

The SHEPPARD SENATOR

Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, home of the 82nd Training Wing and 80th Flying Training Wing

In the news API month to conclude

The events of Asian Pacific Islander month will conclude today with a grand luau from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the enlisted club ballroom and Bunker Hill pool. The luau will include cultural dancing, a martial arts demonstration, a limbo contest, door prizes and post-event swim time. The menu includes sushi rolls, lumpia, Thai beef curry, pansit, yaka tori, kimchi, sum tum and roasted pig. Cost is \$12 per person. For more information, call 6-2031.

Children to run for fitness

Services will sponsor the Sheppard Kids Run on Saturday starting at 9 a.m. to end May fitness month. Registration will start at the track at 8:30 a.m. Call the youth center at 6-4244 or the community center at 6-3866 for details.

All ranks invited to "Name Your Club"

Club members, both officer and enlist ed, are invited to name Bldg 340, currently known as the officers club. Help us find a name that captures the camaraderie and spirit of this Team Sheppard gathering place, where all ranks are welcome. Entries should represent the Air Force or local area culture. Any club member in good standing may submit two names. Submissions may not be an individual's name and must be returned to the officers club, or sent via e-mail to Mr. Tony Holmes by Wednesday. Brig. Gen. Arthur Rooney Jr., 82nd Training Wing commander, will select the winning entry. The new name will be announced during Sheppard's Centennial of Air Power Celebration on June 14-15. The club member who wins will receive a weekend in the Dallas/Ft Worth area. For more information, call 6-6460.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Anthony Miller

All smiles

Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, stands with Airman 1st Class Brad Coddington, Sheppard food service worker deployed to a location in the Middle East. Airman 1st Class Coddington is one of nine service troops from Sheppard at this location. This location is their second stop in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom since they left Sheppard Feb. 18. Prior to arriving here, they spent 38 days in Saudi Arabia.

Blue, silver AEFs get rotations back on track

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON – The Air Force is establishing two transitional air and space expeditionary forces, blue and silver, to put the deployment schedule back on track by March 2004 and to bring home deployed airmen as quickly as possible.

"We envision these two 120-day rotations filling the requirements of combatant commanders through spring when we can once again implement the normal steady-state AEF rotation," said Maj.

Gen. Timothy A. Peppe, special assistant for AEF matters at the Pentagon. "Additionally, we can expect some aircraft, aircrew and associated maintenance rotations outside these two transitional AEFs as we attempt to get them back to the normal schedule next spring."

The blue AEF will be on call to fulfill mission requirements between July and November, General Peppe said. Silver will be on call from November through March.

"The magnitude of the various combatant commanders' continuing requirements throughout the world will dictate

the number of airmen that we will have to deploy," he said.

According to the general, airmen in AEFs 9/10 and 1/2 who were identified to support Operation Iraqi Freedom but did not deploy will likely be the most vulnerable to deploy with the blue or silver AEFs.

"Ideally, as we go through the process (of matching people to these AEFs), those that have been home the longest from a previous deployment will be matched to deploy first," he said.

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Team Sheppard Training 2003



82nd Training Wing: 27,429 students trained to replenish America's combat capability
80th Flying Training Wing: 75 combat pilots trained for the NATO Alliance



Action Line 6-2000, action.line@sheppard.af.mil



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Brig. Gen. Arthur Rooney Jr., 82nd Training Wing commander, poses with Mrs. June O'Hara, wife of the late Chief Master Sergeant A. W. O'Hara. Mrs. O'Hara was the special guest of General Rooney during the 2003 Armed Forces Day parade held on base May 16.

The 82nd Training Wing's Action Line is your direct line to me for any concerns and suggestions you have.

I am personally involved in every reply, and I am committed to making Sheppard Air Force Base a better place to live, work and play.

Before you call the Action Line, however, I ask that you give your chain of command or other base agencies an opportunity to work your concerns. If you still do not receive a satisfactory response, call me at 6-2000, or send an e-mail to

action_line@sheppard.af.mil. Please include your name and telephone number.

Those concerns with a wide impact at Sheppard may be published in *The Sheppard Senator*.

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Security Forces Squadron issues

Question: I have three items I have tried to resolve, but have not been able to.

1. I have addressed the elementary school parking lot on several occasions with both the school and the 82nd Security Forces Squadron. The school claims they cannot do anymore than they have and the SFS, to put it in their words, "Parents should police each other."

The parking lot is very unsafe. Parents pull into the parking lot and wait in their cars for their children to come out. The parking lot is completely blocked off for all other traffic. There are plenty of parking slots, but you can't get to them.

Children are running from the school, around all the cars/trucks with motors running, to get to their parents or walk home. A child is going to get hurt, and it is not fair to parents who want to park.

Can't SFS put someone in the parking lot daily for about a 20-minute period around 3:30 p.m.? This would completely solve the problem.

2. I have called SFS concerning children playing street hockey with puck and sticks in our carport area. The SFS claimed they responded, but I did not see them respond. When I called them back and they stated they had responded, I asked how did

they know whom to talk to because I had not identified who was playing and their parents. I further asked if the SFS made any kind of entry so as to track individuals in housing areas who have infractions, and they said "no." I took the matter to housing, and they said they could not do anything of these types of infractions.

How do I address problems with parents who don't watch their children? No one seems to be able to help.

3. People park anywhere they want in Wherry housing. They park on the grass, in areas not designated as a parking space, causing a safety concern when someone wants to pull out of a side street or carport area, i.e., the driver cannot see around to enter street.

I talked with housing, and again they claim the SFS are the ones to call. I have called but cannot be sure the SFS have responded. Can't the SFS issue tickets on a regular basis to residents in Wherry housing who do not park in a designated parking area.

Answer: I appreciate your concern for the safety of both children and parents. We recognize that standing in a no-parking zone is in violation of Texas traffic law and, therefore, illegal on Sheppard. Our Security Forces have increased the patrolling of the elementary parking lot;

however, dedicating a patrol to that small area is limited based on current manning constraints.

Getting parents involved with this potentially dangerous situation is another way to address this issue. Parents should address potential dangers of playing and traveling throughout various portions of our housing areas to their children. If you witness children damaging property or committing unsafe acts, you should intercede immediately and follow up by discussing the incident with the applicable parents.

Security Forces is available to assist in these situations as long as other priorities are not present. Our Security Forces does not track housing infractions as this type of incident is not a crime. Anyone who suspects a child is being neglected is obligated to call the Child Abuse Hotline (1-800-252-5400) and family advocacy (6-2271).

We recognize that parking in base housing is an issue. To this end, we are working on plans to construct additional designated parking spaces in the housing areas. Security Forces has been instructed to pay particular attention to situations where vehicles parked in base housing present an unsafe situation. Together, we can address this concern and make Sheppard a safer place for all.

AADD

Need a lift? Call the Airmen Against Drunk Driving hotline at 6-AADD (2233).

Every Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., drivers are available for Team Sheppard members who need a ride home after drinking. Drivers don't ask questions or take information, and they won't release the name of any person using the program.

Don't risk your life or career. Cut out this reminder and put it in your wallet:

For a ride home after a night out, call 6-AADD.



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982nd TRG to hold change of command

By Ms. Lynn Gonzales

Base public communication

The 982nd Training Group will hold a change of command ceremony Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Hangar 1045.

Col. James Silva will take command of the 982nd TRG from Col. Robert Simmons.

Colonel Simmons heads to Keeseler Air Force Base, Miss., where he will serve as the director of operations for the 2nd Air Force.

Colonel Silva comes to Sheppard from MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., where he served as the deputy chief of the Weapons Systems Support Division for the Special Operations Acquisition and Logistics Center in U.S. Special Operations Command.

In this position, he developed, procured and sustained special operations equipment worldwide for more than 46,000 Army, Navy and Air Force special operations

forces.

Colonel Silva was commissioned through the Air Force Academy in 1980 and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Aeronautical Engineering and Master's Degrees in Logistics Management and National Resource Strategy.

The colonel has held assignments at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.; the Air Force Logistics Management Center at Gunter Air Force Base, Ala.; Misawa Air Base, Japan; and at the Installations and Logistics Directorate in the Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.

