meet our mission. Part of this training consists of knowing those pesky little issues like federal laws and AFIs that muck up the process. We receive a lot of training to legally "buy stuff" and, quite frankly, I believe we do a pretty good job of it in the 14th Contracting Squadron.

One federal regulation states that only a warranted contracting officer can legally obligate the Government. A warranted contracting officer, aka a CO, is highly trained and entrusted with wisely spending our taxpayers' dollars. The only warranted COs on Columbus AFB are assigned to the 14th CONS. Personnel who use the Government Purchase Cards, or GPC, are extensions of our purchasing capability. While they receive training and act on behalf of the Government, they are not COs.

This leads to a current dilemma here at Columbus. An unauthorized commitment occurs when someone, who is not a CO or GPC holder, obligates the US Government. An example of an unauthorized commitment is if you told a contractor to deliver an extra amount of supplies or perform extra services that are not on the contract. Sometimes you are under pressure to just "get it

done"; other times, you are trying to make a good impression. No matter the intent, it's not legal.

From February through August of this year, base personnel committed four unauthorized purchases. That may seem small to you, but we had zero during my previous 14 months. Unauthorized purchases get noticed...by commanders, by headquarters and by inspectors.

There are basically two ways we deal with unauthorized commitments. The first is through the ratification process. In layman's terms, it's "fixing" an unauthorized commitment by making it legal. This is a tedious process that involves commanders and, depending on the dollar amount, higher headquarters approval.

The second resolution happens when we cannot legally ratify an unauthorized action. In this event, the individual stuck with the bill is normally the person who illegally committed the Government in the first place. While it doesn't happen often, there are times that we cannot ratify an action. The question to ask is whether or not you want to be the example of when we can't ratify an unauthorized commitment.

The great news is there's an easy fix to this. If you are conducting market research and getting prices, don't suggest to a company that they will get the job or order. It's not your decision. When dealing with a contractor, don't obligate the Government to something that's not on contract. If you are unsure of what the contract states, find out by calling your contracting officer. In these situations, call 14th CONS at DSN 742-7802 if you have any questions.

Track Select

2nd Lt. Matthew S. Coffey	T-1
2nd Lt. Michael G. Cox	T-1
2nd Lt. Joshua L. Elmshaeuser	T-1
2nd Lt. Kristofer T. Fernandez	T-1
2nd Lt. Stephan L. Frye	T-38
2nd Lt. Tyler J. Gibson	Helo
2nd Lt. Ryan T. Goodpaster	T-38
2nd Lt. Michelle M. Hamland	T-38
2nd Lt. Donald W. Hart	T-1
2nd Lt. Paul A. Hesser	T-1
2nd Lt. Sean M. Jensen	T-44
2nd Lt. Ryan B. Kennedy	T-1
Maj. Patrick J. McMahon	T-1
2nd Lt. Gregory S. Mitchell	T-1
2nd Lt. Dustin A. Nordman	T-38
2nd Lt. Gregory C. Oswald	T-1
2nd Lt. Tyler L. Piening	T-1
2nd Lt. Joseph A. Place	T-1
2nd Lt. William F. Poeschl	T-1
2nd Lt. Eric B. Prosser	T-44
2nd Lt. Walter B. Studley	T-38
2nd Lt. Joshua R. Welch	T-1
2nd Lt. Harvey M. White	T-38

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Top Guns

Contact: 2nd Lt. Donald W. Hart
Instrument: 2nd Lt. Harvey M. White
Formation: 2nd Lt. Michelle M. Hamland

Leverette Award

2nd Lt. William F. Poeschl

50th FTS performs flyover for Tennessee Titans, receive game ball



Courtesy photo

Lt. Col. Steven Ankerstar, 50th Flying Training Squadron commander, hoists the Tennessee Titans game ball after he and pilots with the 50th Flying Training Squadron received it for their flyover earlier in the game Sept. 24.

Deer Hunting Season opens today

Frank Lockhart
14th Civil Engineer Squadron

The 2010-2011 deer hunting season begins today. Base permits are available for purchase at Outdoor Recreation, Building 152. Hunters must have a valid Mississippi Hunting License in order to purchase a permit.

