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| Friday   | Saturday   |
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| <br>Partly Cloudy<br>High 95°F Low 73°F   | <br>Partly Cloudy<br>High 94°F Low 71°F   |
| Sunday   | Monday   |
| <br>PM Rain Showers<br>High 96°F Low 72°F | <br>AM Rain Showers<br>High 92°F Low 74°F |
| Forecast provided by the 14 <sup>th</sup> OSS Weather Flight   |  |

## News Briefs

### 81st FS Change of Command

The 81st Fighter Squadron is hosting a Change of Command ceremony at 10:21 a.m. July 7 at Moody Air Force Base, Georgia.

### SUPT Class 16-11 Graduation

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 16-11 graduates at 10 a.m., July 8 at Kaye Auditorium.

### 14th CS Change of Command

The 14th Communications Squadron is hosting a Change of Command ceremony at 10:14 a.m. July 14 at the Club.

## Inside



### Feature 8

Fireworks on the Water is highlighted in this week's feature.

# Columbus set to celebrate with Fireworks on the Water

## 14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

Fireworks on the Water returns to Columbus to celebrate Independence Day at the Stennis Lock and Dam in a patriotic salute to our nation's history.

The event is free and open to the public thanks to support and contributions from the community and Columbus Air Force Base.

Although fireworks are the main attraction, the event features more than just a fireworks display. Airmen staying in town for the holiday can bring their chairs, grab a burger or a snow-cone and listen to live music while kids enjoy bouncy castles and more. As the sun sets the night sky will become a canvas of lights, choreographed to inspirational music.

Fireworks on the Water will begin at 5 p.m. tonight but be sure to arrive early to nab a prime parking spot. Please leave personal fireworks and pets at home. Much like Columbus AFB, firearms are not permitted on federal property.

Local vendors are available for the event including Mugshots, Buffalo Wild Wings, Lost Pizza, Chick-fil-A, as well as barbecue, funnel cake, fried pies and more. Children can have their faces painted, race through an inflatable obstacle course, or hang out with Columbus' own Mother Goose.

Live music also begins at 5 p.m. with local band Johnny Coleman and Swing Shift. Swing Shift's signature sound consists of mainly rock-and-roll hits from the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s with R&B and soul classics from these eras as well. Swing Shift formed in 1985, has played hundreds of shows, and has opened for noted performers such as Lee Greenwood and Ricky Skaggs. Nashville

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|---|--------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|------------|-------------------|----------|-------|--------|
| Squadron  | Senior Class | Squadron Overall | Track Select | Squadron     | Senior Class | Squadron Overall | Graduation | Squadron      | Senior Class | Squadron Overall | Graduation | Aircraft          | Required | Flown | Annual |
| 37th (17-06)  | 1.56 days    | 1.31 days        | Aug. 12      | 48th (16-12) | 1.19 days    | 2.10 days        | July 15    | 49th (16-JBC) | 2.02 days    | 0.55 days        | July 27    | T-6               | 2,831    | 2,783 | 23,231 |
| 41st (17-05)  | 2.35 days    | 2.60 days        | July 22      | 50th (16-12) | 1.68 days    | 2.35 days        | July 15    |               |              |                  |            | T-1               | 945      | 825   | 7,544  |
| * Mission numbers provided by 14 FTW Wing Scheduling. |              |                  |              |              |              |                  |            |               |              |                  |            | T-38              | 956      | 1,085 | 7,903  |
|   |              |                  |              |              |              |                  |            |               |              |                  |            | IFF               | 392      | 419   | 3,195  |

The graduation speaker for SUPT Class 16-11 is Col. John Nichols, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander.



# Independence Day

## Holiday hours



|  |   |
|--|---|
| Airman & Family Readiness Center ..... | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Arts & Crafts .....                    | Closed July 1 - 5                           |
| Back Gate .....                        | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Bowling Center .....                   | Closed July 4; Open noon – 6 p.m. July 5    |
| Child Development Center .....         | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Columbus Club .....                    | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Commissary .....                       | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Exchange .....                         | Open July 4, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.               |
| Fitness Center .....                   | Open 24/7 (register at front desk)          |
| Golf Course .....                      | Open July 4 – 5, 8 a.m. – dusk              |
| Medical Group .....                    | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Military Personnel and Finance .....   | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Multimedia .....                       | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Outdoor Recreation .....               | Closed July 4; Open July 5, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. |
| Shoppette .....                        | Open July 4, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.               |
| Visitor's Center .....                 | Closed July 4 - 5                           |
| Youth Center .....                     | Closed July 4 - 5                           |

| Mon   | Tue  | Wed | Thur  | Fri   | Sat/Sun | Long Range Events  |
|---|--|-----|---|---|---------|--|
| 4<br>Independence Day Holiday, most Columbus AFB offices closed | 5<br>AETC Family Day, most Columbus AFB offices closed | 6   | 7<br>81st FS Change of Command, 9:21 a.m. @ Moody AFB   | 8<br>SUPT Class 16-11 graduation, 10 a.m. @ Kaye Auditorium | 9/10    | July 19: Wing Newcomers Orientation<br>July 21: 14th MDOS Change of Command<br>July 21: Enlisted Dorm Dinner<br>July 22: 14th FTW Change of Command<br>July 22: Air Force Birthday Ball Drawdown<br>July 28: Second Quarterly Awards<br>July 28: Enlisted Promotions<br>July 29: SUPT Class 16-12 graduation<br>Aug. 1: Airman Leadership School<br>Aug. 9: Wing Newcomers Orientation<br>Aug. 12: Senior NCO Induction Ceremony<br>Aug. 18: Enlisted Dorm Dinner<br>Aug. 19: SUPT Class 16-13 Graduation<br>Aug. 30: Wing Newcomers Orientation |
| 11  | 12   | 13  | 14<br>14th CS Change of Command, 10:14 a.m. @ Club<br><br>Community Farewell Reception, 6 p.m. @ Rosedale | 15<br>14th OG Change of Command, 9:14 a.m. @ Fire Station   | 16/17   |  |

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Baptist Cancer Center offers **free prostate PSA screenings** for men over 40. PSA screenings will be held in Starkville on Friday, July 29, from 9am–11:45am. Make an appointment by calling at 244-4673 or 800-544-8767, ext. 4673.