Colonel Silva's military awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with four oak leaf clusters and Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with three oak leaf clusters.



Courtesy photo

Giving back

Red Cross volunteers draw blood from airmen at the blood drive sponsored by the 361st Training Squadron's Propulsion Flight on May 20. The blood drive was held to replenish the local community's supply following an auto accident involving one of the squadron's members, Tech. Sgt. James Duncan. Sergeant Duncan suffered severe injuries and internal bleeding that required several units of blood and platelets. The blood drive was also held to introduce the 101 Critical Days of Summer campaign that began Monday.

Split disbursement option now mandatory for all military travelers

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON – All military travelers must now select the split disbursement option on their travel voucher claims to directly pay their government travel card expenses, according to finance officials.

Split disbursement requires travelers to tally up their GTC expenses and authorize enough funds to be sent automatically to Bank of America to pay off their charges, said Mr. Michael Weber, Air Force travel card program manager at the Pentagon. Any remaining travel settlement will still be sent to the traveler's personal account.

"Although this change was mandated by the 2003 National Defense Authorization Act to reduce the number of delinquent travel card accounts, split disbursement really is a win-win for everyone," Mr. Weber said. "It simplifies the payment process for travelers, gets the bank their money more quickly and reduces

the number of delinquent accounts."

Nearly half of all Air Force travelers already use split disbursement on a regular basis when filing their vouchers because it simplifies the process for them, Mr. Weber said.

"Airmen no longer have to wait for their travel money to be credited to their personal accounts before they can mail a check to the bank," he said. "It saves them the cost of a stamp or a trip to a bank branch and gets the money to the bank within two or three days."

By having all travelers pay off their travel card bills automatically, the Air Force should see a decrease in the number of delinquent accounts, he said. This is especially true if a traveler returns from a TDY as a billing cycle is about to turn over, because they can pay off the card before their account becomes 30 days past due.

If a traveler charges more to their GTC than they were authorized, they still must select split

disbursement and also reimburse the bank any additional charges, he added.

"Selecting split disbursement on a travel voucher, whether done manually or on an automated travel system, is easy and requires only a few clicks of the mouse or one block to be checked on a form," Mr. Weber said.

Supervisors and approving officials are required to verify travelers selected split disbursement before signing off on any voucher, he said.

"If split disbursement is not selected on a voucher, it will be returned to the traveler to be redone," he said. "This may delay the processing of the claim and potentially put the traveler's GTC account into a past-due status."

Although split disbursement is not yet mandatory for civilian employees, Mr. Weber encouraged them to take advantage of its timesaving benefit.

For more information, travelers can contact the base finance office at 6-2907.



Photo courtesy of Ms. Terry Baggott

Provider of the Year

Ms. Tina Lytch sits with some of the children who attend her home day care center. The 82nd Mission Support Group recently selected Ms. Lytch as Sheppard's Child-care Provider of the Year. She will represent the base at the National Association of Family Childcare Conference in Buffalo, N.Y., on July 23-26.



Photo by Mr. Lynn Bullard

Rollin' rice

Ms. Marietta Sojo, 82nd Comptroller Squadron, shows the audience how to make sushi during the Asian Pacific Islander free craft and cooking demonstration on May 21. Demonstrations also included brief classes on how to make flower leis, how to use chopsticks, how to make lumpia and how to create origami. It was one of several events held in May in honor of Asian Pacific Islander month. The celebration will conclude with a grand luau tonight at the enlisted club ballroom.

AEF

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"There may be some exceptions but I certainly hope not many. We will start with AEFs 9/10 and reach forward, as needed, to fill requirements."

Airmen selected to support the blue AEF can expect to be notified of their deployment vulnerability over the next few weeks, he said.

"Most of the major command deployment taskings will be made by June 10 and airmen should receive their notifications soon after," he said. "However, if a (major command) cannot fill a particular tasking, the AEF Center (at Langley Air Force Base, Va.) will have to source it to another (major command), which may delay some individual notifications."

These transitional AEFs will allow the Air Force to get currently deployed airmen back home to their families, he said.

The combatant commanders are already releasing forces that were deployed, but those forces may need to remain in theater until the Air Force can fill those requirements and get enough assets in theater to bring them home, he explained.

"We would like to rotate people home more quickly but the bottom line is that it takes time to make this happen," General Peppé said. "But we are working the issue as hard and as fast as we can."

"Airmen need to understand that the AEF is operating 'as advertised,'" he said. "It was designed, from the start, to 'flex,' as necessary, to meet the widest range of combatant commander requirements. A transition period like the one we are experiencing now is normal as we move from one AEF operating environment — crisis action — to another — steady state."

"Since it's beginning, I think the AEF has been a great success," he said. "I don't believe it was ever designed to handle a situation the size of the one we just had but I think it worked well. We were able to use it to timely ... identify people to meet the combatant commanders' requirements."

The Air Force was initially tasked to deploy approximately 120,000 active-duty, Guard and Reserve airmen, nearly a quarter of the service's military people, to support operations in Iraq, General Peppé said.

"However, we only needed to deploy approximately 50,000," he explained. "That feat is a testament to the awesome work of our people and the AEF that was flexible enough to adapt to mission requirements and fill them as needed."

Although Air Force leaders want airmen to be reunited with their families as quickly as possible, the service still must meet the needs of the combatant commanders to continue supporting operations throughout the world, he said.

Views

Operations security: The do's and don'ts of protecting critical information

By Capt. Michael Dennison

82nd Training Wing Plans and Programs

An abbreviated definition of operations security is a process of looking at our own information and actions to determine what the bad guys can learn about us and implementing measures to prevent or at least reduce exploitation of that information.

Operations security precautions are important if we are to both protect and deny our adversaries information about us. OPSEC is not just a collection of specific rules and instructions, but a continuous process that we use to protect our information.

According to AFI 10-1101, there are five steps to the OPSEC process.

1. Identify Critical Information and Indicators: This is the step in which we identify those "few key elements of information concerning friendly activities or intentions that might significantly degrade mission effectiveness if revealed to an adversary."

2. Threat Assessment: This step involves our intelligence agencies determining who our adversaries are, what information they are seeking, and what capabilities they possess to collect that information.

3. Vulnerability Analysis: This is a step in which we can all seek out our own

weaknesses to prevent our adversaries from gathering information about us.

4. Risk Assessment: "Risk assessment involves an estimate of an adversary's capability to exploit a weakness, the potential effects such as exploitation will have on operations, and a cost-benefit analysis of possible methods to control the availability of critical information to the adversary."

5. OPSEC Measures: This is the step in which we identify those countermeasures which will protect or deny our adversaries information. In this step, we implement those countermeasures and, after a period, evaluate the effectiveness of the measures we employed. The process then starts over.

Another important point that has guided me when considering OPSEC is the "need to know" rule. Before I say something that gives someone information about our military actions or capabilities, I ask myself if he or she has a need to know the information. In order to accomplish his mission, is the information I am about to share absolutely critical? If the answer is no, then I do not share that information.

The following is an example of good OPSEC procedures: I was talking to a fellow Air Force officer from another base recently, and when trying to make conversation, I asked him if there many peo-

ple deployed from his base. He said, "I can't say." So then I told him that I wasn't looking for exact numbers or unit types, I was just curious to know how empty or full his base was. Again, his reply was, "I can't say." Did my fellow officer give out any information that I did not have a need to know? No, he gave the best OPSEC-awareness answers.

On the other hand, here is an example of improper OPSEC: I was driving on I-44 last weekend when I saw a pick-up truck in front of me with several kinds of military-looking stickers on his back window. I thought that was kind of cool, so I looked down at his license plate. It was an Oklahoma National Guard license plate with the tag number, "INTEL." Did this say that the driver of this pick-up is not only in the military, but also probably works in an intelligence section? So do you think the driver of this truck would be someone I would want to talk to if I were a bad guy wanting information? I have nothing against putting military stickers on the back of one's vehicle or personalizing license plates, but I do believe that considering the times we are in, we have to practice OPSEC as much as we can.

Practicing OPSEC is not so much following a series of steps, as it is an attitude. Staying aware of one's surroundings and what information can be obtained is the most important thing.

