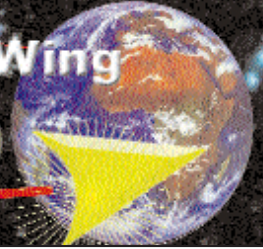


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Goalie Michael Whalen, 10, (from left) Taylor DeLauter, Edwin Rivera and Aron Long play a round of hockey after school at the Youth Center Tuesday. The 45th Space Wing celebrates the Month of the Military Child this month. See Page 10 for story. (Photo by Jim Laviska)

## Rep. Weldon to visit wing's military families

By Ken Warren  
45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

U.S. Congressman (Dr.) Dave Weldon is hosting a "town hall" meeting today at the Patrick AFB Education Center auditorium at 7 p.m. The forum is designed primarily for the families of deployed service members and mobilized reservists, but all personnel are welcome to attend.

Rep. Weldon is expected to provide updates on legislative issues important to the military community and to relay information he received directly from the president and secretary of defense. His wife Nancy will



Rep. Weldon

accompany him at the meeting. "Most importantly, the congressman and his wife want to personally tell our military families how much they're appreciated and hear their concerns," said J.B. Kump, Rep. Weldon's district director.

Also scheduled to attend the meeting are Lt. Gen. James E. Sherrard, III, commander of Air Force Reserve Command and his wife, Marsha. Many of the military members deployed from Patrick are from the 920th Rescue Wing, an AFRC unit.

"We're looking forward to the

Weldons' and Sherrards' visit. It will be a huge morale boost for our people. It's important for them to see firsthand that the leaders in Washington really care," said Brig. Gen. Greg Pavlovich, commander of the 45th Space Wing.

Immediately before going to the Education Center, Rep. Weldon will visit the Patrick Commissary to promote a program called "Give the Gift of Groceries." This initiative, sponsored in part by the Defense Commissary Agency, allows citizens to support military families by buying commissary gift certificates for them.

For more information, go to: <http://www.commissaries.com/certificatecheck/index.htm>.

Outstanding is just the START!



By Brig. Gen. Greg Pavlovich  
45TH SW COMMANDER

Greetings friends! This is going to be a week-end to remember for the 45th Space Wing. It starts tonight with a visit from our congressman, the Honorable Dr. Dave Weldon. He'll visit with us at the Education Center auditorium in Patrick's Central Housing at 7 p.m. His main purpose is to address the families of those deployed, but the evening is open to anyone military, civil servant or contractor to hear him speak.

If you come, not only will he thank everyone here, he'll give you good insight on issues affecting the military at the congressional level. He'll address legislation he is trying to get passed in Congress that directly affects and helps the Space Coast. Dr. Weldon has proven he is a great friend of the military and I appreciate him taking the time out of his busy schedule to visit with us. I hope you'll make the time as well tonight at 7 p.m. at the Education Center auditorium.

By the way, have you heard there is an air show Sunday? OK, lame humor, but I can't wait for it to get here. To have all three of the Department of Defense's premier demonstration teams perform at our air show is a once in a lifetime opportunity for the Space Coast. The last time all three teams performed together was at the 2000 Andrews AFB air show because they knew it would be President Bill Clinton's last one as commander-in-chief. That is how rare it is to have all of them appear together.

A tremendous amount of hard work has gone into the planning of the air show. It is not something that is pulled off overnight by any stretch of the imagination. I'd like to thank Lt. Col. Kurt Hall, the project officer for the event, and his executive committee for putting on a successful show. I'm already declaring it a success because I have no doubt it is going to be the best in Space Coast history.

For the 45th Space Wing members coming to the show, here are some items to keep in mind. For all those working the show, the dress is open collar short sleeve blue shirt except for our security crew and their commander has issued

their dress and appearance guidance. For all military members not working the air show, you are highly encouraged to wear the short sleeve blue uniform for the day.

Remember, the general public is coming out to see military people along with our hardware. With the tremendous success we've had in Iraq, many just want to come out to shake your hand and say thanks. By being in uniform, they are able to do it. For the day, it will be a hat, but no salute area for the air show.

Now obviously, those working a concessionaire or food booth, getting all filled with smoke and grease can wear civilian clothes to work those areas. But you should be in conservative clothes that bring credit to our service and not end up as part of an embarrassing picture in the local newspaper the next day. I just ask that you bring along an extra shirt to change into once you're done working so you're presentable and not looking like something the cat just dragged in. The bottom line: the U.S. Air Force and 45th Space Wing's reputation and image is in full display Sunday and I ask that you do your part to enhance it to the best of your ability. Hopefully, that isn't asking too much!

