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MOBEX helps wing prepare for inspection

By

Tyler Hemstreet
Staff writer

With the Operational Readiness Inspection a year away, this week base officials conducted the first of four weeklong mobility exercises designed to prepare for the ORI.

Starting Saturday, nearly 300 Airmen from various units across the wing gathered to practice and prepare for the four graded phases of the inspection, which include initial response, employment, mission support and the ability to survive and operate, said 62nd AW exercise and evaluations officer Maj. Doug Rottier.

The initial response phase tests the wing's ability to get people and equipment ready to deploy, the employment phase tests actually getting from home station to the deployed location, and the mission support phase tests the process of getting on the ground and setting up in a deployed environment. The final phase tests the ability to survive and operate for a specific amount of time.

For the upcoming ORI, the 62nd and 446th AWs will join forces with the 89th Airlift Wing at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., and an Office of Special Investigations unit to deploy to a location which has not yet been released, Major Rottier said.

"The training the MOBEX offers is extremely valuable and essential for every combat airlifter," said Maj. Jason Morrison, 62nd AW chief of exercise and evaluations. "By scrutinizing all of our major processes and

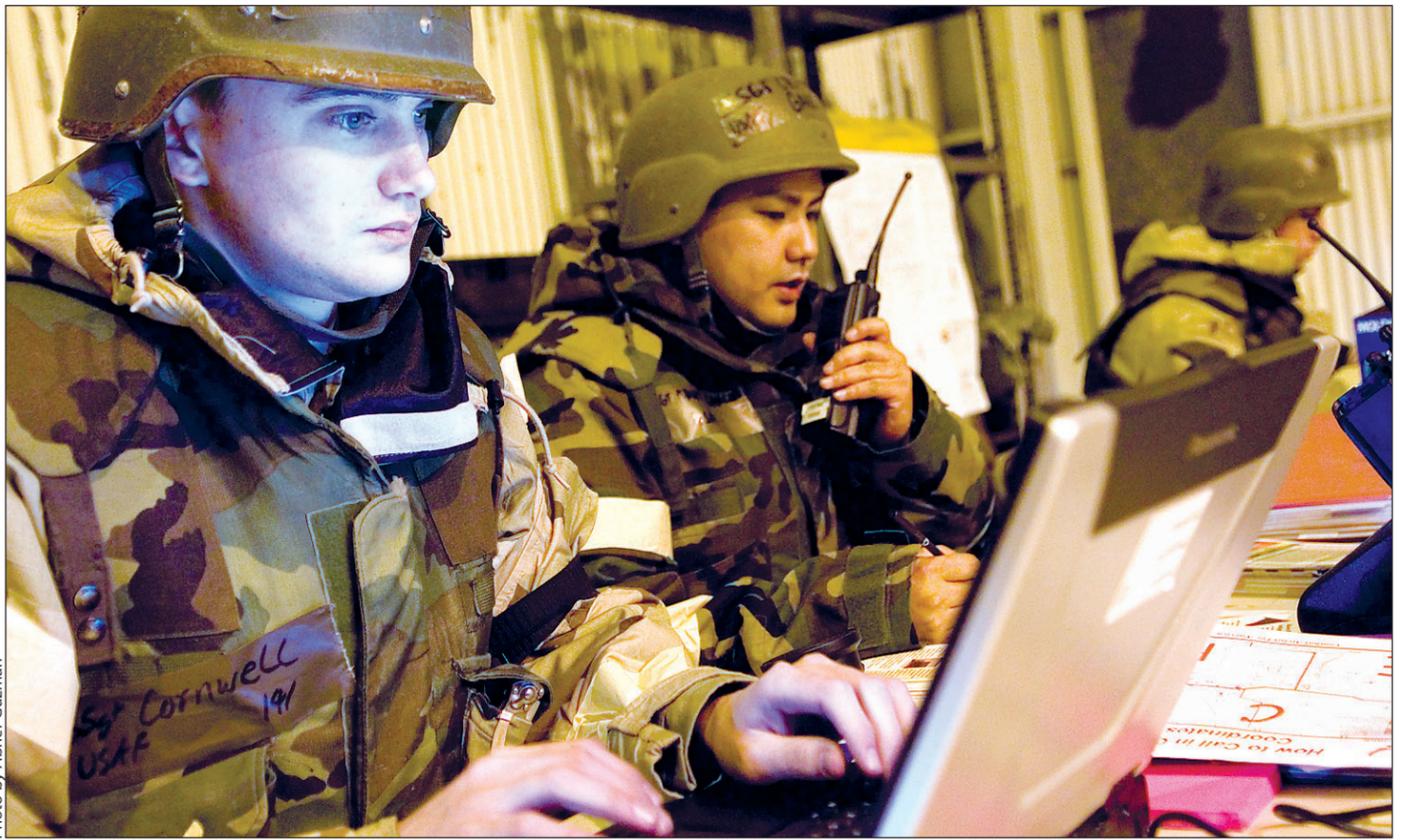


Photo by Abner Guzman

Staff Sgt. Sean Cornwell, left, and Staff Sgt. Casper Garcia, 62nd Logistics Readiness Squadron, coordinate fuel operations for the MOBEX.

mandates, we will ensure we are compliant and knowledgeable when the time comes to be inspected during the ORI."