Hunters born after Jan 1, 1972 must complete the Hunter Education course offered by Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks. The course will be offered on 30 Oct and 4 Dec at the American Legion Bldg., 308 Chubby Drive, Columbus MS. A portion of the course may be completed online at www.mdwfp.com. Call MDWFP district office at 662-840-5172 to register for classroom portion.

Hunters will also need to schedule and attend a "Sportsman Safety Briefing." Safety briefings may be conducted by Outdoor Recreation or by base game wardens below:

The 2010-11 Game Wardens are: Frank Lockhart, 14th CES, 434-7958; Mike Blythe, 14th CES, 434-7353; Anthony Boykin, 14th CES, 434-2265; Senior Airman Dustin Weeks, 14th SFS, 434-7148; Tech. Sgt. Jason Pringle, 14th SFS, 434-6211; Steve Bocek, 14th FSS, 434-2505; and David (Buck) Jolly, 14th FTW/SE, 434-2027. For more information about a hunter education class or to replace a hunter education card contact: MDWFP, Hunter Education Division

P. O. Box 451
Jackson, MS 39205

1-800-354-5033 or call your local District Office.

See next week's Silver Wings for a complete list of hunting seasons in Mississippi.

Uniform phaseout dates draw near

Brad Jessmer
Air Force Uniform Office

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio — With many phaseout and mandatory wear dates approaching, the look of Air Force uniforms will change slightly over the next year. Here are a few dates to remember for uniform and policy changes.

As of the following dates, wear of the listed uniform items will be phased out:

- Oct. 1, 2010**
 - 100 percent wool pullover sweater, replaced with the looser fitting, smooth fabric pullover sweater
 - 2EXXX, 3AXXX and 3CXXX legacy badges
 - Green fleece used as outer garment without name, service designator and rank
- Dec. 31, 2010**
 - Black fleece

— Gray and dark blue scarves, gloves, mittens and earmuffs

Oct. 1, 2011

- 33S legacy badges
- Nov. 1, 2011**
 - Battle Dress Uniform
 - Desert Camouflage Uniform
 - Tan boots (excluding Airmen deployed to the area of responsibility)

Wear of the Airman Battle Uniform and ABU items will be mandatory as of Nov. 1, 2011.

As of Oct. 1, 2010, the optional green fleece without nametapes and rank may only be worn as a liner to the All-Purpose Environmental Clothing System. If worn as an outer garment, the green fleece must have the Airman's name, Air Force tape and rank attached.

For more information on uniform items, visit the Air Force uniform website at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dress/index.asp>.

