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# Flying Tigers deploy

## Family members boost morale

Story and photos by  
Airman 1st Class  
Cassandra J. Locke  
Carolina Flyer staff writer

More members of the 23rd Fighter Group said goodbye to their loved ones March 5 and 6 at the 75th Fighter Squadron.

About 300 people, equipment and A-10 Thunderbolt aircraft left for a location in Southwest Asia in support of the global war on terrorism.

The fighter group's primary mission is to support the ground troops and to maintain the A-10s and munitions.

"The Flying Tigers have a rich heritage," said Col. Kimble Stohry, 23rd FG deputy commander.

They are capable of providing a war-fighting unit anywhere in the world in an instant.

"We're the first string," said Master Sgt. Thomas Clemens, 23rd Maintenance Squadron first sergeant.

Airman 1st Class Arthur Krupa, 23rd MXS, volunteered



See DEPLOY, Page 3 Troops from the 23rd Fighter Group board a C-5 aircraft March 5. About 300 members of the group left to Southwest Asia in support of the global war on terrorism.

# AF implements Stop Loss Air Force works to smooth out AEF rough spots

The Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Manpower & Reserve Affairs, has authorized the use of Stop Loss in order to retain specific skills needed to meet national security objectives. Effective May 2, 43 officer and 56 enlisted specialties are Stop Loss.

"We do not take this action lightly," said Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche. "Stop Loss is designed to preserve critical skills essential to supporting the Global War on Terrorism, while ensuring we're prepared to meet other contingencies."

"We've implemented Stop Loss to ensure we have the necessary skilled personnel to conduct operations," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P.

Jumper. "We'll use it only as long as necessary to accomplish our mission."

Stop Loss is being implemented across the total force (active duty, Air Force Ready Reserve, and Air National Guard) for the career fields listed and affects all airmen in the rank of colonel and below, according to Maj. Teresa L. Forest, chief of Air Force retirements and separation policy at the Pentagon.

Both the secretary and chief of staff are acutely aware that the Air Force is an all-volunteer force and that this action, while essential to meeting the service's worldwide obligations, is inconsistent with the fundamental principles of voluntary service.

"We take Stop Loss seriously and

are working hard to ensure the lives of our airmen, their families and their civilian employers are not disrupted any longer than is necessary to meet our national commitments," Jumper said.

Therefore, a waiver process will be implemented for those people with unique circumstances.

"We are doing our best to minimize this disruption," Roche said. "And we will look at unique circumstances on a case-by-case basis and do all we can to offer appropriate relief."

"We understand the individual sacrifices that our airmen and their

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By Cynthia Bauer  
Air Mobility Command Public Affairs  
Scott AFB, Ill.

The Air Force continues its quest to smooth out the rough spots in the Air and Space Expeditionary Force process as the Defense Department positions forces for a possible conflict with Iraq.

Air Mobility Command Vice Commander Lt. Gen. John R. Baker, who serves as a member of the Air Force Vice Chief of Staff's AEF Forum, said the surge in deployments has interrupted the normal AEF battle rhythm of three-month rotations. There is now

the equivalent of three or more AEFs supporting ongoing operations, as well as possible future contingencies, from more than 30 expeditionary operating bases. Those deployed include active duty and mobilized reserve component airmen.

In an update on the work of the AEF Forum, Baker said right now, AEF pairs 7 and 8 slated for redeployment at the end of February are frozen in place, and pairs 9 and 10 have deployed early. Air Force officials have said those deployed should anticipate remaining in place until further notice.

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as of Wednesday

**Total AADD saves this year**  
**56**

**Total DUIs this year**  
**4**

Last DUI attributed to:  
An Airman 1st Class from the 23rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

Groups with no DUIs this quarter:  
43rd Airlift Wing,  
43rd Medical Group,  
43rd Mission Support Group,  
18th Air Support Operations Group

For a free, anonymous ride from 4 p.m. to 8 a.m. Friday to Monday, call AADD at 309-4252

## Program links family members to Air Force ways

By Pamela L. Kehres  
Carolina Flyer staff writer

The Heart Link program, designed to help Air Force spouses gain awareness of Air Force missions, customs, traditions, protocols and available community resources and services, has recently been introduced here through the family support center.

The program, designed for spouses associated with the Air Force five years or less, debuted in November with the first day-long session and another planned for March 27. The session is designed to be fun and interactive for participants, with games and a coin presentation by the wing commander at the completion of the course.

Strengthening military families and enhancing mission readiness are the goals of the standardized spouse orientation program.

The Heart Link advantage gives personnel and their family members a sense of commu-

nity while also fulfilling other needs.

"The program makes spouses feel important and empowered, while also making them feel like a vital part of the team," said Darlene Rosario, Heart Link program administrator. "What they learn gives them the tools to take care of themselves and their families."

"It enables active-duty members to focus on their mission," she said, "because they know their spouse is aware of what resources are available and how to seek out information."

Another important objective of Heart Link is letting personnel know the Air Force cares about families, Rosario said.

"By making spouses feel empowered and giving that



Call 394-2538 for more information or to sign up for limited seating.

Heart Link is open to all spouses, but spouses associated with the Air Force five years or less will have priority.

ACC bases implemented Heart Link beginning in 2001 in order to make the adjustment to military life easier on family members. The program is now available at many bases Air Force-wide, Rosario said.

Donna Coker, who attended the November Heart Link class, felt the class would benefit any spouse, not just those with less than five years' experience. "I've been married 22 years to the military," Coker said. "I actually think every body should go because I even learned some things. And I had a lot of fun. There wasn't a dull moment." Coker is the wife of Col. Greg Coker, 43rd Mission Support Group commander.

## This weekend's weather

as of Thursday

SOURCE: 43RD OSS WEATHER FLIGHT



**Today:** Cloudy with isolated rain turning to all rain, high 53, low 47



**Saturday:** Cloudy with isolated rain turning to all rain, high 55, low 38



**Sunday:** Cloudy with isolated rain turning to all rain, high 68, low 49

AROUND POPE

# Demo pilot relives AF history through flying



Ed Shipley, an F-86 heritage flyer, cleans his aircraft at Nose Dock 1 for a demonstration in Eastman, Ga. Shipley was grounded here March 7 because of inclement weather conditions.

Story and photos by  
Airman 1st Class  
Cassandra J. Locke  
Carolina Flyer staff writer

An F-86 Sabre jet pilot on his way to Eastman, Ga., was grounded at Pope March 7.

While waiting for the weather to clear up, Ed Shipley, who was headed for the East Coast A-10 demonstration, spent the day in Nose Dock 1 cleaning his aircraft to prepare for the Air Combat Command single-ship demonstration.

"The Air Force has a spectacular history, and the demonstration program allows that history to come to life when young people get to experience it and the older can relive it," said Shipley.

The demo teams consist of dissimilar formation flights with Air Force and civilian Heritage Flyers.

ACC has two A-10, F-15 and F-16 demo teams, who fly with vintage fighters, like the P-51 Mustang.

Shipley has been a pilot since he was 14 years old. He has performed in aerial shows for 12 years, and has been flying with the Air Force for seven years.

"It's an honor to have the



Shipley ensures that he doesn't miss a spot while cleaning his aircraft for the demonstration team's heritage flight.

opportunity, as a civilian, to fly with the greatest Air Force aviators."

Shipley said that these demos are used as a tool to help Air Force recruiting and retention, while keeping the public informed about the Air Force's capabilities.

"Each year, we participate in air shows all over the coun-

try," said Shipley.

Shipley said that the program includes the Air Force's most skilled pilots along with those that have made history like Chuck Yeager, the first pilot to brake the sound barrier, and Apollo 8 astronauts, Bill Anders and Frank Borman.

The Heritage Program was founded in 1997 to celebrate

the Air Force's 50th anniversary. To support the celebration, ACC started flying these dissimilar formation flights. The responses were very astonishing so they designed a program to continue these flights throughout future air show seasons, according to the ACC Web site at [www.acc.af.mil](http://www.acc.af.mil).

## Stop Loss

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families will be making," Jumper said. "We appreciate their unwavering support and dedication to our nation."