The other part I'd like to address is I need all of our folks to act as individual ambassadors for the day. If someone looks lost, point them in the right direction. If someone is hurt or needs assistance, please step up and provide it. This air show is our way of thanking Brevard County for all its support for the past two years, but nothing beats a one-on-one act of kindness from one great American to another. We have the greatest people in the world working here, let's show our stuff.

Turning my attention to some other issues, tomorrow starts National Volunteer Recognition Week and I'd like to once again invite all of our volunteers to the appreciation breakfast Wednesday from 7:30-9 a.m. For more information, contact Sal Noto at 494-278/2298.

Congratulations to the men and women of the 3rd Space Launch Squadron, the recipient of the 2002 Gen. Donald J. Kutyna Award, Air Force Space Command's Best Space Lift Squadron. The award is annually competed based on sustained superior performance in all aspects of space operations. Last October the 3rd SLS achieved an unprecedented error-free "Outstanding" rating-first-ever for a launch squadron in AFSPC history. Their squadron programs gained high praise as reflected by two "Professional Performers" and three "Professional Teams" awarded by the IG, as well

as the entire Ops Support Flight deemed a "Professional Team" for extraordinary teamwork/achievement. Congrats, AFSPC recognized you as "Team Titan-3rd but FIRST!"

Through the efforts of the 45th Space Communications Squadron, our wing earned the 2003 Brocade Storage Area Network (SAN) Best Practice Award. It recognizes our leadership and innovation in designing and deploying an upgraded SAN to handle the incredible volumes of electronic storage needed for the 45th Space Wing and its customers. They reduced the time to capture storage of items from 14 hours to two, reduced the number of servers by one-third and most importantly, reduce costs. And I bet, except for those involved in the work, no one on base even knew it was taking place. That is how efficient they were in completing the project.


We shared the award with such prestigious companies as E-bay and AOL Time-Warner so my hat is off to the 45th SCS for all their hard work. Super job!

Now to the bad news portion of today's column. Believe it or not, we have a shoplifting problem here on base, especially at the Base Exchange. Now the first reaction might be, "those darn kids!" But hold the phones, I read the blotter every day and it isn't the kids, but adults. And not always young adults either, our thieves come in all shapes and sizes and young and old alike.

Here is the scope of the problem, in 2002, we had 66 shoplifters caught and, of course, this doesn't count the numerous others that got away. This year, the trend isn't any better as we've captured 20 shoplifters and April isn't over yet. This disturbs me a great deal because nobody likes a thief. And many people are potentially ruining their lives, in some cases, to save \$25. It doesn't make sense.

But I aim to put a stop to it so if you're caught, this is what you can expect our lawyers to go after in the court of law. We will criminally prosecute shoplifters and suspend them from the use of any AAFES or Commissary facilities for six months. You'll receive a minimum of a \$250 fine, and an additional \$200 fine for civil recovery of items. This is for the first offense; it only gets worse from there. Shoplifting only increases prices for the honest folks, so if you're doing it, you better knock it off before you get caught, because you will. Enough said!

Keep our people overseas in your thoughts and prayers and let's welcome them home in grand style upon their return. Enjoy the air-show and be safe this weekend with all the traffic. Take care and God Bless!

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# Space gives U.S. asymmetric advantage

By Gen. Lance Lord  
 COMMANDER, AIR FORCE SPACE COMMAND

PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. – While it seems like just yesterday, it's been a year since I took command of the greatest space and missile force the world has ever seen.

On April 19, 2002, I introduced my "framework for the future" — a guide for the coming year. That framework focused our efforts on three specific roles: our role as an Air Force Major Command, our role as a service component to US Strategic Command and our role supporting the Air Force's emerging mission as the DoD executive agent for space.

If you're wondering how we've done in those roles, let me sum things up by saying "simply outstanding!"

Today, young men and women of this great country's Armed Forces are fully engaged in the defense of our homeland. You, along with our coalition partners, are also engaged around the world in the global war on terrorism. The space and missile capabilities you provide are key to every operation, combat or humanitarian, in the air, on land, at sea and in space.

While we've all seen the images on television from Operation Iraqi Freedom — and let me tell you, AFSPC is fully integrated in that operation, we are also supporting global operations in our ICBM and space missions, as well as other air expeditionary force requirements — 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. We're providing that support both from our home stations as well as deployed locations around the world. Currently AFSPC has

more than 1,000 men and women deployed in support of on-going operations.

