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Airmen from the 49th Security Forces Squadron prepare to deploy to Iraq.

## Briefly

### Change of command

The 49th Operations Group change of command ceremony is at 8:30 a.m., Wednesday at hangar 310.

### Meet the Teacher

Holloman Primary School's Meet the Teacher, scheduled for 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday, is cancelled.

The Primary School classroom list will be posted at 1 p.m., Wednesday.

### Congratulations

The promotion list of Holloman's 222 newest staff sergeants is on page 13.

The average selectee has 1.77 years time in grade and 4.39 years in service. Those selected will be promoted to staff sergeant from September to August 2005.

# PTC spins 25,000th person

by Mrs. Laura Hunt  
Sunburst staff writer

A Team Holloman member was the 25,000th person to spin in the 49th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron Physiological Training Center's centrifuge Tuesday.

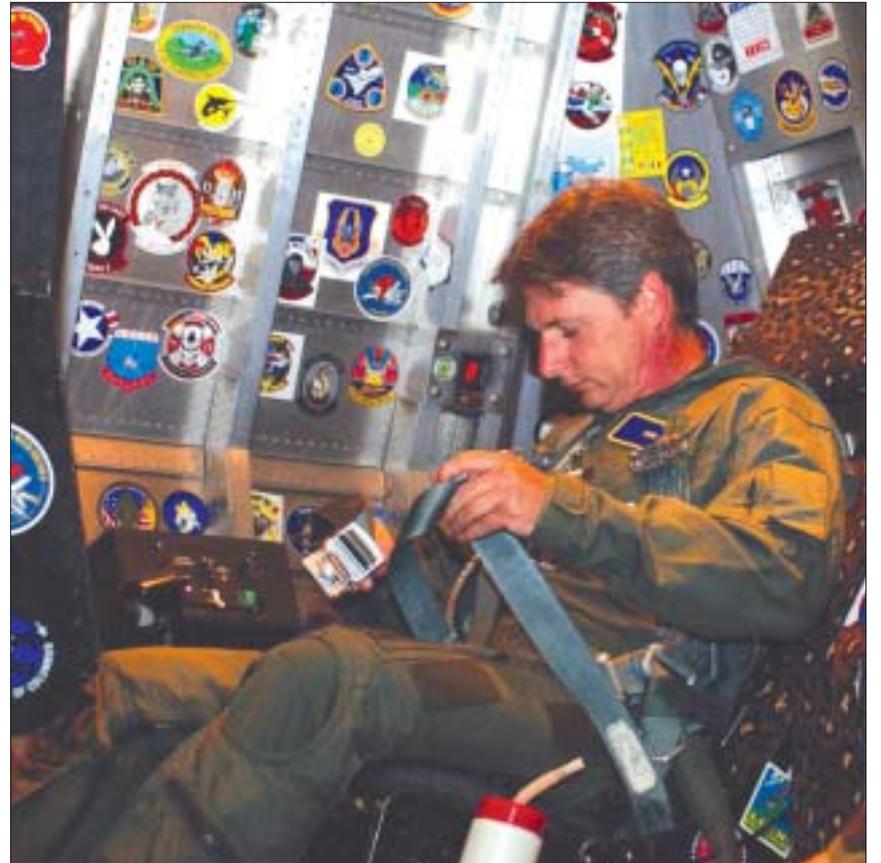
Mr. Steve Arnold, Environmental Tectonics Corporation field support engineer, has maintained the centrifuge since it was installed in 1988 but has never ridden in it.

"I've always wanted to ride in it," Mr. Arnold said. "But being a contractor I never had the opportunity."

Maj. David Welge, PTC commander, said Mr. Arnold was chosen as the centrifuge's 25,000 passenger as a way to honor all of his hard work.

"I realized Steve's been a big part of us reaching this milestone," Major Welge said. "Without him maintaining the centrifuge so well, we wouldn't have been able to train so many students."

**see PTC on Page 10**



Airman 1st Erik Somppi

**Mr. Steve Arnold straps himself into the centrifuge. Mr. Arnold is the 25,000th passenger to ride in the centrifuge since it opened in 1988.**

# SFS receives new CATM facility

by Airman 1st Class  
Stephen Collier

*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

The 49th Security Forces Squadron will receive a new Combat Arms Training and Maintenance facility August 20.

The updated facility, north of the existing CATM building, will show-

case a new hardened facility for weapons instruction, firing range and armory. Tech. Sgt. Dirk Mitchell, CATM NCO in charge, said the current CATM is too small for the amount of students taught there.

"Holloman needs a specific amount of square footage per student to effectively teach combat arms," Sergeant Mitchell said. "We aren't

meeting that number."

The need for a new CATM range came about after problems surfaced included roof leaks, structural damage and the inconvenience of transporting M-16 rifles from the base armory.

Compared to other Air Combat

**see CATM on Page 9**



High: 88  
Low: 64  
TODAY



High: 88  
Low: 64  
SATURDAY



High: 90  
Low: 68  
SUNDAY



High: 90  
Low: 64  
MONDAY

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

# Wherever you are, your vote counts

by Gen. Robert H. "Doc" Foglesong  
U.S. Air Forces in Europe commander

The most important privilege our nation provides its citizens is freedom. Our nation was built on democratic principles and one of our cherished constitutional rights is the right of each American to vote.

Today our men and women are globally engaged to help bring freedom, including the right to vote, to people around the world.

By registering and voting you honor your fellow Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines who are sacrificing their personal freedoms to provide this staple of democracy.

You also reaffirm the sacred value of this privilege to many who have yet to achieve it.

It is the right to vote that allows you to elect

officials who reflect your views and will speak for you in government. Why would people choose not to exercise this right?

By not voting, you abdicate that right and responsibility of citizenship that has cost so much to earn. You allow others, with whom you may not agree, to select our future leadership.

The laws and policies enacted today can, and often do, influence the long-term health of our nation. And it is our nation's future — ours and our children's — that should concern you today.

Take the time leading into the 2004 elections to register to vote and request your absentee ballot. The deadlines for completing and mailing a Federal Post Card Application or turning in a Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot are both fast approaching. The Air Force goal is for everyone to complete and mail his or her application before or during

Armed Forces Voters Week, Sept. 3 to 11, to allow applications to meet all deadlines.

America is the greatest democracy in the world. We owe it to ourselves and our great nation to get out and vote. I urge each and every one of you to make your voice heard.

I encourage you to take advantage of a privilege that people around the world continue to fight and die for — whether you are at a geographically separated unit, a one-deep special duty position or deployed in support of an Air Expeditionary Force rotation — no matter where you are, your vote counts!

For more information about voting procedures, contact a unit voting representative. A list of representatives can be found on the Intranet.