JETS to hold pump-a-thon

The Sheppard Junior Enlisted Troops Service will hold a pump-a-thon at the shoppette by the base exchange today from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This pump-a-thon will support JETS, Airmen Against Drunk Driver Volunteers and the base NCO induction ceremony to be held in August. JETS is a tri-service organization geared toward the grooming of Sheppard's airmen basic to technical sergeants. For more information about this fundraiser or the JETS organization, contact Staff Sgt. Nonika Allen at 6-6931.

Classic Car Friday to roll onto base

Classic Car Friday will take place June 6 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the base theater parking lot. Contact Mr. Steve Hanvey at 6-5712 for more information.

Commissary to have grand reopening sale

The base commissary will have a grand reopening celebration starting June 18. Special pricing and deals have been negotiated with commissary vendors for June 18-22. A ribbon

cutting ceremony will take place June 18 at 9 a.m. and will be followed by product demonstrations and vendor-sponsored prizes. The celebration will continue into the weekend with a special sales event on June 21 and 22. Special savings will be available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 21 and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on June 22. Numerous items will be discounted. Availability will be limited to quantities on hand, and vendors have priced everything to sell out. Check www.Commissaries.com for more information. The Sheppard Commissary page has specials from each department listed every weekend. Advance notice of special sales can be obtained by sending your e-mail address to hqcmdc@west.deca.mil.

Summer hours change for MSU

Midwestern State University's Sheppard office in Bldg. 402, Room 340, will be operating at different hours until Aug. 22. The office will be open 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The office will be closed on Fridays. Contact Ms. Delores Jackson, MSU

military outreach coordinator, at 855-4491 for more information.

Vernon College changes to summer hours

Vernon College will change their on-base administrative office hours for the summer until Aug. 15. The office will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and will be closed on Fridays. Call 855-2203 for more information.

AETC policy mandates driving with headlights

Air Education and Training Command's policy to drive with headlights on during periods of inclement weather regardless of the time of day is now in effect. For more information about safety policies, call the 82nd Training Wing Safety Office at 6-4149.

Registration for ASCS seminar starts

Recruitment for the next on-base Air Command and Staff College 11-month seminar is now underway. People who are eligible include major or major selectees of all service components and civilians who are GS-11 and above. Interested person-

nel can enroll in this seminar until the organizational meeting that will be during the week of Aug. 4. Individuals should complete the enrollment application and enroll early to ensure their course materials arrive prior to the first seminar meeting. Enrollments should be at the education services center prior to July 2 to ensure materials arrive in time. Visit the education services center in Bldg. 402, Room 306, to complete application and enroll or call 6-6231 for more information.

ERAU summer registration underway

Registration for the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Summer Term is currently underway and will continue through May 30. The term dates are June 2 to Aug. 1. Visit the office or call 851-6458 for further information regarding application and course schedules.

MGIB transfer option still available

The MGIB transfer option test period for the Air Force test program ends Sept. 30. The test

program allows officers and airmen with designated critical skills and years of service the opportunity to transfer up to half of their MGIB benefits to their spouse and/or children. Up to 18 months of MGIB educational benefits may be transferred. To take advantage of this transfer option, eligible members must decide and make a declaration of choice. They must complete a DD Form 2366-2 with the education services center and appropriate military personnel flight activities before the test period ends. For more information, visit the education services center in Bldg. 402, Room 306, and talk with a guidance counselor, or call 6-6231 to make a Friday appointment.

Housing residents to keep streets clean

Base housing residents need to not only maintain their yards and carport areas, but also the area from their curb to the middle of the street. Residents are asked to not blow grass clippings and leaves into the street. For more information, call the 82nd Civil Engineer Squadron at 6-5769.

Student Activities

Happenings on base and in the community

Student center events

Every Monday, 7-9 p.m. - jam session, bring your own instrument/equipment, free.

Every Tuesday, 5-9 p.m. - Video Night in the pub, free.

Every Wednesday, 7-9 p.m.- Variety Dance Night in the pub. Listen to Latin, hip-hop and R&B music, free.

Every Thursday, 7-9 p.m. - Karaoke Night, free.

Every Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.-1 a.m. Club BDU dance, \$3 per person.

Every Sunday, 3-5 p.m. - billiards tournament in the ballroom, \$2 per person.

Hours of Operation

Monday-Thursday: 10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: 10:30 a.m. to 1 a.m.

Sunday: Noon to 10 p.m.

Holidays: Noon to 8 p.m.

Red River Café Hours of Operation

Wednesday and Thursday: 4:30-10 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: 11 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Sunday and Holidays: Noon to 9 p.m.

Center to show cards, collectibles

A cards and collectibles show will be held on the first Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the student center. The next one is June 7. The show is free. For more information, call 6-7659.

Classic Car Friday to roll onto base June 6

Classic Car Friday will be held in the base theater parking lot June 6. Classic cars will be on display. For more information, call 6-5712.

Center to hold beach party, contest

A beach party and Father's Day contest will be held June 13 from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. The party will feature tropical beach decorations and party favors. There will be a limbo competition. Prizes will be given to the winner and the person with the most colorful attire. The winner of the Father's Day contest will win one free phone card.

Call 6-7659 for more information.

Chapel events

Sheppard chapels offer a variety of programs for student enrichment:

Saturday

All students are invited to the "Solid Rock Cafe" held each Saturday at the south chapel. Dinner is served at 5 p.m., and a variety of scheduled activities take place from 3-9 p.m.

Sunday

Students are invited to the north chapel at 5 p.m. on Sundays for Bible study, an informal get-together with refreshments and student-led music, ending with athletic activities at the north fitness center.

Community center events

Free table tennis classes offered

Free classes are held every Monday and Friday. Professional tournament instructors are available. For more information, call 6-3866.

Community center to hold pool tournament

Pool tournaments are held every Saturday at 2 p.m. The fee is \$2 per person. There will be first- and second-place trophies. Call 6-3866 for more information.

Center provides free video night

The community center has a free video night every night beginning at 5 p.m. with the big screen TV at the lounge on the second floor. People can watch a movie of their choice from a wide selection. For more information, call 6-3866.

Other events

Dining facilities celebrate birthdays with dinner

Students who are having a birthday this month and are on subsistence in kind are invited to celebrate their birthdays on the Friday of their choice for dinner. Contact the cashier to pick up a birthday card registration form. Students should indicate their entire choice and when they want to celebrate. Students can contact the dining facility manager/supervisor, or call 6-2080 for more information.



Photo by Ms. Sandy Wassenmiller

Bed race winners

The 361st Training Squadron team won first place a bed race Monday. The event was held in the park located on the north side of the student center. Students from the 366th Training Squadron team won second place, and students from the 360th Training Squadron won third place.

Tips to build credit

Credit history can make or break people when they are trying to convince lenders that they are a good risk.

Every day, people take steps that establish and improve their image in the eyes of lenders. The following are a few steps:

*Open checking and savings accounts: Lenders want to know you have a checking account available to pay bills, and a savings account indicates you're putting aside something for the future. Having bank accounts gets you started on the right path and gives you practice in managing your money.

*Get your credit report if you have one: You need to know how lenders view you. You can order your credit report for a small fee from each of the three major bureaus.

-Equifax-<http://www.equifax.com> (1-800-685-1111 OR 1-800-525-6285)

-Experian-<http://www.experian.com> (1-888-397-3742)

-TransUnion-<http://www.tuc.com> (1-800-888-4213)

*Fix any errors or omissions: Read through each of your three reports and note anything that's incorrect. Negative information, such as late payments, delinquencies, liens and judgments against you should be dropped after seven years. Bankruptcies can stay on your report for up to 10 years. If you have problems with your report, ask the bureaus to investigate errors listed on their reports.

*Add positive information to your report: The more information you can provide about yourself, the more comfortable lenders may feel extending credit to you. Consider these items:

-Are your employer and your job title listed?

-Is your address listed and correct?

-Is your Social Security number listed and correct?

-Is your telephone number listed and correct?

-Are your checking and savings accounts listed and correct?

-Does your report include all the accounts you've paid on time?