If I were to describe our contribution in one word, it would be advantage. But that isn't descriptive enough; it's really an asymmetric advantage. When you think about it, the pursuit of an asymmetric advantage is not new. For centuries, warriors have searched for weapons and methods that would guarantee them victory and significantly enhance their existing force.

In the early 20th Century, airpower emerged as just such an advantage. Today, at the outset of the 21st century, we are realizing the same sort of advantage through space power. We don't just have more satellites than the enemy, or faster communications. And we aren't the only ones with access to the global navigation and timing capabilities provided by GPS.

Our adversaries have access to those very same services. The advantage we provide is more than numbers, it's more than simply the individual capabilities any one system provides. Let me give you just one example.

In Operation Enduring Freedom, we saw new and creative ways to use existing systems. We combined high-tech space capabilities provided by the Global Positioning System and communications satellites with old and even ancient technology in new and innovative ways.

We literally redefined our views on 21st century warfare. Who can forget the images of special operations forces on horseback using laptops, laser rangefinders and GPS receivers



Gen. Lord

to identify target coordinates?

Likewise, who would have believed those same coordinates would be relayed via satellite to 40-year-old B-52s that then employed satellite-guided 2,000-pound bombs in a close air support role? We combined the old with the new and generated transformational effects on the battlefields of Afghanistan. That's what I mean by providing an asymmetric advantage.

The capabilities Air Force Space Command provides are a key part of the asymmetric advantage necessary for success but that advantage is not just a result of our systems. It is a combination of those systems and the people who develop, operate and sustain them. Our people ... you ... are an indispensable part of that equation.

You develop the theory, doctrine and concepts of operation; you define the requirements, acquire and build the systems; you operate, secure and sustain the systems; and you provide all the support necessary to make our missions a resounding success. Without you — our most valuable asset — our systems are of little worth. Additionally, those of you who support the mission and our people — both on and off base — further multiply that asymmetric advantage. Without family and community support, we simply couldn't succeed.

You are the "Guardians of the High Frontier" and it's an honor to serve with each of you. Beccy joins me in thanking every member of the Air Force Space Command team for all you do, and remember ... if you're not in space, you're not in the race.



## 45th Space Wing ready for Sunday's Air Show



A T-33 vintage aircraft will demonstrate its power at the Air Show Sunday. It's scheduled to fly at 10:10 a.m. (Courtesy photo)

By 1st Lt. Eric Badger  
 45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The 45th Space Wing's Air Show 2003 weekend is here.

With the show set to include the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds, U.S. Army Golden Knights and U.S. Navy Blue Angels Sunday — a first for the Space Coast — the wing sets its sights on ensuring safety and fun for everyone.

The Air Show will provide bus captains on each shuttle bus used for the event to conduct security checks, answer questions and aid traffic flow.

According to Lt. Col. Kurt Hall, Air Show 2003 director, items not allowed into the event are radio transmitters, backpacks and large coolers.

Along with acrobatic aircraft and static displays, the event will showcase a Vietnam moving wall display in remem-

brance and honor of Vietnam War veterans.

Motorcyclists planning to attend are required to wear the following:

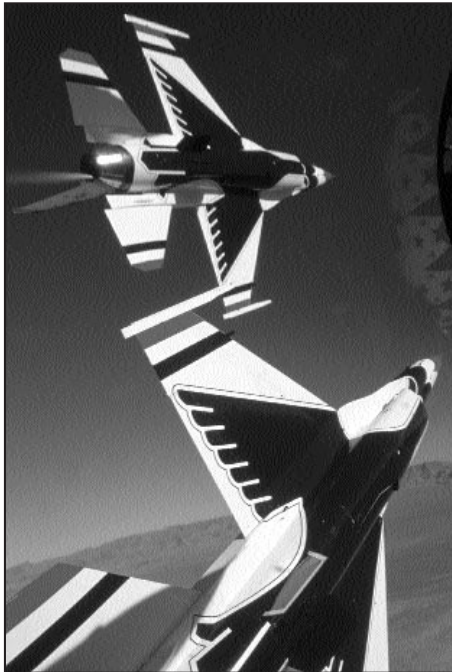
- ▲ Dept. of Transportation-approved helmet and eye protection, brightly colored and reflective outer-upper garments, long sleeve shirt or jacket, full-fingered gloves, long trousers and sturdy, over-the-ankle footwear.