**United Blood Service summer blood drive** will be held Friday, July 22, 11a-5:15p, Outpatient Pavilion Conference Center at Baptist Golden Triangle. T-shirts available while supplies last. All donors are encouraged to give the gift of life. For more information go to bloodhero.com.

Baptist Cancer Center will begin a **support group for cancer survivors** and their families the third Friday of every month from noon-1pm. The July 15 meeting will take place in room 4 PT, just past the Gift Shop. Topic will be on radiation therapy. For information call 244-2900 or 800-544-8767, ext. 2900.

Join us for a weekly education/support group meeting for people with **congestive heart failure** at Baptist Golden Triangle. Program runs on a 6-week cycle, you may begin at any time. Held each Thursday, 11am-noon, Outpatient Pavilion Board Room. For information call 244-1953 or 244-2132.


Baptist Golden Triangle offers **childbirth classes** each month. Classes are held on each Tuesday night at 6 p.m. To pre-register call the Education Department at 244-2498 or 800-544-8762, ext. 2498.

**Diabetes Self Management Education Class** meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. Baptist Golden Triangle Outpatient Pavilion Conference Center. Physician referral is required. For information call 662-244-1596 or 800-544-8767, ext. 1596.

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**Baptist Golden Triangle** is seeking caring, compassionate people to join an elite group of volunteers to help in a variety of hospital settings. For more information, call 662-244-1165 or email info.goldentriangle@bmhcc.org.

For more information contact the numbers listed above or email info.goldentriangle@bmhcc.org.



**July 7-9**  
The Crawford Cotton Boll Festival annual community event features an array of live entertainment, speakers, a step show and more. This year's festival honors the late Blues legend, Big Joe Williams. For more information call 272-5164.

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formation, contact Main Street Columbus, 328-6305.

**July 28**  
The Columbus Police Department is hosting a Self-Defense Class 7-8 p.m. at the Trotter Convention Center. The cost


is \$10 per person. Saum Chiropractic Clinic will be on-hand offering \$35 Stress Tests. All proceeds, including stress tests, benefit the efforts of CPD National Night Out Against Crime. For more information, contact Officer Rhonda Sanders at 251-7355 or 244-3500.



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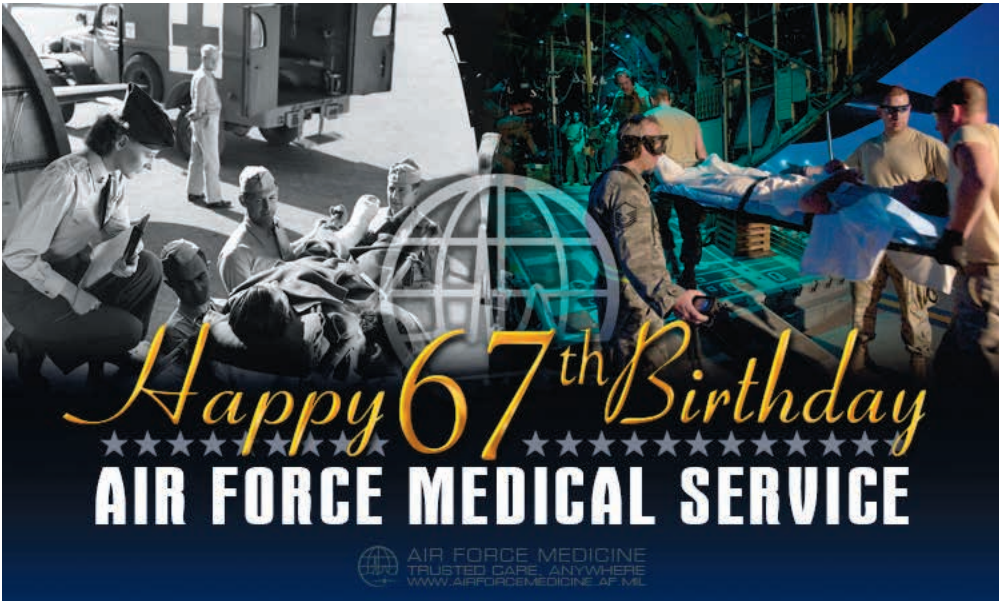
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## 14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

As of press time, 49 TEAM BLAZE members are deployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.



### FIREWORKS

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country/pop star Danika Ports performs at 7 p.m.

Fireworks on the Water is a joint effort between the base and community since 2006 celebrating the United States of America's history. This year will be its sixth iteration.

Happy 240th birthday, America.

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## Jokinen takes command of 14th CES



U.S. Air Force photo/Sharon Ybarra

Col. Anthony Sansano, 14th Mission Support Group Commander, passes the 14th Civil Engineer Squadron guidon to Lt. Col. David Jokinen, the new 14th CES Commander, during a change of command ceremony June 28 at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi.

## CAP members tour Team BLAZE facilities



U.S. Air Force photo/Sharon Ybarra

Civil Air Patrol cadets pause on the flightline for a photo with the T-1A Jayhawk and T-38C Talon June 27 at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. CAP members toured the base visiting various areas including the Air Traffic Control tower, the enlisted dorms, the aerospace physiology flight, the security forces squadron and the McAllister Fire Station.