Three more exercises before the ORI are scheduled in February, May and September.

"Air mobility brings a unique tool to our nation — it underwrites our ability to project power and reach,"

said Col. Michael Hornitschek, 62nd AW vice commander. "These exercises provide us the opportunity to practice our wartime capabilities and sharpen our combat edge while preparing for our upcoming inspection."

The wing's last ORI — which cumulated with a grade of "excellent" from the Air Mobility Inspector General team — was conducted in

June of 2006 as more than 700 Airmen from the 62nd and 446th Airlift Wings deployed to Alpena, Mich., and two other forward operating locations, to join forces with Airmen from the 319th Air Refueling Wing at Grand Forks Air Base, N.D., and the 944th Aeromedical Staging Squadron at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz.

AMC focuses on energy awareness all year long

By

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AMC Headquarters
Public Affairs

October is Energy Awareness Month and, although the month-long observance highlights the importance of energy conservation, Air Mobility Command energy experts said every month needs to be Energy Awareness Month.

Based on Defense Department

and Air Force figures, there's a good reason for the command to focus daily on energy-saving programs. In the Defense Department, the Air Force is the No. 1 consumer of energy; and in the Air Force, AMC is the largest consumer. According to the Defense Energy Support Center, Mobility Air Forces use of aviation fuel consumes approximately 42 percent of all Air Force energy usage.

Recent Air Force statistics show the service consumed almost 2.5

billion gallons of aviation fuel in fiscal year 2007 at a cost of nearly \$5.6 billion. When including energy to operate bases and to fuel ground vehicles, the Air Force's total energy bill was almost \$7 billion.

In January 2007, Executive Order 13423, signed by President George W. Bush, required a 3 percent reduction per year on energy use until 2015.

This may be a hefty challenge, but with an energy strategy that includes everything from facility

energy reduction and alternative fuels testing, to aircraft and ground vehicle energy-saving initiatives, AMC is leading the way in energy reduction programs.

According to Steve Kalmer, AMC command energy manager and utilities engineer, one of the biggest energy reduction programs in the command involves the decentralization of base heat plants.

In the past, centralized heat

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Weekend Weather

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Hi: 57 Low: 42	Hi: 58 Low: 38	Hi: 62 Low: 36

Forecast generated at 7 a.m. Thursday
Courtesy of the 62nd Operations Support Squadron

Countdown to success

Nuclear Surety Inspection	76	days
Rodeo	269	days
Operational Readiness Inspection	367	days

Don't miss it ...

Trick or treat

Base trick or treat hours are 6 to 8 p.m.,
Oct. 31.



Airman's Roll Call: Participation in the political process

Editor's note: Airman's Roll Call is an Air Force leadership tool designed

for supervisors at all levels to help keep Airmen informed on current issues, clear up confusion, dispel rumors and provide additional face-to-face communication between supervisors and their teams.

In a couple weeks our country will elect its 44th president. This election is fueled by many issues from the economy to the War on Terrorism, and as citizens of the United States, Airmen have the right and responsibility to participate in the political

process.

As Airmen, it is our duty to protect and defend the political freedoms of all citizens; however, we cannot give the perception that the Air Force supports one political candidate or party over another. Here are a few things all Airmen should know about participating in the political process:

Airmen on active duty **may**:

- Register to vote, vote and express personal opinions on political candidates and issues, but not as a representative of the Armed Forces
- Display political bumper stickers on private vehicles and wear political

buttons in civilian clothes when off duty

- Make monetary contributions to a political organization or political committee
- Encourage others to take part in the political process

Airmen on active duty (including active-duty Reservists) **may not**:

- Attend political events in uniform
- Use their official authority to interfere with an election and affect the course or outcome
- Participate in any radio, television or other program advocating a party or candidate

• Solicit or fundraise for a partisan political cause or party

- Post political party signs or other partisan paraphernalia in a government work center or installation housing area

Know your rights, and know the rules. Political activity rules are listed in Department of Defense Directive 1344.10, Political Activities by Member of the Armed Forces, Feb. 19, 2008. Violators of this directive may be punished under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. For more information, contact your local legal office.