For more information about Stop Loss, members can contact their local military personnel flight or the Air Force Personnel Center's Stop Loss Control Center at (210) 565-2374, or DSN at 665-2374 or [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil).

(Courtesy of Air Force Print News)

Stop Loss will be implemented on the following Air Force Specialty Codes beginning May 2.

**Officer AFSCs:** 11AX - Airlift pilot • 11BX - Bomber pilot • 11EX - Test pilot • 11FX - Fighter pilot • 11GX - Generalist pilot • 11HX - Helicopter pilot • 11KX - Trainer pilot • 11RX - Recce/surv/elect warfare pilot • 11SX - Special Operations Pilot • 11TX - Tanker • C-12 CTP pilot • 12AX - Airlift Navigator • 12BX - Bomber navigator • 12EX - Test navigator • 12FX - Fighter navigator • 12GX - Generalist navigator • 12KX - Trainer navigator • 12RX - Recce/surv/elect warfare navigator • 12SX - Special operations navigator • 12TX - Tanker navigator • 13BX - Air battle manager • 13DXA - Combat rescue • 13DXB - Special tacticts • 13MX - Airfield operations •

14NX - Intelligence • 31PX - Security Forces • 32EX - Civil engineer • 43EX - Bioenvironmental engineer • 43HX - Public health • 43TX - Biomedical laboratory • 44EX - Emergency services physician • 44MX - internist • 45AX - Anesthesiologist • 45BX - Orthopedic Surgeon • 45SX - Surgeon • 46FX - Flight nurse • 46MX - Nurse anesthetist • 46NXE - Critical care nurse • 46SX - Operating room nurse • 48AX - Aerospace medicine specialist • 48GX - General medical officer • 48RX - Residency trained flight surgeon • 51JX - Judge advocate • 71SX - Special investigator.  
**Enlisted AFSCs:** 1A0XX - In-flight refueling • 1A1XX - Flight engineer • 1A2XX - Loadmaster • 1A3XX - Airborne communications and electronics systems • 1A4XX - Airborne battle management • 1A5XX - Airborne mission systems • 1A7XX - Aerial gunner • 1A8XX - Airborne cryptologic linguist •

1C1XX - Air traffic control • 1C2XX - Combat control • 1C3XX - Command post • 1C4XX - Tactical air command and control • 1C5XX - Aerospace control and warning system • 1N0XX - Intelligence applications • 1N1XX - Imagery analysis • 1N200 - Signals intelligence analysis manager • X1N2XX - Aircrew signals intelligence production • 1N3X4 - Far east cryptologic linguist • 1N3X5 - Mid-east cryptologic linguist • 1N3X6 - African cryptologic linguist • 1N3X7 - Turkic cryptologic linguist • 1N3X8 - Polynesian cryptologic linguist • 1N3X9 - Indo-Iranian cryptologic linguist • 1N4XX - Signals intelligence analysis • 1N5XX - Electronic signals intelligence exploitation • 1N6XX - Electronic system security assessment • 1S0XX - Safety • 1T1XX - Aircrew life support • 1T2XX - Pararescue • 2E2X1 - Com, network, switching and crypto systems • 2F0X1 - Fuels • 2T3X2A - Special vehi-

cle maintenance (fire trucks) • 2T3X2B - Special vehicle maintenance (refueling vehicles) • 3C0X1 - Communications- Computer systems operations • 3C2X1 - Communications- Computer systems control • 3E000 Electrical • 3E0X2 - Electrical power production • 3E4X1 - Utilities systems • 3E4X2 - Liquid fuels systems maintenance • 3E5X1 - Engineering • 3E7X1 - Fire protection • 3E8X1 - Explosive ordnance disposal • 3E9X1 - Readiness • 3H0X1 - Historian • 3N0XX - Public affairs and Radio/Television broadcasting • 3P0XX - Security forces • 4A1XX - Medical material • 4A2XX - Biomedical equipment • 4B0XX - Bioenvironmental engineering • 4E0XX - Public health • 4H0XX - Cardiopulmonary laboratory • 5J0X1 - Paralegal • 7S0X1 - Special investigations • 8D000 - Linguist debriefer • 9L000 - Interpreter/Translator.

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# AROUND POPE

## Deploy

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for this deployment knowing that there would be sacrifices to make.

"I'm going to miss my family a lot, but duty has called, and I want to be a part of the war-effort."

With a number of fighter group troops deployed, there are concerns as to the mission at Pope.

Chief Master Sgt. Mark Harris, 23rd MXS superintendent, said training is a vital focus for the troops in the maintenance squadron who remain here.

"The ratio of troops not qualified to deploy is greater, and training is a key element."

It's imperative that we look after the family members of the deployed troops.

"We need to keep our eyes and ears open and offer a helping hand," said Stohry.

"It's the little things that mean a lot now," Stohry added.

The family support center offers various spouse-oriented programs to help support the spouses should they need it.

"I feel comfortable going there and griping a little when I need to," said Pamela Kehres, spouse of Staff Sgt. John Kehres, 23rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

"The family support center

programs keep us involved with the base when it's most crucial, during a deployment."

The FSC programs also give spouses an opportunity to support their loved-ones overseas.

"My role for the deployed troops is to boost the morale of their spouses. That way they feel better knowing that someone here is still watching over their family," said Sheena

Mitchell, spouse of Airman 1st Class Eric Mitchell, who is deployed with the 43rd Maintenance Squadron.

Being an Air Force family, we need to be supportive to one another and not forget about the troops here, overseas and the family members.

"A boost in morale at home means a boost in moral overseas," Mitchell said.



Senior Airman Drue Nickerson, 23rd Maintenance Squadron, hugs his wife, Pollyanna, and child, Liam, at the 75th Fighter Squadron before departing to Southwest Asia March 6.



PHOTOS: AIRMAN 1ST CLASS CASSANDRA J. LOCKE

Airmen of the fighter group sleep and read while waiting to get back on the bus to head for the aircraft to depart.



The deploying troops take a second flight of steps while boarding the C-5 aircraft.

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## News

*Editor's note: To maintain the newsworthiness and timeliness of the Carolina Flyer, briefs will run for a maximum of four weeks or until the event occurs, whichever comes first. If there's a need to extend the publication of the brief, call the editor at 394-4185.*

■ **Retiree appreciation day:** An appreciation day for Air Force retirees and their spouses is scheduled for March 29 at 8 a.m. at the Pope Club.

Afternoon events at the military personnel flight building will include a buffet lunch and door prize drawings, medical screenings, medical benefits and counseling information, financial services, casualty affairs and survivor benefits

information, ID card information and vehicle registration information.

Call retired Col. Charles West at 394-1950 for more information.

■ **VEAP to MGIB:** The Veteran's Educational Assistance Program to Montgomery GI Bill conversion ended Oct. 31, 2001. Personnel who converted must complete the \$2,700 payment within 18 months of the day the individual signed the DD Form 2366. Individuals need to look closely at their leave and earnings statements or visit the local finance office to confirm the beginning date of a pay reduction and to be sure the entire \$2,700 is paid within the 18-month window. Payments can be made by pay reduction in any amount, lump sum, or the combination of the two. Call the education center at 394-4692 for more information.

■ **ALS graduation:** Class 03-C

is scheduled to graduate at the Pope Club March 27 at 6 p.m. The ceremony includes a banquet. People who received an invitation from a student should respond directly to them or by leaving a message at 394-4366. People who received an invitation from the airman leadership school should respond to the staff at 394-4417.

Due to the expected number of personnel wishing to attend the graduation and the limited number of seats available, the ALS will be unable to accept any responses after Thursday. Military uniform is mess dress or semi-formal and after-six attire is required for civilians. Call 394-4370 for more information.

■ **Clinic closure:** The Pope Clinic will be closed the second Thurs-

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## Family

*For more information on any of the family support center's programs or to register for a class, call 394-2538.*

■ **Sponsorship training:** This class is for anyone who is, or will be, a sponsor. The class is scheduled from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the FSC and provides training and a guide. Included is information on initial contact, needs assessment, sponsor letter, base and community resources, permanent change of station programs, meeting and greeting, and settling in services. Preregistration is required.

