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AF ISR AGENCY BECOMES 25TH AF

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Gen. Mike Hostage, Air Combat Commander, left, passes the guidon of 25th Air Force to Maj. Gen. John Shanahan who assumed command of the newest Numbered Air Force during a redesignation ceremony of the Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency to 25th AF Monday on Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland's Security Hill. **See story page 3.**

433rd honorary commander facilitates ESGR support agreement

From 433rd Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The leadership of Enterprise Holdings Inc. and the Texas Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve recently reaffirmed the company's commitment to support citizen warriors at its San Antonio regional office location.

The 433rd Airlift Wing Commander, Col. William Whittenberger Jr., joined the Sept. 17 ceremony as well as Capt. Steve Brown, Naval Operations Support Center-San Antonio commander, to bring a military presence to the event.

The event started with an introduction of all attendees and then a briefing by Jeffrey Downing, group human resources manager and an ESGR volunteer. He explained the role of the ESGR and the history of company's support of its member's decision to serve in the Guard or Reserve.

"Enterprise Holdings is trying to build upon an already successful culture that supports the women and men of the Guard and Reserve," said Downing, who is also a 433rd AW honorary commander. "We want to make it even stronger."



Photo by Maj. Tim Wade

Enterprise Holdings, Inc. (Texas) Group Truck Rental manager, Angela Thatcher (sitting) signs an Employer Support of Guard and Reserve Statement of Support Sept. 17 in San Antonio while (from left) Jeffrey Downing, Group Human Resources manager; Capt. Steve Brown, Naval Operations Support Center-San Antonio commander; Bill Gold, vice president/general manager; Victor Citron, Group Rental manager; Col. Bill Whittenberger, Jr. and Caryl Hill, Texas Committee ESGR San Antonio chair, observe the event.

Enterprise was awarded the Patriot Award in 2005. The Patriot Award is the highest honor under the ESGR program to highlight an employer's extraordinary support of their employees' service in the Reserves or National Guard.

For example, Enterprise pays salary differential for its military members deployed to active duty. This major benefit is provided by the company to offset the loss of wages experienced by employees serving on ac-

tive duty.

The event concluded with a signing of a statement of support to reinforce the company's commitment support of its employees that serve in the National Guard or Reserves.

The signing reiterates the importance of a strong relationship needed between employers and Guard and Reserve.

The intent of the ESGR program is to increase employer support by encouraging employers to act as advocates for em-

ployee participation in the military. Supportive employers are critical to maintaining the strength and readiness of the nation's Guard and Reserve units.

Employers signing a statement of support pledge that will fully recognize, honor and enforce the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, provide managers and supervisors with the tools needed to effectively manage those employees who serve in the Guard

and Reserve, appreciate the values, leadership and unique skills service members bring to the workforce and will encourage opportunities to employ Guardsmen, Reservists, and veterans. In addition, they will continually recognize and support service members and their families in peace, in crisis, and in war.

The event was praised by the new airlift wing commander.

"I am excited to experience the renewed commitment by leadership of this employer to support the military," said Whittenberger, who took over the wing in July. "It is vital for employers and units to build strong relationships to assist members when the time comes to serve the nation abroad. Reserve Airmen divide their time between their family, employer and reserve duty. Employers' support is vital in assisting Citizen Airmen with having a balance in their lives."

For more information on the ESGR Statement of support program or nomination of an employer for an award visit <http://www.esgr.mil/Employers/Statement-of-Support.aspx>.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

19TH AF ACTIVATES UNDER AETC

In a ceremony Wednesday, Air Education and Training Command re-activated, a streamlined, 19th Air Force. The new numbered Air Force unit will be headquartered at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph under the command of Maj. Gen. Michael Keltz.

"Activating 19th (Air Force) under AETC will allow for appropriate command and control, efficient management of limited resources, consistency across installations and will clarify responsibilities between the major command and subordinate units," said Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James.

The 19th AF was inactivated in 2012, in the hopes of gaining efficiencies, but a review of mission oversight and execution, directed by AETC Commander, Gen. Robin Rand, showed a need for realignment to re-inforce proper command relationships and training oversight.

The NAF includes 19 training locations, 10 regular Air Force wings supported by six Guard and Reserve wings, approximately 32,000 personnel and more than 1,350 aircraft of 29 different models. No new positions or authorizations, including the commander's, will be created as a result of the new NAF. The infrastructure and manpower will be drawn from previously existing resources. The command position came from AETC's directorate of intelligence, operations and nuclear integration.

STAFF SGT. EPR STATIC CLOSEOUT DATES IMPLEMENTED

Effective Saturday, all Air Force staff sergeant enlisted performance reports will close out Jan. 31, 2015, and change-of-reporting official EPRs will no longer be accomplished for staff sergeants.

For more information about enlisted evaluations and promotions, and other personnel issues, visit the myPers website at <https://mypers.af.mil>. Select "search all components" from the drop down menu and enter "28061" in the search window for SCOD and CRO report information; "27948" for enlisted evaluations or "27949" for enlisted promotion change information.

NINE WARRIORS REPRESENTED JBSA-LACKLAND

IN 2014 WARRIOR GAMES

Nine wounded warriors from Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland represented the 59th Medical Wing at the Warrior Games 2014 in

25th AF: New chapter in a storied legacy



Photo by William Belcher

Lt. Gen. Robert Otto, Headquarters United States Air Force deputy chief of staff, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, left, and Maj. Gen. John Shanahan, 25th Air Force commander, furl the Air Force ISR Agency flag. Shanahan relinquished command of the agency and assumed command of 25th AF during the organization's re-designation ceremony Monday on Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland's Security Hill.

By Wayne Amann
25th AF Public Affairs

As the Air Force's premier intelligence organization approaches its 66th Anniversary, it will mark the occasion under a new unit name and structure.

The Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency is now 25th Air Force, following a re-designation ceremony Monday at the headquarters Ardisana Courtyard on Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland's Security Hill.

It's the sixth iteration of the organization which was activated as the United States Air Force Security Service in October 1948.

This latest re-designation allows 25th AF, realigned under Air Combat Command, to focus on ISR, electronic warfare, airborne national command and control, nuclear detection and treaty monitoring, targeting and analysis operations. The newest Numbered Air Force will provide decision advantage from

those operations, through ACC, to joint commanders, national leaders and coalition partners.

"Placing 25th Air Force under ACC is all about operations effectiveness," said Gen. Mike Hostage, Air Combat Command commander, who officiated the ceremony. "It'll be the one-stop shop for operational ISR within the Air Force, which will streamline program accuracy and presentation by the Air Force."

As the ISR force provider, ACC can ensure consistent presentation of ISR resources to warfighters.

Maj. Gen. John Shanahan, Air Force ISR Agency commander, assumed command of 25th AF and presided over the re-alignment of the 55th Wing, Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., and the 9th Reconnaissance Wing, Beale AFB, Calif., from 12th AF to 25th AF.