# Savings, giveaways heat up for commissaries in July

**Sallie Cauthers**  
DeCA marketing and mass media specialist

July offers commissary customers plenty of savings and giveaways, as the Defense Commissary Agency kicks off the month with its “Fourth of July Holiday Weekend Sale!” and the Healthy Lifestyle Festival.

“School is out, the vacation plans are set, and your commissary is here to help make our patrons’ summer even better with savings that extend the value of their benefit,” said DeCA’s Sales Director Tracie Russ. “Whether for our traditional favorite, the Healthy Lifestyle Festival, or our big July Fourth weekend event, we are working with our industry partners to offer promotions that sizzle like a nice steak on the barbecue.

“Oh, and if you’re grilling over the holiday weekend, we can help you with savings on meat, sauces, side dishes and everything else to make that backyard event a big hit.”

Russ also reminds patrons to go online to commissaries.com and enter to win trips galore throughout the summer. You will find these opportunities in the Sales Events section and Exclusive Savings pages of our web site. Check online for dates and locations for your military installation.

DeCA’s industry partners – vendors, suppliers and brokers – are collaborating with commissaries in July to offer discounts beyond everyday savings. Always check what’s on the “end of the aisle” for themed items with extra low pricing. Overseas stores may have substitute events for certain promotional programs. Customers should check with their store manager to verify when they will be offering the following sales events:

**Your Healthy Lifestyle Festival – “Live Healthy and Save Big!”** DeCA will host the military resale partnership



event, Your Healthy Lifestyle Festival, July 1-31 at commissaries worldwide. This annual event features discounted prices on produce at commissary farmers markets, savings on work-out equipment and apparel at exchanges, health screenings at local clinics, and fitness events hosted by installation morale, welfare and recreation activities. Check for local times and dates on commissaries.com.

**“Patriot Perks Program”** returns for its fourth year. From June 20 through July 17, Patriot Perks will feature product displays in all commissaries worldwide, including 100 commissary shopping sprees worth \$100 each. To enter, visit patriotperksforyou.com or look for commissary displays.

**Free groceries for a year.** As DeCA prepares to celebrate its 25th anniversary, Kellogg recognizes the milestone by offering stateside patrons the opportunity to enter to win free

groceries for a year and a trip to Richmond International Raceway for the Richmond Racing Experience. From July 1 to 31, whenever patrons purchase any four participating Kellogg products and scan their Commissary Rewards Card, they will be entered automatically to win free groceries for a year (\$6,000 in Commissary Gift Cards) and the Richmond Racing Experience. Patrons will see Kellogg’s in-store displays for savings on many Kellogg/Keebler and Kashi products: Frosted Flakes, Froot Loops, Apple Jacks, Rice Krispies, Pop-Tarts, Cheez-It, Special K Cracker Chips, Rice Krispies Treats Bars, Famous Amos Cookies, Keebler Sandies cookies and cones, Morning Star Farms products, Eggo Waffles and all Kashi-branded items.

**World class savings.** Procter and Gamble, Kellogg’s, Smuckers, Coca-Cola and Hershey are sponsors of Team USA at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro. Starting July 16 and continuing through Aug. 15, these companies will offer savings worldwide to commissary patrons on over 30 participating items from the following brands: Hershey’s chocolate products; Coca-Cola, Powerade, and Glaceau Vitamin Water; Tide, Crest, Bounty, Gain, Gillette and more P&G products; Smuckers, Jif, Folgers and Uncrustables; and Kellogg’s Mini Wheats, Frosted Flakes, NutriGrain, Pringles, Corn Flakes Cheez-It and Special K. Coupon offers will also be available for Commissary Rewards Card members along with an offer to enter for a chance to win one of eight \$500 Visa gift cards by purchasing any four participating products. The Commissary Rewards Card contest begins July 16 and ends Aug. 15. Also look for a special Rio Olympic Coupon Connexion multi-page flyer and a P&G Brand Saver coupon booklet during this time at your local commissary. Patrons can also expect displays showcasing manager’s special discount pricing on certain items from Aug. 1 to 14.

# Know your supplements, it could cost you

**Bo Joyner**  
Air Force Reserve Command

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. — Airmen should be careful when taking dietary supplements — because of the potential health risks, but also because they could lead to a positive urinalysis test result, according to officials with Air Force Reserve Command’s Medical Services Directorate and staff judge advocate’s office.

“You really need to do your homework and check with your doctor before taking any kind of supplement,” said Dr. Don Jenrette, the AFRC’s Drug Demand Reduction Program manager. “And you should know all of the ingredients that are in any supplement you might be taking.”

Dietary supplements are intended to provide nutrients that may otherwise not be consumed in sufficient quantities. The most common supplements are vitamins. Other popular supplements promise help in gaining or losing weight, or in improving athletic or sexual performance.

Jenrette said he and his DDR specialists in the field are often asked if there is a list of dietary supplements that are banned or illegal for use by military members.

He said that Air Force Instruction 90-507, “Military Drug Demand Reduction Program,” specifically bans any supplement that contains hemp and hemp seeds or hemp seed oil, but there is not a comprehensive list of banned supplements by name. He did say, however, that the Defense Department is clear about what substances are banned for use by U.S. military service members.

According to the DOD’s Human Performance Resource Center website, substances banned for use by Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Coast Guard members include:

■ Anything on the Drug Enforcement Agency’s controlled substance list — this includes spice, marijuana, synthetic cannabinoids, amphetamines, mood-altering substances and anabolic steroids

*“(Airmen) who take supplements that contain any of the illegal or illicit drugs on this list are in danger of testing positive during routine urinalysis screening,” Jenrette said.*

■ Any substance the Food and Drug Administration has declared “illegal” or “not allowed” for use in dietary supplements — such as ephedra/ephedrine alkaloids, DMAA, DMBA and BMPEA

■ Salvia divinorum, commonly known as diviner’s sage

■ Any prescription drug without a current prescription written specifically for the individual

“(Airmen) who take supplements that contain any of the illegal or illicit drugs on this list are in danger of testing positive during routine urinalysis screening,” Jenrette said.