Softball Scores

GAME 1

DynCorp 18 Winner

14th OSS 10

GAME 2

14th SFS 11

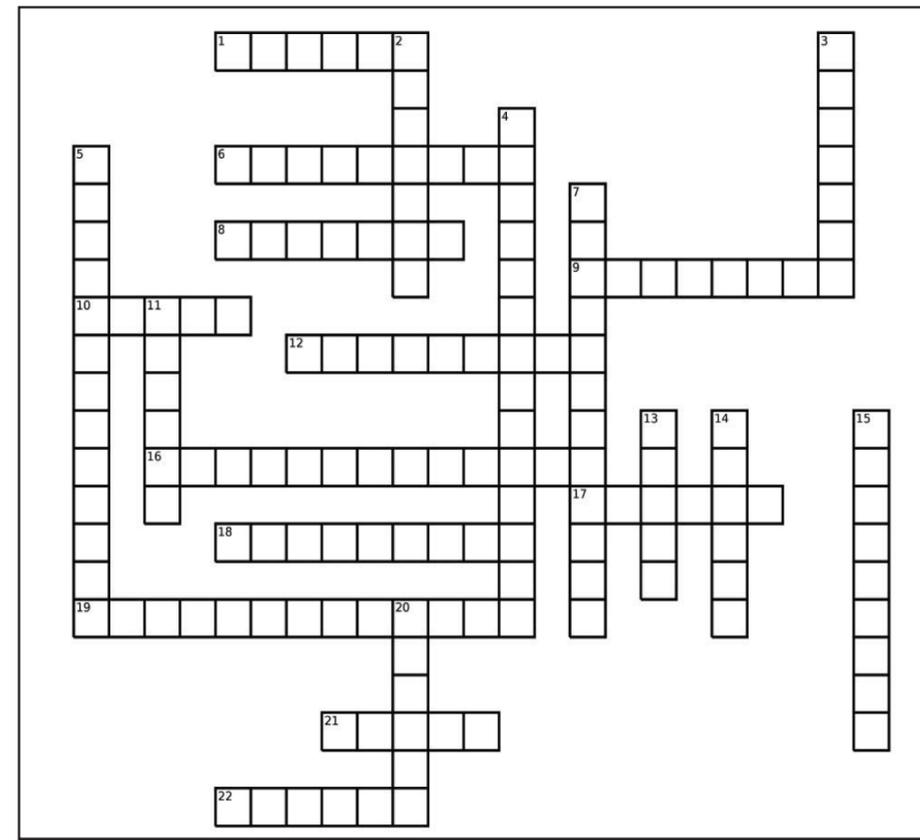
14th CS 15 Winner

GAME 3

37th/41st FTS 6

14th CES 30 Winner

Crossword: Class 10-15 Graduation



- Across
- 1 2nd Lt. Joshua Ishiki of Kaneohe, HI will fly the KC-135 at this base near to home.
 - 2 2nd Lt. Jeffrey Andrade of Redding, CA will be flying the sturdy B-52 at this base located in the state where the state of the reigning super bowl champs.
 - 3 2nd Lt. Steven Marinos of Germantown, TN will fly the C-130 at this base located in the state where the tide rolls.
 - 4 2nd Lt. Erik Hillard of Fishkill, NY doesn't need to worry about moving in order to fly the T-6 at this base.
 - 5 2nd Lt. Shaun Downs of Carbondale, IL will be flying the KC-135 not far from home at this base located next to endless cornfields.
 - 6 1st Lt. Roberts Andrejevs of Riga Latvia will be flying the L-410 at this base.
 - 7 1st Lt. Michael Apel of Palapye, Botswana will fly F-5's at this base in Southern Africa.
 - 8 2nd Lt. Randy Perkins of Las Vegas, NV will fly an RPA at this base located next to the city where "What Happens Here, Stays Here."
 - 9 2nd Lt. Anton Sullivan of Wahoo, NE will Fly the F-16 "Viper" at this ANG base in Iowa.
 - 10 2nd Lt. Cody Wilton of Mineral Wells, TX will fly the A-10 at this base located in a State full of sun and cacti.
 - 11 2nd Lt. Richard Jansen of Hillsdale, NJ will fly the C-5 at this base located in "The First State."
 - 12 2nd Lt. Cody Martin of Suisun City, CA will fly the KC-10 at this base located in California.

- Down
- 1 2nd Lt. Schuyler Henry of Merton, WI will refuel in the KC-135 at this base located in the "Sunshine State."
 - 2 2nd Lt. Patrick Leahy of Burke, VA will fly the C-21 at this base near our nation's capital.
 - 3 1st Lt. Robert Damron of Nicholasville, KY will be refueling in the KC-135 at which base located in Michael Jordan's home state?
 - 4 2nd Lt. Michael Probasco of St. Louis, MO will fly the F-15C at this base in Oregon.
 - 5 2nd Lt. Bryan Tonnessen of Gahanna, OH will refuel in the KC-135 at this ANG base in Ohio.
 - 6 Capt. Isaac Adcock of Albuquerque, NM will be flying the RC-135 at this base located in Cornhusker territory.
 - 7 2nd Lt. Kyle Harrington of Tehachapi, CA will fly the B-1 Lancer at this base located in the "Lone Star State."
 - 8 Capt. Michael Wells of State College, PA will fly the C-17 at this base located where the Rainbow Warriors hail from.
 - 9 1st Lt. Julian Vilata of Novato, CA will be refueling in the KC-135 at this base located in the state where Dwight D. Eisenhower and Amelia Earhart grew up.
 - 10 Capt. John Gattone of Levittown, PA will fly the mighty C-5 at this base located in California.