"As we begin to write the next chapter of Air Force ISR, titled 25th Air Force, our legacy will become even richer and even more storied,"

Shanahan told the courtyard gathering. "For the first time in Air Force history, ISR will have a 4-star leader with the mandate, force structure and resources to truly maximize the entirety of the vast Air Force ISR enterprise."

Twenty-Fifth Air Force will create an opportunity for greater operational synchronization and greater integration of Air Force ISR products and analysis for the national intelligence community.

"The men and women of 25th Air Force have a tremendous opportunity to shape Air Force ISR in ways I and other AFISRA commanders could only have dreamed of," said Lt. Gen. Robert Otto, Headquarters United States Air Force deputy chief of staff, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance and former commander of the Air Force ISR Agency. "I know it's your hard and selfless work that has gotten us to this day. Your leadership, innovation and commitment will deliver success. It's in your DNA."

The newest NAF will also provide an organizational link to strengthen full-spectrum targeting and threat warning to Air Force and Joint Force commanders through ACC.

During the ceremony Otto and Shanahan teamed with AF ISR Agency Command Chief Master Sgt. Roger Towberman to furl the AFISRA flag which is now a permanent part of the unit's storied heritage. It joined predecessor flags representing the USAF Security Service, the Electronic Security Command, Air Force Intelligence Command and Air Intelligence Agency. Many iterations that met growing mission requirements.

Through nearly seven decades its silent warriors have analyzed and exploited near real-time intelligence to provide decision advantage for combatant commanders on the ground and our Nation's leadership.

Today, 25th AF continues that commitment as it meets ever-changing global challenges.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Activities during Domestic Violence Awareness Month at Joint Base San Antonio

Theme: “Stop the Hurt, Start to Heal”

- **Taj It Purple:** The JBSA-Randolph Taj Mahal will be lit with purple lights throughout the month of October.
- **Domestic Violence Awareness Clothesline Project:** T-shirts designed by members of the JBSA community reflecting messages of awareness, support and education about domestic violence will be placed in areas throughout the installation.
- **Information Blitz:** Representatives will be available at various locations

around JBSA to provide information and resources about Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

- **I Can We Can project:** Individuals will be able to create messages of awareness, education and support using their hands as the canvas. For more information on this campaign visit <http://www.icanwecan.awbw.org>.
- Locations and times are:
- JBSA-Lackland: Friday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center atrium
 - JBSA-Randolph: Monday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., 359th Medical Group atrium.

- **5K Run/Walk and Shelter Drive:** In collaboration with Oktoberfest on JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, Oct. 25, 8 a.m. at the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center, participants will each run or walk in remembrance of a victim last year of domestic violence last year in Texas. Participants are asked to wear purple shirts. Donations for local shelters will be collected at the run such as gently used or new towels, sheets, pillow cases and blankets. Donation drop-off will be during the 5K run/walk.
- **JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Oktoberfest information blitz:**



Photo by L.A. Shively

(From left) Craig Hodge, domestic abuse victim advocate; Chandra Peterson, Family Advocacy Outreach manager, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland; Norma Leal, Family Advocacy Outreach manager, JBSA-Fort Sam Houston; and James Price, Family Advocacy Outreach manager, JBSA-Lackland; join Brig. Gen. Bob LaBrutta, 502nd Air Base Wing and JBSA commander (center), as he signs a proclamation supporting prevention efforts and bringing awareness of and education about domestic violence prevention to the community.

Oct. 17 at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Parade Field parking lot. Stop by the Family

Advocacy table during Oktoberfest for a chance to win prizes.

Crimes and punishment: actions have consequences

By Col. Mark Allison
Staff Judge Advocate
502nd Air Base Wing

During August 2014, Joint Base San Antonio had one Air Force court-martial. All courts-martial are open to the public and upcoming courts-martial can be viewed at the United States Air Force Judge Advocate Generals website at <http://www.afjag.af.mil/docket/index.asp>.

Tech. Sgt. Katherine Thomas, with the 344th Training Squadron, was tried by a special court-martial Aug. 11-14 at JBSA-Lackland. She was charged with one charge and 29 specifications of unauthorized debit card purchases in violation of Article 121, Uniform Code of Military Justice, regarding allegations that she used for personal purposes the debit card of an organization dedicated to providing services for the benefit of training students.

Thomas pled not guilty to all specifications but was found guilty of 26 of the specifications and not guilty of the remaining three. She was sentenced by a panel consisting of officer and enlisted members to confinement for 4 months, to a reduction to the grade of E-3, and forfeiture of \$400 of her pay per month for 10 months.

During August, Air Force commanders throughout JBSA administered 30 non-judicial punishment actions under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

The punishments imposed reflect the commander's determination

of an appropriate punishment after considering the circumstances of the offense and the offender's record.

A "suspended" punishment does not take effect unless the offender engages in additional misconduct or fails to satisfy the conditions of the suspension. The suspension period usually last for six months unless a lesser amount is specified.

JBSA-LACKLAND (22):

Dereliction of duty and assault and battery – An airman basic pointed at and struck another airman in the chin with his weapon and received 60 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Altering an ID – An airman first class scratched his date of birth off of his Common Access Card in an attempt to appear 21 years of age and received a reduction to airman, a suspended forfeiture of \$858 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Violation of a regulation – An airman basic in technical training entered the dormitory room of an airman of the opposite sex and received 10 days restriction to base, 10 days extra duty forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Violation of a regulation – An airman basic was discovered possessing alcohol in the dormitory and received 30 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two

months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Absent without leave – A senior airman was absent from their duty station on multiple occasions without authorization and received a reduction to airman first class and a reprimand.

Failure to obey a lawful order – An airman basic was intoxicated and was instructed to sit down during questioning by Security Forces members. Instead of complying, the airman decided to run out of the Security Forces building. The member received 45 days restriction to base, 45 days extra duty, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Assault and battery – An airman first class grabbed another airman by the waist/rib area and made inappropriate remarks to her. The member received a reduction to airman basic, 60 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman basic in technical training allowed an airman of the opposite sex access into his dorm room and received 10 days restriction to base, 10 days extra duty, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Use of hydrocodone – An Airman tested positive for hydrocodone during a random urinalysis and received 45 days extra duty and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation and un-

derage drinking – An airman basic violated curfew and consumed alcohol while being under the legal drinking age of 21 and received 45 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$708 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Assault and battery – An airman basic pressed his genitals and/or hip-thrust against multiple airmen in the dining facility and received forfeiture of \$765 pay and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman first class allowed another airman of the opposite sex access into his dorm room and received 10 days restriction to base, 10 days extra duty, forfeiture of \$902 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman first class possessed alcohol in the dormitory and received a reduction to airman, a suspended reduction to airman basic, 30 days restriction and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman first class in violated curfew and received 10 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman first class entered the dorm room of a member of the opposite sex and received 10 days restriction to base, 10 days extra duty, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months with one

month suspended and a reprimand.