*Establishing new credit: Department store and gasoline cards are usually easier to obtain than major bankcards such as Visa or MasterCard. If you're having trouble finding a Visa or MasterCard company to issue you a card, apply for a department store or gas card. Consider taking out a small personal loan from your local bank or credit union and then paying it back. The bank may require you to put up some collateral, and you need to make sure that it will be reported to the credit bureaus before you borrow the money.

Once you have credit use it right: Charge small amounts each month and pay the balance in full when the statement arrives. Once you have a card or loan, don't rush out and apply for several more. Applying for too much credit will hurt, rather than help, your score. Pay your bills on time, all the time. This includes household bills, such as your telephone bill and utilities. Don't max out your cards. In fact, don't even come close. Your credit score measures the difference between the credit available to you and what you're actually using. (Courtesy of base family support center).

For movie show times and general activities at Services facilities, see Sheppard Scenes on Page 18.

*Look up in the sky.
They're birds.
No, they're planes.
But, they're not just any
planes.
They're the performers
of...*

Sheppard's Centennial Air Power Celebration

Sheppard's Centennial Air Power Celebration is scheduled to take place here June 14-15.

The free air show and open house commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers' first flight.

Aerial performances will include the Air Force Thunderbirds, Lima Lima, Tora Tora Tora and the World War II Airborne Demonstration Team.

Chris Cagle, a country music star; and Katrina Elam, an up and coming country western singer; and Top Flight, part of the Air Force Band of the West, will also perform. For more information, to include a schedule, check out www.sheppard.af.mil/airshow.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Christopher Gish

The Air Force Thunderbirds perform a signature flying maneuver. They are scheduled to perform at Sheppard's Centennial Air Power Celebration June 15.



Courtesy photo

An F-86F Sabre will dogfight a Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-15 during the show.



Courtesy photo

T-34 aircraft from the Lima Lima flight team demonstrates a six-ship wedge.



Photo by Mr. Ted Carlson

A German Air Force Tornado aircraft settles after landing. A static display of this plane will be on display during Sheppard's Centennial Air Power Celebration.

**To place an ad in the *Senator*,
call 767-SOLD (7653).**

Academy, ROTC cadets arrive at Sheppard

Programs give future officers look at operational Air Force

By 2nd Lt. Ellen Harr

Base public communication

The Rising Sophomore Summer Program and Operation Air Force will bring more than 65 officer candidates to Sheppard this summer.

The cadets, from the Reserve Officer Training Corps and the Air Force Academy, will be living and working on base during June and July.

Operation Air Force is a program that takes place at more than 70 Air Force installations worldwide.

Each summer, approximately 1,000 Academy cadets and 800 ROTC cadets spend about two weeks at an Air Force installation for exposure to the operational Air Force and their potential career fields.

Cadets from the Academy have completed their sopho-

more year, and ROTC cadets have completed their junior year of college.

During this joint program, cadets gain a greater understanding for each commissioning source and build rapport that will transfer to active-duty service.

The 2003 program will emphasize knowledge of wing structure, base services and potential career fields. Cadets are billeted on base and use base dining facilities.

Operation Air Force will provide cadets with some insight of base-level functions.

The cadets take tours of all base agencies to learn how Sheppard supports the Air Force mission. They also shadow officers in career fields of their choice.

Twenty-five cadets, from both ROTC and the Academy,

will visit Sheppard in three groups. The first group of cadets will arrive June 9 and stay until June 20. Other groups visit June 30-July 11 and July 21-August 1.

A new program, the Rising Sophomore Summer Program will also bring officer candidates to Sheppard for the first time this summer.

The goal of the new Rising Sophomore Summer Program is to enhance retention of scholarship-recipient ROTC cadets who have just completed their freshman year. This early exposure to the Air Force way of life is expected to be motivational to the cadets and increase their desire to become Air Force officers.

A test program of 200 volunteer scholarship cadets will be at the following Air Force bases: Nellis, Travis, Hurlburt,

Eglin and Sheppard. More than 40 ROTC cadets will be living and working at Sheppard this summer.

At Sheppard, the cadets will participate in a structured orientation program from June 23 to August 1.

Cadets will spend more than 60 percent of their time working with and around enlisted forces. During their six weeks at Sheppard, the cadets will focus on experiential learning and workplace immersion.

Cadets will rotate through units from both the 82nd Training Wing and the 80th Flying Training Wing during their six weeks at Sheppard. They will also participate in planned weekend activities, to including outings to other Air Force installations, service projects on base and in the local community, and visits to

notable North Texas landmarks.

While the cadets have been taught the rank and structure of the Air Force, many active-duty Sheppard members may not be familiar with customs and courtesies afforded the cadets.

The cadets are officer candidates, but they haven't been commissioned and should not be saluted.

Cadets should be addressed as "Cadet [last name]," not by their first names. They should also be shown all other military courtesies.

(Mr. Mike McKito, base public communication, also contributed to this article)

Load reduction program to start in June

When the mercury rises in North Texas, so does the use of air conditioning at Sheppard.

Air conditioners are the largest consumers of electrical energy on base. Although electrical power makes up half of Sheppard's energy consumption, it counts for about 80 percent of Sheppard's total energy cost.

This year's load reduction program, a method of reducing electrical consumption, will run from June 2 until Sept. 1 between the hours of 1 and 4:30 p.m. The goal is to turn off at least 50 percent of lighting and all non-mission essential electrical devices during those peak use hours. All groups on base have already updated load reduction plans for their facilities. Facility managers in coordination with the 82nd Civil Engineer Squadron developed these plans.

Load reduction will be successful with the help of all Team Sheppard members. Help facility managers turn off and keep off any unneeded electrical equipment in the afternoons. Contact the facility manager to get involved and see what you can do to help. So far, this year's load deferral savings is estimated at more than \$29,000.

Military Family Housing residents should also try to lend a hand with base conservation efforts since they account for nearly one-fourth of energy use. Below are ten things MFH residents can do to support load deferral while

also staying comfortable during the summer:

1. Set thermostat to 76°F – move it up to 80° if leaving home for more than an hour.

2. Close shades and curtains to keep out sun's heat.

3. Check windows, doors and electrical outlets for drafts – caulk and weather strip around cracks and leaks as needed.

4. Change air conditioner filter at least once every month.

5. Turn off lights when not needed – it'll save energy and reduce heat load.

6. Close-off rooms that are not occupied.

7. Use ceiling and floor fans to move cool air around the house.

8. Take refrigerator's temperature – freezers should be set at 5°F, refrigerators at 37-40°F.

9. Don't cook or use the clothes dryer in mid afternoon – both consume lots of electricity and dramatically increase your home's heat load.

10. Dress for the weather – wear light colored, loose fitting cotton clothes while at home.

Energy conservation is everybody's responsibility at Team Sheppard. And remember, load reduction is the best way for everyone to stay cool. Refer any questions on energy conservation to Mr. Sam Hagins, base energy manager, at 6-5689. *(Courtesy of 82nd Civil Engineer Squadron).*

Sgt. Looksharp says...



1. The wear of long-sleeve blue shirts must include a tie/tab. The sleeve will extend to the heel of the thumb, with arms hanging naturally. Ref: AFI 36-2903, Table 2.1, Line 2.

2. Wear a white V-neck, U-neck, or athletic style undershirt with all service and dress uniforms. The white crew-neck style undershirt is only authorized when wearing closed collar service and dress uniforms. Ref: AFI 36-2903, Table 2.1, Line 18.

If you have any specific questions or feel an issue needs to be included in the next article, contact the 82nd Training Wing/Training Operations standard evaluation section at 6-6102 or e-mail the standard evaluation team at 82 TRW/StanEval@sheppard.af.mil.

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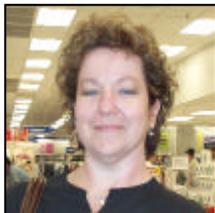
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Drinking and driving don't mix!

Soundoff

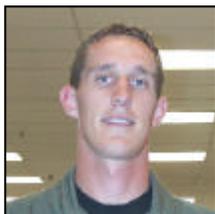
What do you plan to do during your off-duty time this summer?