Base families offered a variety of activities

Military Appreciation Two-Person Scramble

The Whispering Pines Golf Course and West Point Country Club have partnered up to host a two-person scramble Oct. 9-10. Entry is \$50 per person and includes 18-holes golf on Saturday at West Point and 18 holes golf on Sunday at Whispering Pines. Register by Oct. 7 at the Golf Course or call 434-7932 for more information.

Princes Open Golf Scramble

This non-competitive golf outing is for ladies only Oct. 15 starting at 2 p.m. It is a three-lady scramble and includes 9 holes of golf, cart, prize fund, beverages, hors d'oeuvres, door prizes and a small gift for each participant. Entry is \$20 per person. Prizes awarded via a drawing for first, second and third place. Scores do not count. Prizes are determined by number of entries. For more information, call the Whispering Pines Golf Course at 434-7932.

2010 Blaze Race

This Oct. 16 event begins at 8 a.m. for the 10K and 8:30 for the 5K. Cost is \$20 per person if registered by Oct. 1 and \$25 per person after that until the day of the race. Wicking event shirts for all participants. Shirt sizes guaranteed to participants registered by Oct. 1. Register at the fitness center or online at www.active.com.

Bowl for the Cure Tournament

The Fourth Annual Tri Cities USBC Bowl for the Cure Tournament is Oct. 17 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the bowling center. Bowl three games and deadline for entry is one hour prior to shift. Each participant receives Bowl for the Cure T-shirt. Entry fee is \$15. For more information, call 434-3426.

Spooky Spectacular Party and No Tap Bowling Tournament

The Bowling Center is hosting this event from 7 to 10 p.m. Oct. 22. Cost is \$15 per person, \$25 per couple and children 10 and younger is \$5. Entry includes 3 games of bowling, shoe rental, door prizes, pizza and a drink. Prizes awarded for best costume. For more information, call 434-3426.

Powder Puff Ladies Flag Football Tournament

Game times are at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Oct. 23 at the Football/Soccer Complex. The championship game will be at 2 p.m. For more information, call the Fitness Center at 434-2772.

Commanders Challenge Paintball Tourney

This tournament is schedule for 10 a.m. Oct. 23. Each team must have a unit commander, first sergeant or chief and three other members of choice. Cost is \$149 per team and includes all equipment, hamburger lunch and individual trophies for first place, and team trophies for first thru third places. Commander's points awarded for participation. Although tournament starts at 10 a.m., players should arrive by 9:30 a.m. Must have a minimum of six teams. For more information, contact Steve Bockel at 434-2507.

Bowling Center extends hours

Effective Oct. 4, the bowling center snack bar will open at 6 a.m. for breakfast for a 90-day trial period. The center extends their hours due to the discontinuance of the burrito bus Oct. 1. For quality control and a business based action, this service was discontinued. In an effort to ensure we still meet the needs of our customers, the bowling center snack bar will open one hour earlier for those customers that would like to have a freshly made breakfast burrito. Call in orders can be made by calling 434-3426 and an express pick-up line will be available for call-in orders for breakfast and lunch.

Membership Drive Kick-Off

The Columbus Club is offering a free breakfast buffet for members from 7 to 9 a.m. Oct. 20. Cost for non-members is \$10.80. Buffet includes scrambled eggs, grits, biscuits and gravy, bacon, fresh fruit, carving station with ham, waffles and assorted toppings, juice, coffee and milk. For more information, call 434-2490.

Youth Trip to the State Fair

The Youth Center is offering this trip Oct. 9 but families must register by Oct. 5. Space is limited to 15 people. Transportation is free but you must pay admission and gate fees upon arrival. For more information, call 434-2504.