He added that some supplement companies may not list all of the ingredients in their products.

“Positive urinalysis results due to dietary supplement use can occur because products on the market may contain undeclared drug ingredients – that is, controlled substances that are not stated/listed on the product label,” according to the HPRC website.

“The FDA has found that many dietary supplements — especially weight-loss, bodybuilding and sexual-enhancement products — contain undeclared drug ingredients that could be potentially harmful and/or produce unwanted urinalysis test results,” according to the website.

Jenrette said Airmen need to pay especially close attention to supplements that contain hemp seed or hemp seed oil. Hemp is the plant that naturally contains the substance tetrahydrocannabinol (THC, the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana).

According to AFI 90-507, “Studies have shown that products made with hemp seed and hemp seed oil may contain varying levels of THC, an active ingredient in marijuana that is detectable under the Air Force Drug Testing Program. In order to ensure military readiness, the ingestion of products containing or products derived from hemp seed or hemp seed oil is prohibited.”

Having a positive drug test due to the ingestion of hemp seed products can be detrimental to an Airman’s career, explained Maj. Ryan Haslam, an attorney with AFRC’s staff judge advocate’s office.

“Arguing that you popped positive for THC due to hemp seed use can still get you discharged because it is a failure to observe the prohibitions in AFI 90-507 and, as a result, a violation of Article 92 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice,” he said.

Military members should be mindful that products containing hemp seeds or hemp seed oil can be found at health food stores, including those located on military bases.

“Military members need to read the product label prior to consumption to make sure it doesn’t contain hemp seed or hemp seed oil,” Jenrette said.

Studying the label is good advice for anyone thinking of taking a supplement. Buying only from reputable, well-established supplement manufacturers is also recommended. Getting a doctor’s opinion is another piece of good advice.

“Common sense is key when we talk about supplements,” Jenrette said. “The best policy for Airmen is to be vigilant about what you put into your body. If you’re not 100 percent sure that what you are taking is safe and does not contain any illegal ingredients, stay away from it.”

## Columbus AFB Top 3 spotlight

**Category:** Airman/NCO  
**Nominee Name/Grade:** Staff Sgt. Richard Lee  
**Unit:** 14th Operation Support Squadron

**Information:**

- Home Town:** Los Angeles, California
- Time in the Air Force:** Eight years
- Time at Columbus AFB:** 17 months
- Career Short Term Goals:** Finish Course 15
- Career Long Term Goals:** Be a first sergeant or on the MAJCOM Inspector General team overseas
- Nominated by:** Master Sgt. Carmina Beedle
- Nomination reason:** Staff Sgt. Richard Lee oversees two Aircrew Flight Equipment sections, specifically a flightline section and a survival kit section. During an Air Force Audit, Lee walked the auditor through an inventory of 1,200 inspectable AFE items and personally escorted the auditor through 133 T-1 and T-38 aircraft to validate 362 equipment items while maintaining and supporting flying operations, thereby avoiding grounding aircraft. Additionally, Lee was the lead Mississippi State University international outreach point of contact for Asian-American/Pacific Islander Heritage events, where he also coordinated with the Japanese Forces Commander for international student pilot involvement. Finally, Lee demonstrated flexibility in getting the mission done when his Airman was tasked to conduct a last-minute AFE training at Maxwell Air Force Base to enable the Commander of Air Education and Training Command to take a return flight on a Columbus AFB aircraft to Randolph AFB.

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# AF moving forward with restructure of missileer career field

Carla Pampe

Air Force Global Strike Command Public Affairs

BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, La. — The commander of Air Force Global Strike Command directed a review of the nuclear and missile operations career field earlier this year, with the goal of creating a self-sustaining career field.

The review was recently completed, and over the past week, Maj. Gen. Anthony Cotton, 20th Air Force commander, briefed members of the 13N career field at Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana; F.E. Warren AFB, Wyoming; and Minot AFB, North Dakota; on some of the upcoming changes they will see starting in fiscal year 2017 as the Air Force begins to implement the 13N restructure.

“As we move forward with this restructure, we’re going to be making changes that will grow nuclear experience and expertise at the wing level; developing our missile operators into the nuclear ‘go-to’ experts needed across the Air Force and the nuclear enterprise when it comes to policies and procedures,” Cotton said.

The first step in the restructure will reduce the number of accessions into the 13N career field, balancing accessions with retention to eliminate virtually all crossflows. In the past, more 13Ns were accessed than needed, with the knowledge that 30 to 40 percent of the officers would crossflow into other career fields after their initial four-year commitment.

“In recent years, efforts to reinvigorate the nuclear enterprise have led to more missileers wanting to stay in the career field,” Cotton said. “The Air Force has also made an overt effort to do more recruiting at the (U.S.) Air Force Academy and other universities, informing cadets about the missile career field, and those efforts have been very successful.”

As the 13N restructure progresses, adjustments will be made to grade structures across the entire career field to ensure a more senior crew force at the wing level. This redistribution, combined with additional leadership opportunities



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Magen Reeves

**Maj. Gen. Anthony Cotton, the 20th Air Force and Task Force 214 commander, speaks to missile combat crew members from the 341st Operations Group during a visit to Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana, June 21, 2016. Cotton visited the base June 19-21 and met with Airmen from the nuclear and missile operations career field to discuss upcoming changes as the Air Force begins to implement a restructure for the 13N career field.**

following completion of the 3+3 primary operations tours, such as being a flight commander, provides increased nuclear

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expertise at the unit level. Simultaneously, nuclear-related billets across the Air Force will be reviewed to determine if they are well suited for inclusion in the 13N career field, to ensure nuclear experts are where they need are most needed.