- ▲ Impact or shatter resistant full-faced shields or goggles are mandatory for all motorcyclists.

With an anticipated crowd of more than 100,000 people, parking will be limited and Air Show goers are highly encouraged to arrive early and stay late.

Attendees arriving from off-base and

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The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds are scheduled to perform Sunday at 3 p.m. (Photo courtesy of U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds)

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South Housing are also encouraged to car pool to limit the number of vehicles.

Designated pick-up areas will also be provided to North Housing residents.

Space Coast Area Transit will provide two shuttle buses for the North Housing route.

The event, which begins with opening ceremonies at 9 a.m., features a heritage flight showcasing vintage aircraft from different eras in military aviation history including World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

The Kids' Zone, designed for children from toddlers to teens, will showcase activities such as a virtual reality rock-climbing wall, Navy Blue Angel flight simulator, a bungee cord jump and the stepping stones to aviation, in which a mock flight line and air traffic control tower will be set up.

Along with the Space Expo, highlighting space exploration's support to the

warfighter, food, beverages and the Kids' Zone, the Air Show will provide fun for everyone.

"We've worked hard to ensure that this is an event for all ages," said Lt. Col. Hall. "Come spend the day with us and have fun."

In a listing similar to the one used by NASCAR's Daytona 500, acceptable items to bring are:

- ▲ One soft-side bag or cooler containing ice. Cooler must be no larger than 6x6x12 inches

- ▲ One clear plastic bag containing sunscreen, sunglasses and similar items. Bag must be no larger than 18x18x4 inches

- ▲ Purses or handbags with shoulder straps

- ▲ Binoculars and cameras not in a bag worn separately over the neck or shoulder

- ▲ Strollers and hand-carried-style umbrellas

- ▲ Folding chairs

Unacceptable items are:

- ▲ Radio transmitters or scanners of any kind (excluding cell phones)

- ▲ Firearms, fireworks and items restricted by local and federal laws

- ▲ Hard-sided coolers, thermos and insulated cups of any size

- ▲ Pets (excluding seeing eye dogs)

- ▲ Backpacks

- ▲ Bags larger than the allowed sizes specified

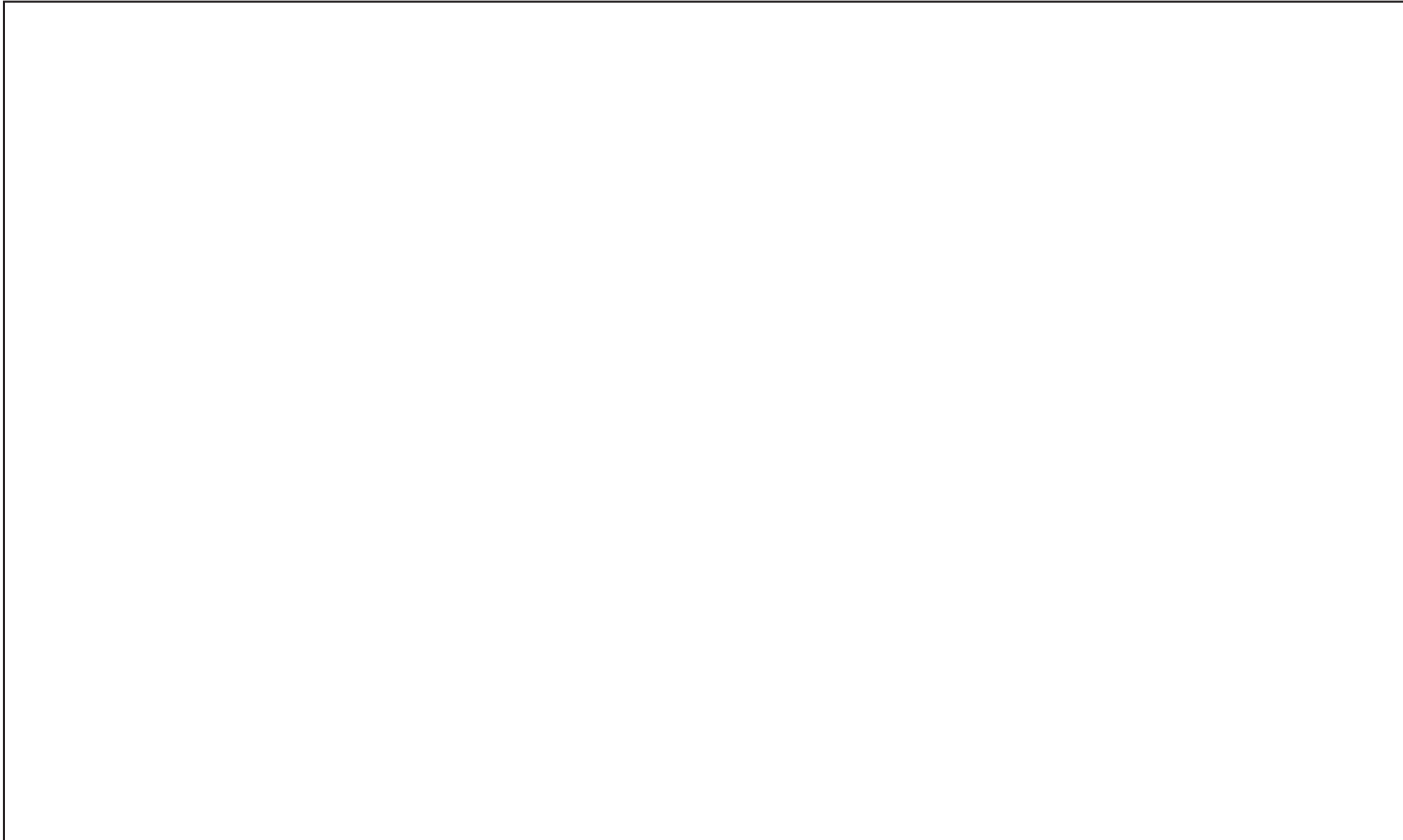
All personnel and items brought through the security checkpoints are subject to inspection.