Tannehill Day Trip

Outdoor Recreation is offering this trip Oct. 16 with the bus departing at 7 a.m. and returning at 3 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person and must have a minimum of 10 people for this trip. The beautiful tree-line valley, hillsides rich in ore and swiftly flowing Roupes Creek make this a perfect setting for a successful iron making operation, as the early settlers realized. The same ingredients afford today's visitors a pleasurable escape from modern life. Crafts shops

occupy restored pioneer cabins and artisans chat with visitors from their front porches. The cotton gin, pioneer farm and working gristmill preserve a long gone way of life. For more information, call 434-2507.

Steak Night with Music on the Patio

The Whispering Pines Golf Course is hosting a steak night from 5 to 8 p.m. Oct. 29 on their back patio under the tent. Cost is \$11.95 for an 8 oz. ribeye steak. Price includes salad, baked potato, salad and a 16 oz. iced tea or fountain drink. Cost for children ages 12 and under is \$2.50 for a hot dog, chips and fountain drink. Stay for the acoustical sounds of base musicians from 6-8 p.m. Reservations are required for dinner. Make your reservation in the pro shop by Oct. 28 or call 434-7932.

Pumpkin Carving Contest

The Base Library is hosting this 21st annual event with judging Oct. 28 at 2 p.m. Pumpkins can be picked up at the Library on Oct. 26 or entrants may provide their own. Decorated pumpkins must be returned no later than 1 p.m. Oct. 28. The contest is open to everyone. First place prizes will be awarded in four categories: Best entry by an individual, best entry by a family, best entry by a Squadron/Group, and best entry with a Library Related Them.

Youth Center Fall Festival

The Youth Center is hosting this family event from 5:30-7 p.m. Oct. 29. Cost is \$3 per person (one food ticket included per person). Come enjoy games, bouncies, food, costume contest and music.

Monster March

This annual event starts at 9 a.m. at Freedom Park Oct. 30. Children and adults will march to Outdoor Recreation, golf course, bowling center and then to the Fitness Center. At each stop there will be activities for the children. At outdoor rec, kids will have the opportunity to bounce away their time. Test your putt-putt skills at the golf course and your bowling skills at the bowling center. At 6th the fitness center, shoot baskets to test your aim. Register from 9-10 a.m. at Freedom Park. Marching starts at 10 a.m. and costumes are encouraged but not required.

Norwegian Cruise Line Special to Alaska

Take a 7 night Alaskan cruise from Seattle to Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, prince Rupert

BC Canada. Ship departs Aug. 27, 2011. Cost is \$881.64 per person for an inside cabin, \$1121.64 for ocean view and \$1501.64 per person for a balcony. Pricing does include port charges and taxes and a \$75 onboard ship credit but not transportation to Seattle. Fares are cruise only, per person based on double occupancy. Rates are subject to availability and can change without notice. Restrictions may apply. Contact the Information, Ticket and Travel Office at 434-7861 or visit www.aftravelonline.com to make your reservations.

Royal Caribbean Cruise Special to Alaska

Take a 7-night Alaskan cruise from Seattle to Juneau, Skagway, Tracy Arm Fjord, Victoria, British Columbia and back to Seattle. Cruise departs June 10, 2011. Cost is \$939.17 per person for an inside cabin, \$1069.17 per person for an ocean view or \$1879.17 for a balcony. Pricing includes port charges and taxes and \$50 onboard ship credit. Prices are per person, based on double occupancy for cruise only. Price does not include transportation to Seattle. Rates are subject to availability and can change without notice. Restrictions may apply. Contact the Information, Ticket and Travel Office at 434-7861 or visit www.aftravelonline.com to make your reservations.

Tops in Blue

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

Mommie and me crafts classes

Stop by the Arts and Crafts Center to check out the display of upcoming projects for both youth and adult. Classes are held Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 434-7836.

Squadron DUI-Free Bowling Party

The bowling center is offering a free squadron bowling party from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday for those squadrons who have been without a DUI for three months. Shoe rental, food and beverage charges still apply. For more information or to reserve the center, call the Bowling Center at 434-3426.

Happy 63rd Birthday Air Force

Chief Master Sgt. Barbara Steffen 14th Medical Group superintendent

Twenty-five years ago today, I reported to the Milwaukee Military Entrance Processing Station, boarded a plane to San Antonio, Texas, loaded a bus to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, and stepped off at the "Gateway to the Air Force" as one small spectrum of something called a rainbow. What I did not realize at that time was that the next day was the Air Force's 38th birthday.