*"I'm heading for Alaska."
~ Mrs. Ann Valone, military family member*



*"When I'm not going to school, I'll play a lot of golf."
~ Airman 1st Class Brian Wiscombe, 364th Training Squadron*



*"I'd like to go visit some friends in Europe with my wife."
~ 1st Lt. Mark Sletten, 90th Flying Training Squadron*



*"I will be settling in at my first duty station in Italy."
~ Airman Jennifer Snell, 382nd Training Squadron*

Want to quit smoking? Call the health and wellness center for information on smoking cessation classes at 6-4292.

**Be smart. Stay safe.
Don't drink and drive!**

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Tips to protect skin for sunburns, skin cancer

By Ms. Charlan Towsley

82nd Training Wing Safety Office

Now that the warm weather has arrived and hot weather is close on its heels, some people will be spending more time outside enjoying the sunshine.

However, when many people go out to "soak up some rays," they soak up a little too much and get sunburned.

Many people don't realize

how damaging the sun can be. Prolonged exposure can cause serious problems. There are certain guidelines people should consider when out in the sun.

Most people, whatever type skin, should wear sunscreen protection, including children. Always wear sunscreen of at least SPF 15 or above. Reapply after prolonged swimming, vigorous activity, sweating or toweling off.

Wear sunglasses and a visor or cap while in the sun.

Another problem, more serious than sunburn and which can be caused by prolonged sun exposure, is skin cancer. Sun skin cancer is caused due to the amount of exposure from the sun and your type of skin.

The most dangerous type of skin cancer is malignant melanoma. People who notice any raised brown or black spots

that they feel are suspicious should get them checked immediately.

My father is a golfer and oftentimes didn't wear a hat. In the last couple of years, he's visited the local dermatologist to have several spots removed from his head and ear. He's now an avid hat wearer these days.

My friend, Dave, also neglected the signs of a raised spot

on his head. When he finally sought medical attention, he was diagnosed with malignant melanoma. He's had many severe treatments since January 2001.

Use the guidelines above to minimize the risk of skin cancer, and catch it before it's too late.

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Do you have a story or idea for *The Sheppard Senator*? Send it via e-mail to sheppardsenator@sheppard.af.mil.



Photo by Ms. Sandy Wassenmiller

Members of the 80th Flying Training Wing stand with their country sponsors and award sponsors during the annual sponsorship day, a day set aside to thank their sponsors for what they do throughout the year. In addition to each country having sponsors, the wing also has award sponsors that include the Cheney Financial Group, Wayland Baptist University, Army Air Force Exchange Service, Union Square Federal Credit Union, First Command Financial and Sheppard Bank. (No federal endorsement of sponsors is intended.)

80th FTW hosts sponsors for day

Flying training wing thanks country, wing award sponsors with annual sponsorship day

By Mr. Mike McKitto

Base public communication

The 80th Flying Training Wing recently hosted their country sponsors and their wing award sponsors for the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training's Second Annual Sponsorship Day, a day set aside to thank their sponsors for what they do throughout the year.

Each of the 13 ENJJPT countries has residents of the local area to welcome them and help them adjust to the Texoma region during their stay at Sheppard.

The wing award sponsors provide plaques and gifts to the 80th quarterly and annual award winners.

"Both our country and award sponsors are major fac-

"The sponsors are the corporate knowledge and glue that holds the ENJJPT Program together year after year. We could not accomplish our mission without them."

– Col. Ralph Jodice, 80th Flying Training Wing commander

tors for the superb relationship the wing enjoys with the local communities," said Col. Ralph Jodice, 80th FTW commander.

The day's activities included seeing static displays of the T-37 and T-38, "flying" them in the Link trainer, a visit to the radar approach facility, viewing aircraft maintenance and interactive demonstrations in Aerospace Physiology.

"The sponsorship programs are an awesome blend of

recognition, fellowship and education for both the 80th FTW and the sponsors," said Ms. Jill Patterson, Union Square Federal Credit Union, and wing award sponsor.

"The sponsors are the corporate knowledge and glue that holds the ENJJPT Program together year after year. We could not accomplish our mission without them," said Colonel Jodice.

**Today is
day 5
of 101
Critical
Days of
Summer.
Practice
ORM.**

General activities

Free movie showing to play at base theater

The base theater will have free showings of the movie "2 Fast 2 Furious" Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are required. In the movie, Paul Walker returns as former cop Brian O'Conner, who teams up with his ex-col pal Roman Pearce, played by Tyrese Gibson, to transport a shipment of "dirty" money for shady Miami-based import-export dealer Carter Verone, played by Cole Hauser. They're actually working with undercover agent Monica Clemente, played by Eva Mendes, to bring Verone down. See "At the Flicks" box for a complete list of movies and showtimes.

Lake Texoma to celebrate Father's Day

Sheppard Annex Lake Texoma will have a variety of activities for Father's Day. People can bring their fathers to the lake on Father's Day for a weekend of outdoor activities. They can go fishing, rent a boat and explore the lake, hike on one of the many trails and treat him to one of the King Rib-eye steaks. Call (903) 523-4613 for more information.

Ceramics shop open for summer hours

The ceramics shop is open for summer hours. They have all the materials needed to start creative projects and offer free lessons. More than 2,500 craft projects are available with a full-line of paints, glazes and supplies. The ceramics shop is located in Bldg. 832, the Health and Wellness Center building. Summer hours of operation are Wednesdays-Fridays from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. For more information, call 855-0118.

Give Parents a Break Program to hold session in June

The Give a Parents a Break Program is being held at the child development center the first Saturday of every month from 1-5 p.m. The next session is June 7. Those eligible to use the program include parents of children 6 weeks through 5 years old whose spouse is deployed, on extended TDY or required to work extended shifts. Also included are those parents who have been experiencing extenuating family circumstances such as the birth of a baby, serious illness of a family member, death in the family or extended illness of a family member. Register two weeks in advance or call to check on availability. The last day to register is the Wednesday before the Saturday session. Call 6-2038 for more information or dates.

Club activities

Enlisted club offers darts, cards, dominoes

The enlisted club offers a variety of

activities every day. Darts, cards, dominos and pool are available every day. Also, the XBOX game system is available every night to play in the sports bar. For more information, call 6-2083.

Officers club to have night for families

The officers club will have a family night Thursday from 5-8 p.m. Cost for members is \$5.95, and cost for non-members is \$8.95. Membership pays! Children 6-12 years old cost \$2.95, and children 5 and under eat free. All ranks are welcome. Call the officers club at 6-6460 for more information.

Pool tournament to hit enlisted club

The enlisted club will hold a pool tournament June 10 starting at 7 p.m. Cost is \$2 per person. For more information, call 6-2083.

Officers club to serve Sunday brunch in June

The officers club will serve a Sunday brunch June 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All ranks are welcome. Cost is \$11.95 for members and \$14.95 for non-members. Membership pays! The cost for children ages 6-12 is \$5.95. Children 5 and under eat free. Call the officers club at 6-6460 for more information.

Officers club has daily lunch specials

The officers club has daily lunch specials Monday through Friday. Cost is \$5.95 for members and \$7.95 for non-members. Membership pays! On Mondays, they serve a country lunch. Tuesday is Italian. Wednesday is Texas style. Thursday is Mexican, and Friday is seafood. Call the officers club at 6-6460 for more information.

Upcoming trips, show ITT planning upcoming trips in June

ITT is planning several trips for the month of June. Call 6-6210 for more information about any of these trips.

June 7 – Polar Ice and Gameworks at Grapevine Mills, \$43 per person. Register by Tuesday. Departs at 9 a.m. from the community center. Tour includes round trip transportation, ice skating at Polar Ice and \$30 game card for Gameworks. It will return to base at 7 p.m.

June 14 – Hurricane Harbor, cost is \$32 per person. Register by June 9. Departs at 8 a.m. from the community center. Tour includes round trip transportation and water park admission. It will return to base at 7 p.m.

June 28 – Six Flags Over Texas, cost is \$40 per person. Register by June 23. Departs at 7 a.m. from the community center. Tour includes round trip transportation and theme park admission. It will return to base at 8 p.m.

At the Flicks

Friday 6:30 p.m.

Basic

Friday 9 p.m.