Integrity first: Bedrock of military profession

By

Maj. Jack Jackman
62nd Contracting Squadron

All Airmen should recognize the title of this article; it's the first of our three core values. Integrity can be a complex topic to talk about, but discuss it we must for we cannot succeed as an Air Force without it. The most comprehensive definition of integrity I've ever read comes from "The Little Blue Book", United States Air Force Core Values:

Integrity is a character trait. It is the willingness to do what is right even when no one is looking. It is the "moral compass" the inner voice; the voice of self-control; the basis for the trust imperative in today's military.

Integrity is the ability to hold together and properly regulate all of the elements of a personality. A person of integrity, for example, is capable of acting on conviction. A person of integrity can control impulses and appetites.

But integrity also covers several other moral traits indispensable to national service.

• **Courage.** A person of integrity possesses moral courage and does what is right even if the personal cost is high.

• **Honesty.** Honesty is the hallmark of the military professional because in the military, our word must be our bond. We don't pencil-whip training reports, we don't cover up tech data violations, we don't falsify documents, and we don't write misleading operational readiness messages. The bottom line is we don't lie, and we can't justify any deviation.

• **Responsibility.** No person of integrity is irresponsible; a person of true integrity acknowledges his or her duties and acts accordingly.

• **Accountability.** No person of integrity tries to shift the blame to others or take credit for the work of others; "the buck stops here" says it best.

• **Justice.** A person of integrity practices justice. Those who do similar things must get similar rewards or similar punishments.

• **Openness.** Professionals of integrity encourage a free flow of information within the organization. They seek feedback from all directions to ensure they are fulfilling key responsibilities, and they are never afraid to allow anyone at any time to examine how they do business.

• **Self-respect.** To have integrity also is to respect oneself as a professional and a human being. A person of integrity does not behave in ways that would bring discredit upon himself or the organization to which he belongs.

• **Humility.** A person of integrity grasps and is sobered by the awesome task of defending the Constitution of the United States of America.

Integrity remains the very bedrock of the military profession. Without it, we cannot maintain the public trust so essential to military service in a free society. No other civilian occupational or specialty can claim such responsibilities. And, unless we are true to our word and true to ourselves, we cannot expect the implicit public trust we need to perform our mission.

The Sharp Airman ...

Remembers common acts of courtesy

• Unless told otherwise, rise and stand at attention when a senior official enters or departs a room. If more than one person is present, the first person who sees the officer calls the group to attention. However,

if there is an officer already in the room who is equal to or has higher rank than the officer entering the room, do not call the room to attention.

• Military personnel enter automobiles and small boats in reverse order of rank. Juniors will enter a vehicle first (and take their appropriate seat on the senior's left). The senior officer will be the last to enter the vehicle and the first to leave it.

Professionals of the week

62nd Logistics Readiness Squadron

Airman 1st Class Matthew Tidball

Duty title:
Fuels distribution journeyman

Duty section:
Fuels management flight

Hometown:
Nashville, Mich.

Why he's tops:

Airman Tidball excels at all facets of his Air Force duties and is a vital member of the LRS team. In August, he broke the petroleum, oils and lubricants flight's record of issuing the most jet fuel (541,000 gallons) within one month. This hard work earned him consecutive awards. His outstanding professionalism made him a natural choice to brief congressional aides on POL's role within the AF. In support of the McChord AF Ball, Airman Tidball greeted distinguished visitors and provided base passes at the front gate. His short term goals are to make staff sergeant and complete his CCAF degree.



Donald Sablan

Duty title:
Materials examiner and handler

Duty section:
Storage and issue

Hometown:
Saipan

Why he's super:

Mr. Sablan is a highly organized and professional member of the material management flight. He was the flight's primary point of contact for end-of-year reports processing from Sept. 30 to Oct. 3. During this time, he processed more than 65 high-priority requests valued at more than \$695,000. He established, monitored and maintained 14 listings critical to the wing's mission. In addition, he ensured the timely processing of seven mission-critical receipts. Mr. Sablan maintains the highest standards of professionalism and is deeply involved in the Northern Mariana Island Association, where he prepares food for the homeless.



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plants piped steam across the base to heat facilities during cold-weather months. Mr. Kalmer said up to 50 to 55 percent of that heat could be lost during the trip from the heat plant to far-away facilities.

In AMC, almost all steam plants have been decentralized (the command is currently working to decentralize the steam plants at McGuire AFB, N.J., Dover AFB, De., and McChord). The new, localized boilers (smaller heat plants located at each base facility) are already producing results.

“At Andrews Air Force Base (Md.), after they decentralized two steam plants — and in conjunction with other measures, including infrared heat and lighting conservation — the base saw a nearly-60 percent energy reduction,” Mr. Kalmer said. “Ultimately, that leads to a lower energy bill.”