General questions and state-specific instructions can be found online at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

## Holloman Hotline 572-7500



Brig. Gen. Kurt Cichowski

The Hotline is your direct link to the 49th Fighter Wing commander. If you've tried to solve the 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). 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, 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 .....2-3981
- Housing maintenance .....2-7901
- Medical clinic .....2-5991
- Finance .....2-5107
- Services .....2-3528
- Commissary .....2-5127
- Fraud, waste and abuse .....2-3713
- Base Exchange.....479-6164



## National Anthem

I'm writing about something I see a lot more frequently now, and it's really disheartening.

**In a time where the world is the way that it is, you would think that on a military installation we would have enough respect for our protectors, to stop and pay homage when the National Anthem is played. Yet, everyday I see people running from it, ducking in buildings, or just ignoring it all together.**

**Why wouldn't we stand proud at the sound of our heritage. I understand a majority of the time it's our young people who are the culprits, but I feel that we are still to blame.**

**My youngest is 4 and everyday he runs out to stand tall for his daddy. He does this not because he knows the true meaning of the music, but because he was taught that standing for our anthem is how we show we care for those, who care for us. This can be a lesson for all.**

## DUI Update

Days since last DUI **6**  
 DUIs this year **28**  
 This week last year **16**

### Last six DUIs

- 49 GAF Aug. 7
- 49 SFS July 25
- 746 TS July 18
- 49 AMXS July 2
- 49 SVS June 23
- 49 OSS June 11

\* Dependent

## 572-RIDE works!

Calls made are lives saved

**650** Saves this year  
**16** Saves this week



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# First female F-117 pilot takes flight at Holloman

by Mrs. Laura Hunt  
Sunburst staff writer

The first female F-117A Nighthawk pilot joined the Air Force because she craved a career with a mission.

Captain Donna Kohout, 8th Fighter Squadron, said she wanted a challenge, to travel and an adventure.

"I'll admit to being something of an adrenaline junky," she said. "The Air Force fit."

Captain Kohout called a recruiter and told him she was going to be a fighter pilot.

"He laughed at first," she said. "But he was very helpful and I got in as a pilot on my first application."

Before joining the Air Force, she got her private pilot's license during a semester off from Duke University.

When Captain Kohout realized she preferred flying to any ground job, she reconsidered the Air Force.

She had originally considered joining the Air Force during and after college, but the time wasn't right, she said. After working a number of jobs on the ground, she wanted to get back in the air.

After joining the Air Force, she flew F-16s for four years in Korea and Japan, she said. When the time came to move to another base, flying assignments were limited.

Captain Kohout wanted to keep flying, so she listed F-117s along with F-16s on her assignment sheet, she said. She was chosen to fly in the F-117.

"Flying the F-117 is just like the simulator," she said. "It's the same sense of responsibility yet freedom as flying in a single seat F-16."

The difference between flying the F-117 and F-16 is



Photo by Mr. Ellis Neel/ Alamogordo Daily News

**Capt. Donna Kohout, 8th Fighter Squadron pilot, is the first female to fly the F-117A Nighthawk.**

that Captain Kohout is the first woman to fly the Nighthawk.

"When I worked in the building maintenance shop at Colorado's Keystone Resort, I was the first and only woman there as well," she said. "There wasn't nearly as much attention surrounding that, but it's really no different. If you prove that you can do your job well and that you're not there to step in their chili or steal their thunder, you'll be accepted. The biggest part is just do your job and do it well."

Although she is making history as the first female F-117 pilot, Captain Kohout

says she considers herself just another pilot here.

"There are some pilots here who've done some great things, who easily deserve more attention than me," she said. "But we all just work together and do what we've been trained to do. It's the nature of the business, and the nature of the people who are in that business – both in the air and on the ground."

According to Captain Kohout, she will do the best she can where she is.

"Do that, and the possibilities open before you," she said. "God alone knows what the future holds for me. I'll see when it gets here."

# Report suspicious activity to authorities

by Senior Airman  
Martha Whipple

*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

There have been reports of Al Qaeda and other terrorist groups allegedly working in the United States, which is too close to home. But, every person can do his part in protecting America by being vigilant and reporting suspicious activity.

The first step is knowing what to look for, according to Master Sgt. Jay Lockwood, 49th Fighter Wing antiterrorism NCO. Awareness is key, he said.

The following are examples of suspicious activity:

- People using video/camera/observation equipment with high magnification lenses near the installation
- People with installation maps or facility photos/diagrams containing highlighted areas or notes regarding infrastructure or listing base personnel
- People possessing or using night vision devices near to the installation perimeter or local area
- People parked, standing or loitering in the same area for multiple days with no explanation
- People asking questions about security, Holloman's mission or asking to get signed on
- Computer hackers attempting to access sites with personal information, maps or other targeting examples

"No matter how small you may think the situation is, contact security forces," Sergeant Lockwood said. "Reporting the case could possibly be the difference in life or death."

While keeping a close watch on the surrounding area is important, it's also critical for people to guard their controlled items, such as serviceable battle dress uniforms and ID cards.

A Holloman Airman left her purse in her car with the windows rolled down while running errands, including a stop at Walmart, the baseball fields and the Alamogordo Fairgrounds. Her purse was stolen, including her

military ID, driver's license and government travel card, according to the 49th Security Forces Squadron.

"If these items are this accessible, they're also available to terrorists," Sergeant Lockwood said. "Being vigilant isn't just watching out, it's doing everything to protect family and friends. Being vigilant is everyone's business."