Fast forward 25 years and the Air Force is 63-years-old. Very few of us were in the Air Force on September 18, 1947, so very few of us personally experienced the vast changes between then and now. However, each of us can trace our service's progression from the moment we entered until tomorrow's birthday. Let me share a few of my birthday recollections that will spark memories in some, questions in others, and hopefully a reminiscent conversation between both.

Smoke Them If You Have Them: I arrived at my first duty station shortly after smoking moved out of the private offices and into the break room, where cigarette smoke billowed out

into the hallway and down to patient treatment rooms and customer service areas. Over the course of my first few years I was asked to weigh-in and run a 1.5 mile fitness assessment and would show up to the track with everyone else in my unit, where the smokers would enjoy a cigarette both before and after the run. As the Air Force birthdays progressed, smoking moved outdoors, running was replaced by a bike test, smoking cessation classes began, weight standards ended and running returned. This year's Air Force Birthday hails in a double-dose of running, sit-ups, push-ups and personal responsibility...the only thing Airmen are being asked to smoke is their run time.

Do I Look Like A Flight Attendant: During my first years in the Air Force my uniform rotated between an olive drab utility uniform that I tucked in during the winter and un-tucked during the summer, and hospital whites I wore either with my blue beret or green utility cap. As those initial months and years progressed, I moved through junior enlisted stripes with solid blue centers until I was promoted into the white-starred Sergeant stripe. By the 44th birthday CSAF Gen. Merrill McPeak had initiated changes on both of those fronts. He terminated the sergeant rank, implemented our current enlisted

How to Vote Locally

Second Lt. Adam McClish Assistant Voting Assistance Officer

A lot of focus has been put on military and absentee voting the past few months. However, since more than half of the employees on CAFB are civilians, it seems only fair to shed some light on how the local election process works and, as a civilian and resident of Columbus, you should go about voting.

First, in order to vote in any election you must be registered and be at least 18 years old by the date of the election. In Columbus, you may register to vote by mail or in person. For city residents, Voter Registration is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in City Hall, located at 523 Main Street. If you wish to register by mail, you may pick up a form at City Hall or the public library, or you may download one from the Secretary of State's Website at:

www.sos.state.ms.us/elections/VoterRegistration/.
Forms can be mailed to:
City of Columbus - Office of Registrar
P.O. Box 1408
Columbus, MS 39703-1408

If you register by mail, your application must be postmarked at least 30 days prior to the election in which you want to vote. If you register in person, you must register at least 30 days prior to the election in which you want

to vote. If you have previously registered, you generally remain registered unless you move or are no longer eligible to vote. If you have moved, you can change your address and update your registration. After registering, you will be given your precinct name and the location of that precinct's polling place. It is essential to update your registration with your current address information, even if have moved within the city, because your precinct may have changed.

Your city precinct and voting location is NOT the same location as for county and state elections. Your voter registration card from the City will list your assigned polling place.

If for some reason you will not be available to vote on day of the general election, you have the option to vote early. October 30 is the final day to vote early, please use the contact information at the end of this article for more information.

If you are unsure of what Ward you reside in, please visit www.thecityofcolumbusms.org/ for a detailed map. Polling places for City precincts include:

WARD 1
Mitchell School - 1315 15th Street South
William Washington Terrace - 2201 8th Avenue South

National Guard Armory - 111 Fabritek Dr

WARD 2
Fairview School - 225 Airline Road
Columbus Fire Station Number One - 205 7th Street South

WARD 3
Old Volunteer Fire Station - 74 Wilcutt Road
Columbus High School - 215 Hemlock

WARD 4
Hunt School - 920 20th Street North
Lee Middle School - 1815 Military Road

WARD 5
MUW Carrier Lodge - 1st Street South
Union School - 1425 10th Avenue North

WARD 6
Brandon Central Office - 2630 McArthur Drive

More information for Columbus residents and civilians about voting can be obtained by contacting City Registrar Brenda Williams.
Brenda Williams
Office of the City Registrar
662-328-2381

For military members, please visit www.fvap.gov or contact your Voting Assistance Office at vote@columbus.af.mil.

rank insignias, and introduced an airline pilot/Navy officer-looking service dress and BDUs with a Velcro flight crew name patch. Today, with the exception of the current enlisted rank insignias, the only place you can find those uniform items is in a museum or a retirement ceremony slide show.