The command is also looking at replacing lighting systems at every AMC base; from high- and low-pressure sodium and high intensity discharge lighting to compact fluorescent lighting. Mr. Kalmer said using compact fluorescent lights can produce up to a 30 percent energy savings, which also leads to smaller utility bills.

He said the command is also installing utility meters at individual facilities, which allows the base to monitor energy usage (gas, electric, steam and water) at individual facilities to determine which build-

ings are high-energy consumers. “Once a building is identified as a ‘high-energy consumer,’ the base can focus its efforts on that building and determine what types of strategies can be used to reduce energy usage there,” explained Mr. Kalmer.

He said one method of managing base-wide facility energy usage is through an Energy Management Control System, or EMCS. The EMCS is a centralized facility that controls the Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning systems for an entire base. Mr. Kalmer said most AMC bases have smaller EMCS systems. “Our goal is to expand the EMCS system at each AMC base and actively monitor the consumption of utilities at all base facilities.”

Mr. Kalmer has been the command energy and utilities manager for nearly six years. He said a lot has changed.

“When I started this job, fuel and utility prices were not nearly as high, and energy wasn’t as big of an issue,” he said. “Things have changed significantly in the past five years. Besides reducing the cost of energy, energy reduction helps us be good stewards of our resources and good stewards of taxpayer money.”

He said energy reduction is also another path to upgrading Air Force infrastructure, or base facilities. “Upgraded facilities help us save energy, save money and offer a better working environment,”

added Mr. Kalmer. “Basically, energy conservation is a win-win situation for everyone.”

Although current AMC energy-saving projects are already yielding results, the command isn’t resting on its laurels. There are many more programs, projects and new technologies the command is looking at.

Mr. Kalmer said one new program that has promise is called “daylight harvesting.” He said daylight harvesting involves a solar collector on the roof that “pipes” sunlight into the individual office spaces. “As the sun rises, increasing the amount of available natural light, digital sensors automatically adjust the level of electric lighting, creating a balance of electric and natural light,” Mr. Kalmer explained. “The result is lower energy consumption and smaller utility bills.”

Other worthwhile facility energy-reduction efforts include building energy awareness programs at each base; creating full-time energy manager positions throughout the command; and forming a command-level award program that rewards those bases that make energy conservation a top priority.

Mr. Kalmer said it’s not just about programs and projects; it’s about creating a culture within the Air Force that recognizes the importance of energy conservation.

“We want our bases to treat every month as Energy Awareness Month,” added Mr. Kalmer.

McChord Energy Club

First meeting:

Thursday
4:45 to 6 p.m.
Wing Conference
Room,
Bldg. 100.

The club explores ways to enhance energy security in the workplace, community and nation in an open discussion format.

Email: energy.club@mcchord.af.mil
for more details.



McChord Airmen

AROUND THE WORLD



Courtesy photo

AL ASAD AIR BASE, IRAQ – Staff Sgt. Michael Jones, 62nd Civil Engineer Squadron, works on a construction site during a recent deployment.



Courtesy photo

IRAQ – Staff Sgt. Alejandro Torres, 62nd Maintenance Group, works in his office during a recently deployment. Assigned to the Combined Joint Operations Directorate, Multi-National Force-Iraq, he processes personnel and administrative actions for the director and more than 150 military and civilian members of the Department of Defense. The CJ3 coordinates and enables operations of Coalition Forces under the command or support jurisdiction of the commander, MNF-I, and provides strategic level oversight of operations and security related events across the Iraqi theater of operations.



Iraqi air force pilots take flight into history

By

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Public Affairs

KIRKUK REGIONAL AIR BASE, Iraq (AFNS) — The first three pilots graduated from Iraq's only fixed-wing flight training school at Kirkuk Regional Air Base Oct. 13.

With cooperation from the Coalition Air Force Training Team and the 52nd Expeditionary Flying Training Squadron at Kirkuk Regional AB, the Iraqi training wing presented the new pilots with their wings.

"All of us are very proud," said Iraqi air force pilot 2nd Lt. Majid. "We stuck together with the Americans as one team to the end, and now I have my wings."

This accomplishment is not part of a short process. It begins with four months of language training before prospects are even accepted into officer training school. After six months of officer training at Taji Base, Iraq, just north of Baghdad, student pilots are sent here to spend a year flying the Cessna 172S Skyhawk and Cessna 208B Caravan.

Now the trio will go their separate ways to help establish the future of Iraq's air power.

One graduate will stay here and become an instructor pilot. Another will fly a King Air twin-turboprop aircraft on operational missions.

The third will travel to the United States to learn to fly the T-6 Texan.

For all the attention and fanfare afforded the pilots during the graduation ceremony, the challenges they have overcome thus far are no more daunting than those to come.