Dereliction of duty – An airman basic refused to continue training his career field training course and received 45 days restriction to base, 45 days extra duty, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation and false official statement – An airman basic allowed a member of the opposite into his dorm room and when questioned by leadership, lied by stating there was no one else in his room. The member received 45 days restriction to base, 15 days extra duty, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman first class was discovered drinking alcohol while in the dormitory and received a reduction to airman, a suspended reduction to airman basic, 30 days restriction to base and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman first class was discovered possessing alcohol concealed in a plastic bottle in the dormitory. The member received a suspended reduction to airman basic, 15 days restriction to base and a reprimand.

Underage drinking – An underage airman basic consumed alcohol at the base pool and received 30 days restriction, forfeiture of \$708 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Violation of a gener-

al regulation – An airman first class violated curfew and received a reduction to airman, a suspended reduction to airman basic, 45 days restriction to base, 45 days extra duty and a reprimand.

Dereliction of duty and underage drinking – An airman possessed and consumed alcohol in the dormitory while underage. The member received a reduction to airman basic, 45 days restriction to base, 45 days extra duty, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Dereliction of duty – An airman first class was discovered cheating on a block test and received 60 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$902 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman basic possessed alcohol in the dormitory and received 30 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand. The member's suspended punishment of forfeiture of \$765 pay was later vacated due to additional misconduct.

Failure to obey a lawful order – An airman first class left base while on base restriction and received a reduction to airman basic, 45 days restriction to base and a reprimand.

Violation of a general regulation – An airman basic entered the dorm

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The 2014 Combined Federal Campaign began Sept. 1.

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JBSA to celebrate National Night Out with variety of activities

By Robert Goetz
JBSA-Randolph Public Affairs

The partnership between law enforcement agencies and community residents will be celebrated next week as Joint Base San Antonio observes National Night Out with activities from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at three JBSA locations.

National Night Out, a nationwide crime, drug and violence prevention program that began 30 years ago, will feature block parties with activities such as military working dog demonstrations, appearances by McGruff the Crime Dog and Sparky the Fire Dog, police vehicle and fire truck displays, and games for children. Food and refreshments will be served.

In his proclamation announcing National Night Out, Brig. Gen. Bob LaBrutta, 502nd Air Base Wing and JBSA commander, called upon residents of base housing areas to join public safety representatives at the events, which “provide a unique opportunity for JBSA to join forces with thousands of other communi-



Courtesy photo

ties across the country in promoting cooperative police-community crime prevention efforts.”

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston’s National Night Out will commence with a motorcade that will visit Watkins Terrace Community Center, Harris Heights Community Center and Fort Sam Houston Resident Center, 407 Dickman Road, site of the block party.

National Night Out at JBSA-Lackland will feature a block party at the Balfour Beatty Community Center, 2254 Brian McElroy St. Informa-

tion and materials on crime prevention, drug awareness and privately owned weapons will be available.

The Randolph High School Marching Band will be one of the attractions at the JBSA-Randolph Night Out on the North Park median adjacent to the Parr Club. A demonstration by a martial-arts life skills school and musical entertainment are also planned.

Steven Dews, 502nd SFS crime prevention manager, said National Night Out is a worthwhile event for law enforcement officers and housing residents alike.

“We are just like ordinary citizens who have family and friends that we care about,” he said. “This is an outstanding occasion to meet and greet the people we serve and protect. We also have the chance to let people know they are not being taken for granted; every police service or 911 call is top priority.”

National Night Out gives residents an opportunity to see police officers and firefighters relaxing and sharing

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room of a member of the opposite sex and received 60 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$708 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

Dereliction of duty, failure to obey a lawful order, fraternization, and adultery – A captain fraternized and committed adultery with a staff sergeant, violated a no-contact order with a staff sergeant and violated the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act by researching personal medical information of another member. The captain received forfeiture of \$2,583 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Larceny – An airman first class stole clothing merchandise from the base exchange and received a reduction to airman basic, 45 days restriction to base, 45 days extra duty, suspended forfeiture of \$765 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

Dereliction of duty – An airman basic was discovered cheat-

ing on a block test and received 60 days restriction to base, forfeiture of \$708 pay per month for two months with one month suspended and a reprimand.

JBSA-FORT SAM HOUSTON (7):

Larceny – An airman basic was observed and detained after stealing a bottle of perfume at an Army and Air Force Exchange Service facility and received restriction for 25 days, extra duty for 20 days, forfeiture of \$765 pay for two months and a reprimand.

Underage drinking – An airman basic was caught drinking alcohol while underage and received a forfeiture of \$765 pay and a reprimand.

Failure to go – An airman basic was late for morning remedial training formation and received restriction for 30 days, extra duty for 15 days and a reprimand.

Dereliction of duty – An airman basic was late for weekend accountability and received restriction for 60 days, forfeiture of \$765 pay for two months and

a reprimand.

Dereliction of duty – An airman basic left the dormitory after final weekend night accountability and received extra duty for 14 days, forfeiture of \$500 pay and a reprimand.

Use of marijuana – A senior airman tested positive for marijuana during a random urinalysis and received a reduction to airman first class, a suspended reduction to airman and a reprimand.

Use of marijuana – A senior airman tested positive for marijuana during a random urinalysis and received a reduction to airman first class, extra duty for 30 days, a suspended forfeiture of \$765 pay for two months and a reprimand.

JBSA-RANDOLPH (1):

Indecent Exposure – A chief master sergeant intentionally exposed himself in a vehicle at a public park and received a suspended reduction to the grade of senior master sergeant and a reprimand.

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Colorado Springs, Colo., from Sunday through Saturday.

Competitors from the 59th MDW included: Tech. Sgt. Leonard Anderson; Retired Staff Sgt. Daniel Crane; Retired Capt. Sara Evans; Retired Capt. Wesley Glisson; Tech. Sgt. Lara Ishikawa; Tech. Sgt. Chad Lukkes; Staff Sgt. August O'Niell; Scott Palomino and Staff Sgt. Seth Pena

SUPPORT SQUADRON COMMANDER CANDIDATES SELECTED

More than 750 officers from 13 career fields were selected by development teams as 2015 support, logistics and materiel leader commander candidates, Air Force Personnel Center officials announced Sept. 25.

Candidate lists have been posted on the myPers website. To see the list and learn more about command opportunities and other personnel issues, visit <https://mypers.af.mil>. Select "search all components" from the drop down menu and enter "Squadron Command" in the search window to locate the command match list.

Wing hiring officials, major command functional managers and AFPC assignment teams will use the candidate list to fill projected 2015 squadron commander vacancies, with those selection results tentatively planned for release in December. Candidates not selected for command will remain on this list, unless removed for one of a variety of reasons, such as being selected for another assignment opportunity, until superseded by next year's results.

DIAMOND SHARP

Staff Sgt. Sarah Nava

Unit: 802nd Force Support Squadron

Duty title: NCO in Charge, Outbound Assignments

Time in service: 7 years

Hometown: Antigo, Wis.