Phone Booth

Saturday 2 p.m.

Basic

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Head of State

Saturday 7 p.m. (Free Show)

2 Fast 2 Furious

Sunday 2 p.m.

Anger Management

Sunday 4:30 p.m. (Free Show)

2 Fast 2 Furious

Thursday 6:30 p.m.

Anger Management

This schedule is subject to change without notice.

For movie information, call 6-4427.

Basic (R) – John Travolta, Samuel L. Jackson – Six soldiers went out. Two came back. When a legendary commander and his men turn up missing, the last thing the government wants is a rogue DEA agent investigating the disappearance. As the investigation unfolds, the agent is placed in direct conflict with the Army's official investigating officer and nothing is as it seems.

Head of State (PG-13) – Chris Rock, Bernie Mac – When a presidential candidate dies unexpectedly,

Washington, D.C. alderman, Mays Gilliam, a complete unknown, is thrust into the international spotlight of presidential politics.

Anger Management (PG-13) – Jack Nicholson, Adam Sandler – Dave Buznik is usually a mild-mannered, non-confrontational guy. But after an altercation aboard an airplane, he is remanded to the care of an anger management therapist, Dr. Buddy Rydell, who could probably use some anger management himself.

Chapel Schedule

Student programs

Tuesday, 11 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., chapel rope meeting, North Chapel

Saturday, 3-9 p.m., Solid Rock Cafe, South Chapel

Saturday, 3 p.m., Marriage Group, South Chapel

Sunday, 5 p.m., Sunday Evening Gathering, North Chapel

Catholic activities

Mass

Saturday, 5 p.m., North Chapel

Sunday, 9 a.m., North Chapel

Sunday, noon, North Chapel

Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m., North Chapel

Reconciliation

Saturday, 4-4:30 p.m., North Chapel

Protestant activities

Worship services

Sunday, 10:30 a.m., Inspirational Gospel Service, South Chapel

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Protestant Community Service, North Chapel

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Protestant Holy Communion Service, Hospital Chapel

Wednesday, 7 p.m., Adult Book

Study and Compline, Hospital Chapel

Religious education

Sunday, 9 a.m., classes for ages 3 to adult, Bldg. 962

Bible studies

Tuesday, 6 p.m., Protestant Bible Study, South Chapel

Thursday, noon, Protestant Bible Study, South Chapel

Thursday, 7 p.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel, Bldg. 962

Saturday, 6:30 a.m., Protestant Men of the Chapel, South Chapel

Second Saturday of month, 8 a.m., Protestant Men of Chapel breakfast

Lay-led faith groups

Islamic activities, Friday, 1:45 p.m., South Chapel

Jewish activities, call Maxine Simpson, House of Jacob Synagogue at 322-4177

Latter Day Saints, Sunday, 2 p.m., Hospital Chapel

Mystic Grove Pagan Study Group, call Kalista Thompson at 642-6855

Buddhist activities, call Terry Kelley at 6-4963 or 322-7389

For more information, call the base chapel at 6-4370

Pilot's spouse wins Mrs. Wichita Falls title, to compete for Mrs. Texas America

By Ms. Lynn Gonzales

Base public communication

Military spouse, mother of one and college graduate, Mrs. Kemberley Seger wears many titles.

She recently added one more: Mrs. Wichita Falls.

Mrs. Seger, wife of Capt. Brad Seger, assistant section one commander for the 90th Flying Training Squadron, won the title through a selection process for the Mrs. Texas America pageant.

"I was looking on the Internet for a mom-friendly contest, something I could do for myself, when I came across Mrs. Texas America," said the Wichita Falls native. "I got the

application and ended up going to a party and talking to some friends about it. They encouraged me to go for it, so I filled out the application and sent it in, not thinking much of it."

But the pageant director selected Mrs. Seger to represent Wichita Falls in the upcoming Mrs. Texas America pageant.

The selection process is based on an application, similar to a resume of essay-type answers, which was due to the contest headquarters in Southlake, Texas, by Jan. 1. The selectees then prepare for the Mrs. Texas America beauty pageant to be held in Grapevine on June 13-15.

"I've learned so much while preparing for the pageant," said Mrs. Seger. "I've learned a lot about proper fitness. I have a friend who is Miss Oklahoma, and she's helping me with a lot of it, answering my questions. My husband has also been my outfit judge. And I have tapes of sample interviews that I'm using as a reference."

Unlike the selection process for the competition, to win the Mrs. Texas America title contestants must compete in four categories: beauty, poise and personality, swimsuit, and evening

gown. A panel of celebrity judges will vote on the winner.

The judges will vote based on a scoring system: 25 percent fitness, 25 percent evening gown and 50 percent private interview. The fitness portion of the competition will be graded on figure, level of fitness, posture, grace and confidence, while the evening gown is scored on poise, posture, elegance and overall look. In addition to these primarily physical portions, contestants will give a four-minute, panel-style interview, and judges will look at their ability to articulate, show confidence, as well as overall personality and appearance.

This will be Mrs. Seger's first

beauty pageant. Although contestants have the option of soliciting for sponsors to pay the pageant fees, the Segers said they chose to pay for everything themselves.

"Besides the entrance fee and buying my swimsuit and gowns, I bought an ad in the program book," said Mrs. Seger. "I

couldn't begin to guess how much it has cost."

During their almost seven years of marriage, Mrs. Seger has followed her husband from one assignment to the next. This time, he's following her. Her husband and three-year-old son, Jake, will accompany her to Grapevine in June.

"I think [her competing] is really great," said Capt. Seger. "I mean, she does so much great work volunteering, helping in the community. This is a great way for people to see the good things she does. And it's doing a lot for her self-confidence."

Thirty-nine contestants from throughout the state of Texas will represent various counties and cities. The winner of the Mrs. Texas America title will go on to compete in the Mrs. America pageant to be held in Honolulu, Hawaii, in September.



Photo by Ms. Lynn Gonzales

Kemberley Seger, Mrs. Wichita Falls, poses with her husband, Capt. Brad Seger, 90th Flying Training Squadron assistant section one commander, and son, Jake, in front of a T-38.



Kemberley Seger
Mrs. Wichita Falls

Education office assists military members

By Airman Jacque Lickteig

Base public communication

There are many steps to prepare for college.

The base education office offers services to help military members begin or continue their college education.

First, the counselors help individuals pick the college they wish to attend based on their specific needs. They refer the individuals to the college for an official evaluation, said Mr. Jim Taylor, chief of the counseling element at the education office.

After the individual has a degree program set up with the college, the counselors at the education office prepare tuition assistance and/or the Montgomery GI Bill forms, said Mr. Taylor.

As of Oct. 1, 2002, tuition assistance covers 100 percent of the tuition if the student maintains a passing grade. The cap is \$250 per semester hour, said Mrs. Rhonda Gettig, guidance counselor at the education office.

The education office also offers College Level Examination Programs and Dantes Subject Standardized Tests for free to active-duty, Guard and Reserve members. Most colleges accept 30-45 credits from CLEP and Dantes tests, she said.

"These tests can save a person time and money," said Mr. Taylor.

Guidance counselors at the education office assist family members also by helping them decide on a college and a degree plan. For a fee, family members can also take CLEP and Dantes tests at the education office, said Mr. Taylor.

For more information about the education office, call at 6-6231.



Programming runs 24 hours on TSTV Channel 14.
Check out the detailed schedule at
www.sheppard.af.mil/82trwpa.