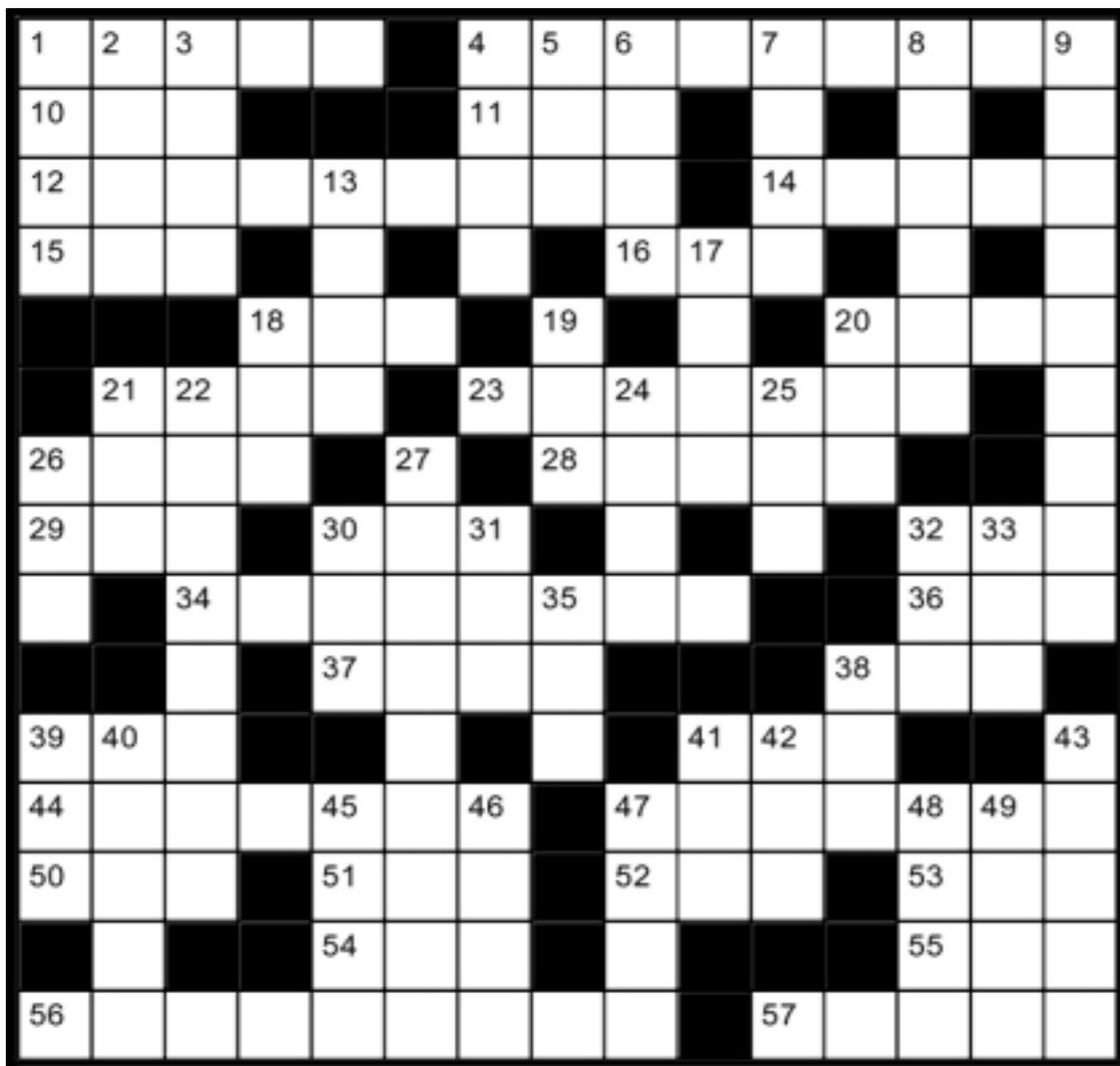
Report suspicious activity to the 49th Security Forces Squadron at 572-7171, Alamogordo Department of Public Safety at 439-4300 or call 911.

## On the side

Keep an eagle eye out for these behaviors:

- Surveillance. Someone recording or monitoring activities using cameras, note taking, drawing diagrams, binoculars or anything else out of the ordinary.
- Elicitation. Anyone or organization attempting to gain information by mail, fax or telephone about military operations or people.
- Test of Security. Any attempts to measure reaction times to security breaches or to penetrate physical security barriers or procedures.
- Acquiring Supplies. Purchasing or stealing explosives, weapons, ammunition, uniforms, decals, flight manuals, passes, badges or other controlled items.
- Suspicious people out of place. People who don't seem to belong in the workplace, neighborhood, business, establishment or anywhere else. This also includes suspicious bordering crossing or stowaways.
- Dry Run. Putting people in position and moving them about without actually committing a terrorist act such as a kidnapping or bombing. An element of this activity could also include mapping out routes and determining the timing of traffic lights and flow.
- Deploying Assets. People and supplies getting into position to commit the act. This is the last opportunity to alert authorities before the terrorism occurs.

# CROSSWORD



## Alphabet Soup: AFSCs

### ACROSS

1. AFSC 11 A/B/E/F/G/H/K/R/S/T
4. AFSC 12 A/B/E/F/G/K/R/S/T
10. Oklahoma town
11. Due
12. AFSC 91C
14. Terror
15. A type of military pay allowance
16. Dined
18. AFSC 1C1X1, in short
20. Swain
21. Org. concerned with protecting civil rights
23. AFSC 15W
26. First African-American male to win Wimbledon
28. Chubby
29. Federal org. for environment
30. 23rd letter of Greek alphabet
32. Mock
34. AFSC 88P
36. Tribunal
37. Sea eagles
38. CBS show *Judging* \_\_\_\_
39. 7th letter of Greek alphabet

41. Former Vietnamese leader Ho \_\_\_\_ Minh
44. Toiling
47. AFSC 8P000
50. Fox competitor
51. \_\_\_\_ Paulo, Brazil
52. Can. province
53. Automotive org.
54. Term of familiar address, especially for males
55. In launch tests, site of activity, in brief
56. AFSC 61S
57. AFSC 2F0X1

### DOWN

1. Warsaw \_\_\_\_
2. Fox show *American* \_\_\_\_
3. Spiritual leader Dahli \_\_\_\_
4. Fibroid
5. Wonder
6. Designer Wang
7. Yawn
8. Berlin Airlift commander
9. AFSC 8R000
13. AK island occupied by Japan in WWII
17. Dorothy's friend
18. Pub order

19. Military pay statement
  20. Gamble
  21. Cleopatra killer
  22. AFSC 52R
  24. Air Force guide for CBRN warfare, in short
  25. Mil. cockpit essential for 1 ACROSS
  26. Air Force deployment set, in short
  27. AFSC 13A
  30. *The Pit and the Pendulum* author
  31. Charged particle
  32. AFSC 13B or 1A4X1, briefly
  33. Earning
  35. Co. head
  38. Demeanor
  39. Flightless bird
  40. Agenda
  41. Dupe
  42. Shack
  43. Clothe
  45. Book identifier
  46. Mongolian desert
  47. Paint
  48. Atoll
  49. British hereditary title
- Answers on page 17*



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents from Aug. 3 to Monday.

### Tickets

Security forces issued 21 tickets: three for failure to stop, one for improper turning, one for no signal, one for no registration, one for expired registration, one for registration not signed, one for breaking traction, one for driving on a suspended license, one for a headlight out, one for seatbelts not worn, one for failure to obey traffic signs, four for speeding one to 10 mph over the speed limit, three for speeding 11 to 15 mph over the speed limit and one for speeding 15 to 20 mph over the speed limit.

### Property loss, damage or theft

- Aug. 3 – There was a minor accident when an NCO's privately owned vehicle hit a retiree's POV on New Mexico Avenue.

- Aug. 5 – An Airman damaged a POV while using a forklift to unload equipment from the vehicle's trailer at building 902.

- Aug. 5 – An Airman reported a friend's vehicle was damaged on Sierra Loop. The driver's side mirror was broken.

- Aug. 6 – An NCO hit a tree branch and cracked the windshield of a government-owned vehicle in the parking lot of building 894.

- Aug. 6 – An Airman reported a window was damaged in building 330.

- Aug. 7 – A family member reported her son's bicycle stolen from the Youth and Teen Center.

### Patrol response

- Aug. 4 – An officer reported one of his family members had been abused. Further investigation showed that there was an on-going investigation of the abuse and no new abuse had taken place.

- Aug. 8 – An Airman reported he was punched in the face by another Airman. The Airman was charged with Article 128, assault.

### Civil Arrest

- Aug. 7 – An NCO was arrested by the Alamogordo Department of Public Safety for driving under the influence.