"Staff Sgt. Nava leads the largest outbound assignment team on Joint Base San Antonio consisting of two NCOs and three Airmen. From Aug. 1 to Sept. 14, she guided her team through 303 new permanent change of station assignments, conducted 12 mass initial assignment briefings for 131 members and conducted 19 mass final outbriefings for 236 members. Secondly, Nava attended a seven-day Deliberate Crisis Action Planning Execution Segment formal training course at Keelser Air Force Base, Miss., and upon graduation, was awarded a critical Special Experience Identifier for the personnel career field. This SEI enables her to perform as a DCAPES operator on any deployed personnel support for contingency operations Team. In addition, in September she completed an English course and will complete her last Community College of the Air Force requirement this October. Her actions have inspired two of her Airmen to begin their college educations. Due to her guidance and mentorship, all three of her senior airmen were selected for the rank of staff sergeant in July."

– **Master Sgt. Christopher Booth**

First Sergeant, 802nd FSS

Staff Sgt. Zachary Eaton

Unit: 93rd Intelligence Squadron

Duty title: Cryptologic Language Analyst

Time in service: 5 years, 6 months

Hometown: McLean, Va.



"Staff Sgt. Zachary Eaton completed 60 hours of cryptologic training and shared his new knowledge with his team members while completing 25 percent of the Military Cryptologic Continuing Education Program. He drafted three reports and coordinated efforts across four branches to identify target information critical to the mission in their area of responsibility. As the medical readiness program manager for Viper Flight, he revamped the program by creating a spreadsheet to track appointments, member notifications and readiness statistics. This slashed the number of overdue members by 10 percent and saved his flight chief three hours per week in administrative actions. Eaton completed three American History college courses, placing him on the Dean's List while completing 70 percent of his bachelor's degree. Finally, he volunteered for nine hours at the San Antonio Food Bank where he helped to sort 29,000 pounds of food amounting to 15,000 meals feeding 3,500 families."

– **Senior Master Sgt. Darrell A. Harmon**

First Sergeant, 93rd ISR

Senior Airman Andrew Walck

Unit: 3rd Combat Camera Squadron

Duty title: Aerial Combat Broadcaster

Time in service: 2 years, 10 months

Hometown: East Stroudsburg, Pa.



"Senior Airman Andrew Walck demonstrated strong leadership and professionalism as an Airman. His patient nature and willingness to endure saw him graduate the grueling three-week Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape course which qualified him to fully enter the 3rd Combat Camera Squadron's aerial documentation program. Additionally, Walck transitioned into his new role as a member of his squadron's elite program by shooting aerial imagery during a temporary duty assignment at Kirtland Air Force Base, N.M. While there, he logged more than 20 hours on four different airframes collecting imagery which will be used to educate 550,000 Airmen about the 58th Special Operations Wing's mission. Lastly, Walck was designated a fire squad team leader in an advanced weapons and tactics training course where he demonstrated his natural leadership skills as he commanded a seven-Airman team. He is, without a doubt, a vital part to the success of the 3rd Combat Camera Squadron."

Tech. Sgt. Rico Sison

Additional Duty First Sergeant, 3rd CTCs

Staff Sgt. Anthony Garrow

Unit: Air Force Life Cycle Management

Center, Cryptologic and Cyber Systems Division

Duty title: Assistant NCO in Charge,

AARE Production

Time in service: 6 years, 3 months

Hometown: Davenport, Iowa



"Staff Sgt. Anthony Garrow led a five-member team as acting NCO in charge of the advanced atmospheric research equipment production work center for 35 days. His leadership and technical expertise were critical in the production of four critical assets desperately needed by one of two United States Atomic Energy Detection System aircraft. His team's efforts allowed the aircraft to be rapidly restored to fully mission capable and complete six missions needed to verify worldwide compliance with the 1963 Limited Test Ban Treaty. Additionally, during this period, his team produced 189 sample collection spheres and 702 particulate screen assemblies, sustaining the airborne sampling mission and ensuring deployed mission up time 100 percent. In his capacity as physical training leader, Garrow's hard work and dedication led to zero fitness assessment failures and 18 of 24 members receiving a score of 90 percent or above. Also, he personified the Air Force Core Value of 'excellence in all we do' by earning a 99.70 on his fitness assessment. Finally, he is actively advancing his professional education by taking two classes towards a bachelor of science degree in nuclear engineering. The whole-person standard set by Garrow is truly Diamond Sharp!"

– **Master Sgt. Eric Rascoe**

First Sergeant, AFLCMC Det 6/CCF

Staff Sgt. Christina Schuler

Unit: 502nd Logistics Readiness Squadron

Duty title: Air Terminal Operation Center Supervisor

Time in service: 6 years

Hometown: Middleton, Idaho



"Staff Sgt. Christina Schuler is an exceptional NCO and community leader serving the Air Force. Schuler was a key member on the coordination and movement of 1,090 passengers, 900 tons of cargo and baggage on 95 missions. She is responsible for maintaining an annual facility rental with Port of San Antonio worth \$800,000 operating a \$6 million fleet of specialized vehicles. As the squadron's booster club secretary, Schuler led four meetings and assisted with 'Stars and Stripes Over San Antonio' by running a refreshment booth, raising more than \$500 for squadron morale functions. An active Air Force Association member, Schuler helped establish Joint Base San Antonio's first sub-council for enlisted personnel. Additionally, she organized two base-wide mixers and is a voice for the AFA during NCO professional enhancement seminars, briefing more than 58 peers on membership opportunities and benefits of joining the organization. Schuler also dedicates eight to 10 hours per week working with Big Sisters of South Texas mentoring her "little sister." A catalyst for education, Schuler completed college algebra and English composition courses with a goal of accomplishing her CCAF degree in transportation management in December 2014. Schuler is our Diamond Sharp."

– **Master Sgt. Reginald Williams II**

First Sergeant 502nd LRS

Staff Sgt. David Hinojosa

Unit: 91st Network Warfare Squadron

Duty title: Cyberspace Operations Analyst

Time in service: 5 years, 11 months

Hometown: San Antonio



"Staff Sgt. David Hinojosa published 64 mission summary reports and interpreted 867 collection results in support of U.S. Cyber Command requirements. Hinojosa trained two peers on open source intelligence research techniques, producing numerous reports in support of USCYBERCOM. He ensured 100-percent training compliance by identifying and correcting 86 line-item errors in four training records. As vice president of the 91st Network Warfare Squadron booster club, he organized four fundraisers while managing working hours for 11 volunteers. His efforts resulted in raising \$596 to help defray the cost of the squadron holiday party. He was the squadron representative for the Joint Base San Antonio 'Build a Backpack Program' which filled 480 backpacks with school supplies that were given to Joint Base San Antonio students. Hinojosa also participated in a professional writing seminar detailing the Airman Comprehensive Assessment and passed on the lessons learned to fellow co-workers enabling them to prepare for upcoming changes."