“You are also going to see assignment opportunities at other nuclear-related (major commands) and bases,” Cotton said. “Missile officers will provide these units with corporate knowledge or subject matter expertise about the nuclear enterprise they may not have had in the past.”

Gen. Robin Rand, the AFGSC commander, said the changes will help normalize the 13N career field with the rest of the Air Force.

“However, the biggest and most important benefit will be the level of expertise we’ll grow across the nuclear enterprise,” he said.

## AF accepting applications for undergraduate flying training

Kat Bailey

Air Force Personnel Center  
Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas — The Air Force Personnel Center is accepting applications through Nov. 18 for the next undergraduate flying training selection board.

The UFT selection board will convene Jan. 23-26, 2017, to review applications for 2017-2018 pilot, remotely piloted aircraft pilot, combat systems officer and air battle manager training opportunities.

All applicants must be certified physically qualified by Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Office of the Surgeon General, Physical Standards.

Eligibility guidelines, application requirements and responsibilities for UFT can be found by searching on myPers with the keyword “UFT.”

For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to the myPers website. Individuals who do not have a myPers account can request one by following the instructions on the Air Force Retirees Services website.

**Everyday Network Practice**

Physically control Common Access Card at all times and remind others to do the same

Restart computer daily

Never plug any unauthorized devices, cameras or smartphones into a system

Digitally sign emails IAW AFMAN 33-152

# Purchasing, installing, managing software licenses

14th Communications Squadron  
Base Software License Manager

Compliance with software licensing requirements is mandatory by U.S. Code, Department of Defense, and Air Force instructions.

To ensure Columbus Air Force Base and all subordinate units comply with these requirements, strict controls have been put in place. Procedures on how to acquire, install, track, and inventory software are just a few examples of these controls.

Should an individual or unit require software for their government system, they would need to contact their Cybersecurity Liaison to open a Remedy Ticket to obtain authorization for installation. The Base Software License Management will obtain an Authority to Connect and will request a quote from an authorized vendor. The quote will then be provided to the unit CSL to start the ordering process.

A copy of the software order containing the number of licenses should be provided to the BSLM office immediately following purchase. All software should be delivered to:

Base Software License Manager (14CS/SCOO)  
Network Control Center  
139 F Loop, Bldg 932  
Columbus AFB, MS 39710

Upon receipt of the software, the unit CSL will be notified that the software is available through the Media Sign-Out process. This allows for the installations to be performed up to the limit of the licenses purchased for that unit, while maintaining the software in a secure environment when not required by the unit. Use vESD, located on your desktop, to create a ticket for installation of software.

Click software and open the Software Wizard. The option for “Install Software” should be available for the requestor to create a ticket and provide the name of the software they are requesting in the Comments field. Once a technician receives the ticket, they will work with the BSLM office to ensure

there are available licenses and to acquire the media for installation. After the software has been installed, the software is to be returned to the BSLM office. A record of the number of installations against the number of purchased licenses will be maintained in order to verify compliance with the software licensing agreement.

Maintaining software licenses and inventories are a responsibility users, BSLMs, and the 14th Communications Squadron all have a part in. Without each doing their part, non-compliance with laws and applicable guidance will quickly follow. Never load personally owned software onto government systems and never make copies of software without permission of the copyright owner. U.S. Copyright Act, Title 17 of the U.S. Code, covers software from the moment of its creation and prohibits making any copies without permission of the copyright owner.

For more information with respect to software management, please contact the BSLM by calling 434-2375.

## Commander's Action Line

# 434-1414

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

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

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

## 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.

## Offerman earns next stripe Below the Zone



U.S. Air Force photo/Sharon Ybarra

**Chief Master Sgt. Rita Felton, 14th Flying Training Wing Command Chief, left, and Col. John Nichols, 14th FTW Commander, right, hand Airman 1st Class Ryan Offerman, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron Firefighter, center, his Below the Zone certificate June 27 at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. BTZ is the competitive promotion program offered to enlisted personnel in the grade of Airman First Class earning them a promotion to senior airman six months earlier than normal. Offerman was told to get dressed as the mascot Sparky for children touring the Fire Station but upon his return he was surprised with his notification of BTZ from base leadership and his team.**

# BLAZE Hangar Tails: E-8C Joint STARS

## Mission

The E-8C Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System, or JSTARS, is an airborne battle management, command and control, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance platform. Its primary mission is to provide theater ground and air commanders with ground surveillance to support attack operations and targeting that contributes to the delay, disruption and destruction of enemy forces.

## Features

The E-8C is a modified Boeing 707-300 series commercial airframe extensively remanufactured and modified with the radar, communications, operations and control subsystems required to perform its operational mission. The most prominent external feature is the 27-foot long, canoe-shaped radome under the forward fuselage that houses the 24-foot long, side-looking phased array antenna.

The radar and computer subsystems on the E-8C can gather and display detailed battlefield information on ground forces. The information is relayed in near-real time to the Army and Marine Corps common ground stations and to other ground command, control, communications, computers and intelligence, or C4I, nodes.

As a battle management and command and control asset, the E-8C can support the full spectrum of roles and missions from peacekeeping operations to major theater war.

## Background

Joint STARS evolved from Army and Air Force programs to develop, detect, locate and attack enemy armor at ranges beyond the forward area of troops. The first two developmental aircraft deployed in 1991 to Operation Desert Storm and also supported Operation Joint Endeavor in December 1995.

Team JSTARS men and women have contributed tremendously to overseas contingency operations, flying more than 85,000 combat hours in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, New Dawn Odyssey Dawn, and Unified Protector. Their operational resume includes support of six Combatant Commands including U.S. Pacific Command, U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command, U.S. Africa Command, U.S. Europe Command.