### Confinement

- Aug. 3 – An Airman was placed in confinement for four months after being convicted of Article 112A, wrongful use of cocaine.

- Aug. 4 – An NCO was placed in confinement for nine months after being convicted of an article 112A, wrongful use and distribution of marijuana, and an Article 80, attempted distribution of marijuana.

**If you have any information concerning any of these incidents, 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."**

# New procedures ensures absentee ballots will count

by Tech. Sgt. Patrick Murphy

*Air Combat Command Public Affairs*

With the 2004 elections fast approaching, the handling of absentee ballots from overseas servicemembers is undergoing intense scrutiny. Air Combat Command's 82nd Communications Support Squadron postal flight is among the many organizations working to make sure these ballots arrive in the hands of election officials in time to be counted.

ACC is the managing authority for the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility, where a majority of U.S. military forces are currently deployed. The 82nd CSS here is one of three postal units within the Air Force command structure trusted with management of mail. The 2nd Air Postal Squadron located at Ramstein Air Base, Germany, and the Pacific Air Forces Air Postal Squadron at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii, are the other two.

"Military absentee ballots from overseas became a huge focal point in the 2000 presidential election," said Joseph Amaro, 82nd CSS postal operations transportation manager. "That election made us take a good, hard look at how the ballots were handled. New procedures are in place, and we believe the military overseas absentee ballots will be delivered as quickly as possible with very little controversy."

U.S. Postal Service officials have been working with the Military Postal Service Agency to improve the process, said 1st Lt. Scott Roberts, deputy flight commander of 82nd CSS postal operations flight. An Internet voting program known as the Secure Electronic Registration and Voting Experiment, or SERVE, had been proposed as a possible alternative. However, concerns that computer hackers could break into the system and effectively corrupt the votes forced Department of Defense officials to halt plans to use SERVE for this election. Officials still plan to continue researching Internet voting.

For now, a low-tech alternative is in place. USPS officials said they have asked their local postmasters to contact voting officials in counties and jurisdictions responsible for mailing ballots and to whom completed ballots are returned. They are asking those officials to pull out the military ballots.

Local postmasters then will take those ballots and sort them for three different USPS gateway cities: San Francisco for servicemembers based around the Pacific, including west coast Marines and Sailors deployed to the USCENTCOM area of responsibility; New York for Europe and the Middle East; and Miami for Central and South America, and a few units in the USCENTCOM area of responsibility. The balloting materials will

go to these gateway cities via the USPS Express Mail service. Once at the USPS gateway facilities, postal managers will count the Express Mail pieces and sort them for the different military ZIP codes.

All the balloting materials will be sorted first into specially marked mail trays and handed over to the airlines, officials said. Airline workers will identify the trays that have voting materials, and those trays will again receive priority treatment. In theater, military postal workers can easily identify specially marked trays to ensure balloting materials are given priority as they travel to the servicemembers.

Once a servicemember votes, the reverse process is the same — balloting materials receive priority, and ballots are placed in specially marked trays, officials said. One change from the 2000 election is that when ballots are received at the APO or FPO, mail clerks will sort all voting material and make it their highest priority for shipment back to the United States. Previously, voting material was treated as standard letter-class mail.

Military clerks will postmark the ballots with the date received in the military post office. This date is critical for election officials to be able to count the ballots. Once the ballots arrive from overseas at the USPS gateways, mail handlers will place them into the normal mail flow in the United States that allows for a three-day delivery.

USPS officials said they again will segregate balloting materials and use Express Mail to send ballots back to county officials beginning Oct. 30. Although Election Day is Nov. 2, these special-handling procedures will continue through Nov. 8. Despite this special attention, some ballots received after Election Day may not be counted, since different jurisdictions have different voting requirements. This is beyond military control as each state establishes its requirements independently.

The Federal Voting Assistance Program, which is managed by the Department of Defense, has established recommended mailing dates to help ensure the overseas military absentee ballots are counted. The final recommended date for requesting ballots is Sunday.

"The starting point for the whole process is the servicemember registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot," said Michael Thuber, 82nd CSS postal operations plans and logistics manager.

DoD and USPS officials are designating the week beginning Oct. 11 as Overseas Voting Week. For those assigned to operations Iraqi Freedom or Enduring Freedom, the recommended date to return ballots is Oct. 11. For military members at other overseas locations, the recommended return date is Oct. 15. (AFP)



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

**Staff Sgt. Toby Stolz qualifies with the M-16 assault rifle Tuesday during Combat Arms Training and Maintenance at the 49th Security Forces Squadron's old facility. The new CATM facility, located less than one mile north, is scheduled to open August 20.**

## **CATM** *Continued from Page One*

Command CATMs he has seen, Sergeant Mitchell said Holloman's could be the showpiece training facility for combat arms throughout the major command.

"This facility is much better than my last assignment at Barksdale Air Force Base, La. There, we had a CATM that was too small and falling apart. The building we have now is just great."

As deployments increase at Holloman, Sergeant Mitchell

said it was important to update training facilities for warfare education.

"Holloman is a large deployment base and we need to continually train more personnel," he said. "We need more money to come into our facilities so we can better train those who will deploy."

First Lt. Jason Bittle, 49th SFS assistant operations officer, indicated the new range was better equipped to train security forces troops in heavy weaponry.

"Having our defenders proficient in heavy weapons is an important component to our force protection sight picture," Lieutenant Bittle said. "We're eagerly anticipating the ability to expand the training our troops will receive at Holloman."

About 3,700 Team Holloman members are annually trained in various weapons at the CATM facility and more than 362,000 rounds of ammunition are fired each year.

# Medical officials clarify cosmetic surgery policy

by G.W. Pomeroy

*Air Force Surgeon General Public Affairs*

Air Force doctors perform cosmetic and reconstructive surgeries as part of essential training, but elective cosmetic procedures such as breast augmentations are not routinely available as perks to servicemembers and their families, according to Air Force Medical Service officials.

Recent published reports in civilian media suggested that elective procedures are prevalent in the military health-care system. Some reports also indicated that free cosmetic surgery is common among servicemembers and their families.

Air Force doctors, and their counterparts across the Defense Department, perform elective cosmetic surgeries, but not to the extent people have been led to believe, according to Air Force Medical Service officials.

In fiscal 2003, Air Force doctors performed about 50,000 total procedures, of which 405 fell into the six categories of cosmetic surgery: abdominoplasty or "tummy tuck," blepharoplasty, (eyelids), breast augmentation, face lift, liposuction and rhinoplasty, (nose).

"The fact is all beneficiaries are eligible for these procedures but there are policies in place to govern this aspect of the military health-care system," said Lt. Col. (Dr.) Joseph Legan, the Air

Force Medical Service's chief consultant for surgical services. "There is no charge for reconstructive surgery related to trauma, burns or disease. Solely cosmetic surgery for an active-duty Airman requires no payment unless cosmetic implants are part of the procedure; the implants are paid for by the Airman prior to surgery.