– **Master Sgt. Sean Stewart**

First Sergeant, 91st NWS

**Tech. Sgt. Saul Rodriguez****Unit:** Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Agency**Duty title:** Signals Intelligence Analyst
Career Field Training Manager**Time in service:** 11 years**Hometown:** Houston

"Tech. Sgt. Saul Rodriguez's depth and breadth of experience was recently recognized when he was handpicked for one of the highest sought-after master sergeant positions in his Air Force specialty as the career field training manager, where he manages the training programs for the highly technical 1N2X1C – signals intelligence analyst specialty at the Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency. Rodriguez manages the training, progression and development for 1,825 1N2X1A and 1N2X1C members across 16 formal training courses and supporting 87 units throughout the agency. As part of his duties, he provides cradle-to-grave direction and input for the specialty's Air Force Specialty Code awarding course, provides just-in-time training for selectively manned units with additional and specific training requirements, and organizes utilization and training workshops. He also acts as a liaison between Air Staff, major commands, combatant commands, joint commands, the National Security Agency and sister services for requirements, training and employment of the 1N2X1 AFSC. He recently joined the Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Association and is the co-chair for events coordination for the San Antonio chapter. He dedicates his spare time to various community functions where he also volunteers as a mentor for a local elementary school to provide sound guidance to school-age children. Finally, Rodriguez is the focal point for the evolution of his specialty within the Distributed Common Ground System, the Air Force's premier airborne intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance weapons system employing more than 3,200 military members."

– **Senior Master Sgt. Brian Jumper***First Sergeant, HQ AF ISR Agency***Staff Sgt. Brooke Alf****Unit:** 59th Airman Medical Transition Unit**Duty title:** NCO in Charge, Airman Medical Transition Unit**Time in service:** 13 years**Hometown:** Pittsfield, Ill.

"Staff Sgt. Brooke Alf is a great example for all to follow. She personally handles every member assigned to the unit as family. She ensures that each patient is equipped with everything they need, from a care bag when they arrive, to guidance to the proper agency they may need for a helping hand. Alf is also involved with her community which ties into helping her family. She is a reliable and dedicated Airman."

– **Master Sgt. De'Lisa Harris***First Sergeant, 59 MDSS***Senior Airman Victoria Rhodes****Unit:** 59th Medical Specialty Squadron Cardiology Clinic**Duty title:** Aerospace Medical Service Journeyman**Time in service:** 4 years**Hometown:** Benson, Ariz.

"Senior Airman Victoria Rhodes drove support operations for the largest cardiology clinic in the Air Force Medical Service, aiding the first-ever patient-centered healthcare team approach used in such specialty care clinics in the Air Force. Her efforts allowed for the business plan to soar to new heights—150 percent over target—not thought possible for only having two providers. Her outstanding work ethic and drive for excellence was recognized and she was selected as one of ten escorts for the Health Services Inspection distinguished visitors. Her great efforts and professionalism in managing meetings and schedules for the visitors warranted a letter of appreciation from the 59th Medical Wing commander and an overall rating of "excellent" for the inspection. Furthermore, her steadfast devotion to excellent patient care proved critical to the clinic when she created and initiated a new pre-operative surgical clinical algorithm which reduced patient through-put time 50 percent and once again she was lauded by the wing commander for her continual improvements to patient care. She also desired to be more engaged in the day-to-day healthcare delivery process. She developed, tested and implemented a technician-provider standardized patient-medical documentation template to facilitate seamless, engagement in patient care at all levels. This process has conceptualized a 'value-added' principle in the patient experience. Rhodes exemplifies the terms excellence, initiative and devotion to duty."

– **Master Sgt. Lawrence Snyder***First Sergeant, 59th Medical Operation Group***Staff Sgt. Sergio A. Chavez****Unit:** 802nd Security Forces Squadron**Duty title:** Reports and Analysis Security Technician**Time in service:** 6 years**Hometown:** San Antonio

"Staff Sgt. Chavez identified 161 delinquent commander actions regarding incident reports. His section went from a 60-percent on-time rate to an 89-percent rate. He also processed 544 federal citations, coordinating with the 502nd Air Base Wing Judge Advocate to process \$73,000 worth of violations bureau tickets. Chavez organized 'Operation Breakfast' managing eight volunteers and feeding more than 200 of the 802nd Security Forces Squadron personnel, reinforcing unit morale and cohesiveness. Finally, he is also currently pursuing his college degree and recently completed a college algebra class."

– **Master Sgt. Cristina Cunningham***First Sergeant, 802nd SFS***Airman 1st Class Kalen Rodriguez****Unit:** 502nd Contracting Squadron**Duty title:** Contract Specialist**Time in service:** 1 year**Hometown:** Temple, Texas

"Airman 1st Class Kalen Rodriguez serves as a contract specialist for the 502nd Contracting Squadron on Joint Base San Antonio–Lackland. Upon her entry into the squadron in February, she was placed in the busiest flight, leading the unit into the most active time of the year. With only a short time to learn the job, Rodriguez excelled and surpassed her peers who had two to three times her experience. She has awarded 36 contract actions totaling \$1.2 million. Her efforts included purchases for multiple software and network upgrades for the Joint Base information technology infrastructure, furniture for basic training and their office facilities, parachutes for the continuance of special forces training, as well as a cellular phone plan to enabling key communication between the joint base's top brass. She also executed four urgent and compelling emergency bone marrow transplant contracts totaling \$257,000, successfully reducing critical health risks. She completed 120 days of workload assignments in only 10 days ensuring that the patients received the required dire treatment as swiftly as possible. While excelling in job performance, she still found time to dedicate her spare time to her unit, base, and community. She has dedicated 72 hours to organizations like Habitat for Humanity and Airman Against Drunk Driving. Rodriguez also took great pleasure in serving as a score keeper for the Lackland Youth Center basketball leagues, which supported more than 170 kids and families. Still, she knocked out her 5-level career development courses, completed two Harvard Business courses, completed a language course for three credits towards her bachelors program at Wayland Baptist University and attended professional development seminars provided by the base. Rodriguez has upheld herself as an outstanding member of this unit, who continuously searches for new ways to serve her unit and community. She is definitely 'Diamond Sharp' material!"

– **Senior Master Sgt. Michael Brown***First Sergeant, 502nd Contracting Squadron*

Fraud, Waste or Abuse

Members of the public, military members, Department of Defense civilian and contractor employees may report suspicious activity concerning fraud, waste or abuse and employee or management misconduct.

Report suspected FWA to your local inspector general, the 502nd Air Base Wing IG or the DOD FWA Hotline.

502 ABW/IG FWA Hotline 808-1000,

<http://www.jbsa.af.mil/fwa.asp>DOD Hotline 800-424-9098, <http://www.dodig.mil/hotline>

JBSA Fire Emergency Services reminds residents working smoke alarms save lives

Working smoke alarms can make a life-saving difference in a fire. That's the message behind this year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives: Test Yours Every Month!"

Along with firefighters and safety advocates nationwide, Joint Base San Antonio Fire Emergency Services is joining forces with the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association during Fire Prevention Week, which runs from Monday through Oct. 11, to remind residents about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home and testing them monthly.

According to the latest NFPA research, working smoke alarms cut in half the chance of dying in a fire. Meanwhile, almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

"In a fire, seconds count," said JBSA Fire Chief Mark

Ledford. "Roughly half of home fire deaths result from fires reported at night between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. when most people are asleep. Home smoke alarms can alert people to a fire before it spreads, giving everyone enough time to get out."