## General Characteristics

- Primary function:** airborne battle management
- Contractor:** Northrop Grumman Corp.
- Power plant:** four Pratt and Whitney TF33-102C
- Thrust:** 19,200 pounds each engine
- Wingspan:** 145 feet, 9 inches (44.4 meters) Length: 152 feet, 11 inches (46.6 meters) Height: 42 feet, 6 inches (13 meters)
- Weight:** 171,000 pounds (77,564 kilograms)
- Maximum takeoff weight:** 336,000 pounds (152,409 kilograms)
- Fuel capacity:** 155,000 (70,306 kilograms)
- Payload:** electronic equipment and crew
- Speed:** 449 - 587 mph (optimum orbit speed) or Mach 0.52 - 0.65 (390 - 510 knots)
- Range:** nine hours
- Ceiling:** 42,000 feet (12,802 meters)
- Crew:** (flight crew), four; (mission crew) normally 15 Air Force and three Army specialists (crew size varies according to mission)
- Unit Cost:** \$244.4 million
- Initial operating capability:** December 1997
- Inventory:** total force, 16



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. John Lasky

**An E-8C Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System from the 93rd Air Control Wing flies a refueling mission over the skies of Georgia. The E-8C is an airborne battle management and command and control platform that conducts ground surveillance to develop an understanding of the enemy situation and to support attack operations and targeting that contributes to the delay, disruption and destruction of enemy forces.**



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Shane Cuomo

**The E-8C Joint Surveillance Target Attack Radar System is due to a joint Air Force - Army program. The JSTARS uses a multi-mode side looking radar to detect, track, and classify moving ground vehicles in all conditions deep behind enemy lines. The aircraft is the only airborne platform in operation that can maintain real-time surveillance over a corps-sized area of the battlefield.**

## Air Force Readiness Programs

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

### Transition Assistance Program GPS Workshop

This workshop is held 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. July 11-15. The Transition Assistance Program Workshop has seminars on: Transition, Military Occupational Code Crosswalk, Financial Planning, Health Benefits, Mississippi Dept. of Employment Security, Dept. of Veterans Affairs, Disabled TAP, Dept. of Labor TAP portion. Preseparation counseling is required before attending. Recommend attendance is 8 - 12 months prior to separation/retirement. Spouses are encouraged to attend with their sponsor. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

### Smooth Move

This class is 10 - 11:30 a.m. July 12 and provides relocating members/families with valuable information about moving. Learn what to expect from TMO, Housing, Military Pay, Legal, Billeting, Tri-Care, Medical Records, and A&FRC. Please call 434-2790 to register.

### Career Technical Training

This transition event is held 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. July 18-19 and explores technical careers for post military personnel using VA Educational benefits. It is conducted by CALIBRE, private company contracted by DVA. Prior registration is required, company requires 10 days notification and must have minimum of eight participants. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

### Wing Newcomers Orientation

This brief is 8 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. July 19 and is mandatory for newly arrived active-duty and civilian personnel. Spouses are encouraged to attend. The orientation is held at the Columbus Club. For more information call 434-2790.

### Military Life Cycle

The Military Life Cycle workshop is from 1-2 p.m. July 19 and allows VA contractors to explain to service members, whether first term, separating, retiring or a veteran, what services the VA offers and what they are able to provide throughout the member's military career and how to apply for benefits. To register and for more information please call 434-2839/2790.

### Pre-separation Counseling

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

## Team BLAZE colors community during fourth annual run



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class John Day

**Participants in the fourth annual Color Run celebrate the completion of the race by throwing the remaining chalk colors into the air June 25 at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi. Over 240 participants from the base and local community participated in the Color Run 5k or two-mile run where they ran through colored chalk thrown in their path.**

### First Term Officer's PFR

The First Term Officers' Personal Financial Readiness Workshop is required by AFI for all newly assignment personnel to their first station. The event will be 9 - 10 a.m. July 21. Call 434-2790 to sign up.

### Hearts Apart

The Hearts Apart Social program from 5- 7 p.m. July 28 is a monthly event to provide community bonding, fun and appreciation for the families of active duty personnel who are deployed, remote, or on an extended TDY. Food and activities are provided. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

### Pre, Post Deployment Tour Brief

These briefings are mandatory briefings for active-duty personnel who are either deploying or returning from deployment or a remote tour. The briefings are held daily at the A&FRC. Pre-deployment is at 9:30 a.m., and post-deployment is at 1:30 p.m. Please contact A&FRC, 434-2839/434-2790 for more information.

### Survivor-Benefit Plan

Are you nearing military retirement? The one decision you will need to make before you retire involves participation in the Survivor Benefit Plan. As with all good decision-making, you need to know the facts before you can make a sound decision, and be wary of anyone telling you they can offer you a better deal. Always get the true facts about the SBP before making up

your mind. Additional details are available by calling (662) 434-2720.

### Military and Family Life Consultant Program

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

### Air Force Recovery Coordination Program

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

## Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Airman & Family Readiness Center. We have volunteer opportunities located throughout the base for a one-time event, special events, or on a continual basis. Volunteers are needed on base at the Youth Center, Child Development Center, Library, Golf Course, Medical Clinic, Chapel, Airman Attic, Thrift Store, the Retiree Activities office and many others. For more information please call A&FRC at 434-2790.

## Personal Financial Readiness

Make the most of your money. Contact Deiores Sherman, Personal Financial Counselor, for an appointment at 426-2527, or 434-2790. She can help manage finances, resolve financial problems, and reach long-term goals such as getting an education, buying a home and planning for retirement.

## Learn How to Read Your LES

Having a hard time understanding your Leave and Earning Statement? Need a refresher so that you can mentor your subordinates on their entitlements? Finance has you covered. If you would like for Finance to come to your next CC call or Professional Organization event, you can contact Master Sgt. Sabrina Spriggs at DSN 742-3068 or Senior Airman Julianna White at DSN 742-2715.

