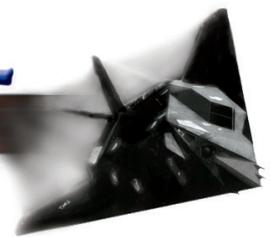




# Sunburst



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## Briefly

### Special Screening

Jim Carrey stars in the Bruce Almighty film, new to theaters. The base theater has a free special screening of the movie at 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

### Thrift Shop closes

The Holloman Thrift Shop closes Tuesday and will re-open in the fall. There will be a bag sale Tuesday.

For more information call 479-0529.

### Watering schedule

The new watering schedule allows watering from 5 to 9 a.m., or 5 to 9 p.m. Odd numbered houses water Sundays and Wednesdays; Even numbered houses water Saturdays and Tuesdays. Water newly seeded areas daily (kept moist) until the first mowing. Water flowers in beds, pots, or other containers by hand as needed.

### Officers' Club hours

*Dining Room and American Grille Hours, effective Monday:*

Monday to Friday lunch, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; Sunday brunch, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesday to Thursday dinner, 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday dinner, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday dinner (effective June 1) 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

#### *49er Bar Hours:*

Monday to Tuesday, closed; Wednesday to Thursday, 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, 4:30 p.m. to midnight; Sunday, (effective June 1) 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

#### *Administration/Catering:*

Monday to Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Wednesday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Vanessa LaBoy

### GI Jane

Senior Airman Jonathon Bliss, 49th Security Forces Squadron trainer, applies camouflage paint to the face of 4-year-old Isabel Casas. Security forces set up a booth Tuesday at the Commissary parking lot to honor police week.

## Holloman kicks off 101+ drive

by Airman 1st Class Martha Whipple

49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

A retired Mississippi State trooper helped Holloman kick off its 101+ Critical Days of Summer Campaign May 9 at the Fitness and Sports Center.

The Air Force's official 101 Critical Days of Summer Campaign runs from Memorial Day to Labor Day, but because of the Tularosa Basin's summer-like weather, Holloman's campaign has started. It started with two presentations from Capt. Pete Collins who spoke about his personal experiences as a state trooper.

Collins has traveled more than nine million miles and talked to more than 17 million people about safety, speeding and driving while impaired and the consequences thereof.

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## AF eases Stop Loss restrictions

Air Force personnel officials announced Wednesday the release of more than half of the Air Force Specialty Codes restricted from retirement or separation under Stop Loss.

Following a review of operational requirements, 31 officer and 20 enlisted career fields were identified for release from Stop Loss.

The Air Force announced Stop Loss, a Defense Department program designed to retain members of the

armed forces beyond their established dates of separation or retirement, for 99 AFSCs and deployed airmen on March 13. The move was aimed at ensuring personnel levels were adequate to meet upcoming contingencies.

"It was not an action that we took lightly," said Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche. "It was designed to preserve Air Force skills essential to supporting the global war on terrorism and operations in Iraq."

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper pointed out service officials have always said they will use Stop Loss only as long as necessary to accomplish the mission.

"We've reevaluated our requirements and are releasing these AFSCs because Stop-Loss is inconsistent with the fundamental principles of voluntary service," Jumper said.

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High: 92  
Low: 50  
TODAY



High: 95  
Low: 52  
SATURDAY



High: 98  
Low: 58  
SUNDAY



High: 95  
Low: 60  
MONDAY

Weather forecast provided by the 49th Operations Support Squadron Weather Flight

# ER visits still high

by Airman 1st Class  
Martha Whipple

*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

Each month more than 300 Team Holloman members visit the emergency room, but the diagnosis for more than 75 percent isn't an emergency.

Air Force members and their families are entitled to free medical care, but are reminded to use available medical resources before going to the ER unless there is a life, limb or sight-threatening emergency.

TRICARE defines an emergency as 'acute symptoms of sufficient severity that a prudent person can reasonably expect the absence of medical attention to result in placing that individual's health in serious jeopardy, serious impairment to bodily function, or serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.'

"If you think your situation is serious, and can't reach a primary care manager, go immediately to the emergency room, or call 911," said Pat Gaccione, TriWest representative.

## STOP LOSS

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Maj. Teresa Forest, chief of Air Force retirements and separation policy at the Pentagon, said this announcement is the result of an in-depth review.

"A number of different factors went into the review process," Forest said. "We had to consider the balance between the active duty and Air Reserve Component, as well as the need to remain responsive to changing events worldwide."

Deployed active duty, Guard and Reserve airmen whose AFSCs are released from Stop Loss will not be allowed to retire or separate until their deployment is completed, Forest said. Air Reserve Component airmen who are mobilized, but not deployed, will be demobilized according to ARC policy.

The actual "termination" of Stop Loss has yet to be determined because the Air Force and combatant commanders still need certain skills to directly support the war in Iraq, Forest said.

More career fields will likely be released in the future, she said, based on input from different levels around the Air Force. However, if airmen experi-

"Call your PCM within 24 hours."

Before seeking care, first refer to the "Taking Care of Yourself" book provided at Right Start briefings. Books can be requested at 572-5745.

"This book is a valuable resource that provides members with an outline of basic remedies," said 1st Lt. Adriana Vargas, group practice manager. "The book is a useful tool for common cold symptoms and minor medical needs."

While the book is helpful, some people may need medical advice.