Gates open at 8 a.m. The show is set to conclude with a performance by the Air Force Thunderbirds at 3 p.m.

All times are approximate and subject to change.

As of presstime, the weather forecast calls for a slight chance of afternoon showers.

See the Air Show insert in today's *Missileer* and Saturday's *Florida Today* for more information.



# 45th SW locks down on shoplifting

By 1st Lt. Eric Badger  
45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

In spite of the probability of getting caught and the potential consequences, shoplifting is still a problem at the Base Exchange.

According to Michael Lovejoy, Army/Air Force Exchange Service manager, last year 66 shoplifting offenders were caught, and this year 20 violators have already been nabbed.

"For whatever reason, some shoplifters have a perception that shoplifting will not be as aggressively pursued as other more serious crimes," he said. "Shoplifting is an impulse reaction. Often times, shoplifters have the money to buy the items they take."

Punishments for the offense include criminal prosecution, minimum six months suspension of AAFES and Commissary privileges and a fine of \$200 for AAFES Civil Recovery. The U.S. District Court citation is \$250.

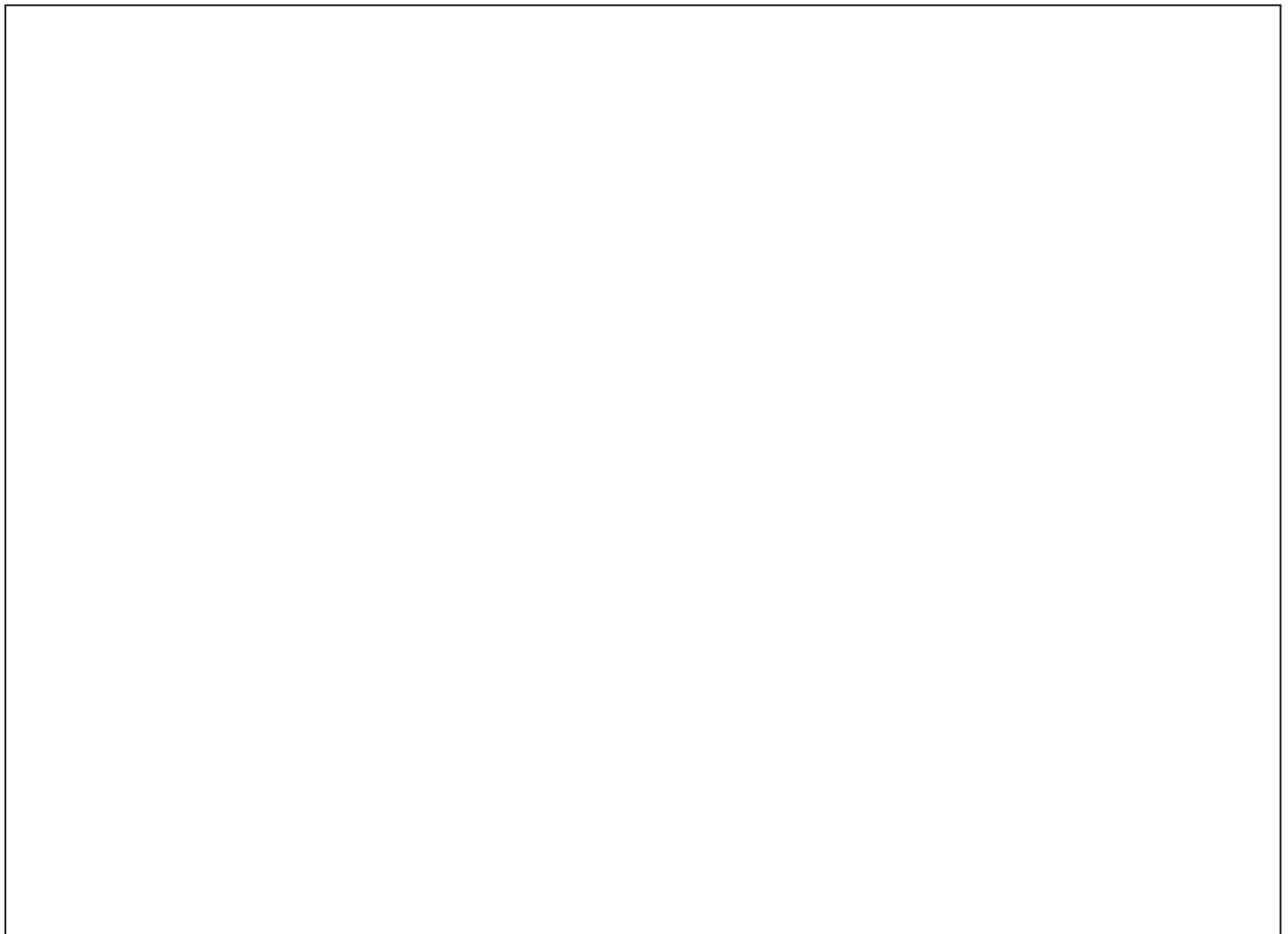
Shoplifting is a violation of Federal law, 18 USC 641 and Article 121 of the Uniformed Code of Military Justice.

According to Mr. Lovejoy, so far this year, February 2003 has shown the highest level of shoplifting activity with nine offenders seized.

"It is imperative that we educate our customers that there are security procedures in place, such as surveillance cameras and warning signs, to deter shoplifters," he said. "There is a high probability that individuals will be caught if they attempt to shoplift."

According to Lynn Skaggs, 45th Security Forces Squadron Reports and Analysis security assistant, the common items shoplifted include cosmetics, costume jewelry, electronics, clothing and prerecorded music.