No surgery is done on active-duty members for weight reduction, Doctor Legan said.

"For other beneficiaries, solely cosmetic surgery is chargeable based on the procedure and whether it is performed on an inpatient or ambulatory basis," Doctor Legan said.

Payment arrangements are finalized before patients are placed on the surgery schedule.

Doctor Legan also said that solely cosmetic surgery is done only on a space-available basis, and may constitute no more than 10 percent of a plastic surgeon's workload.

He emphasized that such skills are crucial for Air Force doctors to keep pace with their civilian counterparts.

"Air Force plastic surgeons, as with other specialists, require hours of education, training and continuous practice to keep their skills within medical standards," Doctor Legan said. "Without cosmetic surgery as part of their scope of practice, they would be deprived of experience in a fundamental part of their field.

## PTC *Continued from Page One*

The centrifuge teaches pilots to recognize the symptoms of gravity-induced loss of consciousness, which is when blood from the head rushes to the legs causing a blackout. As gravitational forces increase, so do the chances for GLOC.

Before his ride, Mr. Arnold said he wasn't afraid of experiencing GLOC because he was only going to reach 6 Gs, not 9 like the students preparing to be pilots.

"I've watched 25,000 other people go through it and walk away," Mr. Arnold said. "Well, most of them walk away. Some of them get violently ill."

Mr. Arnold didn't get violently ill. First the centrifuge gradually brought him to four Gs and back to idle. Then the machine steadily brought him

to five Gs and back to idle. Finally, the machine brought him to six Gs in one second.

Mr. Arnold said it was a different disorientation than he expected.

"It feels like everything in front of you is bouncing," he said. "It's a really odd sensation when you have no outside reference."

Although he knew to clench his leg, thigh and stomach muscles and breathe rhythmically as the Gs increased, when the time came Mr. Arnold had trouble applying these techniques.

"I have a lot of respect for the people who go through this training," Mr. Arnold said. "We have so few failures. These students are really prepared when they get in there, not only mentally, but physically."

According to Mr. Arnold, the centrifuge motor has spun for more than 4,500 hours since 1988. Students have sat in the machine for more than 6,100 hours.

"We've trained more students than any centrifuge in the world," Major Welge said. "And for foreign countries, that's probably more than they've trained combined."

The students trained at Holloman have been U.S. Air Force, Navy, Marines and fighter pilots from around the world, including Canada, Japan, Korea, Israel, Jordan, Bahrain, Pakistan, Australia, Poland, Italy, Taiwan, Singapore, China, United Kingdom, Sweden, Switzerland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Turkey, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.



Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

**Lt. Col. Carleton Hirschel, 49th Services Squadron commander, takes a swing at the 7th hole after the grand opening Tuesday at Apache Mesa Golf Course.**

# Golfers tee off

by Senior Airman  
Martha Whipple

*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

Holes 7/16 are now ready for golfers. The holes opened Tuesday after 10 months of growing new turf.

The \$47,000 project included raising the 78,000-square-foot fairway four to six inches, adding sand and laying fresh Paspalum sod over new soil, according to Mr. Ed Fitzhenry, 49th Services Squad-

ron business flight chief.

The project also added a second tee box. When teeing off on 16, golfers will be back approximately 110 yards from 7's tee box. This will add a new dimension to the hole, he said.

The 9th/18th holes will soon get the same treatment. During its growing season, a temporary par three will substitute.

The golf course is open from dawn to dusk everyday and can be reached at 572-3574.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

The Holloman Hero submission form is available online. It can be downloaded at:  
[https://wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/wing/49FW\\_PA/internal.html](https://wwwmil.holloman.af.mil/wing/49FW_PA/internal.html)

# Holloman Hero

**Airman 1st Class Brian Meyer**  
**49th Maintenance Squadron**

**Duty title:** Armament support section apprentice

**Time in service:** One year, two months

**Time at Holloman:** 10 months

**Hometown:** Lima, Ohio

**Personal and Career goals:** I want to finish my Community College of the Air Force and networking degrees so I can eventually become Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force.

**Why is serving in the Air Force important to you?**

I feel great pride in serving my country and doing whatever it asks of me. If it was not for all the troops that have died for our country we would not be the nation we are today. This is why I feel pride in wearing the Air Force uniform day in and day out. This is my calling and the job I have been trained for.

**What accomplishments during your Air Force career are you most proud of?**

I'm proud to be a part of the Holloman

Dorm Council. Not only do I serve as the voice of the Airmen in meetings and help to motivate our dorm Resident Advisors, I also volunteer at the community center so Airmen have another place to go on weekends. I feel this has improved the morale of the Airmen in the dormitories as a whole.

**Core value portrayed: "Excellence in all we do"**

Airman Meyer's drive to excel epitomizes the Air Force's core values of service before self and excellence in all we do. He dedicates his off-duty time to improving base dormitories and organizing recreational activities. Airman Meyer remains a tremendous asset to the armament flight where his flawless performance and diligent work ethic make him a tremendous informal leader.

– **Maj. Ronald Huzzard**  
*49th MXS commander*

# Air Force announces E-5 promotion rates

Holloman has more than 220 new staff sergeants who were part of the 13,625 senior Airmen selected across the Air Force for promotion.

More than 33,300 eligible senior airmen tested for promotion to staff sergeant with a 40-per-

cent selection rate.

“Certainly the Air Force has had another banner year in terms of promotion,” said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Billingsley, enlisted promotions branch chief at the Air Force Personnel Center. “The Air Force has

singled out those senior airmen who have shown they are ready for the next big step in their career.

“This group has worked hard for their stripes and will make valuable contributions as our newest NCOs,” he said.

People who tested are expected to receive their score notices by the end of August, allowing them to see just how their Promotion Fitness Examination and Specialty Knowledge Test scores rank against others within their Air Force

Specialty Code.

Each Airmen can also get an electronic copy of his or her score notice, Monday, by logging into the *virtual* Military Personnel Flight at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/>. (AFPN)

## Team Holloman Salutes

The following Senior Airmen who were promoted to staff sergeant ...