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign includes the following smoke alarm messages:

Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each separate sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.

Test alarms at least monthly by pushing the test button.

Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

Make sure everyone in the home knows the sound of the smoke alarm and understands what to do when they hear it.



"Surprisingly, according to recent NFPA reports the death rate was much higher in fires in which a smoke alarm was present – but did not operate – than it was in fires in which the homes had no smoke alarms," Ledford said.

During Fire Prevention Week, JBSA Fire Emergency Services will be hosting multiple learning activities.

The main event is the Fire Prevention Week Open House located at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Watkins Terrace Community Fire Station 5.

"It is going to be exciting," Ledford said. "We will have Sparky the Fire Dog, fire truck displays, firefighters, the fire safety house, the Jaws of Life and a host of special guests to include Ultimate Fighter Championship fighter Shawn 'The Savage' Jordan promoting 'Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives!' Through these educational, family-oriented activities, residents can learn more about the importance of working smoke alarms."

To find out more about JBSA Fire Prevention Week activities, contact JBSA fire prevention offices at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston (221-2727), JBSA-Lackland (671-2921) and JBSA-Randolph (652-6915).

To learn more about the "Working Smoke Alarms Saves Lives" campaign, visit NFPA's website at <http://www.firepreventionweek.org>.

(Source: Joint Base San Antonio Fire Emergency Service)

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their knowledge, Dews said.

"They will receive literature and get to see and handle specialized equipment unique only to first responders," he said.

Staff Sgt. Larry Holmes, 902nd SFS NCO in charge of police services, said attendance at the JBSA-Randolph event continues to rise.

"It's one of those community outreach events," he said. "People get a chance to meet with local law enforcement agency officers to see what they do every day, and we get a chance to meet the people we are protecting every day."

National Night Out also allows all participants to have fun.

"Hopefully everybody will come out and have a good time," Holmes said.

Every Airman has a part in energy conservation

Power the Force. Fuel the Fight.



By Jim Butts
AETC Energy Program specialist

October is Energy Action Month, a time for every Airman, Air Force civilian and contractor to make a conscious effort to conserve energy.

Although there isn't really a "squeaky clean" energy, common sources of green energy such as water, wind and the sun can help to minimize our environmental footprint, and improve the sustainability of our energy supply (and thus, our Air Force mission). These sources are inexhaustible, and can be converted to usable energy with minimal environmental damage. By using them instead of the more traditional sources like oil, coal and natural gas, we expect to reduce global warming and greenhouse gas emissions, helping to keep our planet and atmosphere clean.

Unfortunately, no energy source completely eliminates environmental risk. The only truly clean energy is the energy that we avoid using, which provides each Airman a role in energy conservation. We can all say to ourselves, "I am Air Force Energy," and contribute by making energy a consideration in all that we do. Besides enhancing our environment, we'll help save dollars, which can then be used to improve our Air Force mission and quality of life.

We've all heard the standard energy savings tips many times: turn off our computer monitors and lights when not in use, use efficient temperature settings in our offices, minimize our use of personal fans and heaters and reduce our water consumption. There are many such tips, and these seemingly small efforts add up to big results! Due to the magnitude of energy consumed by the Air Force, any actions we take to reduce energy consumption are significant in their potential impact.

The bottom line is that money we don't spend on fuel, electricity and water is money we can reinvest into the capability for the warfighter.

Energy Action Month is the time to start putting energy conservation tips into practice and developing them into life-long habits. Make Energy Action Month successful by living the words, "I am Air Force Energy."

LOCAL BRIEFS

FRIDAY

5K GLOW RUN, FUN WALK 1K

Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland 5/6, will host their inaugural 5K Glow Run and Fun Walk 1K Friday at the JBSA-Lackland 1.5-mile track.

Preregistration \$25 for the 5K and \$20 for the 1K walk.

Sign in, late registration and T-shirt pickup begins at 6:30 p.m.

The walk begins between 7:30 and 8 p.m.; the run starts at 8:10 p.m.

Children who complete the Fun Walk 1K will earn a medal.

For additional information, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jbsa-lackland-56-fun-walk-1k-glow-run-5k-tickets-12259130389>.

SATURDAY

JEWISH HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES

Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston hosts services in observance of Yom Kippur Saturday starting at 9 a.m. at the Main Post "Gift" Chapel.

The holiday concludes at sundown, 7:52 p.m.

For additional information contact 379-8666 or 493-6660.

OCT. 16

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH LUNCHEON

Observance of Hispanic Heritage Month at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland concludes with a luncheon Oct. 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Gateway Club. The event will focus on enhancing cross-cultural awareness and promoting diversity amongst military members, civilian employees, family members and retirees. For details, contact 671-3035.

OCT. 17

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH KICK-OFF MEETING

The kick-off meeting for African American Heritage History Month will be, Oct. 17 at 3 p.m., JBSA-Lackland Gateway Club in the Gateway Room. If interested in being part of the planning for the upcoming events for February 2015, please be at this meeting. If you have any questions, contact 671- 2532.

OCT. 23

JBSA JOINT NCO PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR

The Joint Base San Antonio NCO Professional Development Seminar is set for 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 23-24 at Forbes Hall, building 147,

Medina Annex.

The two-day course is designed to build a joint interoperability mindset for all JBSA NCOs by introducing them to sister-and joint-service performance reporting, award writing, leadership and physical fitness standards.

Register no later than Oct. 15 by calling 977-2073 or 977-6228.

NOV. 11

AIR FORCE BAND OF THE WEST AT THE MAJESTIC THEATER

The Air Force Band of the West's Concert Band will perform in a free concert 7 p.m. on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, at the Majestic Theater in downtown San Antonio. This concert will feature the music of John Philip Sousa, John Williams, Leroy Anderson, Gustav Holst, Carmen Dragon, William Owens, and Major Glenn Miller. This concert is free and open to the public. Ticket holders will be let into the Majestic Theatre at 6 p.m. Non-ticket holders will be able to enter at 6:45 p.m. Sign up for tickets here, <https://veteransdayconcert.eventbrite.com>

INFORMATIONAL

AAFS AUTUMN 2014 CATALOG IS AVAILABLE

The Army & Air Force Exchange Autumn 2014 catalog is available in stores and online.

The catalog is available at all main stores. Shoppers can also browse the interactive catalog online at <http://www.shopmyexchange.com> by clicking the Savings Center button in the upper left corner of the home page and then choosing Catalogs. Prices in this all-services catalog are valid through Oct. 31, for any authorized exchange customer. Active duty military members, military retirees, reservists, National Guardsmen, Department of Defense civilians stationed overseas, exchange employees and their family members are all authorized exchange privileges.

WHITE HOUSE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The White House internship program for summer 2015 is accepting applications through Jan. 11, 2015.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, 18 years of age on or before the first day of the internship, and meet at least one of the following criteria: Currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program at a two to four year college, community college

or university; Graduated from an undergraduate or graduate program at a two to four year institution no more than two years before the first day of the internship; A veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, possessing a high school diploma or its equivalent and with active duty service for any length of time in the two years preceding the first day of the internship.