Base Exchange customers are urged to notify facility management and the 45th SFS at 494-2008 if they see someone shoplifting.



# Father returns from war in time for daughter's wedding

By Lt. Col. K.E. Warren  
920TH RESCUE WING

Call it luck. Call it fate. Call it what you want, but Sarah Stout calls it "overwhelming" that her dad made it home from the war in Iraq in time to give her away at her wedding tomorrow.

Sarah's dad is Tech. Sgt. James Stout, an avionics specialist and mobilized reservist with Patrick's 920th Rescue Wing. He's been on active duty for about a year and has spent nearly six months deployed overseas to the desert sands of Southwest Asia. Most recently, he was sent there in early March for Operation Iraqi Freedom. Unfortunately, Sarah's wedding date was set for April 26 and they feared he would miss it.

In desperation, 21-year-old Sarah e-mailed President Bush and asked if he could have Tech. Sgt. Stout sent home for the wedding. "I did what I had to," said Sarah who has cerebral palsy and gets around in a wheelchair.

In her e-mail to the president she wrote: "As a little girl, I never imagined

I would have someone who loves me or have a wedding day. My father worried whether or not someone would look past my disability to accept me for the person I was. Luckily, someone did."

Those lucky enough to witness Sarah and her dad's emotional reunion April 19 at Melbourne International Airport erupted in spontaneous applause when the sergeant lifted his daughter from her wheelchair and hugged her repeating, "I've got to hold you! I've got to hold you!"

"You're not mad (at me for writing



**Tech. Sgt. James Stout hugs his daughter Sarah after his return from Operation Iraqi Freedom. (Photo by Emily Barnes, Florida Today)**

the president) are you?" Sarah asked between squeals of sheer delight, tears of joy rolling down her cheeks.