### 49th Maintenance Group

Jonathan Compton  
Tersilia Farley

### 49th Operations Group

Elania Ealy

### 49th Fighter Wing

Yvonne Garrett  
Patrice Hansen

### 49th Security Forces Squadron

Nick Adams IV  
Eric Boyd  
Beverly Broadaway  
Bray Danner  
Matthew Decker  
Grand Ealy  
Jonathon Emery  
Paul Evans  
Chad Foley  
Jeffrey Fox  
Merardo Guerra  
Bradley Hayes  
Jessica Jefferson  
Keith Morales  
Christopher Popejoy  
Benjamin Thomas  
Aaron Vlasek  
Joshua Wren

### 49th Civil Engineer Squadron

Jason Abel  
Edgar Acostagarcia  
Ethan Barnas  
Clarence Basug  
Leslie Cora Baxter  
John Cullen Combs  
Harry Daniels Jr.  
Anthony Forrester  
Brandon Gaskill  
Cesar Guzman  
Shanette Labonte  
Donnie Lovelace  
Steven Millerd  
Luis Moralesrios  
John Patterson  
Jonathan Peaden  
Jeremy Robert  
Kerktan Rowe  
Mitchell Schanke  
John Sellers III

Daniel Strackbein  
Jason Williams

### 49th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Nehemiah Anderson-Chambers  
Ronnie Ashley  
Christopher Ayers  
Heath Bennett  
Jessica M. Bird  
Robert Delahunt  
Tyler Dreher  
Jeremiah Drew  
R. W. Ehart  
Isaac Henricks  
Mark Hilton  
Dustin Hoffmann  
William Holmes  
Thomas Howard  
Jason Hughes  
Shawn Jones  
Jason David Koch  
Jeremia Kuykendall  
Michael Longoria  
Nathan Loy  
Jason Luckenbaugh  
Evan Miley  
Andrew Monroe  
Jerad Napier  
Christopher Odom  
Matthew Ohlmann  
William Olwig  
Dwayne Ordner  
Justin Romo  
Gerard Rush  
John Sablotny  
Frank Schreiber  
Brian Scozzaro  
Johnny Dale Smith  
Duane Stoker  
Jonathan Tennison  
Timothy Thomas  
Scott Tracey  
Cossey Vonderahe  
Gregory Waterhouse  
Kevin Williams  
William Young

### 49th Materiel Maintenance Squadron

Andrea Ballerstein  
Brandon Coffman  
Jake Coffman  
Jason Hernandez  
Bernard Johnson  
Ronnie Lambert

John Roko Lee  
Denver Long III  
Jarrod Marostica  
Christopher Price  
Stanley Carl Raab  
Runald Renoblas  
Victor Saldivar  
Arron Schultz  
Andrea Scott  
Anthony Woodcock

### 49th Materiel Maintenance Support Squadron

Norman Broadway  
Adam Closson  
Ryan Hairston  
Jose Hernandez  
Mario Jaramillo  
Charles Tanner  
Terrance Theragood

### 49th Maintenance Squadron

Edwin Aponteagrout  
Daniel Arellano  
Kevin Bake  
Michael Bates  
Heather Baumann  
Jeremiah Beshears  
Ronnie Blanco  
Joseph Cartwright  
Robert Cavazos  
Daniel Clark  
Jimmy Cole Jr.  
Chad Crutcher  
Nathan Dagle  
Joshua Deutsch  
Stephen Fletcher  
Cameron Gerlach  
Samuel Gibbons Jr.  
Christopher Gilley  
James Gorman  
Daniel Gray  
Robert Hatcher  
Niklas Aleska Hill  
Tina Horton  
Thomas Art Jalbert  
Andrew Johnson  
Joshua Kingrey  
Charles Labelle  
Colman Martin  
Bryan McClain  
Richard McClung  
Jonathan McKenzie  
Jesse Meikle  
Martin Miller  
April Morgan

Bradley Nelson  
Gregory Patton  
Anthony Pimentel  
Amanda Pyne  
Jason Quinby  
Joseph Quinlan  
Samuel John Reed  
Terreil Reed  
Jennifer Roberts  
Mohammad Saleem  
Lorenzo Saucedo Jr.  
Bjoren Schreiner  
Deshawn Shinette  
Jacobi Spencer  
Joseph Trigg  
Jason Vandernick  
Philip Wilson  
Brian Wood  
Dwight Woodall

### 49th Maintenance Operations Squadron

Bryan Stewart Daniel  
Anna Linden

### 49th Operations Support Squadron

Michael Aponte  
Delfina Brown  
Jason Conner  
Michael Gerlach  
Daniel Gunn  
Jessica Hall  
Natasha Hodge  
Virginia Martin  
Ijeoma Memeh  
Jacuelin Slattery  
Jacky Thompson  
Alexander Zybert

### ACC Training Support Squadron

Samuel McKinnon

### 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Isabel Aldrette  
Sharon Amaraut  
David Bailey  
Myric Bell  
Albert Black  
Wayne Burge  
Joshua Butzen  
Tamara Crain  
Dexter Cumberbatch  
Antonio Gonzales  
Dexter Hinton  
Joseph Hodge



Brandon Humphrey  
Maki Jones  
Benjamin Laguana  
Carlos Lewis  
Scott Masak  
Cynthia McWilliams  
Renee Petty  
Iroel Rodriguez  
Mark Stout  
Joel Vasquez

### 49th Communications Squadron

Kristyn Caputo  
Sarah Conner  
Erika Fisher  
Christopher Proctor  
Brian Werner  
Jeremy Williams  
Brian Wyche

### 49th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron

Paulo DePaula

### 49th Medical Support Squadron

Vianne Dacumos  
Craig Kramer  
Christopher Robertson

### 49th Services Squadron

Mark Aldrette  
Diana Mendoza  
Ilana Pressel  
Leslie Walters

### 9th Fighter Squadron

Michael Somampong

### 586 Flight Test Squadron

Blair Chapin

### 53 Test Evaluation Group Detachment 1

Sonya Brooks

### 4 Space Control Squadron

Tamara Broderson  
Jason Dean  
Christopher Inman  
Stephan Powers





**Meditation Class**

A free beginner meditation course taught by a certified teacher starts 6 p.m., Wednesday at the community center.

**Tech expo**

The 11th Annual Information Technology Expo is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday at the Whispering Sands Community Center.

There is no fee to attend and all personnel are invited.

To pre-register, and to view a list of participating exhibitors visit <http://www.fedpage.com>. Pre-registration is not required to attend but is appreciated. All pre-registered attendees will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win our door prize. Complimentary refreshments and pizza will be served.

For more information call (800) 878-2940 extension 207 or e-mail [lindsay@fbcdb.com](mailto:lindsay@fbcdb.com)

**Vet closure**

The Base Veterinary Clinic is closed Aug. 23 to 26. Normal hours will resume Aug. 30. Anyone needing prescription medications, heartworm prevention or flea and tick prevention for a pet can come to the clinic before Aug. 23. Vaccination and sick call appointments are Thursday and Sept. 1. To make an appointment, call 572-3303.

**Road closures**

*49er Road*

Due to the re-routing and widening of 49er Road, there will be a road closure on Arizona Avenue from First Street to Arnold Avenue.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Stacy Nimmo, 49th Civil Engineer Squadron, at 572-3066.

*Intersection closures*

Monday to Aug. 20, the following intersections will be closed for one day each during the week: Fourth Street at New Mexico Avenue; Idaho Street at Sixth Street; Second Street at Delaware Avenue.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

**Gate time**

**Senior Airman Richard Delaney, 49th Security Forces gate guard, inspects ID cards at the La Luz gate Tuesday. The La Luz Gate is open from 6 to 9 a.m. and 3 to 6 p.m., Monday to Friday beginning Sept. 1. Ongoing construction projects will occasionally require the gate to be open 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday to Friday.**

Exact dates of each intersection closure will be released as soon as they become available.