Daily Programming

Sheppard Today ~ 6 a.m., noon, 5 p.m.
Air Force News ~ 6:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
Navy/Marine News ~ 8 a.m., 2 p.m., 7 p.m.
Army News ~ 8:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

Today

1 p.m. ~ Air Force
Escape and Evasion
Society Interview: *Mr. Robert Davey*
11 p.m. ~ Famous Gen-
erals: *Hap Arnold*

Saturday

2 p.m. ~ The Making of
an Air Force Recruiter
3 p.m. ~ African Ameri-
cans in WWII

Sunday

5:30 a.m. ~ Famous
Generals: *Hap Arnold*
6 p.m. ~ AFEES Inter-
view: *Mr. Frank Lashinsky*

Monday

10 a.m. ~ 50 Years of
UCMJ
2:30 p.m. ~ AFEES
Interview: *Mr. Stuart Leslie and Mr. Odell Hooper*
8 p.m. ~ AFEES Inter-
view: *Mr. Frank Heekin*

Tuesday

7 a.m. ~ AFEES Inter-
view: *Mr. O.B. Streep-
er and Mr. Robert Sweatt*
4 p.m. ~ 50 Years of
UCMJ
9:30 p.m. ~ African
Americans in WWII

Wednesday

9 a.m. ~ African
Americans in WWII
10:30 p.m. ~ AFEES
Interview: *Mr. George Van Remmerden*

Thursday

10:30 a.m. ~ Leader-
ship Breakfast Series:
Lt. Col Schwing on Passion
11:30 a.m. ~ The
Making of an Air
Force Recruiter
4:30 p.m. ~ The Com-
munication and Infor-
mation Hall of Fame

To suggest or submit videos for
TSTV, e-mail TSTV@sheppard.af.mil.

Living trust provides way to divide, distribute assets

Deciding how assets will be divided and distributed upon a person's death can be difficult, and selecting the legal process to control this distribution can be even more challenging.

The three main legal processes of this distribution include probate, intestacy and living trusts.

Probate occurs whenever the deceased leaves a valid will to control the assets upon his or her death. The will's executor disburses the property and handles debts as the will instructs. Intestacy is the default process run by the state if a person dies without a will. Though each state differs, assets generally first cover debts, with the remainder going to the spouse, children, parents or siblings, respectively.

A trust is an arrangement where one person, the grantor, gives control of property to the trust, which is administered by a trustee for the benefit of the beneficiary, who ultimately receives the property. The grantor names a successor trustee and beneficiaries in the event of incapacitation or death. The grantor, trustee and beneficiary may be the same or different people.

A living trust is simply a trust created while the grantor is alive. If all of the grantor's property is in a properly created trust, the rules of the trust will control the distribution of all assets. A grantor may serve as trustee and beneficiary as long as a successor trustee and beneficiary are named to take control upon the grantor's death. If properly drafted and executed, a living trust can be a useful tool for those who wish to avoid probate. However, a poorly drafted trust can cost more money in the end and endanger the grantor's best intentions.

Misinformation and misunderstanding about estate taxes and the length or complexity of probate provide the perfect cover for scam artists. Some businesses are advertising seminars on living trusts or sending postcards inviting consumers to call for in-home appointments to learn whether a living trust is right for them. In these cases, it is not uncommon for the salesperson to exaggerate the benefits or the appropriateness of the living trust and falsely claim that locally licensed lawyers will prepare the documents. Other businesses are

advertising living trust kits: consumers send money for these do-it-yourself products but receive nothing in return. Some businesses are using estate planning services to gain access to consumers' financial information and to sell them other financial products, such as insurance annuities.

The Federal Trade Commission said that it helps to learn the terms that are used in this aspect of financial planning before beginning conversations about it. The FTC also warned to proceed with caution because state laws and requirements vary, so "cookie-cutter" approaches to estate planning are not always the most effective way to manage affairs. Before creating any trust, people should:

- * Explore their options with an experienced and licensed estate planning attorney or financial advisor.

- * Avoid high-pressure sales tactics and high-speed sales pitches.

- * Avoid salespeople giving the impression that the American Association of Retired Persons is selling or endorsing their product.

- * Do homework. Understand the terminology, know what they want and why, check with the Better Business Bureau about the sales company, and check with the local clerk or register of wills about local probate laws.

- * Understand the Cooling Off Rule. People who buy a living trust in their home or somewhere other than the seller's permanent place of business must get a written statement of the right to cancel the deal within three business days from the seller. The Cooling Off Rule provides that during the sales transaction, the salesperson must give two copies of a cancellation form and a copy of the contract or receipt. The contract or receipt must be dated, show the name and address of the seller, and explain the right to cancel. People can write a letter and exercise the right to cancel within three days. They don't have to give a reason for canceling.

People who want legal advice regarding a living trust can make an appointment with the Sheppard Law Center by calling 6-4262 or visit the Web site is <https://webm.sheppard.af.mil/82r/vjja/index.html>. (Courtesy of Sheppard Law Center)

Centennial of Flight: This week in air and space history

May 24, 1942 - Bob Hope and his troupe chartered a DC-3 from Dallas to Sheppard to perform for more than 5,000 soldiers. Mr. Hope's show did not end until after midnight.

May 24, 2001 - Polly Vacher touches down in Birmingham, England, and becomes the first woman to circumnavigate the globe in a small plane via a Pacific Ocean route that took her to Australia.

May 25, 1910 - Orville and Wilbur Wright make a short flight at Huffman Field, Dayton, Ohio. It is the only time the Wright Brothers are in the air together.

May 25, 1961 - President John F. Kennedy started the lunar landing program saying, "I believe this nation should com-

mit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the Moon and returning him safely to Earth."

May 25, 1972 - NASA research pilot Gary Krier flew an F-8C modified.

May 25 - June 22, 1973 - Skylab 2: First U.S. space station mission (Pete Conrad, Joe Kerwin, and Paul Weitz).

May 27, 1927 - U.S. Army Air Corps Lt. James Doolittle flies first outside loop over McCook Field, near Dayton, Ohio, in a Curtiss P-1B Hawk.

May 27, 1961 - President Kennedy announced Apollo goal: the Moon.

May 28, 1959 - Monkeynauts, Able and Baker, flew in space.



May 30, 1912 - Wilbur Wright dies at age 45 years. Orville succeeds his brother as president of Wright Company.

May 30, 1974 - NASA launched Applications Technology Satellite into geosynchronous orbit for educational programming.

May 30, 1975 - European Space Agency was founded.

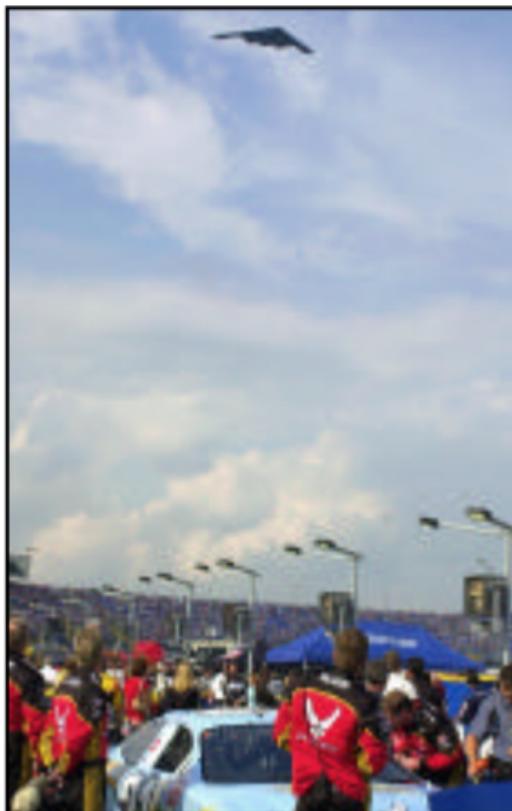


Photo by Larry McTighe

Spirit in the sky

CONCORD, N.C. – Members of the Wood Brothers Race Team watch a B-2 Spirit stealth bomber fly over their Air Force Centennial of Flight race car. The B-2 conducted the flyover during pre-race ceremonies for the NASCAR Coca-Cola 600 at Lowe's Motor Speedway here May 25.

There are 201 days left until Centennial of Flight. For more information on the Centennial of Flight celebration, visit www.centennialofflight.af.mil.

'101 critical days' begins Memorial Day

By Master Sgt. Scott Elliott

Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — If statistics hold true, 21 airmen will die this summer while "having fun."

The period between Memorial Day and Labor Day is a period of increased off-duty injuries caused by increased activity and risk taking, according to officials from the Air Force Safety Center at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M.

"The '101 Critical Days of Summer' safety campaign draws attention to increased safety awareness and risk management during this critical time," said Mr. John Russell, the center's chief of ground safety.

Mr. Russell said the elevated mishap rate is caused by people taking advantage of summer weather for sports and recreational activities, and hitting the road for vacations.