The TRICARE Line for Care at toll free (888) 877-4111, is available to all TRICARE beneficiaries 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The TLC is staffed by a team of registered nurses and supported by physicians, pharmacists and other health care practitioners.

The TLC staff not only provides medical advice, they can also refer members to an Acute Care Clinic.

The Family Practice averages about 77 appointments each day. If no appointments are available, patients can be referred to an Acute Care Clinic.

ence a severe hardship caused by Stop Loss, they can apply for a waiver through their chain of command.

For more information, call the MPF at 572-7277. (AFPN)

### On the side

*The officer career fields released from Stop Loss are:*

11BX, 11EX, 11FX, 11HX,  
11KX, 12BX, 12EX, 12FX,  
12KX, 12RX, 12TX, 13BX,  
13DXA, 13DXB, 32EX, 43EX,  
43HX, 43TX, 44EX, 44MX,  
45AX, 45BX, 45SX, 46FX,  
46MX, 46NXE, 46SX, 48AX,  
48GX, 48RX and 51JX.

*The enlisted career fields released from Stop Loss are:*

1C2XX, 1C4XX, 1S0XX,  
1T1XX, 3E000, 3E0X2,  
3E4X1, 3E4X2, 3E5X1,  
3E7X1, 3E8X1, 3E9X1,  
3H0X1, 3N0XX, 4A1XX,  
4A2XX, 4B0XX, 4E0XX,  
4H0XX and 5J0X1.

**COLLINS***from Page 1*

He started his Holloman presentation by asking the audience, "How many of you have ever had a traffic ticket?" About 85 percent of the crowd raised a hand. After a short pause, he added, "... that you deserved?" Most of the hands went down.

"It's amazing," he said through his thick southern accent. "Every time I stop somebody on the road; it's not their fault."

The speed limit is posted for safety not for highway decoration.

"The state police can't keep you from speeding, but do you know who can bring you to your knees and make you beg like a puppy for a bone?" Collins asked as he dropped to his knees. "The insurance companies. They'll eat your lunch."

Most people will agree hindsight is 20/20. They remember being in a situation where looking back; they would have done something different, he said.

"We listened to George Burns sing ... 'I wish I were 18 again,'" Collins sang. "If I were 18 again, heaven knows I could do some things different."

Collins said people have the power to remember, but not the power to bring it back. "What are you willing to die for?" he asked. "Remember it because you can't bring it back."

He said the old gray-headed man who raised him was the only person in his life that he ever knew loved him.

"Always tell your children you love them," he said. "I'm 58 years old and I've never heard my father ever say 'I love you.'"

Collins said he knew his dad loved him because he showed him.

"My dad once said, 'Sonny-boy, if you ever figure out what you're willing to die for, I suggest you learn to live for it.'" Collins said. "God gave you a tremendous responsibility with children."

He said he learned what he was willing to die for when a nurse brought a baby bundled in a green a sheet and said 'here's your son, Mr. Collins.'

"I would do anything for him," he

said. "I'd work double shifts; I'd do without if I had to."

There's not a mother that can't tell what it's like to stay up all night changing little dirty diapers and go the next day like she had a good night's sleep. There's not a father who hasn't reached into his pocket and given to his child what he was going to have lunch with and never say a word, Collins said.

"Parents have a love that surpasses all understanding," he said. "Some parents, after drinking and driving, don't understand that love."

Collins said one day a lady flagged him down and said there's a wreck down at Nelson's curve, also known as Dead Man's Curve.

When the trooper arrived at the site, there was a Chevrolet automobile on its side, driver's side down. The driver was outside with his chin in his hand cursing. He was so drunk he didn't even know where he was. While the trooper was talking to the driver, he heard something splashing. He shined his spotlight into the muddy Mississippi water, the Big Black River, and found the driver's 3-year-old son. Collins slid down the muddy bank to the water. The little man's air way was blocked with mud and grass.

"Not one time did the driver say, 'trooper, that's my boy, can you check on him?'" Collins said. "There are no words in the dictionary to describe the look in that little boy's eyes as they were scanning that Mississippi hill side, not for a state trooper, but for his daddy because if his daddy saw him, he'd come save him, but his daddy was only a drunk spectator."

Collins cradled the child in his arm and started CPR. The water was dripping off his curly hair, the shoelaces were missing from his green tennis shoes, and he was fighting for his life.

He lost the fight and the child lied still and lifeless in the arms of that Mississippi state trooper.

"That day, I remembered the day my son was born," Collins said. "I promised to never leave him and always be there for him. I also promised that he'd never smell alcohol on my breath; I've never tasted alcohol. There's no alcohol brewed that can take back a tragedy. What are you