■ **Police exam:** The Char-

lotte-Mecklenburg Police Department is offering the entry level police officers exam at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the family support center. People who pass the exam with a grade of 70 percent or higher will be eligible to apply for positions. Visit [www.cmpd.org](http://www.cmpd.org) for details. Call (877) 525-6145, ext. 274, e-mail [dharkey@cmpd.org](mailto:dharkey@cmpd.org) or call Elizabeth Smothers at 394-2538 for more information.

■ **Welcome Spouse:** The next spouse orientation is scheduled for 8:15 to 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Pope Club. Learn about Pope and the surrounding community at an information fair and basic introduction to Air Force life. Free

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## Volunteer opportunities

*Editor's note: To request volunteers, submit briefs to the Carolina Flyer at 394-4185 or e-mail [carolina.flyer@pop.af.mil](mailto:carolina.flyer@pop.af.mil).*

■ **Volunteer Advisory Council:** The Volunteer Advisory Council is looking for volunteers to set up display tables during the 2003 Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony April 29 at the Pope Club.

For more information, e-mail Wanda Merial at [wanda.merial@pop.af.mil](mailto:wanda.merial@pop.af.mil) or attend the April 10 VAC meeting at 10 a.m. at the family support center.

■ **Festival of Flight:** Volunteers, 16 years of age and older, are needed to assist with the Festival of Flight. Volunteer applications are available through the Volunteer Pro-

gram Office at the FSC. Dates of volunteer services are from May 1 through 29.

Locations include Pope, Fort Bragg, downtown Fayetteville, Fayetteville Airport and the Crown Coliseum. Volunteers can pick dates, times and locations of service.

For more information or an application, call Wanda Merial at 394-2538.

■ **Senior Games:** Volunteers are currently needed to assist with the Mid-Carolina Senior Games April 2.

For more information, call Staff Sgt. Jenalyn Owens at 394-2671 or email at [jenalyn.owens@pop.af.mil](mailto:jenalyn.owens@pop.af.mil).

■ **Air Force Assessment Team:** An Air Force Needs Assessment Team will be visiting Pope Monday through

Friday to determine the feasibility of locating several Air Force Signature Brand restaurants here in the near future.

The team will conduct focus groups and personal interviews at the Pope Club Wednesday, and would like to interview subjects from the following demographics:

Focus group I is scheduled to meet from 8 to 9 a.m. and includes enlisted and general service grades one through six who are 29 years of age and younger.

Focus group II is scheduled to meet from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. and includes enlisted and general service grades one through six who are 30 years of age and older.

Focus group III is scheduled to meet from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and includes officer and general service grades seven and above who are 29 years of age and younger.

Focus group IV is scheduled to meet from 1 to 2 p.m. and includes officer and general service grades seven and above who are 30 years of age and older.

Personnel participating in the focus groups will be provided refreshments, offered discount coupons and a free car wash.

For more information, call Sandra Boswell at 394-1189 or e-mail [sandra.boswell@pop.af.mil](mailto:sandra.boswell@pop.af.mil).

■ **Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Committee:** Volunteers are needed to assist with the planning of the Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month celebration.

For more information, e-mail [chad.hess@pop.af.mil](mailto:chad.hess@pop.af.mil) or call Staff Sgt. Donald Lyons at 394-1815.

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## Spouse corner

*Editor's note: To maintain the newsworthiness and timeliness of the Carolina Flyer, briefs will run four weeks or until the event occurs.*

■ **Drop-in spouse support group:** Family advocacy and the life skills support center are starting a drop-in type weekly support group for spouses every Tuesday from noon until 1 p.m.

Attendees are welcome to bring their lunches as they discuss the stresses of handling increased deployments and the pressures of being the spouse of an active-duty military person. The information shared in the group will be confidential, and no records will be kept.

The facilitator of the support group will be Mike Lydon,

family advocacy outreach manager and licensed clinical social worker with more than 30 years experience.

Call 394-4700 or 394-1818 for more information.

■ **PESA night out:** The Pope Enlisted Spouse Association is scheduled to meet at Café Villa on McPherson Church Road at 6:30 p.m. March 21. Call Callie Overton at 764-1826 for more information.

■ **Military Spouse Day conference:** There is a Military Spouse Day conference scheduled for May 9 from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. at the Special Operations Academic Facility located off of Zabitosky Street between Bastongne and Ardennes streets on Fort Bragg. For more information, call 436-9743.

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day of every month for training from noon to the close of business. Any questions can be directed to the medical readiness office at 394-2182.

■ NCOA meeting: The Jim Pettit Chapter of the Non-commissioned Officers Association is scheduled to meet at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Pope Club for lunch. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 11:30 a.m. Installation of new trustees and officers will take place. People who sign up a new member will have their lunch and the new member's

lunch provided. Call retired Chief Master Sgt. John Tucker at 487-0714 for more information.

■ Civilian of the quarter nominations: Nominations for this quarter's Civilian of the Quarter (January through March) are due at Civilian Personnel Flight no later than noon April 11.

Nominating commanders must submit an individual action photo and nine copies using AF Form 1206, Nomination for Award. Instructions can be found in Pope AFB Instruction 36-101, Awards, Ceremonies and Honors dated March 20, 1999. Contact LaVerne Harper at 394-2418 for more information.

■ Women's history month events: Fun run/walk, today; women's history expo, Tuesday; reading at the child development center, to be disclosed; working mom's panel, March 21; elementary school essay contest deadline, March 21; elementary school drawing contest deadline, March 25; women's self defense class, to be disclosed and women's history luncheon, March 31.

Call Master Sgt. Jennifer Taglieri at 394-1230 or Senior Master Sgt. Angela Jenkins at 394-8193 for more information.

■ Korean-American military meeting: All servicemembers are invited to

attend regular meetings of the Korean-American Military Fellowship. Call Young Suk Kang at 826-9214 or Capt. Isaac Kim at 867-3042 for more information.

■ Early WAPS testing for deploying personnel: Due to increasing operations tempo, people eligible for upcoming testing cycles should be aware they may be required to test for promotion prior to deploying. According to AFI 36-2605, paragraph A9.10, "Members who will be unavailable during the entire testing cycle due to a PCS or scheduled TDY must be prepared to test prior to departure even if the departure is

before the first day of the testing cycle. Testing up to 10 duty days prior to the announced cycle is authorized."

Call Staff Sgt. Annette Aamodt at DSN 779-7947 for more information.

■ Thrift shop open Saturday: The thrift shop is scheduled to be open Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Normal thrift shop hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays,

Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., and the Saturday after the 10th of each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All Department of Defense civilian, active-duty and retired ID card holders and their family members are eligible to shop and consign at the thrift shop in building 355, regardless of rank or branch of service.

Call the thrift shop at 394-2427 or 394-2819 during business hours for more information.

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## Volunteer

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■ Civil Air Patrol: Fayetteville's Group 6 needs volunteers to assist with homeland security missions and search and rescue operations.

CAP needs pilots, radio operators, search team members and aircrews. Veterans and non-veterans are welcome. Training is provided.

Group 6 meets Wednesday evenings in the basement of the personnel building.

Students between 12 and 17 years of age, with an interest in aviation and emergency services, may join the CAP Cadet Program.

For more information, call (800) 359-2338 or visit [www.CAPnHQ.gov](http://www.CAPnHQ.gov).

■ Volunteer retirees wanted: The 43rd Airlift Wing is seeking veterans or retirees who are interested in volunteering to help with deployment preparations and to back fill stressed units on base.

Some duties would include helping issue gear for mobility processing lines or administrative assistance.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Iris Coleman at 394-1560 or Lt. Col. Guy Parker at 394-4422.

■ Guardian ad Litem: Volunteers for child advocates of abused and neglected children are currently needed. Free training is provided.

For more information, call 678-2921.

■ Free advocate training: Free training is provided for those interested in being an advocate for an abused/neglected child in court.

For more information, call 678-2921.