"To be a pilot in Iraq is a huge deal," said Iraqi air force 2nd Lt. Hassan. "There are many challenges, and it's not very safe. You do not say you are a pilot outside the base."

Hassan's fellow wingman also knows the difficulties.

"Becoming a pilot was a big challenge," said Iraqi air force 2nd Lt. Habeeb. "I had never been in an airplane before. My family is very proud of me."

This graduation is the single most significant event so far in the U.S. Air Force's engagement with the Iraqi air force at Kirkuk Regional AB and represents a significant milestone in the rebuilding of the Iraqi air force, said Lt. Col. Nathan Brauner, 52nd EFTS commander.

"These new pilots are the first the Iraqi air force has produced since the fall of Saddam Hussein," Colonel Brauner said. "They are the new generation of Iraqi pilots - trained to higher standards and to greater qualifications than ever before in Iraq's history. They are the first pilots Iraq has ever produced who are fully qualified as instrument-rated pilots straight out



Photo by Senior Airman Randi Flaugh

Iraqi air force 2nd Lts. Habeeb, Majid and Hassan salute during the Iraqi national anthem at their graduation ceremony from Iraq's only fixed-wing flight training school Oct. 13 at Kirkuk Regional Air Base, Iraq. One graduate plans to become an instructor pilot for the school, and another will fly a King Air twin-turboprop aircraft on operational missions. The third will travel to the United States to learn to fly the T-6 Texan.

of pilot training."

As fully qualified and instrument-rated pilots, the Iraqi airmen can now project airpower day or night in support of counter-insurgency operations, Colonel Brauner said. Also with the current demographics of the Iraqi air force, it's likely these three pilots will lead the Iraqi air force in 10 years.

With the future of the Iraqi air force placed squarely in their

hands, these pilots have not lost sight of who helped them achieve the first stage of their goals.

"I want to thank everyone and their families who helped me get my wings," Lieutenant Hassan said. "These instructors left their families to help people they've never seen before. I want to say God bless America."

(Full names of the Iraqi pilots were not used for security purposes.)



Month highlights important employment program

By

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Public Affairs

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFNS) — October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month, and Air Force officials want to ensure every Airman is aware of the ongoing efforts to support people with disabilities.

“The Air Force hopes to increase awareness, promote opportunities for employment candidates with disabilities and become the model equal opportunity program for the Department of Defense,” said Lt. Gen. Richard Newton III, the deputy chief of staff for manpower, personnel and services.

Mary Young, operational manager for the affirmative employment pro-

gram at the Air Force Personnel Center, here, said, “The Air Force uses observances such as the Disability Employment Awareness Month to highlight and educate employees and managers on issues related to hiring, accommodating, developing and retaining employees with disabilities.”

It wants to fulfill its commitment to reach the DOD’s goal of having two per cent of the federal workforce be composed of people with significant disabilities (defined as the nine targeted disabilities: deafness, blindness, missing extremities, partial paralysis, total paralysis, convulsive disorders, mental retardation, mental illness, and distortion of limb/spine).

The Air Force participates in the Workforce Recruitment Program for college students with disabilities, a resource for employers to find can-

didates for temporary employment which may lead to permanent employment.

“This year, the Air Force met its goal of placing 25 students through the WRP and we have increased our commitment to hire more,” Ms. Young said. “The WRP students are highly motivated and eager to prove their abilities in the workplace.”

Officials with DOD and the Department of Labor co-sponsor this program that provides fully-funded summer hires to DoD and other Federal agencies.

“These post-secondary and recent graduates with disabilities are free labor during the summer months and have demonstrated that people with disabilities can work successfully in a variety of jobs,” she said.

Further, Air Force officials established the People With Disabilities Working Group whose goal is to find

ways to refine and focus programs for people with disabilities. These efforts have earned them DOD recognition.

In 2007, the Air Force was given the secretary of defense trophy for the “Best Military Department” for having the outstanding affirmative action program in the employment of people with disabilities.

By highlighting these programs and finding ways to improve them, officials hope to accelerate efforts toward finding solutions that will open doors to employment for more people with disabilities.

For more information on programs for people with disabilities and the many resources available to them, contact the people-with-disabilities program manager, affirmative employment program manager or equal opportunity office at your base.

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The medical standard is one drink for women or two drinks for men if a daily drinker.

For periodic drinking, the standard is to keep the blood alcohol level or blood alcohol content under 0.05.

- Use personal risk management*
- Use situational awareness*
- Use your wingman*
- Use a friend*

- 0 Drinks under age 21**
- 0 DUI's**
- Max 1 drink per hour**
- Max 3 drinks in one night**

DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE



Fall Happenings



Photo by Staff Sgt. Eric Burks

Ben Gardner, a McChord family member, puts the finishing touches on a pumpkin Oct. 17 at the youth center. Tools, treats and cider were available to Team McChord members and their families who came to carve pumpkins.