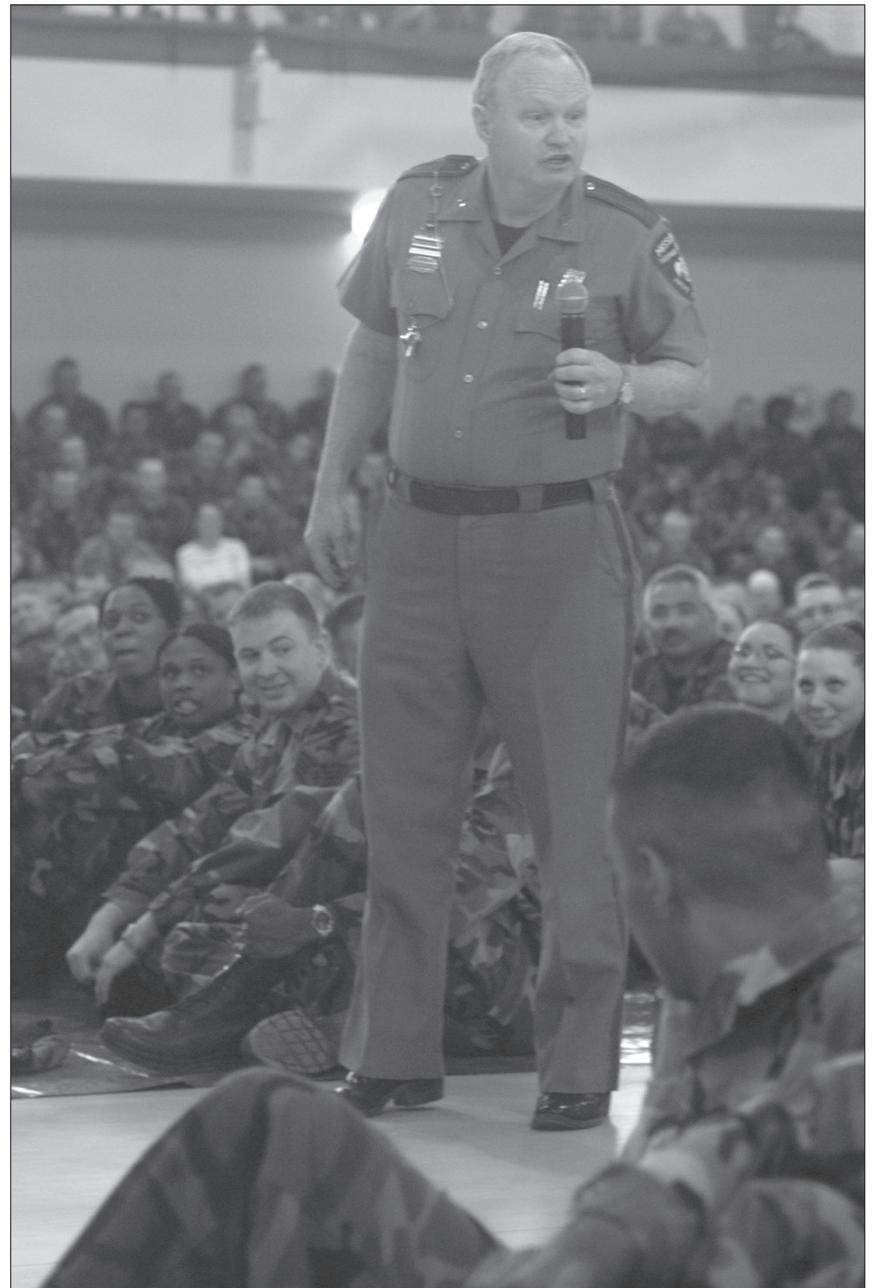


Photo by Airman 1st Class Vanessa LaBoy

**Retired Mississippi State Trooper Capt. Pete Collins helped Holloman kick off its 101+ Critical Days of Summer Campaign. He gave two presentations at the Fitness and Sports Center May 9.**

willing to die for?"

Collins shared his experiences as a state trooper to give a personal and moving view on the dangers of the road and how the dangers increase when alcohol is involved. As Holloman's 101+ Critical Days of Summer campaign kicks off, remember what you're willing to die for.

"It's important for Team Holloman to put safety at the top of their list," said Master Sgt. Mark Sprayberry, 49th Fighter Wing Safety NCO. "During the summer weather, statistically the number of mishaps increases. People are reminded to analyze per-

sonal risk management and increase safety precautions to prevent potential accidents."

Holloman's 2003 campaign includes: Seatbelt checks: Tuesday and Wednesday; Child car seat inspections: Thursday to May 24 at the Base Exchange; Driver Safety Week: June 1 to 8; Home Safety Week: June 15 to 21; Work Safety Week: June 22 to 29; Fire Work Safety: July 4; Healthy Eyes: July 11; Yard work safety: July 18; Sunburn safety July 25; Back to school safety: Aug. 1; Motorcycle safety: Aug. 15; Hunting safety: Sept. 1

# Parachute rigger named top in command

by **Laura Pellegrino**  
Sunburst staff writer

David Kasehagen made his first parachute when he was 7 years old. He tested it on a skydiving teddy bear.

Skydivers from the demilitarized zone near his home gave him scraps of material from their parachutes. Using his mother's sewing machine, he turned the scraps into miniature chutes for his teddy bears. The skydivers dropped the bears from their planes.

"I didn't have any malfunctions," he said. "I haven't yet."

Today Kasehagen is a parachute rigger for the 49th Maintenance Squadron survival equipment shop and the winner of the Air Combat Command's Lieutenant General Leo Marquez Award for Civilian Maintenance Provider of the Year.

"I'm grateful to have been nominated and to win the award," he said.

On a typical day, Kasehagen may repack, test or inspect survival equipment such as parachutes and life vests. Pilots use much of the gear in emer-

gency situations, he said.

"What we do here is save lives," he said.

This responsibility is not the work of just one man, but a team, he said.

"We all add our little bit to the soup pot," Kasehagen said. "Together we make a good finished product," he said.

He has been with civil service for 19 years, but Kasehagen said he would have enlisted if he could. Because of blindness in one eye, he was ineligible.

"Since I was never in the uniformed services, I feel it is a great privilege to be employed by the Air Force as a civilian," he said. "I am glad I have been allowed to serve my country by doing what I love to do."