Applications are found online at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships/apply>

GUTCHECK PROGRAM LAUNCHES

The Outpatient Nutrition Clinic introduces the Gutcheck Program, a new six-week nutrition course designed to teach ways to make the lifestyle changes to help reach individual goals.

The program answers nutrition questions and provides access to a strong support team consisting of diet therapists, registered dieticians, nurses, the psychology department and a personal trainer/fitness instructor.

Call the Outpatient Nutrition clinic today at 292-7578 for additional information and to register. All TRICARE beneficiaries welcomed.

CHAPEL SERVICES

—PROTESTANT WORSHIP SERVICES

Freedom Chapel – Building 1528

Contemporary Service	Sun. 9:30 a.m.
Religious Education	Sun. 11:00 a.m.
Gospel Service	Sun. 12:30 p.m.
Spanish Service	Sun. 3:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL SERVICE

Airman Memorial Chapel – Building 5432

Sun. 8:00 a.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

New BMT Reception Center – Building 6330

Sun. 7:30 a.m. (Rm. 175)

SEVENTH - DAY ADVENTIST

Gateway Chapel – Building 6300

Sat. 12:30 p.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

New BMT Reception Center – Building 6330

Sun. 7:30 a.m. (Rm. 112)

—ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN

Airmen Memorial Chapel – Building 5432

Sun. 9:30 a.m.

—WICCA

New BMT Reception Center – Building 6330

Sun.	9:00 – 11:00 (Auditorium)
<u>Freedom Chapel – Building 1528</u>	
Wicca Open Circle	1st Tues. 6 – 7 p.m.

—REFUGE STUDENT CENTER

Building 9122 (Tech Training & TDY Students)

Wednesday	6 – 8 p.m.
Thursday	6 – 8 p.m.
Friday	6 – 11 p.m.
Saturday	12 – 9 p.m.
Sunday	11 – 5 p.m.

—JEWISH

Airmen Memorial Chapel – Building 5432

Sabbath & Kiddush	Fri. 4:30 p.m.
Religious Education	Sun. 1:30 p.m.

—ROMAN CATHOLIC

Freedom Chapel – Building 1528

Religious Education	Sun. 9:00 a.m.
Mass	Sun. 11:00 a.m.
Reconciliation	Sun. 10 a.m. & 4:15 p.m.

Daily Mass	Mon., Tues. & Thur. 11:30 a.m.
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Note: Reconciliation(s) may be scheduled by appointment

—ISLAMIC

Global Ministry Center – Building 7452

Jumu'ah Prayer	Fri. 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
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—BUDDIST

New BMT Reception Center – Building 6330

Sun. 10 a.m. (Rm. 175)

—ECKANKAR

Gateway Chapel – Building 6300

1st, 3rd, and 5th Saturdays 12:30 p.m.

—BAHA'I

Gateway Chapel – Building 6300

1st, 3rd, and 5th Sun. 11:00 a.m.

—THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Gateway Chapel – Building 6300

Religious Education	Tues. 6:30 p.m.
LDS Institute	Thurs. 6:30 p.m.
LDS Service	Sun. 1:00 p.m.

JBSA-LACKLAND

KEY FAMILY SUPPORT RESOURCES

Air Force Aid Society	671-3722
Airman & Family Readiness Center	671-3722
Airman's Attic	671-1780
American Red Cross	844-4225
Base Post Office	671-1058
Bowling Center	671-2271
DEERS	800-538-9552
Exceptional Family Member Program	671-3722
Family Child Care	671-3376
Legal Office	671-3362
Library	671-3610
Medical Appointment Line	916-9900
MPF ID Cards	671-6006
Outdoor Recreation	925-5532
TRICARE Info	800-444-5445
Thrift Shop	671-3608

Enlisted Spouses' Club	http://www.lacklandesc.org
Force Support Squadron	http://www.lacklandfss.com
Lackland ISD	http://www.lacklandisd.net
Officers' Spouses' Club	http://www.lacklandosc.org
JBSA Public website	http://www.jbsa.af.mil
My Air Force Life	http://www.MyAirForcelife.com

For more details, contact Freedom Chapel - 671-4208 • Gateway Chapel - 671-2911

BMT HONORS

Congratulations to the following 62 Airmen selected as honor graduates among the 620 Air Force basic military trainees who graduated today:

320th Training Squadron

–Flight 563

Benjamin Clark

Ryan McDivitt

Garrett Rix

Jose Soto

–Flight 564

Aaron Bloomingdale

Gabriel Carias

Albert Howard

Alexander Stinauer

321st Training Squadron

–Flight 561

Ryan Dumatol

Trevor Forsythe

Luciano Rocero

Christopher Tice

Joshua Young

–Flight 562

Ryan Burton

Caleb Grady

Ryan Sparks

Kyle Staples

322nd Training Squadron

–Flight 567

Scott Advent

Dean Bartschi

Caleb Crockett

Lane Plummer

Andrew Sims

Quinn Truitt

–Flight 568

Ethan Ator

Clinton Bell

Zachary Himmelmreich

Jacob Moore

326th Training Squadron

–Flight 565

Aaron Huffman

Dylan Kohout

John Mansur

Austin Oberzan

–Flight 566

Mercedes Flores

Payton Noble

Bethany Wickliffe

–Flight 569

William Coffman

Thomas Davis

Jesse Hendrix

Jordan Kinder

Matthew McClain

Kekoa Santiago

Jonathan Stephens

Brian Stuart

Colin Taylor

Kai White

–Flight 570

Hannah Larson

Stephanie Wilson

331st Training Squadron

–Flight 559

James Beeler

Anderson Carter

Cody Cline

Dalton Danielson

Michael Dawkins

Austin Flynn

Daniel Fratila-Ilies

Zachary Johnson

Jason McClure

Tyler McConnell

Alexander Shkurkin

Michael Traynor

Graham Ward

–Flight 560

Shelby Barks

Sarah Deberardinis

Renee Gow

Top BMT Airman

Ryan Sparks

321st TRS, Flight 562

Most Physically Fit

–Female Airmen

Rachel Simones

331st TRS, Flight 560

Kayla Brill

331st TRS, Flight 560

Katherine Carrillo

326th TRS, Flight 570

–Male Airmen

Usama Bamieh

331st TRS, Flight 559

Alexander Shkurkin

331st TRS, Flight 559

Dylan Toth

331st TRS, Flight 559

–Female Flights

331st TRS, Flight 560

326th TRS, Flight 570

326th TRS, Flight 566

–Male Flights

331st TRS, Flight 559

322nd TRS, Flight 567

322nd TRS, Flight 568

321st TRS, Flight 561

326th TRS, Flight 565

320th TRS, Flight 563

326th TRS, Flight 569

321st TRS, Flight 562

Top Academic Flights

331st TRS, Flight 559

321st TRS, Flight 561

321st TRS, Flight 562

326th TRS, Flight 565

322nd TRS, Flight 568

322nd TRS, Flight 567

326th TRS, Flight 569

320th TRS, Flight 563

331st TRS, Flight 560

326th TRS, Flight 566

326th TRS, Flight 570

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Wounded warrior overcomes adversity; competes in 2014 Warrior Games

By Senior Airman Michael Ellis
59th Medical Wing Public Affairs

"I have gone on multiple deployments, defeated the Taliban. I never thought another American would do this to me," said U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Seth Pena.