## FSC

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child care may be available to participants. Preregistration is required. Call the FSC for information or to register.

■ Bundles for babies: A class designed for Air Force active duty expectant parents in their third trimester, is scheduled for Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the FSC. People who complete the class will receive shrink-wrapped bundles including hooded towels, crib blankets, cotton diapers, onesies, sleepers and more. Lunch is provided. Preregistration is required.

■ Heart Link: An orientation targeting spouses who have been married to an Air Force member five years or less is scheduled for March 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. All spouses are invited but spouses married five years or less will be given priority. Participants will learn about the Air Force mission, customs, traditions and resources and services available to them. Games, prizes, a free lunch and a special wing commander coin presentation will be available. Limited child care funds may be available. Call the

FSC for information or call by March 24 to register.

■ Resume and interview workshop: Learn how to design an effective resume and cover letter and prepare for an interview at the FSC March 25 from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Topic of discussion will include gathering information, what to include, what not to include, different formats, the use of cover letters, interview attire and questions that might be asked during the interview. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Free child care may be provided. Call the FSC for more information.

■ Budgeting class: Gain a fundamental understanding of budgeting and the skills needed to develop a suitable plan for achieving financial goals during the budgeting class from 9 to 11 a.m. March 27. Preregistration is required.

■ Investment class: Learn the basics of investing from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 28 at the FSC. The class is taught by a licensed practitioner and includes information on mutual funds and annuities, the categories and types of each investment vehicle and the time value of money. Preregistration is required.

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## AEF

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"We're also tapping into additional AEFs to fill some of the shortages we face. The Air Force is also mobilizing Guard and Reserve forces. This avoids deploying those who have not spent sufficient time back home for reconstitution," said Baker. AEFs 1 and 2 were scheduled to deploy in June, and AEFs 3 and 4 in September. AEFs 5 and 6 returned from deployment at the end of November.

"We have always advertised that the three-month battle rhythm would need to be suspended to support this level of effort," he said. "The warfighters want the team they already have in place, the team that has established relationships. War is 24-7 and requires people.

The commanders are not in a position to train an entirely new group. They need to expand their capabilities in Southwest Asia."

Baker said he feels the command's airmen and their families understand the need for extended deployments, and he's ensuring that AMC commanders and their staffs take care of families on the home front.

"We've put together a video-teleconference for commanders and family support center folks to sit down and review considerations and help families prepare for war. Every family should be confident that there is help available for anything they need from childcare to bill-paying. The commanders are responsible for making this happen. It's part of taking care of our people," he said.

Baker said the forum continues to address other issues, including filling the AEF libraries, or pool of deployable airmen, with individuals who are properly coded for deployment and as well as improving the system.

He said the forum has spurred the increase in the number of individuals identified for deployment.

"A couple of years ago, we had about 80,000 airmen coded as deployable," said Baker. "We now have more than 260,000. This is important because it helps us avoid tapping the same people over again for deployment."

In addition to filling the library, the AEF Forum has also concentrated on identifying and relieving stressed career fields.

"We now have a new way of

measuring how stressed our various career fields are in meeting our deployment commitments. We developed a new formula that's easier to understand," said Baker. He said the new measurement provides assessments consistent with those in the past, but now provides information on the extent to which a career field is stressed.

The new formula looks at

home-station demand, deployment requirements and the total number of active duty assigned to a particular Air Force Specialty Code. Home-station demand is the people and specialties needed to keep a base open.

"That gives us a better picture than the old formula of deployment requirements versus numbers assigned," said Baker.

The relative level of stress is important in determining what can be done to relieve that stress. "We are looking at various solutions from higher accession rates of airmen into stressed career fields, cross-training and contracting out, as well as actually adjusting our force content, among others," he said. "But as I've said before, the fix won't happen overnight, but it will happen."

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# Spouses support each other, troops

'It's not easy, but we are not alone'

By Airman 1st Class  
Cassandra J. Locke  
Carolina Flyer staff writer

"Everything happened to me during the first few weeks my husband was gone. I lost my identification card, part of my decal flew off my truck and my dogs were sick."

Sheena Mitchell, spouse of Airman 1st Class Eric Mitchell, 43rd Maintenance Squadron, is a Key Spouse and now knows the avenues to take to have each problem solved.

Pope has a variety of spouse-oriented groups that

meet to help support each other in their time of need.

Pam Kehres, spouse of Staff Sgt. John Kehres, 23rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, is involved in the 23rd AMXS spouse group, "Tiger Claws." They meet once a month whether their spouses are deployed or not.

"Just knowing someone understands what deployment is like is encouraging," said Kehres.

Kehres remembers going through a 90-day deployment years ago when she and her husband had just arrived at Pope. She was working and living off base, while single-parenting two children. At the time their squadron did not have a spouse group and during the

deployment, she missed having contact with others who understood military life.

"No one called to check on me, and since I had little reason to visit the base, I wasn't aware of the many freebies and benefits available to me on base."

"It was an incredibly difficult TDY," she added.

Mitchell said that having a spouse-to-spouse recall list is helpful because it allows a spouse in need to call someone he or she knows, or knows by squadron affiliation.

"All Key Spouses are trained

to help in difficult situations, which gives a calming sense of relief to someone who needs help."

Kehres said that being part of the spouse group helps her stay involved in her husband's career.

"Keeping in touch with the other spouses helps me to indirectly get to know his coworkers and allows me to see into his day a little bit."

Kehres also attends a weekly support group organized by the life skills center that provides an appropriate place to vent her feelings without judg-

ment or repercussions.

"They don't keep any records so everything is confidential, and I feel comfortable going there and griping a little when I need to cry on someone's shoulder."

Kehres feels that one of her more important duties as a spouse is to make herself available to others in case she can help spread the word about meetings, or be there when another spouse has a difficult situation to deal with.

"Even if they are just having a bad day," she added.

The spouses each have a tal-

ent or service that they can provide for one another, creating relationships with others who can help the spouses in return.

"One of the male spouses in our group is a mechanic and has offered his skills in case any of us have car trouble," said Kehres.

The spouses are also thinking about providing each other with a baby-sitting exchange where people watch each other's children.

"Besides, getting involved is a great way to make friends," said Kehres.

"It's not easy, but we are not alone."

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# Airmen discharged for debt, dereliction, homosexual conduct

The following is a summary of administrative discharge cases given by commanders under the Uniform Code of Military Justice during February. Please note that in all the cases a discharge is given after progressive punishment has been tried and failed.

**A senior airman from the 43rd Security Forces Squadron** was notified of discharge for unsatisfactory performance, specifically, failure to progress in on-the-job-training. The member was separated from the Air Force with an honorable conditions discharge.

**An airman basic from the 43rd Maintenance Squadron** was notified

of discharge for a pattern of misconduct that included making numerous false statements, failure to go, failure to meet and maintain Air Force standards, failure to pay a debt on the government travel card and dereliction of duty. The member received one Article 15, eight letters of reprimand and nine letters of counseling. The member was separated from the Air Force with a general conditions discharge.

**A staff sergeant from the 23rd Maintenance Squadron** was notified of discharge for homosexual conduct. The member was separated from the Air Force with an honorable discharge.



**An airman basic from 41st Airlift Squadron** was notified of discharge for a pattern of misconduct that included two incidents of underage

drinking, wrongful use of marijuana, fraudulent use of another member's military identification card, dereliction of duty, arriving to work late and failing to pay his government travel card. The member received two Article 15s, three letters of reprimand and two letters of counseling. The member was separated from the Air Force with a general conditions discharge.

**An airman basic from 41st AS** was notified of discharge for a pattern of misconduct that included two incidents of underage drinking, wrongful possession of marijuana, fraudulent use of a military identification card, dereliction of duty, failure to go and

failure to wear the proper uniform. The member received two Article 15s, three letters of reprimand, two records of counseling and a letter of counseling. The member was separated from the Air Force with a general conditions discharge.

**A senior airman from 3rd Aerial Port Squadron** requested a discharge in lieu of a Court Martial. The member admitted to wrongfully distributing Percocet. The member was separated from the Air Force with an under other than honorable conditions discharge.