George Mirabal, Civilian Supervisor, said he nominated Kasehagen for the award because of his knowledge, experience and dependability.

"You ask him to do something and he'll do it," Mirabal said.

Kasehagen's dependability is echoed in the advice he gives to new airmen. "Do what you're told and be humble," he said.



Photo by Senior Airman Brandy Dupper-Macy

**David Kasehagen, 49th Maintenance Squadron parachute rigger, inspects a chute.**



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents from May 6 to 13.

### Tickets

Security forces issued a total of 11 citations this week:

One for criminal damage to property, one for improper turn plus failure to stop, one for a parking violation, one for use of the telephone to terrify/intimidate/threaten/annoy/or offend, one for limitations on backing, one for no vehicle insurance, one for a seatbelt violation, two for speeding 1 to 10 mph over the posted speed limit, one for speeding 11 to 15 mph over the posted speed limit, and one for careless driving.

### Theft or damage to government and private property

- May 6: An airman reported damage to his dorm window.
- May 7: An officer reported damage to his private-owned vehicle parked in base housing.
- May 7: An officer reported a civilian driving a POV hit his family member's POV.
- May 7: A civilian reported she received a verbal threat from an airman's family member.
- May 8: An officer was cited for inattentive backing after he hit another POV.
- May 12: An airman hit a POV while pulling into a parking space.

### Patrol Response

- May 8: A family member reported a verbal altercation in base housing.
- May 9: A family member reported strange noises around her base home.
- May 10: An airman reported his motorcycle had been pushed over while it was parked in base housing.
- May 10: An NCO reported a cat bit his son.
- May 11: An airman reported damage to the fence near his quarters in base housing.

- May 11: An airman reported several items were missing from his dorm room.

### Inmate Confinement

May 8: An airman is being confined for 20 months after being convicted of Article 112A, Wrongful use and distribution of Controlled Substance.

### Missing ID cards, vehicle decals and restricted area badges

There was one report of a missing active-duty identification card this week.

These incidents can become breaches of security. If personnel have a military issued ID card stolen or lost, or a DD Form 2220 stolen from a vehicle or missing from the squadron's inventory, report it to security forces immediately.

Security forces can be alerted to look for the missing item, given the information and serial numbers placed on each accountable item.

**If you know of or have any information concerning any of these incidents, please contact security forces at 572-7171 or your first sergeant. For the Crime Stop Help Line, please contact security forces at 572-1100 or dial "911".**

# Holloman Hotline

572-7500



The Hotline is your direct link to Fighter Wing command—you've tried to solve problem yourself and haven't been able to get results, call 572-7500 or e-mail [cc.hotline@holloman.af.mil](mailto:cc.hotline@holloman.af.mil). Leave your name and phone number so the office of primary concern can contact you. Before submitting a Hotline, please give the appropriate agencies a chance to work out the problem. If you want to pass on praise for a job well done, please contact the supervisor or commander directly who can provide the appropriate recognition to the individual or group. The unit commanders and agency chiefs want to help. Let them try first.

#### Housing Office

572-3981

#### Housing Maintenance

572-7901

#### Finance

572-5107

#### Services

572-3528

#### Base Exchange

479-6164

#### Fraud, Waste and Abuse

572-3713

#### Medical Clinic

572-5991

#### Commissary

572-5127

## Welcome home troops

**Q:** My husband works at BEAR Base and has been deployed since mid-January. Will the base have a Welcome Home Troops celebration, like the one we saw when the stealth fighters returned, for all the military members who have gone out to this war? I don't know the exact amount of military members who have deployed from Holloman, but I bet they would probably appreciate a big Welcome Home...with all the press time the anti-war protestors have gotten; it would do our military members good to see so many of us are behind them. Thanks.

**A:** Let me first tell you how proud I am of every member who has deployed from Holloman in the past few months. They're some of the finest men and women; we applaud not only them, but all of you who supported them from home. We still have over 500 people deployed, and we're going to try and meet each of them when they get home. I have asked each commander to let me know when they are expecting troops to return so that we can be there to welcome them and congratulate them on a job well done. Plans are that each reception is open to all base personnel and community leaders with passes who wish to attend. We'll continue to post on channel 3 and update the straight talk line as we learn of members returning. I hope to welcome home as many of our Team Holloman members as I'm told about. Coming home after doing a job well done is what makes what we're fighting for worth it.

## DWI Update

<b>Days since last DWI</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>Last six DWIs:</b>	<b>572-RIDE works!</b>
<b>DWIs year to date</b>	<b>12</b>	• 49 LRS* March 2	<i>Calls MADE are lives SAVED.</i>
<b>DWIs this time last year</b>	<b>13</b>	• 49 MMS March 2	<b>Calls:</b>
		• 49 CES* March 2	<b>Year to date: 242</b>
		• 49 OSS Jan. 11	<b>Last week: 8</b>
		• 49 LRS Jan. 4	
		• 49 GAF Nov. 22	

*(The DWI update and 572-RIDE reflect FY 2003. The \* denotes family member or civilian employee.)*

### Holloman Chapel Services

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| <b>Weekday Masses</b> – 11:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. | • General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.        |
| <b>Sunday</b> – Catholic Mass, 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.                         | • Catholic Religious Education, 11 a.m.              |
| • Protestant Religious Education, 9:30 a.m.                                 | • Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.                       |
|   | • Protestant Contemporary Worship Service, 6:30 p.m. |

Call 572-7214 for more information.