Over the last five years, the Air Force has lost an average of 21 members during summer. Of those off-duty fatalities, Mr. Russell said 70 percent are in the 18- to 25-year-old age group.

"The most significant loss of life among Air Force members involves private motor vehicles," he said. "These are tragic and preventable mishaps."

Driving while impaired, speeding and fatigue were the leading contributing factors in the fatal motor vehicle mishaps, Mr. Russell said.

Motorcycle mishaps accounted for about one-third of the Air Force's fatal motor vehicle accidents. Lack of proficiency, speeding and impaired driving were the primary contributors to the fatal two-wheeled incidents, said Mr. Russell.

"Personal safety is the responsibility of each Air Force member, and risk management is a vital part of all activities," Mr. Russell said. "We must be constantly vigilant by analyzing risks, making smart decisions and reassessing risks during the activity."

Safety officials offer the following factors to consider when planning summer travel:

- Wear seatbelts.
- Remain alert while at the wheel and plan rest breaks at frequent intervals.
- Don't speed in an effort to arrive early; it is better to arrive late than not arrive at all.
- Don't drink alcohol and drive.
- Anticipate the unexpected and be ready to react.

More than anything else, Mr. Russell said airmen and their families should use common sense during the summer, paying particular attention to their surroundings, so that each and every one remains safe and ready to support the Air Force mission.

"People are our most valuable resource," he said. "We need all of them back safe and sound when that vacation comes to a close."



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

The 101 Critical Days of Summer safety campaign began on Memorial Day. Safety officials ask that people pay extra attention to wearing seatbelts during the summer.

For up-to-date news from all around the Air Force, visit AFLink at www.af.mil.



Staff Sgt. Jason Dean

Sheppard Spotlight: 15 lines of fame

1. Name: Jason Lee Dean

2. Rank: Staff Sgt.

3. Organization and Position: 366th Training Squadron, Mechanical Flight, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration instructor.

4. Hometown: Portland, Ore. and Nashville, Tenn.

5. Married or single: I have been married for seven years. My more *talkative* half is Tricia Leigh - aka "Ever Ready" (to talk), battery included, I have a two-year-old daughter named Averie Lauren, and Korina Ashlin is due the later part of July. Three women...Lord help me!

6. Hobbies/favorite thing(s) to do in your free time: Anything water related. I spend most of my free time boating, skiing, kayaking and *salt water* fishing in South Florida.

7. Funniest childhood memory: I actually can't remember when I didn't end up breaking something...*no guts, no glory!* Actually, when I was selected for this position a few years ago, everyone commented that it was the best thing that could have happened to me. I can only suffer from paper cuts now!

8. Why did you join the Air Force? To receive an electronic engineering degree and get established in a trade that I could resume after I retire.

9. Why do you stay in the Air Force? I have stayed in for the love of my country, for my profession and for the contributions that I can make.

Huah!

10. Date Arrived at Sheppard: Oct. 31, 2000.

11. Most rewarding aspect of your job: A student's last four weeks of their six-month tenure here at Sheppard are in the contingency blocks. I can take a student and *motivate* them through my personal experiences in the field, yet refine all that they have learned through practical equipment application and troubleshooting.

12. Favorite book or movie: The only books that I read lately are from Wayland Baptist University, so I am a little light in that category. My favorite movies are "Heat," "Dances with Wolves," "Scarface," "Bravehart," "Full Metal Jacket," and lastly, "A Few Good Men."

13. What is your dream vacation? That is easy...anywhere but the Midwest; all I need is a little time!

14. If you could be anyone for one day, who would you be? That is tough to pinpoint. Many good people abroad do great things for this country, so I do not think I could actually replace them. Although, I think it would be cool to be a *fly on the wall at the White House or Pentagon* for a day. I would like to see President Bush, Secretary of State Colin Powell, and Secretary of Defense Don Rumsfeld in action.

15. Most prized possession: My family, good people, good friends and my jump wings! Get some! Hooah!

Sports

Sports Shorts

Fastlanes bowling under way at south lanes

Base bowling center customers will have the opportunity to participate in a "Scratch 'n Win" game until Aug. 14. Customers purchasing a large fountain drink, or largest size sold at each center, will receive a game piece. Participants may win instant prizes, such as a free game of bowling, free medium soft drink, free French fries, free shoe rental, free soft drink with sandwich purchase, or buy-one-game-of-bowling and get-one-free. A certain percentage of cards will also have a "play again" message under the scratch area. The second part of the card contains a detachable entry form for a chance to win a collectible NASCAR racing hood replica or grand prize NASCAR VIP trip. Call 6-2170 for more information.

Aerobiccenter offers variety of classes

The aerobiccenter, located in the south fitness center, offers coed aerobics classes seven days a week. Classes are offered between 5:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Call 6-2972 for more information.

Abdominal class, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 a.m.

Step aerobics, Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 a.m.

Low impact step, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Basic step, Sunday at 2 p.m.
Intermediate step, Saturday, 10:15 a.m.

Advanced step/floor, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 5 p.m.

Combo step, Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m.

Kickboxing, Tuesday at 6 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m., Sunday at 3 p.m.

Boot camp/circuit training, Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

Yoga/pilates, Monday and Wednesday at 10:15 a.m., Wednesday at 5 p.m., Thursday at 6 p.m., and Saturday at 3 p.m.

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Muscle sculpting, Tuesday and Thursday 9:15 a.m.

Abs and stretch, Thursday, 11:30 a.m.

Spinning classes held at fitness center

The north fitness center holds spinning classes. Classes are held Thursday at 10:15 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 a.m., Monday - Thursday at 4:30 p.m., Monday and Wednesday 6 p.m., and Saturday at 2 p.m. For more information, call the north fitness center at 6-6336.

North lanes to rock 'n bowl Friday, Saturday nights

A Glow in the Dark Rock It Bowl takes place every Friday and Saturday night from 5-11 p.m. at the north lanes. The in-house rock radio station 300 plays the latest hits. For more information, call 6-4806.

Base pools now open for summer

Swim season is now underway. Base pool passes are on sale at Bldg. 2117. Passes for individuals cost \$35, and family passes cost \$65. Call 6-4141 for more information.

Daily fees:

16 years and older - \$2 per person
4 - 15 years - \$1 per person

Pool hours:

Main pool

Monday - Friday - 1 - 7:45 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday - noon - 7:45 p.m.
North main closed on Tuesdays
South main closed on Thursdays
For more information, call 6-6494.

Bunker Hill water park

Thursday - Tuesday - noon - 7:45 p.m.
Wednesdays - closed
For more information, call 6-4161.

Capehart pool

Saturday - Wednesday - noon - 7:45 p.m.
Thursdays and Fridays - closed
For more information, call 6-4281.

Water aerobics:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday - noon, 5 and 6:15 p.m.
Call 6-7491 for start dates.

Lap swimming:

Now - Sept. 26, Monday - Friday - 10:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Fitness center hours to change

The hours of operation for the base fitness centers will change during the month of June.

South fitness center

Monday - Thursday
24 hour operations
Opens at 4:30 a.m.
Friday - 4:30 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Saturday - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday - noon - 8 p.m.
June 16 - Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week

North fitness center

Monday - Friday - 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Saturday - noon - 8 p.m.
Sunday - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
June 1 - Open 7 a.m., Monday - Friday

Main fitness center

Monday - Friday - 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday - Closed
June 1 - Closed

Base skeet league standings

Week # 7

Team	Score
82 Comm 'B'	48.743
Raytheon	48.457
360 TRS	48.314
362 TRS	47.800
782 TRG	47.786
82 CES	47.557
365 TRS	47.500
82 Comm 'A'	47.464
383 TRS	47.364
382 TRS 'B'	47.107
382 TRS 'A'	46.336
364 TRS	45.107
882 TRG	43.821

Tell us about your base sports league. Send standings to sheppardsenator@sheppard.af.mil.



Photo by 2nd Lt. Ellen Harr

Spinning class

Second Lt. Wayne Gendron, 360th Training Squadron, "climbs a hill" during an afternoon spinning class at the north fitness center. See class schedule in Sports Shorts.