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# Commanders give non-judicial punishments under Article 15

The following is a summary of non-judicial punishments given by commanders under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice during February.

A technical sergeant from the 18th Air Support Operations Group was served an Article 15 for assault and battery and failing to obey a lawful order. The member punched a second lieutenant and consumed alcohol while deployed to an area that doesn't allow

alcohol consumption. The punishment was reduction to the grade of staff sergeant and forfeiture of \$500.

An airman first class from the 43rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron was served an Article 15 for dereliction of duty. The member drove on base while the member's on-base driving privileges were suspended. The punishment was a suspended reduction to the grade of airman, 21 days extra duty and a reprimand.

An airman from the 43rd AMXS was served an Article 15 for communicating a threat. The member threatened to hurt an ex-girlfriend. The punishment was a reduction to the grade of airman basic.

An airman from the 43rd AMXS was served an Article 15 for being absent without leave and failing to go. The member failed to report to work after the member's convalescent leave expired. The member also failed to complete extra

duties that were assigned from a previous Article 15. The punishment was a reduction to the grade of airman basic.

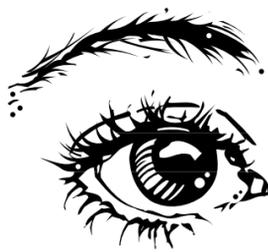
A technical sergeant from the 43rd Civil Engineer Squadron was served an Article 15 for communicating threats to a minor. The punishment was a reduction to the grade of staff sergeant, 45 days extra duty and a reprimand.

A staff sergeant from the

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Uniform tip of the week

Editor's Note: The 43rd Airlift Wing offers weekly tips to remind all Air Force personnel of dress and appearance requirements.



**Eyes can't change colors**  
If the military member wears contact lenses, they will not change the member's eye color to other than their own natural eye color.

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## Punishment

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**43rd CES** was served an Article 15 for government computer violations. The member viewed pornography on a government computer. The punishment was a suspended reduction to the grade of senior airman and 30 days extra duty.

**An airman from the 43rd CES** was served an Article 15 for government computer violations. The member viewed

pornography on a government computer. While action was pending, the member viewed pornography on a government computer again. The punishment was a reduction to the grade of airman basic, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand.

**A senior airman from the 43rd Logistics Readiness Squadron** was served an Article 15 for dereliction of duty and being drunk on duty. The member consumed alcohol while on standby duty. The

punishment was a reduction to the grade of airman first class, 30 days correctional custody and a reprimand.

**An airman first class from the 43rd Logistics Readiness Squadron** was served an Article 15 for dereliction of duty, communicating a threat, wrongful use of an identification card and fleeing the scene of an accident. The member consumed alcohol while underage, verbally threatened someone while

retrieving a shotgun from a closet, used someone's military identification card in order to purchase alcohol and left the scene of an accident after hitting a vehicle. The punishment was a reduction to the grade of airman and a suspended reduction to the grade of airman basic, 45 days extra duty and a reprimand.

**An airman from the 43rd Maintenance Operations Squadron** was served an Article 15 for failure to go. The mem-

ber reported to work late. The punishment was a suspended reduction to the grade of airman basic, forfeiture of \$100 for two months and a reprimand.

**An airman from the 43rd Maintenance Operations Squadron** was served an Article 15 for dereliction of duty and failure to go. The member failed to wear the proper uniform, failed to shave, failed to maintain minimum standards for the dormitory room and reported to work late. The

punishment was a reduction to the grade of airman basic, 15 days restriction to base and a reprimand.

**An airman from the 74th Fighter Squadron** was served an Article 15 for failing to pay a debt. The member failed to pay a bill for three months. The punishment was a suspended reduction to the grade of airman basic, 30 days extra duty and a reprimand.

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# Senior NCOs return, ready to lead, manage

## Three Pope airmen complete academy course

Three senior NCOs from here graduated from the Air Force Senior NCO Academy located at Maxwell AFB, Ala., Feb. 27.

Maj. Gen. Edward Mechenbier was the guest speaker at the graduation ceremony of Class 03-B, which took place in the Montgomery Civic Center.

According to the Air Force Senior NCO Academy Web site, the Air Force Senior NCO Academy was designed to help prepare

senior NCOs for their dual roles of leadership and management.

The academy assists the senior NCO to deal more effectively with the issues in today's Air Force.

Senior Master Sgt. Robert Terry, 43rd Communications Squadron, was a distinguished graduate.

Other graduates were:  
43rd Maintenance Squadron

Master Sgt. Warren Scott

43rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Master Sgt. Robin Kasper  
*(Courtesy of the 43rd Airlift Wing)*



# Coalition forces drop leaflets in northern Iraq

Coalition aircraft enforcing the no-fly zone over northern Iraq dropped informational leaflets near Iraqi anti-aircraft-artillery batteries for only the second time in 12 years.

Aircraft supporting Operation Northern Watch dropped 240,000 leaflets on two locations south of Tall Afar and southwest of Saddam Lake. Both locations have a history of Iraqi anti-aircraft artillery firing

on coalition jets, according to officials.

The front message on the leaflets warns the Iraqi military, "Do not track or fire on coalition aircraft." The backside of the leaflets read, "Any hostile action by Iraqi air defenses toward coalition aircraft will be answered by immediate retaliation. Iraqi air defense positions which fire on coalition aircraft or activate air

defense radar will be attacked and destroyed."

The previous leaflet drop was northeast of Mosul, March 1.

Operation Northern Watch is conducted by a coalition of more than 1,400 U.S., British and Turkish forces with more than 50 aircraft used to patrol the northern no-fly zone.

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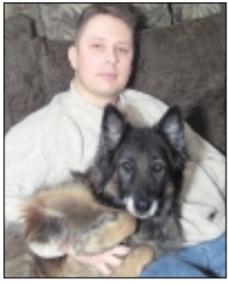
# From doggie biscuits to gravy

Barry has retired from the 90th Space Wing Security Forces at F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo., after 11 years of battling crime. He was obedient, loyal, vigilant and protective.

Barry was an ideal military working dog.

The Air Force purchased Barry in 1991 for \$3,500 from a Belgium breeder.

He was one of only three Belgium Turvueren dogs actively deployed in the entire Air



MARK CRABTREE

**Staff Sgt. Rodney Dove recently adopted Barry after the military working dog retired from active military service.**

Force. The breed is distinguished by their long hair and charcoal color.

After completing a physically demanding and mentally challenging K-9 training course at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, Barry was assigned to Warren — his first and only duty station — as an explosives detec-

tion dog.

Throughout his career, Barry served in a variety of

roles, including four deployments overseas supporting Operation Southern Watch.

During his tour, Barry searched thousands of vehicles and buildings, and he provided special protection to dignitaries like Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney.

He served with nine different handlers and earned a 98 percent proficiency rate in explosive detection.

Until recently, retirement wasn't an option for military working dogs. Those dogs that could no longer perform their full duties in a field assignment were either sent back to Lackland to train new handlers or were offered to civilian law enforcement agencies.

Now Barry and other dogs like him can be adopted after their military service, thanks to the Robby Bill, passed by Congress three years ago. Robby was the first military working

dog to be formally adopted, opening the doors to hundreds of dogs following a successful military career.

A dog's retirement from the military is similar to a person's — some paperwork has to be done before they go.

*(Courtesy of Air Force News)*



## Got a little extra time?

Volunteer on base for career experience and a sense of accomplishment.

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## AROUND THE AIR FORCE

# Medics armed with new technology can stop bleeding within minutes

When special operations forces medics returned from an Operation Enduring Freedom mission in 2002, they said they needed blood-clotting technology, according to the U.S. Special Operations Command surgeon. Now they have it.

"They needed something to stop hemorrhaging. And they wanted a more accommodating tourniquet. And we sat across from them and listened," said Col. David Hammer.

Today, the medics are armed with a one-handed tourniquet and a hemostatic bandage that can stop severe bleeding within two minutes.