## Commander's Access Channel

The commander's access channel, cable channel 3, offers up-to-date information about current security conditions, closures on base, hours of various programs on base and community information about what programs and events are available at Holloman and in the local area. The commander's access channel also features the following videos today through Thursday:

- Air Force Television News: 6 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- Air Combat Command Access: 7 a.m., noon, 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.



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## Flight safety top in ACC

by Airman 1st Class

Martha Whipple

49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Air Combat Command named the flight safety team here best in ACC.

The team won the 2002 ACC Flight Safety Plaque.

The primary goal of flight safety is to ensure assets, both material and people, are able to complete the mission without a loss.

According to Master Sgt. Michael Gann, flight safety NCOIC, flight safety is critical to the wing's safety program, which directs a comprehensive wing mishap prevention program, supporting five groups, 21 squadrons, 35 tenant units and more than 6,900 people.

The safety program addresses the safety requirements of over 50 F-117As, 24 F-4Fs and 14 T-38s, which together produced 29,053 hours and 16,954 sorties during fiscal year 2002.

The program also provides direct support to tenant units, including German air force tornadoes, QF-4 drone operation and Army helicopters.

"The 49th Fighter Wing flight safety team embodies the motto, 'Mission First, Safety Always', which directly translates into the wing's operational capability and success in combat employment and global force protection," Gann said. "The flight safety professionals are the driving force behind the command-recognized flight safety program."

"The wing, command and Air Force will benefit immeasurably from the flight safety team's leadership and expertise in the safety arena for years to come," said Lt. Col. Phil Taber, 2002 49th FW safety office chief. "Based on its unparalleled sustained level of performance and unqualified standard of excellence, the flight safety team deserves this recognition."

## Scams target military families, e-mail users

Although the federal tax-filing season ended April 15, the Internal Revenue Service continues to see isolated instances of new tax scams.

Two new schemes target families of those serving in the armed forces and e-mail users. In both schemes, people represent themselves as being from the IRS.

The IRS warns consumers to beware of any variation of a scenario in which a telephone caller posing as an IRS employee tells a family member he is entitled to a \$4,000 refund because his relative is in the armed forces and then requests a credit card number to cover a \$42 fee for postage.

The scammer provides an actual IRS toll-free number as the callback number to make the call seem legitimate. However, the scammer then charges unauthorized purchases with the victim's card.

Genuine IRS employees who call taxpayers do not ask for credit card numbers or request fees for payment of a refund.

In another scheme, victims receive an e-mail that appears to be from the IRS. The e-mail contains links to a non-IRS Internet Web page that asks for personal and financial information. Such information could be used to steal the respondent's identity and get access to sensitive financial data or accounts.

The IRS does not request sensitive personal or financial data by e-mail.

The IRS wants to get word of these scams to military families before more damage is done, according to IRS spokesman Bill Barksdale.

"What we're trying to do is protect taxpayers from financial predators who are out there finding creative ways to steal from people," said Barksdale. "In this case (the latest military-related scam), it's not hard for these identity thieves to tell that lots of military folks are still deployed

and, in many cases, their loved ones are left behind to figure out and finish the taxes."

Not all the phone calls will be the same, Barksdale said, but military people and their families should be aware of the basic elements of these scams so they can guard against them.

"The calls may not be worded exactly the same, but it's a good chance the predator will do or say something to entice the military member or spouse to give up their credit card information, which they will then use to commit identity theft," he said.

He does not know exactly how many military families have fallen victim to these scams, but he hopes it is not many, Barksdale said.

"We're trying to get ahead of these scams," he said. "It's one of our priorities. Hopefully, once we get this information out, we will prevent other military families from becoming victims of identity theft."

People who believe they are victims of one of these scams can contact the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration by calling the toll-free fraud referral hotline at (800) 366-4484, faxing a complaint to (202) 927-7018 or writing to the TIGTA Hotline, P.O. Box 589, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044-0589. TIGTA's Web site is located at [www.ustreas.gov/tigta](http://www.ustreas.gov/tigta). (AFPN)



Photo by Heather Burrows

### On a mission

Jessica Neito, Macy Burrows, Hanna Latts, Amber Hurt, Amy Wojcik display their space shuttles made from a wood kit Monday for judges at the Hubbard Space museum. Junior Troop 002 and Brownie Troop 07 made shuttles in honor of the space shuttle Columbia. The scouts earned the patch worn by the Columbia crew members for the project. 1st place winners are Macy Burrows and Priscilla Nieto.

### Inside the story ...

Identity thieves can use someone's personal data to:

- take over his or her financial accounts
- run up charges on the victim's existing credit cards
- apply for loans, credit cards, services or benefits in the victim's name
- file fraudulent income tax returns

# Plan to get AEF back on track, fix 'disparity'

by Master Sgt. Scott Elliott  
Air Force Print News

While many deployed airmen are returning from Operation Iraqi Freedom to hero's welcomes, others deployed for as much as three times longer are still waiting to hear when they will go home.

What appears to some as an obvious disparity is actually a case of differing mission objectives, said the general in charge of air and space expeditionary force policy.

"The issue is, 'What job were these people sent to do,'" said Maj. Gen. Timothy A. Peppe, special assistant for AEF matters at the Pentagon. "Some of the people in OIF are already home because that operation went so well and so quickly that the combatant commander was able to release them.