For more information, call Staff Sgt. Lance Mayfield at 572-7773.

*Eglin Court*

There will be a road closure on Eglin Court until Sept. 7 due to construction of a new manhole and lateral line installation. Residents of Eglin Court will have one entrance accessible during the construction.

**USDA Income Eligibility**

The Holloman Child Development Center, Family Child Care Program and the Youth and Teen Center announce the sponsorship of the Child and Adult Food Program.

All children in attendance will be offered the same meals with no physical segregation of, or discriminatory action against, any child because of race, color, age, national origin, sex or disability. Anyone who feels they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights,

Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice or telecommunication device for the deaf).

Children who are members of FDPIR food distribution program in Indian reservation or food stamp households are automatically eligible to receive free meal benefits.

**HOSC Thrift Store**

The Holloman Officers' Spouses Club Thrift Store will be open from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday.

Come to the Back-to-School Sale for a discount and to preview the new pricing system for items such as men's and ladies' clothing.

The store will open for the fall from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 7.

Consignments will be accepted starting 10 a.m. to noon, Sept. 14.

**Satellite clinic**

The 49th Medical Group is opening a satellite clinic at 2669 North Scenic Drive in Alamogordo (near Gerald Champion

Regional Medical Center).

The satellite clinic will serve primarily retirees and their family members who see Capt. (Dr.) Patrick Thompson and Capt. (Dr.) John Rockwell and surgery patients referred for evaluation and treatment. It will be open for business on Monday. The official ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Aug. 20.

**Chapel Services**

**Weekday Masses** – 11:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**Sunday** – Catholic Mass, 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

- Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.
- General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.
- Protestant Sunday School, and Catholic Religious Education resumes normal schedule starting Sept. 12.

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**Sleepover (PG)**

6 and 9 p.m., today

**Spiderman 2 (PG-13)**

6 and 9 p.m., Saturday and 6 p.m., Sunday

Tickets are 99 cents.

# What's going on in the Tularosa Basin and beyond...

## Fair kickoff

The Otero County Fair Kickoff Parade is 6:30 p.m., Saturday. It will follow the parade route down 10th Street.

## Art exhibit

The 19th Annual Purchase Prize Exhibit of the Grant County Art Guild will be on display at the Hearst Church Gallery in Pinos Altos, N.M., Aug. 28, 29, Sept. 4, 5 and 6. The theme of this year's show is "Southwestern Realism in Art". Ms. Krystyna Tenata Robbins from El Paso was the judge for the show. Forty-three entries were accepted from artists throughout the state.

The public is invited to visit the Gallery and enjoy the show. The Gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Paintings are available for purchase.

For more information, call Ms. Barbara Kejr at (505) 538-8216.

## Church camp out

The 35th Annual All-Church Camp out is Sept. 3 to 6 at Grace United Methodist Church. This family oriented event is open to all members and friends. The weekend will include camping, hiking, bluegrass music and Christian oriented family activities. Rev. Bill Sylskar is a featured speaker. Reservations are required.

For more information, call 437-7640.

## CFC kickoff

The Combined Federal Campaign kickoff is Sept. 15 at Holloman.

More information will follow.

## Day of Caring

United Way of Otero County's annual Day of Caring is Sept. 23.

For more information, call 437-8400.



# Perception is everything, communication is key

by Col. Jim Hougas Jr.  
*Minot Air Force Base, N.D.*

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Have you ever been in a conversation where all was going well, then all of the sudden another's eyes glare at you as if you had just insulted their mother?

I had one of those "Maalox moments" while deployed to Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia, a few years back. New to the area of responsibility, in the middle of morning stand up, the wing commander noticed the "pegged fun meter" patch on my flight suit. I was asked to remove it on the spot and sternly reminded that no one, especially one in a leadership position, should ever wear a morale drainer like that.

Offline, he explained my patch conveyed to him a malignant attitude of "if you think today is bad, don't expect it to improve anytime soon." No wonder he hit me with that laser cannon stare. Embarrassed, I explained my genuinely intended sentiment was "Bring it on! I'm primed and eager to tackle any challenge."

One patch, two diametrically opposed interpretations.

How often do you think this type of miscommunication occurs in your unit? While hopefully not as dramatic as my example, I suspect it happens more often than we realize.

Effective communication is a two-way street. When speaking, is your intended message getting through? Do you have mannerisms that detract from or confuse that intent? When listening, do you focus on the speaker, or are the words just going in one ear and out the other? Do you ask for clarification when not sure of what was just said? More importantly, if offended by something just said, do you take the initiative to ask that person (in a nonconfrontational manner, of course) what he or she really meant, or do you just stew about what you think you heard?

Here a few tips that helped me become a more effective communicator and leader.

- Start with your own winning attitude. Be a source of "positive waves."

- Smile genuinely. In health care, our mantra is "No-body cares what you know until they know that you care."

- Don't take yourself too seriously. Good-natured humor helps keep the shop loose, but never at another's expense.

- Address an individual by name and shake his or her hand when you can. Open, receptive body language is critical. With arms unfolded, sit or stand at his or her level, make solid eye contact and nod your understanding of what is said. Watch the body language of those you speak to so you're sure their perceptions and reactions mirror your intent. Address any mismatches on the spot.

Walk this talk every day, and those around you will trust you. Clear and focused multilateral communication will inspire teamwork, and your shop will hum like a finely tuned engine. Even better, you and your Airmen will be prepared for success even on those occasional days that aren't as much fun.

Flash me one of your million-dollar smiles and let's get down to business. Your country is depending on you.



Photo by Mr. Tom Fuller

**Troops from the 49th Security Forces Squadron completed convoy training with 204th Security Forces Squadron from the Texas Air National Guard Aug. 4.**

# Airmen prepare for deployment

by Mr. Tom Fuller

*49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

Shoot, move and communicate – these are combat skills that 49th Security Forces Squadron Airmen practiced and polished during convoy training with the Texas Air National Guard at Fort Bliss' McGregor Range Aug. 4.

Three days of realistic field training were designed to get Airmen ready for an upcoming deployment to Iraq, said Capt. Woody Boyd, 49th SFS operations officer.

The primary mission in Iraq will be airfield security and conducting off-base patrols with the Army. Because of the possibility the mission could change, the security forces teams trained for a task new to them: convoy security.

The stress was on teamwork and communication for the Air-

men who will deploy in 13-person teams. In a night-time exercise at the individual and team tactics range, they had to locate and rescue a simulated prisoner of war while under fire from enemies. Team leaders learned to prepare operations orders and execute for short or long convoys. All their training was put to the test on the last day when they conducted an actual convoy operation through the desert of McGregor Range where they had to fight their way out of several ambushes.

“The training was similar to what they will do in Iraq, said Staff Sgt. Joseph Broadway, 49th SFS. “It was some of the most realistic training we’ve done. It put us in an environment similar to what we’re going to be in and gave us a chance to know each other better and learn how we react to situations we might face.”