## Chapel Schedule

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

### Catholic Community

**Sundays:**  
3:45 p.m. - Religious Education, grades K-9 (Chapel Annex)  
4 p.m. - Choir Practice (Chapel Sanctuary)  
4 p.m. - Confession (or by appointment)  
5 p.m. - Mass w/Children's Church  
**Tuesdays:**  
11:30 a.m. - Daily Mass  
**Wednesdays:**  
11:30-12:30 p.m. - Adoration

### Protestant Community

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

### Ecumenical services

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

**Columbus Air Force Base Information and Events**  
Join our Facebook page at Columbus AFB Living, Twitter at @columbusafbliving, MyAirForceLife App on any smart phone or visit our website at columbusafbliving.com to keep up to date with all the great events happening around base. Check out the calendar on the website for important Airman and Family Readiness Center events. For more information, contact 434-2337.

**Free Family Movie**  
Independence Pool is offering a free family movie, Disney's "Alice in Wonderland," (PG) at 8:30 p.m. July 3. Doors open at 8 p.m. Snack bar will be available. For more information, contact 434-2505.

**New Lower Price Family Dining Buffet**  
The Columbus Club is offering an all-you-can-eat pulled pork buffet from 5 – 8 p.m. July 7. The cost is only \$8 for members; \$9 non-members; \$5 ages 5 – 11; 4 and under free. For more information, contact 434-2489.

**Free Breakfast for Club Members**  
The Columbus Club is offering free breakfast for club members from 6:30 – 8 a.m. July 11. Non-members pay \$8 per person. Become a Club member and eat for free plus enjoy all the benefits of being a member. For more information, contact 434-2489.

**Free Pool Passes and FootGolf**  
Independence Pool Passes and FootGolf is included with Whispering Pines Golf Membership. If you have an individual golf membership, you receive an individual pool pass and FootGolf membership and if you have a family golf membership, you receive a family pool pass and FootGolf membership. Visit Outdoor Recreation for your free pool pass today. For more information, contact 434-2505.

**Free Family Fishing Tournament**  
The Youth Center is offering a free Family Fishing Tournament at 7:30 a.m. July 16 at the Columbus Lake. Sign up no later than July 11 at the Youth Center. For more information, contact 434-2504.

**Couples Nine and Wine**  
Whispering Pines Golf Course is offering Couples Nine and Wine at 5 p.m. July 16. The cost is only \$30 per person; includes 9 holes of golf, cart rental, and hors d'oeuvres. Wine available for purchase. For more information, contact 434-7932.

**Bar Benders Challenge**  
The Fitness Center is offering a Bar Benders Challenge at 6 p.m. July 18. The challenge includes 300 Club, One Rep Max and Max Reps at 185 pounds. Each participant who successfully bench presses 300 will receive a free shirt. For more information or to sign up, contact 434-2772.

**Summer Reading Program**  
Kick off the summer with the Base Library's Summer Reading Program. Win prizes and enjoy weekly activities. Closing ceremony will be held at 1 p.m. July 28. For more information, contact 434-2934.

**Pearl River Resort Casino Trip**  
Outdoor Recreation is offering a monthly casino trip to Pearl River Resort. Upcoming dates are July 30, Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, and Dec. 17. The cost is only \$25 per person; includes \$20 in play credit at casino and transportation. Outdoor Recreation bus departs Exchange/Shopette parking lot at 1:30 p.m. Any party of 10 or more may book transportation to casino anytime for \$25 per person. For more information, contact 434-2505.

*Couples*  
**Nine & Wine**  
*at Whispering Pines Golf Course*

**July 16**  
**5 p.m.**  
**Nine Holes**  
**Cart**  
**Hors d'oeuvres**  
**\$30**  
*per couple*  
*Wine available for purchase*

For more information call 434-7932

**The Overrun Open Friday Nights**  
The Overrun is open Fridays 4:30 p.m. until midnight. Bar menu includes chicken wing basket, chicken tender basket, club wrap, or buffalo chicken wrap. For more information, contact 434-2419.

**Library Hours of Operation**  
The Base Library hours of operation are Mondays – Fridays 11 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; Sundays 1 – 5 p.m.; Saturdays and holidays closed. For more information, contact 434-2934.

**Columbus Club Lunch Buffet Specials**  
The Columbus Club is offering a lunch buffet Tuesday - Friday 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Taco Tuesday includes tacos and nachos for only \$5 per club member and \$6 per non-member; Wednesday has pizza and wings, Thursday is southern, and Friday is catfish and spaghetti. Cost of Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday buffet is only \$7.95 for club members and \$8.95 for non-members. For more information, contact 434-2419.

**Story Time and Circle Time at the Library**  
The Base Library is offering Story Time every Friday at 11 a.m. for all ages. Circle Time is offered each Wednesday at 11 a.m. for ages up to 4 years old. For more information, contact 434-2934.

**Bowling Center Party Specials**  
The Bowling Center is offering two options for all your party needs. Option 1 includes 2 hours of unlimited bowling and shoe rental for only \$8.50 per person. Option 2 includes 2 hours of unlimited bowling, shoe rental, and a child meal for only \$11.50 per person. Choice of meal includes chicken tenders, hot dog, corn dog, or grilled cheese served with fries and drink. You may bring in a cake, cupcakes, and ice cream. No other outside food and drinks allowed. For more information, contact 434-3426.

**Hobby and Craft Instructors Needed**  
Do you have a hobby or craft project you can share with others? For more information, contact 434-7836.

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

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

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

**Play Paintball**  
Book your next paintball event at Outdoor Recreation. The cost is \$15 per person for a party of 10 or more; \$20 per person for party of nine or less. You must purchase paint at Outdoor Recreation for \$45 per case of 2,000. For more information, contact 434-2505.