"There is a difference for Operation Enduring Freedom folks. Those people are filling a requirement that hasn't changed. They will rotate when the Air Force has the combatant commanders' requirements worldwide and develops the rotation to support them."

Besides manning requirements

for OEF and OIF, a recent increase in Pacific Air Forces further strained the AEF rotation schedule.

On top of that, Peppe said, the service is obligated to provide about 1,700 people to augment the staffs of component and combatant commanders worldwide.

"It's not just the people in Afghanistan," Peppe said. "Anyone the AEF supports will be caught up in this."

The Air Force uses the AEF's standard three-month rotation plan to bring deployment predictability to airmen and their families, but the operational demands of OIF and other requirements forced the service to break out of that mold.

The plan is for the AEF deployment schedule to be back on track by early 2004, Peppe said.

To achieve that goal, the Air Force plans to piece together two transitional AEFs to meet deployment combatant commanders' needs into 2004.

Manning for these two AEFs will come from the ranks of those who have not deployed this cycle.

"We'll have to find 'green' unit

**"We want to get on with the rotation, but there is a mission at hand, and we will support that mission."**

-- Maj. Gen. Timothy A. Peppe  
Pentagon AEF matters assistant

type codes that are properly manned and equipped," Peppe said. "The AEF Center (at Langley Air Force Base, Va.) will work with the (major commands) to identify the personnel and equipment (that are) ready to deploy.

"Everyone who did not deploy needs to be on notice that we may need them to be a part of this rotation, or the next, as we get back to a more normal AEF rhythm," he said.

The numbers of people and types of equipment making up the new AEFs have yet to be determined by combatant commanders.

The Air Force's goal is to have new mission requirements defined by the middle of May, Peppe said.

"The effort to define the require-

ments is ongoing, and we hope to wrap that up soon, because from the time requirements are set and the rotation begins is going to take 45 to 60 days," Peppe said.

As vital as the new mission requirements are to the rotation schedule, the general said, patience is just as important.

"We can't send 100 aircraft over there to rotate everyone out at once," he said. "There are only so many aircraft available to do that type of work, so some people will rotate on day one, and some will rotate on day 15."

It is also important deployed airmen know they are not forgotten, Peppe said.

"There is nobody who wants to bring the troops home and start a rotation any more than the secretary of the Air Force and the Air Force chief of staff," he said. "They are acutely aware that those people have been frozen in place, and that some have been there six months or longer.

"We want to get on with the rotation," Peppe said, "but there is a mission at hand, and we will support that mission."

## Team Holloman salutes...

... the following senior airman for their Airman Leadership School Class 03D graduation Monday

### 49th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Jason Barr

John Bolz

Richard Heinze

Brent Lyons

Nathaniel Otterstrom

### 49th Comptroller Squadron

Mindy Goldstick

### 49th Civil Engineer Squadron

Rita Block

Curtis Eichberg

### 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Jeremy Domingo

Charles Gilbert

Dexter Hinton

Edgar Lopez

Faelaun Onaolapo

Shane Perry

Nikisha Scott

Brian Wright

### 49th Medical Support Squadron

Ryan Delashmit

### 49th Maintenance Squadron

Jeremy Dee

Timothy Reid

April Sweet

Steven Zimmerman

### 49th Operations Support Squadron

Brooke Lineberry

### 49th Security Forces

Joseph Bellant

Joseph Brodaway

Beau Sakshaug

Katharine Whitaker

### 4th Space Control Squadron

Juan Broines Jr.

## Coupon rules change

### Commissaries limit coupon use to one per item

Commissaries will start enforcing new policy revisions June 1 that limit coupon use to only one per item unless otherwise specified on a coupon.

"We still gladly welcome the use of coupons," said Bob Vitikacs, the Defense Commissary Agency's executive director for operations and product support. "We're only limiting the number of coupons a customer can use per item to what is specifically stated on the coupons."

If the coupons state more than one per item can be used, then they'll be accepted. If it doesn't, then only one per item will be accepted.

The revised DeCA policy more accurately reflects manufacturers' intent for coupon use, which has

always been one coupon per item unless otherwise stated, Vitikacs said.

DeCA policy had allowed commissaries to accept multiple coupons unless specifically stated as only "one per item."

Under the new policy, customers can still take advantage of using multiple coupons, but only through sales specifically allowing the practice.

Customers can watch for advertising and in-store flyers to learn about these sales, and manufacturers will continue to provide coupons in the stores.

For more information about the coupon change, call Holloman's commissary at 572-5127. (*DeCa News Release*)







### Sunburst's new contract

The Alamogordo Daily News is the new contractor and publisher of the *Sunburst*. Free weekly classified advertising is available for all active duty, retired, Department of Defense employees and their families relocating to the Holloman community at building 29 Room 2800 or at the ADN in Alamogordo. Ads for commercial gain aren't free.

For more information about advertising, contact the Alamogordo Daily News at 437-7120.

### Asian Pacific Heritage Month

May is Asian Pacific Heritage Month and Holloman's Asian Pacific Islanders Club offers special events throughout the month.

- Asian Pacific Luau Luncheon: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., May 30 at the community center

- Families Apart dinner: 6 p.m., Wednesday at the Chapel Annex

- Holloman Intermediate School Assembly: 1:30 to 2 p.m. today

Island crafts, books and history of the heritage are displayed at the library throughout the month.

For more information, contact Daria Bautista at 572-3040 or 479-0588 or contact Staff Sgt. Chad Ohelo at 572-7202.