"This bandage will have a direct impact on reducing battlefield death," said Hammer. "It has such a potential that the Food and Drug Administration is allowing SOF medics to use it in accordance with stringent guidelines under an 'investigational new drug' status."

According to Hammer, medics

like Col. (Dr.) John Holcomb saw similar wounds during operations in Mogadishu, Somalia, in 1993.

Holcomb, who now commands the Institute for Surgical Research, witnessed battlefield trauma and uncontrollable bleeding. He said he felt the frustration. Back then a bandage to stop uncontrollable bleeding was forecasted for 2007. Now, these bandages are available.

There are two types of blood-clotting bandages — chitosan and fibrin, according to Master Sgt.

Michael Brochu, senior enlisted adviser to Hammer.

"The chitosan product is FDA-approved, but the manufacturing process is still being refined," he said. "It is actually a derivative from shrimp shells, so you can imagine factory standards for its production." These bandages will cost about \$100 each.

"The fibrin bandage, on the other hand, is impregnated with human blood-clotting factors in the material," Brochu said. "When applied to a wound, it actually becomes part of the blood clot."

(Courtesy of Air Force News)



MASTER SGT. SANDY ATKINSON

The fibrin bandage is about 4 square inches and weighs a couple ounces. It can stop bleeding within minutes.

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AROUND THE AIR FORCE

# Roche: Academy problems are a 'corporate responsibility'

by Master Sgt. Scott Elliott  
Air Force Print News

Citing policies that were "clearly not smart," the Air Force's senior official acknowledged March 6 the service has a corporate responsibility for the barrage of sexual assault charges filed at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche told members of the Senate Armed Services Committee that the service allowed budget and manpower restrictions to adversely affect management decisions.

"We gave up on a year of advanced education for counseling of senior staff officers in how to deal with this sort of situation. That clearly was not

## Child-care test program provides peace of mind

Airmen who use base child-care facilities no longer need to take a day off of work when their children are too sick to stay with others.

A test program began recently at 25 Air Force installations designating a special-care provider for children who are mildly ill — children who would, under Air Force rules, not be allowed to stay in base child-care facilities with healthy children.

"In the past, parents have had to either take leave or find another care setting and pay additional costs when their children had a mild illness," said Beverly Houston, family member program specialist in the Air Force services directorate at the Pentagon. "This program will allow the parent to still perform their military duty and avoid the cost of additional child-care."

Under the program, a private-care provider at each base was selected by the family child-care panel and specially trained to deal with mildly ill children. Additionally, during the selection process, the Air Force looked first to those providers who already had special skills.

"We looked for people who may be a registered nurse or another specialized provider," Houston said.

When children who are already in base child-care become sick, their parents pick them up and take them to the special-care provider until they are well enough to be in their regular child-care setting again.

Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., is one of the first Air Force installations to begin the program. Parents who took advantage of it were happy with the care and convenience provided.

"I am glad I could bring my child," said Staff Sgt. Mindy Sarratt, one of the first users of the program at Keesler AFB. "The mildly ill care provider is great with my children and makes me feel comfortable leaving them in her care."

Col. Lyndsay Stauffer, a first time user of the Keesler program, had similar compliments.

"This brings me peace of mind," Stauffer said.

If the program proves successful during the five-month test phase and additional funding is approved, Air Force services will expand the program to all installations where it is needed.

(Courtesy of Air Force News)

smart." Further, Roche said, "We did not make good use of our superlative noncommissioned officers ... so they could help.

"That's not the fault of the people there, it's a corporate responsibility," he said.

According to Roche's Feb. 27 testimony before the House Armed Services Committee, a three-pronged investigation is looking into the charges of rape and sexual assault at the Academy.

An Air Force working group, led by Air Force General Counsel Mary Walker, is examining how the service deals with sexual assault in its officer training programs, while the Department of Defense's inspector general and the undersecretary of defense for personnel and programs head two other investigations.



TECH. SGT. JIM VARHEGYI

Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche testifies before the Senate Armed Services Committee regarding sexual assault charges filed at the U.S. Air Force Academy. According to Roche, a three-pronged investigation is looking into the charges.

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AROUND THE AIR FORCE

# SECAF lays out case for tanker upgrade

America's primary aerial refueling platform is so old it is becoming too cost-prohibitive to keep, the secretary of the Air Force told lawmakers recently.

"The KC-135 Stratotanker is one of our most serious concerns," Dr. James G. Roche told members of the House Armed Services Committee during his fiscal 2004 budget request testimony.

According to Roche, mission-capable rates for the KC-135 are down by 16 percent in the past decade. In addition, programmed depot maintenance costs have tripled, and depot workload packages and flow-days have more than doubled. The problem, he said, is primarily caused by corrosion in the fuselages.

The oldest KC-135s are approaching 50 years of age, while the newest Stratotankers were delivered to the Air Force in 1965.

"The marginal capabilities (of) the E-model tankers are becoming too expensive to justify," he said. "Its offload capacity is only 84 percent of the R-model, and these aircraft spend almost twice as much time in depot."

In the past, fitting them with new engines extended the operational life of the KC-135. However, Roche said, that is no longer an option.

"It's not a matter of re-engining because engines aren't the problem. It's corrosion," he said. "What grabbed me was the condition of the aluminum and other materials on these planes. When you

start peeling away these airplanes, you keep finding something that's worse."

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper, who also testified at the hearing, said maintainers at the depot have begun calling the KC-135 the "battery," referring to the similar look of the aircraft's corroded metal to that on a car battery.

According to Jumper, moisture naturally accumulates between the three layers of different metals in the aircraft's skin. That moisture, over time, corrodes the middle layer, turning it to powder.

"It's to the point that something needs to be done," Jumper said.

(Courtesy of Air Force Print News)



MASTER SGT. MARVIN KRAUSE

F-15D Eagles and F-16 Fighting Falcons take part in a refueling training mission with a KC-135 Stratotanker over the Pacific Ocean near Okinawa, Japan.

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## AROUND THE AIR FORCE

# 'Flying Sergeants' helped forge Air Force legacy

by 2nd Lt. Amber Millerchip  
Air Education and  
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Randolph AFB, Texas

They were not paid much, their opportunities for promotion were limited, and they were treated harshly in training, but that did not stop three generations of enlisted aviators from becoming pilots in the Army Air Corps.

Beginning in 1912, enlisted pilots played an important role in writing the aviation history being celebrated this year during the Centennial of Flight.

These enlisted pilots were known as "flying sergeants" for the staff sergeant rank they received upon graduation from flight training irrespective of their previous rank. Enlisted

men seized this once-in-a-lifetime chance to fly, said retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Edward Wenglar, a former enlisted pilot.

"I was born the 10th child of a sharecropper and, at that time, there was no one lower than a sharecropper," Wenglar said. "I went from driving a mule to flying the newest (aircraft). It was quite a step. We never thought about whether we wanted to be an enlisted pilot or an officer pilot. We just wanted to be pilots, and we would gladly have stayed privates forever just to have the chance to fly."

— retired Air Force  
Brig. Gen.  
Edward Wenglar

Wenglar, who served overseas during World War II from November 1942 through July 1944, holds the distinction of achieving the highest rank of any former enlisted pilot. In

February 2003, at the Air Force Enlisted Heritage Hall at Gunter Annex, Ala., he accepted a memorial stone on behalf of all enlisted pilots.

In Lee Arbon's book about enlisted pilots, "They Also Flew," Chief Master Sgt. Wayne Fisk compared pilots to precious stones, with the shiniest of all U.S. aviation achievements being those of the sergeant pilot.

Allowing enlisted airmen to earn their wings as pilots was a temporary response to drastic shortages of qualified pilot candidates during wartime. Two Congressional laws authorized the training: the Air Corps Act of 1926 and Public Law 99, which went into effect in 1941. Public Law 99 reduced the education requirement, making the average age of the sergeant pilot between 18 and 22, younger than most pilot training cadets with a college education.

Enlisted pilot training in the late 1920s initially was infor-

mal, practical in nature and not a product of the flying schools, which developed in the early 1940s with World War II enlisted pilots.