You've Come a Long Way Baby: Throughout these past 25 birthdays, I have witnessed a lot of female firsts. I worked with the first female dentist accepted into a postdoctoral residency program and then for the first female dentist to be selected as a Base Dental Surgeon who later was the first female dentist to rise to the rank of colonel. I served before and after the lifting of the federal ban that prevented women to serve aboard Navy warships and fly combat aircraft. And I had the privilege to serve under the first female Secretary of the Air Force in 1993, meet the first female MAJCOM Command Chief in 2000, and work for the first female AF SNCO Academy Commandant in 2005. The opportunities for females in the Air Force have grown exponentially. Luckily for our young Airmen, that growth is visible on a daily basis all the way up to the senior leadership at Columbus AFB.

What are your recollections since you arrived at the "Gateway of the Air Force"? I encourage you to share them on this 63rd Air Force birthday. I guarantee they will spark memories, questions and conversation.

Dollars & Sense: New FY11 Per Diem Rates

Effective today, 1 Oct 10, the FY11 per diem rates have been published and are available on-line at: <http://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/perdiem/perdiemrates.html>.

For FY 2011, the standard CONUS per diem rate (any location that does not have a specifically defined rate) has been adjusted upward to \$77 to reflect the average daily rate for lodging across the country. Reimbursement for meals and incidental expenses remain unchanged from FY2010.

When estimating your TDY per diem rates, please remember that on the day of departure and return to the PDS, you will only be paid 75% of the per diem rate regardless of the time of departure or return.

References:
Joint Federal Travel Regulation (JFTR)
Joint Travel Regulation (JTR)
14th CPTS Finance Customer Service:
Bldg 730, first floor lobby.
Hours of operation: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

14th CPTS Finance Customer Service e-mail: 14CPTS.FCS@columbus.af.mil

**If you are unable to come during customer service hours due to mission requirements, please call 434-2705/2095 to schedule an appointment.



T-1A Jayhawk

SUPT Class 10-15 earns silver wings



T-38C Talon



Capt. John Gattone
Levittown, Pa.
C-17, Travis AFB, Calif.



Capt. Isaac Adcock
Albuquerque, N.M.
RC-135, Offutt AFB, Neb.



Capt. Michael Wells
State College, Pa.
C-17, Hickam AFB, Hawaii

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

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 10-15 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Kaye Auditorium.

The graduation speaker for the class is Retired Lt. Gen. Garry Trexler, former 14th Flying Training Wing commander. Prior to retiring he was, Deputy Commander, United Nations Command; Deputy Commander, U.S. Forces Korea; Commander, Air Component Command, Republic of Korea, and Commander, 7th Air Force, Pacific Air Forces, Osan Air Base, South Korea. He is also the U.S. representative to the joint Committee established by the United States and Republic of Korea for the Status of Forces Agreement.

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

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. SUPT Class 10-15's pilot partners is John Bean, Eat With us Group.



Capt. Isaac Adcock, T-1, and 2nd Lt. Michael Probasco, T-38, 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 Capt. John Gattone, T-1, and 2nd Lt. Kyle Harrington, T-38. 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.

Captain Adcock and Lieutenant Probasco were named the distinguished graduates of SUPT Class 10-15.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week pre-flight 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,



First Lt. Julian Vilata
Novato, Calif.
KC-135, McConnell AFB, Ks.



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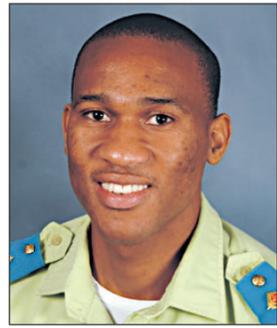
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