### FSC

The Family Support Center offers the following classes and events at the FSC, building 40:

- Spouse Employment Workshop: 12:30 p.m., Monday

For more information, contact the FSC at 572-7754 or visit the website at [wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/sptg/mss/fsc](http://wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/sptg/mss/fsc).

### Summer hire program

The summer hire program kicks off this month. Lifeguard positions are scheduled to last 13 weeks be-

## B On the BIG SCREEN

### Chicago

7 p.m., Today

### A Man Apart

10 p.m., Saturday and Sunday

### What a Girl Wants

7 p.m., Sunday and Thursday

Movies are subject to change.

For more information, call 572-3286.

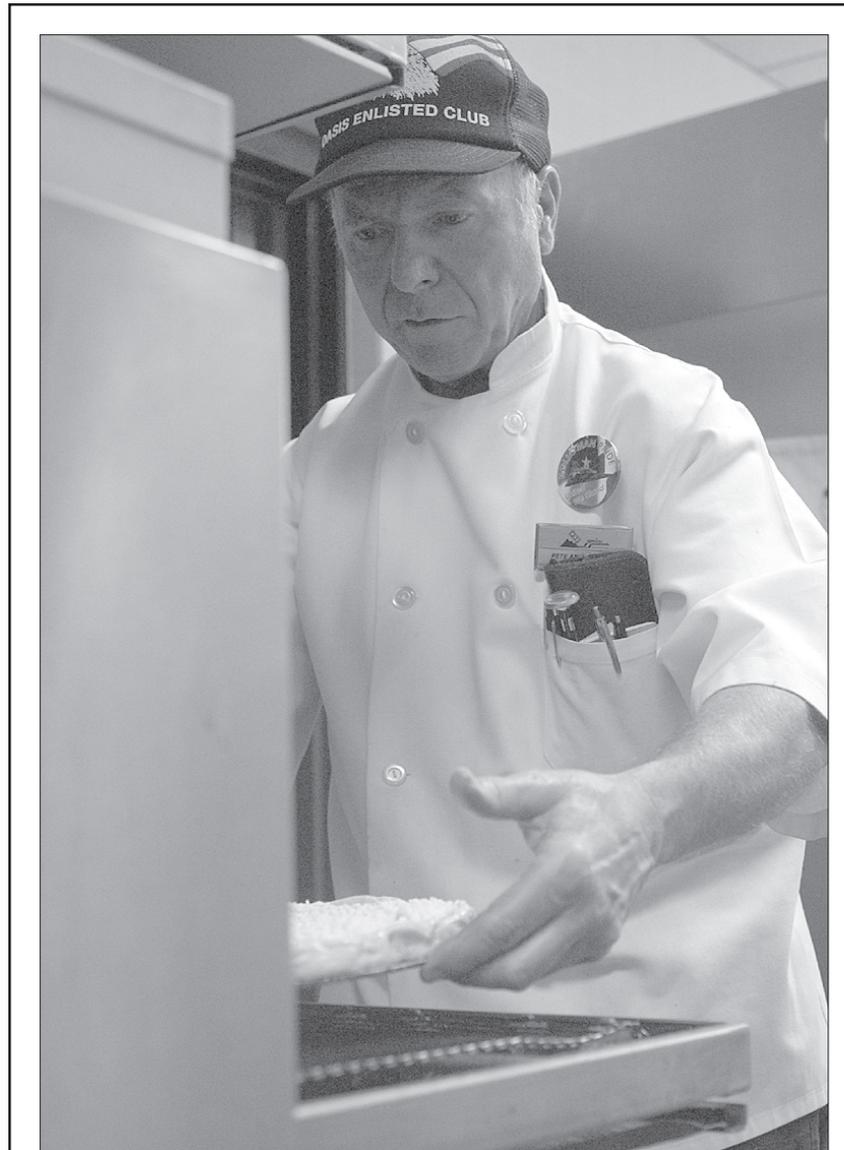


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### Pizza pizza

**Pete Annicchiarico puts a pizza in the oven at the Oasis Pizzeria. The pizzeria is open Monday to Friday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.**

ginning Monday. Clerks and labor positions are scheduled to last six weeks beginning June 2. The program is open to students enrolled or accepted for enrollment as a degree-seeking student.

For more information about Holloman jobs, call the Personnel Office at 572-7202 or log on to the Air Force Personnel Center web site at [www.holloman.af.mil/job/jobs.html](http://www.holloman.af.mil/job/jobs.html).

### MDG moves

The first and largest phase of construction is almost complete. Internal Medicine and Women's Health are closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Pharmacy is closed May 23. Because of the transition, get refills

before Wednesday. The Pharmacy entrance is closed until August and southside entrances are for 49th Medical Group personnel.

### Change of Command

There is an 8th Fighter Squadron change of command ceremony at 10 a.m., June 2 at hangar 15 on the F-117 ramp. Lt. Col. Matthew McKeon will relinquish command to Lt. Col. David Toomey.

### Office Skills Certificate

The Family Support Center offers eight grants to spouses who would like to obtain a Certificate in Office Skills through NMSU-A. The grant covers registration and tuition costs for the 16-credit-hour program. Se-

lection is made through a lottery.

Applicants must be a spouse of an enlisted member and not hold a degree or certification beyond a High School Diploma or GED. Spouses must be planning to remain at Holloman until May 2004 to complete the program. Deadline for application submission is June 6, 2003.