Photo by Bud McKay

Airman 1st Class Josh McCathern, 62nd Civil Engineer Squadron, left, carries in a prop as Staff Sgt. Vince Vargas, also 62nd CES, secures a support panel Thursday for one of the rooms of a haunted house. The Airmen were in the early stages of turning the old 5110 Ginko Drive housing area into a fun and scary haunted house. The house is open Wednesday through Oct. 31 from 7 to 10 p.m. The first hour each night is "kid friendly". The cost for the event is \$3 and children ages five and younger are free.



EXERCISE EXERCISE EXERCISE!

McChord Airmen survive, operate during MOBEX



Staff Sgt. Michael Blanch, 62nd Civil Engineer Squadron, answers a call while working in the emergency operations center.



From left, Staff Sgt. Jessica Mickus, Senior Airman Taquea Davidson, Staff Sgt. Joshua Horning, all 62nd Communications Squadron, discuss post attack reconnaissance procedures.



Master Sgt. Bruce McPherson, 62nd SFS, patrols an entry control point. Nearly 300 Airmen from various units across the wing gathered to practice and prepare for the four graded phases of the inspection, which include initial response, employment, mission support and the ability to survive and operate.



Airman 1st Class Janna Less, 62nd Security Forces Squadron guards an entry control point. For the upcoming ORI, the 62nd and 446th Airlift Wings will join forces with the 89th Airlift Wing at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., and an Office of Special Investigations unit to deploy to a location which has not yet been released.



Staff Sgt. Kevin Cleveland, right, and Staff Sgt. Shane St. Laurent, both 62nd SFS, detain a suspect.



Exercise evaluator Staff Sgt. Jarrod Marostica, 62nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, instructs Airmen.



Staff Sgt. Noah Grayson, 62nd Force Support Squadron, prepares to process a simulated casualty.



Staff Sgt. Marco Stoller, 62nd SFS, guards an entry control point. The weeklong exercise was the first of four exercises over the next 11 months designed to prepare the wing for the upcoming Operational Readiness Inspection.

Tricare, Medicare work together for eligible beneficiaries

FALLS CHURCH, Va. (AFNS) — Tricare officials want beneficiaries who receive a disability check to ensure they are getting the Tricare coverage they are entitled to receive.

In general, most beneficiaries become eligible for Medicare at age 65; however, many beneficiaries younger than 65 also qualify for Medicare and there is one critical fact they need to know.

“Most Tricare beneficiaries who are eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A are required under federal law to enroll in Medicare Part B to keep Tricare benefits,” said Anne Breslin, the Tricare For Life program manager.

Medicare Part A covers inpatient care in hospitals and skilled-nursing

facilities. It also covers hospice and some home health care.

Medicare Part B is medical insurance. It helps cover outpatient and physician services as well as some physical and occupational therapies and home health care. The Medicare Part B monthly premium currently is \$96.40 and will remain the same for 2009. Individual premiums could be higher, based on income.

When Medicare coverage is effective, it becomes the primary insurance, while Tricare becomes the secondary. Beneficiaries who take appropriate steps to maintain their Tricare eligibility often will have no out-of-pocket expenses for health care services covered by Medicare and Tricare.

Generally, beneficiaries who

receive Social Security disability benefits begin receiving Medicare benefits after two years, and they may choose between options such as Tricare Prime or Tricare For Life. Most will need to have Medicare Part B, although there are some exceptions.

“Whatever they choose, we can’t emphasize enough that beneficiaries need to look carefully at their options before making decisions that could result in a loss of Tricare coverage,” said Ms. Breslin.

Factors beneficiaries must take into consideration before making a decision when it comes to Medicare and Tricare include: whether their spouse is on active duty; if they are disabled because of injuries suffered while serving on active duty; if they

have other health insurance; or if they are enrolled in the Uniformed Services Family Health Plan or Tricare Reserve Select.

Other factors also may apply, but help is available to understand the complexities of this benefit. Detailed information on how Medicare and Tricare work together for eligible beneficiaries younger than 65 is available through the Tricare Web site, where users can also download a new “Using Tricare and Medicare” flier.

For more information, check the Medicare Web site or call (800) 633-4227; visit the Social Security Administration Web site or call (800) 772-1213; or call Tricare for Life at (866) 773-0404. (Courtesy of Tricare)

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Football: Falcons win thriller in desert 29-28

By

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U.S. Air Force Academy
Public Affairs

LAS VEGAS (AFNS) — The U.S. Air Force Academy football team won a nailbiter against the University of Nevada, Las Vegas in a 29-28 back and forth game Saturday in Las Vegas.