"Of course not baby. You did good. You got me here," replied Tech. Sgt. Stout, a veteran of both the Vietnam War and the first Persian Gulf War.

Moments after their reunion, Tech. Sgt. Stout said, "I'd already told her I didn't think I was going to make it. I'm not sure how it happened ... if

sombody pulled strings or whatever. All that matters now is that I'm home. I haven't slept in the four days since I

got word I was coming home."

Officials with the 920th RQW didn't receive any directives from the White House or the Pentagon to bring Tech. Sgt. Stout home. His timely homecoming was apparently a coincidence that paralleled troop drawdowns brought on by the end of major combat operations in Iraq.

"The bottom line is everything worked out well for the Stout family and we're glad about that," said Col. Tim Tarchick, commander of the 920th RQW. "It's like a fairy tale with a happy ending ... or should I say beginning?"

Sarah and her fiancé, Mike Forrester, will be married on the beach in Ormond Beach, Fla. In addition to her father being there, her brother Jim, a corporal in the Marine Corps, who's on convalescent leave, will also attend the wedding.

"I'm so happy they'll both be here, along with my grandmother," said a beaming Sarah, her diamond engagement ring sparkling in the radiant glow of a soon-to-be-bride and the brilliant Florida sun.





Retired Gen. Charles "Chuck" Horner explains his experiences in Desert Storm during officers' and GS 14/15 call in Cape Canaveral's Hangar F. (Photo by 1st Lt. Eric Badger)

## Former Desert Storm commander imparts wisdom to officer audience

By Capt. Susan A. Romano  
45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Retired Gen. Charles "Chuck" Horner visited the 45th Space Wing last week to compare and contrast the first and second Gulf Wars.

He spoke at an officers' GS 14/15 call last week at Cape Canaveral. It was reminiscent of a USO tour, with the general on stage in an old Cape hangar as the crowd looked on and listened to his war experiences.

Gen. Horner retired from active duty in 1994, after serving as the commander for the North American Aerospace Defense Command and Air Force Space Command. Most notably, he commanded U.S. and allied air operations for Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm.

He was impressed with the 45th Space Wing.

"There is obviously a lot of pride here at this wing, especially since you earned an 'Outstanding' on your (operational readiness) inspection," Gen. Horner said. "When I was a commander, that was something I longed for — that level of excellence in Space Operations. Be proud that you worked so hard to get it."

With decorations including the Distinguished Service Medal, two Silver Stars and a Legion of Merit, Gen. Horner has been recognized by his superiors and peers.

He was also decorated with Canada's Meritorious Service Cross and honored by the sovereign states of Bahrain, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

During the call, Gen. Horner talked about Operation Iraqi Freedom and compared it to Operation Desert Storm.

"During the first Gulf War, we dominat-

ed the battle with air defenses and superior air power. But this time out, we did it with a combination of things — superior knowledge, rapid ground action, control of the air, and space superiority."

According to the Gulf War veteran, one of the biggest successes this time was that decisions were made at the lowest level. "Communication is important at every level, but decisions must be decentralized and made by those who don't have to wait for an upper-level approval. Sure, mistakes will be made — we're human — but that's a risk worth taking to get a timely decision."

He has kept a close eye on the television as the war news unfolded by the minute. "We live in a full-time media environment now," he said. "I'm glad the media (are) there on the battlefield because technically, they are the moderators of this ugly thing called war. Our military people are so good at what they do that I want the media there to see us in action."

A command pilot with more than 5,300 hours in aircraft including F-100s, F-105s, F-4s, F-15s and F-16s, he flew 41 combat missions over North Vietnam and 70 combat missions as an F-105 Wild Weasel pilot.

But space remains close to his heart. "Before I retired, and right after Desert Storm, I knew two areas had to grow in the Air Force — air power and space power. Space is now an integrated part of war and defense, which is why we created Space Command."

He resides with his wife, Mary Jo, in Florida. He currently serves as a network news defense analyst and government advisor.

# Teamwork: U.S., U.K. medical forces heal, comfort war's wounded

By Staff Sgt. Marti Ribeiro  
401ST AIR EXPEDITIONARY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Wounded British forces may speak the same language as some of their new medical personnel, but they definitely have a different accent.

U.S. Air Force medical personnel have joined British forces to work on the receiving end of medical evacuation victims while deployed to a Royal Air Force base in the eastern Mediterranean.