# Holloman Airmen takes on Krabtown's critters

by 1st Lt. Daryl Brezina  
Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq

Much of what we hear in the darkness of night are the creatures that dwell with us, the insects and animals that roam around Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq.

These creatures can carry diseases that could harm us. What protection do we have?

Meet Senior Airman Shanette Labonte from Holloman Air Force Base, N.M. To the Air Force she's an environmental control specialist; to the Krabtown's critters, she's the grim reaper.

"Many diseases can come from the bats, mice, rats and insects around Kirkuk, so I use many different tactics to get rid of them," said Airman Labonte.

"I track and remove stray animals, set traps to catch them, or use insecticides and pesticides to reduce the insect population."

Much of her time is spent dealing with mice often found in work centers around Kirkuk, because they eat what we do. "An easy way to keep the mice away is to remove the food source," she said. "Mice will come through a hole and eat any food laying around, so cover up the holes, and seal the food, and your nightly visitors will go elsewhere."

You'll often find Airman Labonte near the flight line shooting at birds to keep them away from the aircraft that could ingest them into an engine or intake. She also takes aim on the stray dogs and cats that roam Kirkuk's outer areas.

"All the animals die of natural causes, of course," she said with a knowing smile. "It may seem cruel to some but these stray dogs and cats carry rabies, and it's much better that they get one shot from me than you get several shots from the doctors."

Another tactic she uses to keep the mosquito population down is driving around base late



Photo by Tech Sgt Joan Anderson-Brown

**Senior Airman Shanette Labonte takes aim at Krabtown's pest population at Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq. She is deployed from the 49th Civil Engineer Squadron.**

at night spraying Scourg, a fog insecticide that kills mosquitoes on contact.

Still, there are other critters in Kirkuk's very active ecosystem that you may come in contact with. Airman Labonte's advice — leave them alone, and watch where you step.

"Look before you leap and be careful in the weeds and bushes around base as snakes and camel spiders will take shelter where you can't see them" she said. "Remember, they are as anxious to stay away from you as you are to avoid them. The bites and stings only occur when they are startled or cornered, so it's always best to give them space and a way to escape."

"Senior Airman Labonte is a highly motivated and talented young airman who's currently filling a senior NCO's position

and performing at an exceptional level," said Chief Master Sgt Jon Saiers, the 506 ECES operations chief. "She is willing to take on any challenge and is truly a top performer."

Not only does Airman Labonte manage Krabtown's pests, she is also developing a hazardous waste program for Kirkuk Air Base.

"Airman Labonte has almost single-handedly established a winning hazardous waste disposal program here," said Master Sgt Melanie Sarafis, 506 ECES First Sergeant. "She inherited a non-existent process and has to overcome numerous hurdles to clean up Kirkuk in a country that still dumps oil on the side of the road. Her contributions are preventing containments from harming the environment in Iraq."

# Marathon becomes official Air Force event

by Mr. Brett Turner

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

The U.S. Air Force Marathon has been flying high for eight years and Air Force Services Agency officials recently approved it as an official Air Force event.

“The official endorsement has always been kind of understood, it’s just never been written formally; now it will be,” said Steve Carlyon, the 88th Mission Support Group’s services division director here. “This is just part of the evolution of the Air Force Marathon.”

The marathon was initiated in 1997 as the base’s tribute to the 50th anniversary of the Air Force. It is run on the third Saturday in September each year in recognition of the anniversary.

Event officials said the Air Force Marathon offers unique touches to make the experience stand out for all participants, not just competitive runners. For instance, aid stations along the course and volunteers being involved are event hallmarks.

It also differs in that it is run through much of the base, as well as through such historic sites as the U.S. Air Force Museum and the area where the Wright Brothers made early experimental flights. Also, participants are given eight hours to complete the course,

which is more time than other marathons permit.

Although the 26.2-mile marathon is the main focus, there is more to the event, Mr. Carlyon said. Also offered are a 13.1-mile half marathon race; a four-person relay race (26.2-miles with team members running different parts of the course); a 5k race (3.1 miles); and a 26.2-mile wheelchair race.

In recent years, the Air Force Marathon has drawn more involvement, according to Mr. Carlyon. A record 3,500 people participated last year, while about 7,000 others volunteered or were spectators.

“We want to grow the event and make it bigger, and (so we) needed to put an endorsement on it,” he said. “Our vision is to attract 20,000 runners.

“Becoming the official Air Force Marathon brings that credibility to it. Plus it ties in resources from the Air Force Services Agency for marketing and promotional support; it ties in resources from public affairs and other areas, and brings us up to that next step.”

One of the steps will be tying the marathon into the Air Force’s official calendar of sporting events. This could entice more athletes to participate.

Another potential boost will be in drawing name runners to the event. Unlike many major sports, runners here may be able to compete alongside top professional runners.

Mr. Carlyon said the upside to this would be competitors could see how they compared to a world-class runner at various mile markers, and those top marathoners would be available to speak to competitors and offer tips.

The Air Force Marathon is already a qualifying race for such world renowned races as the Boston Marathon and the New York Marathon.

The Air Force Marathon is not just open to military people but the general public as well. It is an open event.

Even though much of it is run on a military base, anybody who enters will be allowed to participate, regardless of age. A new awards category was added this year to recognize runners age 12 and younger in the 5k race.

A question Mr. Carlyon hears periodically concerns leave for active-duty people. He said permissive temporary duty is authorized, entitling individuals to submit a request through their commander in lieu of taking leave. All lodging and other expenses are the individual’s responsibility.

The 2004 Air Force Marathon still has openings in all events. For more information, call DSN 787-4350, commercial (937) 257-4350 or (800) 467-1823, or go online to <http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil>. (AFP)





Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

## Cheering for Holloman

Holloman Middle School cheerleaders practice a dance routine Tuesday at the HMS gym. The cheerleaders took part in the 2004-2005 cheerleading training camp where they joined Alamogordo High School varsity cheerleaders to learn different dance routines for upcoming school events.



## Intramural Standings - Softball

### Large Unit

<u>Team</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>
49 MMG A	20	5	AMMO A	10	8
49 LRS A	17	5	49 SFS	9	13
49 MDG A	12	15	AGE	6	8
49 CESA	10	14	49 AMXS	4	19

(Current as of August 5)

### Small Unit

<u>Team</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Win</u>	<u>Loss</u>
46 TG	22	1	49 MXS/MXMTI	9	15
4 SPCS	20	5	49 MOS	9	15
49 SVS	19	7	49 LRS B	9	14
49 MMG B	18	8	49 MXS AMMO B	3	9
49 MXS/AVIONICS	18	7	9 FS	3	8
49 CS	15	9	49 MDG B	2	23
49 OSS	13	12	GAF	1	25
49 CES B	11	14			

(Current as of August 5)

## World of Sports

Coaches signing teams up for the 2004 intramural flag football or soccer seasons must submit a letter of intent by Monday.

The 2004 intramural flag football coaches meeting is at 1 p.m., Monday at the Fitness and Sports Center.