The Falcons put the ball in the air only seven times while rushing 68 times; however, freshman quarterback Tim Jefferson connected on six of those seven passes for 162 yards and two touchdowns.

Fullback Todd Newell got the Falcons on the scoreboard first with a 52-yard touchdown rumble midway through the first quarter.

The Falcons extended their lead to 14-0 on a 28-yard touchdown pass to Josh Cousins early in the second quarter. UNLV finally got on the board with a touchdown with 8:14 left in the first half. Ryan Harrison hit a 26-yard field goal to push the Air Force lead to 10 with only 1:36 left in the first half. But the Rebels struck back with a touchdown pass with 14 seconds left in the first half to cut the Air Force's halftime lead to three.

The Falcons got on the board again midway through the third period. The drive was highlighted by a spectacular 59-yard catch and run by tight end Travis Dekker in which he hurdled a UNLV defensive back en route to the Rebel 4-yard line. However, the Falcons couldn't push the ball in and settled for another Harrison field goal to extend their lead to 20-14.

UNLV answered right back taking their first lead of the game on an 11-play, 80-yard drive. Following a failed fourth down run by Falcon freshman running back Asher



Photo by John Van Winkle

U.S. Air Force Academy cornerback Reggie Rembert sacks University of Nevada, Las Vegas quarterback Omar Clayton. The resulting 9-yard loss pushed UNLV to fourth and 16 and forced a punt on UNLV's first possession of the game. The Falcons won 29-28 and improved to 5-2 on the season and 3-1 in the Mountain West Conference.

Clark, the Rebels extended their lead to 28-20 on a 45-yard touchdown run.

Reggie Rembert took the ensuing kickoff 41 yards to the Falcon 45-yard line, setting the stage for the late game rally. Three plays later Jefferson hit Kyle Halderman on a 44-yard strike up the middle to cut the score to 28-26. The Falcons' two-point conversion came up short as Halderman was stopped on a sweep.

UNLV stalled on their next drive.

However, they pinned the Falcons on their own 8-yard line with 9:39 left in the game. Jefferson calmly led Air Force 91 yards, eating up more than seven minutes of the clock. Harrison came on with 2:29 left in the game to kick the game-winning field goal.

However, it took one last defensive stand by the Falcon defense to ensure the Air Force victory. The Rebels marched into Air Force territory before the Falcons defense stiffened and made a final fourth

down stop with just over a minute left in the game when linebacker Justin Moore and safety Chris Thomas combined to knock the ball loose from a Rebel receiver.

"It was a great, great football game," said Falcon head coach Troy Calhoun. "I mean, a very well played football game on a terrific night."

With the win, the Falcons advanced to 5-2 on the year and 3-1 in Mountain West Conference play.





Photo by Staff Sgt. Eric Burks

Winding up for school

Senior Airman Sheffey Martin, 62nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, readies a C-17 Globemaster III for a pre-flight check Tuesday. Airman Martin was recently awarded a \$500 scholarship from the Logistics Officer Association, which provides scholarships to McChord team members pursuing degrees supporting the logistics career field. Airman Martin is pursuing a Bachelors of Science in Professional Aeronautics through Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and intends to apply to the Air Force Officer Training School in the hopes of becoming an aircraft maintenance officer.

The 62nd Security Forces Squadron

is looking for volunteers for its annual Operation Safe Streets project, Oct. 31.

Volunteers will assist in keeping the roads safe for McChord children and families throughout the evening.

For more information, contact Airman 1st Class Nicholas Gooden at 982-5653.

Base housing opportunity

Today is the deadline for active-duty members interested in immediate housing opportunities on McChord to contact Donna Dahlstrom or Larry Copeland at 982-5516, via e-mail (listed in Global) or by visiting the housing office in Bldg. 552. The next step of privatization is to implement level two of a plan to ensure a 95 percent occupancy of base housing by February. This may have an immediate impact on Air Force families wishing to obtain base housing who are not currently on the waiting list. Air Force members are highly encouraged to contact the housing office if they desire to live on-base now or by February.

Quarterly awards luncheon

The quarterly awards luncheon is 11 a.m. Nov. 3 at the McChord Clubs and Community Center. Today is the last day to make reservations for seats to the luncheon. Contact your unit first sergeant or unit representative for tickets. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Bruce McPherson at 982-2208.

Harvest festival

A free harvest festival is 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday in the Chapel Support Center, Bldg. 746. For more information, call 982-5556.

Healthcare briefing

The McChord Clinic hosts a healthcare informational briefing 2 to 3 p.m. Wednesday at the McChord Clubs and Community Center. The briefing is open to active duty, family members and retirees and gives a general overview of healthcare issues and updates on medical services at the McChord Clinic. For more information, contact 1st Lt. Sarah Lindsay at 982-0336.