Instead, Arbon said, "If fortunate enough, these early, World War I enlisted pilots grew up in the local organization learning under a generous officer in their unit. For the initial enlisted pilots, the World War I generation, many came out of the ranks of mechanics to become successful pilots."

An enlisted man's opportunity to train to fly was many times luck of the draw, Arbon said. Such was the case in 1912 for Cpl. Vernon Burge, the first enlisted pilot, who was a mechanic accepted into pilot training.

Arbon who attended pilot training in 1942, recalled, "Training conditions were fiercely competitive, attrition was very high, half of us were cut after the medical physical, and only one fourth made it out of training."



Walter Beech, co-founder of Beech Aircraft Corporation, was an early-enlisted pilot who achieved notoriety. He was a World War I pilot and later became a member of the National Aviation Hall of Fame.

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# POPE EXTRA

## Movies

### Pope Theater

Armistead Street  
 Today: Kangaroo Jack (PG)  
 Saturday: Darkness Falls (PG-13)  
 Sunday: A Guy Thing (PG-13)  
 March 21: Biker Boyz (PG-13)

### Alvin C. York Theater

Ardennes Street, Fort Bragg  
 Today: Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers (PG-13)

Saturday: Biker Boyz (PG-13)  
 Sunday: Final Destination 2 (R)  
 March 21: About Schmidt (R)

All movies, unless otherwise posted, start at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$1.50 for adults and 99 cents for children 12 and under.

**A Guy Thing:** The morning after his wild bachelor party, Paul wakes up and finds a beautiful, strange woman, named Becky, sleeping soundly in his bed. He soon discovers that Becky is his fiancée's cousin. Since Paul can't remember much about the night before, he naturally assumes the worst — that he's cheated on his adoring fiancée, Karen. And so, the guilt-ridden Paul spends the week before his wedding, scrambling to cover up his supposed infidelity. Rated PG-13 for language, crude humor, some sexual content and drug references.



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**Charlie (Jerry O'Connell) and Louis (Anthony Anderson) pose with their new friend in "Kangaroo Jack."**

**Kangaroo Jack:** Two friends from Brooklyn (Jerry O'Connell, Anthony Anderson) are forced to deliver mob money to Australia. Their misadventures begin when one of them places his red jacket on a kangaroo while attempting to snap a picture. When the kangaroo bounces off, they realize the mob money is in the jacket and are forced to give chase through the Outback. Rated PG for language, crude humor, sensuality and violence.

**Darkness Falls:** Kyle Walsh (Chaney Kley) must return home to confront his troubled past and save his childhood sweetheart Caitlin (Emma Caulfield) and her younger brother Michael (Lee Cormie) from an unrelenting evil that has plagued the town of Darkness Falls for over one hundred and fifty years. Rated PG-13 for

terror and horror images, and brief language.

**Biker Boyz:** This movie is a contemporary Western on wheels with desperados who live every day on the edge. Lawyers and city workers by day, they take to the streets in their leathers to race by night. In the world of underground motorcycle clubs, the undefeated racer known as Smoke (Laurence Fishburne) is the undisputed "King of Cali." But Smoke's dominance of the set is about to be threatened by a young motorcycle racing prodigy called Kid (Derek Luke), who is determined to win Smoke's helmet and earn the coveted title. Rated PG-13 for violence, sexual content and language.

**Final Destination 2:** The sequel is the story of people meeting because of a traffic accident due to a premonition by a freshman in college. What transpires is a rush to save the life of an unborn child with the help of Clear Rivers, (played by Ali Larter, from the first movie). The story of this film and the events of the first movie unexpectedly coincide and intertwine to create many surprises and revelations about Death and its plans on Earth. Rated R for strong violent/gruesome accidents, language, drug content and some nudity.



## Pope chapel

315 Ethridge Street  
 394-2677

**For Jewish, Muslim or Orthodox Christian services,** contact the chaplains at Fort Bragg by calling 396-1121. **■ Bible study:** Every Friday from 11 a.m. to noon, Chaplain (Capt.) Alexander Palomaria will facilitate a Bible study at the 43rd Maintenance Squadron's conference room. Pizza will be provided. Everyone is also invited to bring their own lunch. To order pizza while attending the class, call Palomaria at 394-2677. **■ Jewish services weekly:** Every Friday, Hebrew class from noon to 12:45 p.m. and Sabbath prayer and meal from 6 to 7 p.m. in the Faith Community Chapel Annex at Ardennes and Messina streets. For more information, call 432-1653. **■ Catholic Baptismal and Matrimony classes available:** For more information and to register, call Melissa Fink, pastoral/religious education coordinator, at 394-2677.

**Protestant service Sunday:** Praise Service, 8 a.m.; General Protestant Service, 11 a.m. **Logos Bible Study:** Second and fourth Thursdays of the month at noon in the annex. **Evening Sunday School:** 4:30 p.m. **Gospel service:** 6:30 p.m.

**Catholic service Mass:** JFK Chapel, Ardennes St., Fort Bragg — Saturday, 5 p.m. **Pope Chapel — Sunday,** 9:30 a.m., 5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. **Reconciliation:** Friday from 10:30 to 11:25 a.m., Sunday from 8:45 to 9:15 a.m. or by appointment. **Choir Rehearsal:** Monday at 7 p.m. **Parish Ministers of Service:** Call for schedule. **RCIA:** Thursdays at 7 p.m. **CCD:** 11:15 a.m. at Pope Elementary School.

**Chaplains Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Wilfred Bristol** Wing chaplain, African Methodist Episcopal Church **Chaplain (Maj.) Dondi Costin** Liberty Baptist Fellowship **Chaplain (Maj.) William Bartoul** Roman Catholic **Chaplain (Capt.) David Barns** Southern Baptist **Chaplain (Capt.) Alexander Palomaria** United Methodist

instillation of the new JR Rockers Sports Bar and New York Pizza Deli. Pizza delivery is available. During renovations the Pope Club will offer an expanded menu in the evenings.

### Information, Tickets and Travel

□ 394-4478

**Hours:** Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Service credit cards are welcome.

**Movie tickets:** Tickets for several area theaters are available at ITT.

**MCI Phone Cards:** 50 minutes for \$6.50, 100 minutes for \$12.50 and 200 minutes for \$24

**Charleston:** Tour Charleston, S.C., March 22. Tour costs \$20 for adults, \$11.50 for children ages 6 to 12, and \$5 for children 5 and younger.

**N.C. Lighthouses:** Explore the Outer Banks and three of North Carolina's lighthouses March 29. Cost is \$30 for adults, \$12.50 for children ages 6 to 12, and \$5.75 for children 5 and younger.

### Library

□ 394-2791

**Hours:** Monday through Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Sundays and holidays.

**Story time:** For children ages 2 to 6, at 10:30 a.m. Thursday.

**Story hour:** For kids ages 7 to 15, at 6 p.m. Thursday.

**Recipe swap:** Thursdays at 5 p.m.

### Frame and Design Arts

□ 394-4192

**Hours:** Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Sundays, Mondays and holidays.

**Wizard computerized mat design class:** This class is by appointment only. Cost is \$30. Call to sign up.

**Scrapbooking borders class:** March 22 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Family Center conference room. Cost is \$10 and supplies are included.

**Basic framing class:** Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$30 and includes supplies.

**Scrapbook workshop:** Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Class is free.

### Youth Center

□ 394-4512

**Center hours:** Monday through Thursday from 3:30 to 9 p.m.; school nights, teenagers only after 7 p.m.; Friday from 3:30 to 10 p.m.; and Saturday from 2:30 to 10 p.m.

**Keystone Club:** First Monday of every month at 6 p.m.

**Torch Club:** Every second and fourth Tuesday at 5 p.m.

**SMART Girls:** Third Thursday at 5 p.m.

**Youth parties:** A two-hour party for kids, ages 5 to

17, costs \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members. Reservations must be made at least one week in advance.

**Dance classes:** Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Register at building 25.

**School Age Program:** There are openings for children ages 5 to 12 in the before and after school program. Times are from 6:30 to 8 a.m. and from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. The staff is professionally trained in first aid and CPR. Nutritionally balanced breakfast and snacks are served daily. Call for details.