Pena, a highly-decorated tactical air control party member (who is noted for calling in coordinated close support air strikes that killed up to 70 Taliban members in one fight), sat down with a crossbow draped across his lap and a target 25 meters in front of him, reminiscing about the night that changed his life forever.

"Man, I never used to sweat this much," Pena said. "One thing about losing your leg is that you sweat so much more. Before, I remember dreading going on long runs. Now, I would love to be able to do that again."

One night, while Pena was riding his motorcycle, a drunk driver ran a red light and crashed into him. As Pena was flung from his bike, the driver attempted to flee the scene, but was apprehended by a military person who witnessed the accident.

Pena doesn't recall the incident. He suffered traumatic brain injury, multiple broken bones and fractures all over his body and lost the majority of his blood. In addition, Pena died immediately at the scene, but was resuscitated once medical personnel arrived.

"I actually died twice," Pena said with a sobering tone. "I also died in the helicopter ride to the hospital. The doctor had all my coworkers come into my hospital room and they started screaming my name. Miraculously, my heart started pumping again."

Pena was in a coma for 20 days before he regained consciousness. The doctor told the nurses and his family not to mention that his left leg was amputated. Since he had suffered severe brain trauma, he was unsure how Pena would accept the news.

"One day, as the nurse came in to bath me, she said that she wanted to show me something," Pena said. "She removed the wrap and I could see my leg was gone. I mean I knew my leg and ankle was hurting and in a lot of pain, but I had no



Photo by Senior Airman Michael Ellis

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Seth Pena, a former tactical control air party member now assigned to the 59th Medical Wing's Airman Medical Transition Unit, mounts a scope to his compound bow Sept. 12, at a local archery facility in San Antonio. Pena was severely injured March 2013 when a drunk driver ran a red light, crashing into his motorcycle.

clue until she showed me."

Six months later, Pena was able to leave the hospital and was transferred to the 59th Medical Wing's Airman Medical Transition Unit (commonly referred to as the patient squadron) at the Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center on Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland.

"The patient squadron has been awesome," Pena said. "I remember when the general in charge came to greet us during the grand opening. You can tell that he really cared about the wounded warriors."

Pena described how coming to the

patient squadron marked an incredible milestone with his treatment.

"Instead of being an inpatient, you are treated as an outpatient where you get to do your own thing."

While interacting with others in the patient squadron, Pena acquired a new hobby to occupy some of his free time. He started practicing archery for hours each week and is now ambidextrous.

"I injured my right elbow when I fell and they had to freeze it, so I started practicing with my left," Pena said. "I now shoot left-handed and am more accurate than before."

Pena is so accurate he earned a spot in the 2014 Warrior Games being held in Colorado Springs, Colo., through Saturday. He competed with other elite athletes from the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Coast Guard.

"The amount of stuff that had to happen in order for me to still be here – quick responding emergency crew, dying twice and waking out of a coma after 20 days – my odds of surviving were as slim as winning the lottery," Pena stated. "I thank God I'm still here. I've got some adversity now, but I'm learning to live with it."

UPCOMING

ALL-AIR FORCE BASKETBALL CAMP

Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Fitness and Sports hosts the 2014 All-Air Force Basketball Camp Oct. 19-Nov. 5. All practices and scrimmages will be held at the Chaparral and Warhawk Fitness Centers. Call 671-2632 for more details.

ZOMBIE 5K FUN RUN/WALK

Join the Zombie 5K Fun Run/Walk at 7:30 a.m. Oct. 31 at the Gillum Fitness Center. Prizes will be awarded for best-dressed male or female zombie. The event is free and participants may sign up on the day of the event. Non-zombies are welcome. For more information, call 977-2353.

MILITARY ORGANIZATION BOWLING

Military units booking a bowling function at the Skylark Bowling Center in October from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday will receive \$1 off per person. Gather the troops and roll into the bowling center for camaraderie and team building. Call 671-1234 for more details.

LUNCHTIME FITNESS

Pack in a lunchtime workout at the Gillum Fitness Center during Total Body Toning class Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. The class runs from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and targets strength and cardiovascular fitness. On Tuesday and Thursday go a few rounds during Standup Fighters Workout sessions. The class offers a combination of MMA, basic boxing and ground defense techniques focusing on cardiovascular aerobics and stress relief. For more information, call 977-2353.

BEGINNERS BOXING

Learn basic boxing skills 6 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays at the Chaparral Fitness Center. The class is \$50 per month. Call 671-2401.

59th MDW systems administrator earns silver medal at Invictus Games



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Air Force Staff Sgt. Mark Johnson passes the ball around Italy's Armando Marco Iannuzzi during the United States' 22-4 victory over Italy in a wheelchair rugby pool match at the 2014 Invictus Games. Invictus Games is an international competition that brings together wounded, injured and ill service members in the spirit of friendly athletic competition. American Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines represented the United States in the competition which was held in London, Sept. 10-14.

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A 59th Medical Support Squadron systems administrator earned a silver medal as a member of the United States Armed Forces National Team at the first ever Invictus Games Sept. 12 in London.

Staff Sgt. Mark Johnson earned the medal competing in Wheelchair Rugby after the U.S. national team suffered a 13-12 loss to the United Kingdom. Despite coming up short in the gold medal game, Johnson said his experience in London was amazing.

"It was cool because it was my first major international competition," the staff sergeant said. "It was a dream come true to perform on an international stage."

The Invictus Games was started by Prince Harry of Wales after he attended the 2013 Warrior Games in Colorado Springs, Colo. The games featured teams from 13 nations comprised of injured active duty and veteran service members who competed in track and field, wheelchair rugby and basketball, archery, indoor rowing, road cycling, seated

volleyball, powerlifting and swimming.

Johnson, whose right leg was amputated following a motorcycle accident in April 2013, described the close-scoring gold medal game as "intense."

"It was two superpowers going against each other, and the fans were going crazy," he said. "(Not winning the gold) was heart-breaking but not too much, because we took the silver medal and represented our country the best we could."

Johnson became aware of the Invictus Games via the Air Force Wounded Warrior program. The program encouraged him to participate in the South Texas Area Regional Adaptive and Paralympic Sports program in February following his recovery at the Center for the Intrepid at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston. He said competition helped him with his recovery.

"I was in rehab for seven months and learned to walk again while gaining my strength and balance back," Johnson said. "Competing in this event showed that I can lead a normal life and there are no limits to what I can accomplish as long as I put the

dedication and work in."

Johnson said he will resume training in October for the 2015 Warrior Games trials and hopes to compete in next year's Invictus Games.



Photo by Josh Rodriguez
Staff Sgt. Mark Johnson holds up his silver medal from the 2014 invictus games.