Retirement ceremony announcement

A retirement ceremony for Lt. Col. Anne Marie Scott, 62nd Airlift Wing, is 1:30 p.m. Oct. 31 in the 4th Airlift Squadron auditorium, Bldg. 1141. For more information, contact 1st Lt. Lisa Perdelwitz at 982-7617.

MPF customer service hours

Customer service hours for all military personnel flight services have changed. The new hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays, beginning Nov. 1. Services are available 7:30 to 9 a.m. for appointments and emergencies only.

Retirement ceremony announcement

A retirement ceremony for Master Sgt. Robert Holder, 62nd Communications Squadron, is 10 a.m. Nov. 4 in the Chapel Support Center, Bldg. 746. For more information, contact Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Stafford at 982-9827.

Names to Note

The following individuals scored a 90 percent or greater on their Career Development Course in September:

- **Staff Sgt. Christopher Anderson**, 62nd Force Support Squadron
- **Airman 1st Class Jonathan Burt**, 62nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
- **Airman 1st Class Beau Dicken**, 62nd Maintenance Squadron
- **Airman 1st Class David McDonald**, 62nd Civil Engineer Squadron
- **Airman 1st Class Bradley Nelson**, 62nd AMXS
- **Airman 1st Class Emily Russell**, 62nd AMXS
- **Staff Sgt. Patrick Snyder**, 62nd Maintenance Operations Squadron

Holiday portrait event

The Airman and Family Readiness Center hosts its 12th annual Holiday Portrait Event 4 to 6 p.m. Nov. 6 in the Chapel Support Center (Bldg. 746). No signup is required. For more information, call 982-2695.

Asphalt paving work

Until Nov. 7, Lincoln Boulevard, from Barnes to Outer Drive and 16th Street, and from Barnes to Commissary Street will close. There are detour signs directing traffic around the construction area. The Shoppette will remain accessible.

Clinic closed Nov. 18

The McChord Clinic closes Nov. 18 instead of its usual second Tuesday of the month, due to Veteran's Day.

New hours at McChord Clinic

The McChord Clinic doors will now open at 7:20 a.m. instead of 7 a.m. The change is for safety reasons to ensure that there are an adequate number of staff members present to assist patients. Pharmacy windows will continue to open up for patients at 7:30 a.m. and close at 5 p.m.

Customer service new hours

Customer service hours for passports and in-processing have changed. Passports are from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for walk-ins and 3:30 to 4 p.m. for appointments and emergencies only. In-processing is now 9 a.m. to noon for walk-ins and 7:30 to 9 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. for appointments and emergencies only. Hours for all other services remain the same.



McChord Chaplain Corps Faith & Worship Programs

For more information on Chapel services and programs, please call 982-5556.

To contact Duty Chaplain after duty hours, contact the Command Post at 982-2635

CATHOLIC SERVICES and RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

All Catholic services are in chapel two.

Saturday:

4 p.m. Confession: Chapel 2, Bldg. 181

5 p.m. Mass: Chapel 2, Bldg.

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Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Mass: Chapel 2, Bldg.

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11 a.m. Mass: Chapel 2, Bldg.

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12:30 p.m. Why Catholic? Small

Group Study: Chapel Support

Center, Bldg. 746

Monday:

12:00 p.m. Why Catholic? Small

Group Study: Chapel Support

Center, Bldg. 746

Wednesday:

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation: 1st,

2nd & 3rd Wednesday of the

month: Chapel Support Center,

Bldg. 746

6:30 p.m. Why Catholic? Small

Group Study: Chapel Support

Center, Bldg. 746

PROTESTANT SERVICES and RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Sunday:

8:30 a.m. Liturgical Worship: Chapel 1, Bldg. 180

9:45 a.m. Sunday School:

Chapel Support Center, Bldg. 746

11 a.m. Traditional Worship:

Chapel 1, Bldg. 180

11 a.m. Contemporary

Worship: Chapel Support Center,

Bldg. 746

JEWISH SERVICES:

Friday:

6 p.m. Every 1st, 3rd & 5th

Friday of the month: Ft Lewis,

Chapel 5, Bldg. T-2270

OTHER PROGRAMS:

The following Chapel programs

take place at the Chapel Support

Center, Bldg. 746.

Tuesday:

9:30 a.m. Mothers of

Preschoolers (MOPS); 2nd & 4th

Tuesday of the month

6 p.m. Mothers of Preschoolers

(MOPS) Bible Study; 1st, 3rd & 5th

Tuesday of the month

Wednesday:

11 a.m. Adult Bible Study

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