For more information and applications, go to the FSC, building 40 or call 572-7754.

### Lost documents

The following individuals have left their vehicle insurance or registration at the Visitor's Center. Please go to the Visitor's Center with identification to claim your property.

Michael T. Bryant, Wilma J. Flint, Herbert Delone, Andrew J. Weiss, Anthony Thompson, Michael D. Lindsay, Hunberto Munoz Jr., Richard L. Christopher or Monica R. Velasquez, Warren Hargis, Tiffanie N. Bryant, Joachim Franke, Jobe Concrete, Delores E. Manatt, Joseph D. Malone, Paul Luebker, James Thomas, David Wooden, Maurice Lopez, Javier Renovato.

### Holloman Middle Two

The Holloman Middle Two quorum is at 1 p.m., Tuesday in the meeting room at the Oasis Enlisted Club.

For information concerning past meeting minutes access the web page at [wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/main/Middletwo/index.htm](http://wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/main/Middletwo/index.htm).

### Red Cross

Below is the Health and Safety classes schedule for May.

- Baby-sitting Class, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday at Holloman

- Child and Infant CPR, 9 a.m. to noon, Thursday in Alamogordo

- Community First Aid and Safety, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., May 24 in Alamogordo

- Standard First Aid, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., May 27 in Alamogordo

For more information call 437-4421 or the Holloman Red Cross at 572-7066.

### Give Parents a Break

Due to the holiday, GPAB will be held on the second Saturday, July 12, instead of the first.

This change is for the month of July only.

# LRS beats CS 19 -8 in interleague play



Photo by Airman 1st Class Vanessa LaBoy

**49th LRS (A) second baseman Carey Brasel beats out CS baserunner Ricky Stoudemire and throws to first base for the double play.**

by Airman 1st Class

**Vanessa LaBoy**

*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

The 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron (A) team beat the 49th Communications Squadron 19-8 in the first day of interleague softball play, Monday at Vandenburg field.

Intramural squadron softball teams took a break from playing the usual teams in their bracket and took part in interleague play to give them fresh competition from large and small squadrons.

This game matched top teams from both the large and small unit brackets. LRS had eight wins and one loss in the large unit season, while CS remained undefeated among small units.

"This game helped us as a team because it showed us that large or small squadron, everyone is very competitive so we had to play them as hard as we would any team in our bracket," said LRS coach Casey Dierickx.

Dominating in the small units, CS got a taste of large unit competition.

"LRS didn't do anything that we haven't seen before," said CS coach Frank Walsh. "We just couldn't hit the ball. Since we couldn't hit the ball and score runs some players got a little down and made some critical errors. We will fine-tune our skills this week for the re-

mainder of the intramural season. Even though LRS is a great team, we lost the game ourselves. We feel confident in our abilities to stay on top through the remainder of the season."

CS showed their first place skills in the first two innings earning three runs in the first with big hits from pitcher Jesse Mireles and third basemen Larry Pezall. The CS squad also came up big in the second with two homeruns from shortstop Ricky Stoudemire and right center fielder Dan Lauseng.

"Defensively they were very fast, especially their outfield," Dierickx said. "At bat they could spray the ball all over the field which made it tough."

Both teams stepped up their defense in the third and fourth inning keeping the score within three.

The fifth inning would prove to be the deciding inning for LRS. Shortstop Hermes Sanchez knocked one out of the park to kick off the fifth. Pitcher Gary Pierce added to the lead with a homerun of his own, tying the game.

But LRS didn't let up after the game was tied, their bats came alive with 12 hits and two more homeruns, one from catcher Thomas Watson and the other was from Pierce, his second on the night. LRS broke open the game and accumulated a 12-point lead that CS wouldn't recover from.

## Inside Intramurals

### Softball Standings

#### Monday/Wednesday

Unit	W	L
49th LRS (A)	8	1
49th MMG	6	2
49th SF	6	4
49th MXS/AGE (A)	5	2
49th MDG	4	3
49th AMXS	3	5
49th CES	2	7
49th MXS/AMMO	1	7

#### Tuesday/Thursday

Unit	W	L
49th CS	9	0
49th SPCS	6	1
49th SVS	6	2
46th TG	5	3
49th MXS/MAINT	5	3
49th MXS/AVIONICS	5	3
49th MOS	2	4
49th SFS/ARMY	2	7
49th LRS (B)	1	7
GAF	1	6

#### Monday

5: 30 p.m.: 49th SVS vs. 49th OSS A  
 6: 30 p.m.: 49th FW vs. 49th OSS B  
 7: 30 p.m.: 49th CS vs. 49th MDG

#### Tuesday

5: 30 p.m.: 9th FS vs. 49th SUPS  
 6: 30 p.m.: 49th MXS vs. 49th CES  
 7: 30 p.m.: 49th MMG vs. 8th FS

For more information about current or upcoming Intramural leagues, contact the sports director at the Fitness and Sports Center at 572-3256.



Photo by Senior Airman Brandy Dupper-Macy

## Lunch on the run

**Lenny Featherston, 49th LRS (A), serves to 49th SVS during the LRS loss in the walleyball lunchbreak tournament.**



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**Signs**

6:30 p.m., and 9 p.m., Saturday

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**Ballistic: Ecks vs. Server**

6:30 p.m., Today

6:30 p.m., and 9 p.m., Saturday

**One Hour Photo**

7 p.m., Sunday

7 p.m., Thursday

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