**Make Your Shopping Easier**  
Force Support Squadron gift cards are available in increments of \$5 to fit any budget. They can be used at most Force Support Squadron facilities at Air Force installations worldwide and they never go out of style. Purchase your gift card at one of the following locations: Bowling Center, Golf Course or Youth Center. For more information, contact 434-3426.

**Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Class**  
Free classes are scheduled every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6 p.m. The benefits include huge gains in confidence, functional strength, flexibility, discipline, and overall physical conditioning. Mandatory equipment: BJJ Kimono (Gi); for ages 13 and up. For more information, contact 434-2772.

**RV Storage Lot**  
Don't clutter your home space, park with us. Outdoor Recreation offers a great place to store your RV year around. You will have 24-hour access and can pay monthly or yearly. For more information, call 434-2505.

**Green Plate Special**  
Whispering Pines Golf Course offers a special for lunch Monday through Friday. For more information, call 434-7932 or check us out on Facebook at Columbus AFB Living or Twitter @CAFBLiving!

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

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

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

**Ride in Style**  
If you don't want to leave your car at the airport over a vacation, we can help you out. Outdoor Recreation offers a shuttle service to the airport of your choice. Call 434-2505 for more information.

## MyMC2 app

Welcome to the My Military Communities information page. MyMC2 is the mobile application that centralizes all of your installation's community events, organizations and services right in your pocket.



### How do I get MyMC2 for my phone?

You can access this app by navigating to the native app store or market on your device and search for "MyMC2", or you can scan this QR code and it will take you directly to the download page in your phone.



iPhone  
QR code

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If you have any questions or need support please visit [www.facebook.com/mymc2support](http://www.facebook.com/mymc2support).

## Choose Fireworks on the Water to celebrate Independence Day

**2nd Lt. Lauren Woods**

14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

Today, Columbus Air Force Base will partner with dozens of community partners to present Fireworks on the Water 2016.

The event is a free and open-to-the-public Independence Day celebration at the east bank of the John C. Stennis Lock and Dam. The evening will feature children's activities, vendors, a free concert and an 18-minute fireworks show — basically something for everyone to enjoy.

Fireworks on the Water is fully funded by the local community and is sponsored by Visit Columbus, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the City of Columbus and Lowndes County as well as Columbus Air Force Base. These organizations have banded together in order to provide a fitting tribute to our nation's history for the community and the members of Columbus AFB.

But the busy Airman, the hardworking spouse, and the DoD civilian may be wondering, "Why should I come out to Fireworks on the Water?"

You should come because it's going to be a great event. Musical talent this year includes local rock band Johnny Coleman & Swing Shift and will be headlined by Nashville country/pop singer Danika Portz, fresh off an overseas tour. Children's activities include bouncy castles, clowns, and Mother Goose. Tantalizing treats such as barbecue, pizza, turkey legs, funnel cakes and ice cream all await you.

More importantly, you should come because America's Independence deserves to be celebrated. After all, when is the last time you thought about the meaning behind July 4?

"We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, and that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

*Americans believe in a world where all mankind deserves equality, freedom, and the opportunity to seek their own purpose in life. From the Revolutionary War to the Civil Rights movement, we continue to proactively seek a better tomorrow than the today we were given.*

Those words, written in 1776 by Thomas Jefferson, set the foundation for what would eventually become the United States of America. Two hundred and forty years later these ideals continue to be the bond holding the nation strong, through wars, bitter depression, calamity, and ideological clashes threatening to tear us apart. Each time conflict has tried dividing us we have always come out of it stronger, united by these ideals.

These ideals live on through America's greatest asset: the American people.

Americans believe in a world where all mankind deserves equality, freedom, and the opportunity to seek their own purpose in life. From the Revolutionary War to the Civil Rights movement, we continue to proactively seek a better tomorrow than the today we were given.

No matter who you are, on the Fourth of July we are all Americans. Come celebrate the history of this remarkable nation with us at Fireworks on the Water 2016.



**Be safe on the water,  
wear a life preserver.**

# FIREWORKS ON THE WATER

**Please Join Us!**

- Event will be held on Friday, July 1 beginning at 5 p.m.
- Event will be held at the Stennis Lock and Dam East Bank
- There will be food, dessert and soft drinks/water vendors on site
- Bring your blankets and lawn chairs out early for a great seat for the concert
- Do not bring canopies, pets, personal fireworks or firearms
- Live music from local band Johnny Coleman and Swing Shift and Nashville star Danika Portz
- After the fireworks, both lanes of Wilkins-Wise road will be used to exit the park to aid in leaving the show.

The Columbus-Lowndes Convention and Visitors Bureau is the Presenting Sponsor

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and Golden Triangle Regional Airport

**FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT**

This program is free and funded by the community

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Free children's activities begin at 5 p.m. including an inflatable obstacle course, face painting, DiDi the Clown and Mother Goose.**

**Music will begin at 5 p.m. and will lead up to the live music acts.**

**Vendors, which include Mugshots, Buffalo Wild Wings, Lost Pizza Co., Chick-Fil-A and more, will begin selling food at 5 p.m.**

**Local band Johnny Coleman and Swingshift will begin around 5:30 p.m.**

**Nashville country/pop star Danika Portz will begin at 7 p.m.**

**The evening will conclude with an 18-minute professional fireworks show choreographed to music.**

**Food Vendors**

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| Buffalo Wild Wings | Dreamland Kettle Corn   | T&G Catering            |
| Chick-Fil-A        | Lost Pizza              | Two Sister's Concession |
| D&T Concessions    | Mug Shots               | Willy Dale              |
| Darvin Hemphill    | Southern Elite Catering | Woodard's Shaved Ice    |