**Family Bingo:** Tonight at 7 p.m.

**Teen Volleyball challenge:** Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

**Cooking Class:** St. Patrick's Day cooking class Monday at 6 p.m.

**Spring baseball/Softball and Soccer:** Registration is now being accepted. Stop by building 24. Coaches are needed, training is available.

### Youth Programs

□ 394-2869

**Resource and referral office hours:** Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**School age program hours:** Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### Willow Lakes Golf Course

□ 394-2325

**Pro Shop hours:** Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to dusk and

weekends from 7 a.m. to dusk.

**Snack bar hours:** Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and weekends from 6:30 to 4 p.m. New snack bar specials now include wraps and pizzas.

**Golf clinics:** Active duty, ladies and junior clinics can be scheduled.

**Afternoon Delight Special:** Play 18 holes for \$9 any day of the week after 3 p.m. (cart and green fees included).

**St. Patrick Day Scramble:** Monday. Entry fee is \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members.

### Bowling Center

□ 394-2891

**Hours:** Monday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Saturday from 9 a.m. to midnight; and Sunday from 1 to 7 p.m.

**Snack bar hours:** Monday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Friday from 10 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.; Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.; and Sunday from 1 to 6:30 p.m.

**Weekly activities:** Call about Cosmic, Colorama with big jackpot and family Cosmic bowling.

**Leagues:** Ladies League — Tuesdays, 9 to 11 a.m.; Mixed League — Thursdays and Fridays, 7 to 9:30 p.m.; YABA

League — Saturdays, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

**St. Patrick's Day Cosmic Bowling:** Tonight from 10 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Cost is \$8 if dressed in green, \$9 if not. Trivia and door prizes will be awarded.

### Equipment Rental

□ 394-4730

**Hours:** Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon. Closed Sundays and holidays. Closed each day from 1 to 2 p.m. for lunch.

**For rent:** Wedding furniture, Rug Doctor, lawn equipment, U-Haul trucks and much more are available for rent. Visit or call for details.

### Wood Shop

□ 394-5049

**Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from noon to 8 p.m.; and Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Sundays, Monday and holidays.

### Auto Skills Center

□ 394-2293

**Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Sundays, Mondays and holidays.

**Self help:** The Auto Skills Center emphasizes instruction and assistance to self-help mechanics. They will also provide air conditioning service, auto and engine storage, battery charging, tire disposal and headlight alignment.

## Crossroads coffee house



The Crossroads Christian Coffeehouse is open from 5 to 10 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday for Bible study, games, videos and free coffee and cappuccino. Live Christian bands are featured from 5 to 10 p.m. Fridays.

The coffeehouse is at the old engineer dining facility, between Gruber and Ardennes roads, across from the Hall of Heroes (Grave Street) For more information, call 432-1769, 432-3289 or 396-2684, 394-0256 evenings and weekends.

## Self-help center

**Water testing:** Check with the self-help store to test your water.

**Hours of operation:** Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.; Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Home repair supplies:** The self-help store offers home repair supplies such as furnace filters, insecticides, herbicides and toilet repair kits. No cost for items needed for minor repairs to on-base housing units (blinds, landscape timbers, lawn care products and other items). Call 394-2830 for requirements.

**Monday Lunch**  
 Pot Roast  
 Roast Loin of Pork  
 Baked Stuffed Fish  
**Dinner**  
 Beef Cannelloni  
 Chili Macaroni  
 Southern Fried Chicken

**Tuesday Lunch**  
 Teriyaki Chicken  
 Veal Parmesan  
 Salmon Cakes  
**Dinner**  
 Turkey Ala King  
 Country Captain Chicken  
 Meat Loaf

**Wednesday Lunch**  
 Barbecue Ham Steak  
 Beef Ball Stroganoff  
 Turkey and Noodles  
**Dinner**  
 Barbecue Spareribs  
 Lemon Herb Chicken  
 Stuffed Pork Chops

**Thursday Lunch**  
 Herbed Baked Chicken  
 Southern Fried Fish  
 Stuffed Cabbage Rolls

**Dinner**  
 Jaegerschnitzel with Mushroom Sauce  
 Roast Loin of Pork  
 Glazed Cornish Hen

**March 21 Lunch**  
 Mexican Baked Chicken  
 Stuffed Green Peppers  
 Swiss Steak with Tomato Sauce  
**Dinner**  
 Lasagna  
 Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

## Pope AFB/Fort Bragg schools

**Breakfast Costs:**  
 Full Pay Pre-K through 9: 50 cents

Reduced Pay Pre-K through 9: 30 cents

**Lunch Costs:**  
 Full Pay Pre-K through 4: \$1.25, 5 through 9: \$1.50

Reduced Pay Pre-K through 9: 40 cents

**Monday Breakfast**  
 Cereal  
**Lunch**  
 Chicken Nuggets with Roll



**Tuesday Breakfast**  
 Pancake and Sausage  
**Lunch**  
 Vegetable Meat Soup with Ham Biscuit

**Wednesday Breakfast**  
 Grilled Cheese Sandwich  
**Lunch**  
 Taco Salad with Muffin

**Thursday Breakfast**  
 Breakfast Pizza  
**Lunch**  
 Hotdog with Chili

**March 21 Breakfast**  
 Scrambled Eggs with Grits  
**Lunch**  
 Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich

## Coming attractions from services

### Pope Club

□ 394-2154

**Bar hours:** Monday through Thursday from 3 to 11 p.m.; Friday from 2 p.m. to 1 a.m.

**Lunch hours:** Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Bingo snack line hours:** Monday and Wednesday from 5 to 9 p.m.; Friday from 4 to 9 p.m.

**Cashier's cage hours:** Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Lunch buffet:** Served Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Buffet includes salad bar, dessert bar and soft drink.

**Continental breakfast:** Weekday mornings from 7 to 9 a.m. Cost is 99 cents for members, \$2.99 for nonmembers.

**Fresh-made doughnuts:** Pick-up or delivery. Call 24 hours in advance to place orders.

**High Five:** Bring in five new club members and receive free meals and more. Call for details.

### Festive Friday: St.

Patrick's Day party with corned beef, cabbage and green beer from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in Alma's and the End Zone.

**Karaoke:** From 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. in the End Zone with the Spin Doctor. Entertainment in Alma's from 6 to 10 p.m.

**Thirsty Thursday:** Cook your own steak with Jazz music on the patio from 5 to 8 p.m. for \$16.95 for members, \$18.95 for nonmembers.

**Flap Jack Friday:** Every Friday during the continental breakfast from 6:30 to 9 a.m. Get six dollar-sized pancakes, sausage, coffee or juice for just \$3.25.

**NASCAR:** Carolina Dodge Dealers 400 Sunday at noon.

**Bingo:** Luck of the Irish Kid's Bingo from 2 to 5 p.m. \$5 for children ages 6 to 12 and \$2 for youth 5 and younger. Price includes hotdogs, chips, soda and ice cream.

## Community Center

□ 394-2779

### Closed for renovations:

Base theater reservations and key pick up will be handled through the 43rd Services Orderly Room in building 399 or call 394-4721.

## Pope Pizzeria

□ 394-2377

**Closed for renovations:** The Pope Pizzeria will be closed to allow

## Kitty Hawk Inn

Open Monday through Friday, 5:30 to 7:30 a.m. for breakfast, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. for lunch, and 4 to 7 p.m. for dinner.

Open on weekends and holidays from 7 a.m. to noon for brunch and 4 to 6 p.m. for dinner. Call 394-1073 for daily menus.

### Today

#### Lunch

Seafood Newburg  
 Veal Paprika Steaks  
 Beef and Corn Pie

#### Dinner

Yankee Pot Roast  
 Simmered Corn Beef  
 Pineapple Chicken

### Saturday

#### Brunch

Creole Shrimp  
 Swedish Meatballs

#### Dinner

Baked Fish  
 Barbecue Chicken

### Sunday

#### Brunch

Grilled Mustard Chicken  
 Cantonese Spareribs

#### Dinner

Loin Strip Steak  
 Turkey Nuggets