While the United Kingdom cares for the victims as they're in the air, once they are on the ground a joint team of physicians, nurses and surgeons from the United Kingdom and United States work together to help the wounded and sick.

There are almost 30 American medics working in cooperation with the British teams, commanded by Lt. Col. Brian McCrary, 45th Medical Group's chief of Flight Medicine.

The eastern Mediterranean hospital, where the medevac team lands, is the primary evacuation site for forward-deployed British forces, but has been used for civilian and U.S. casualties during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"Since the beginning of the war, we've had more than 200 patients evacuated into here," said RAF Group Capt. David McConnell, hospital commander.

According to Capt. McConnell, most of the injuries were not battle related. "We've had soldiers come in with severe back problems or diseases - these are considered non-battle injuries," said British Army Col. Nuri Ismail, lead consultant surgeon. "But we have also had our fair share of battle-related injuries."

Patients with shrapnel wounds, land mine wounds and high-velocity gun shot injuries have frequented the hospital in the last few weeks.

Just last week a British soldier was flown in with shrapnel wounds, Capt. McConnell said. "He had injuries to the nerve in his back. The team that operated on him had both American and British surgeons."

These patients, whether seen by a physician



A British and American doctor examine wounds on a British soldier in a hospital at a Royal Air Force Base in the eastern Mediterranean. Though American and British medical systems have operational differences, the teams work well together to ensure their patients' speedy recoveries. (Photo courtesy of 401st Air Expeditionary Wing)

or surgeon are in the good hands of a team from both the United States and the U.K.

"Patients wounded in battle are sent to us with open wounds," said Lt. Col. Teresa Goodpaster, general surgeon.

"We clean them and either close them up or get them ready to send some place else."

But, whatever the case, the medical team works side-by-side for the best interest of the patient. While the integration of the Americans into the British medical center has been pretty smooth, there were some differences.

"It took a little getting used to a different system with slightly different medications, but the

personnel have learned to adapt and have worked really well together," Lt. Col. Goodpaster

said.

"Having the Americans here has been great," said British Army Col. Keith Galbraith, consultant surgeon.

"We've learned a lot from them but at the same time, they have proven to be an essential part of the mission."

This isn't the first time American service-members have visited this hospital. During the embassy bombing in Beirut almost 20 years ago, injured Marines were transferred to this British hospital for stabilization before being shipped to an American hospital in Germany.

"We actually had 21 of the worst cases from that bombing come through here," Col. Galbraith said.

Fortunately, there have been few casualties during this operation and once the likelihood of battle casualties decreases even more, the presence of American forces will disperse and the hospital and ground medevac teams will revert back to all British personnel.

But, for right now, U.K. and American medical forces are working well and enjoying every day they have together. Even though they do things differently and have different accents, medical care is universal.

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Col. Keith Galbraith

BRITISH ARMY CONSULTANT SURGEON



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**Waves national meets**

The Space Coast Unit of Waves National monthly meeting/luncheon is May 10 at 10:30 a.m. at the Indian River Colony Club on Murrell Road in Viera.

Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month.

For reservations, call 768-6289 by May 5.

**Junior enlisted needed**

The Junior Enlisted Advisory Council is looking for junior enlisted members to participate in a retreat ceremony Tuesday. This ceremony is dedicated to those who are deployed.

The Ceremony starts at 5 p.m. and people should be in place no later than 4:30 p.m.

Call Tech. Sgt Karen Rowe at 494-4507 for information.

**Free theme park tickets**

Anheuser-Busch, beginning May 23, offers a free single-day admission to Sea World, Busch Gardens and Sesame Place parks to active duty military, active reservists, U.S. Coast Guard, National

**Additional parking for party**

Parking for the Air Show's appreciation party at the Officers' Club Saturday is near the pedestrian gate at the northeast end of Bldg. 423's parking lot. The gate is open from 5:30-10 p.m. This is due to the fact that there won't be enough space at the Officers' Club parking lot.

This adult-only event is open to wing military and civilian personnel (ID card holders).

Guardsmen as many as four direct family members. Offer expires Nov. 11, 2003.

**Heartlink starts**

The Heartlink program will be introduced during the Newcomers Orientation May 20 at the NCO Club, 7:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Heartlink is a new program that teaches spouses about military life. This is not mandatory but it is highly encouraged. Spouses may stay for the entire briefing or leave after the information fair at 9 a.m. For more information, contact Lt. Sharon Jackson at 494-2766 or Staff Sgt. Cynthia Birriel at 494-6144.

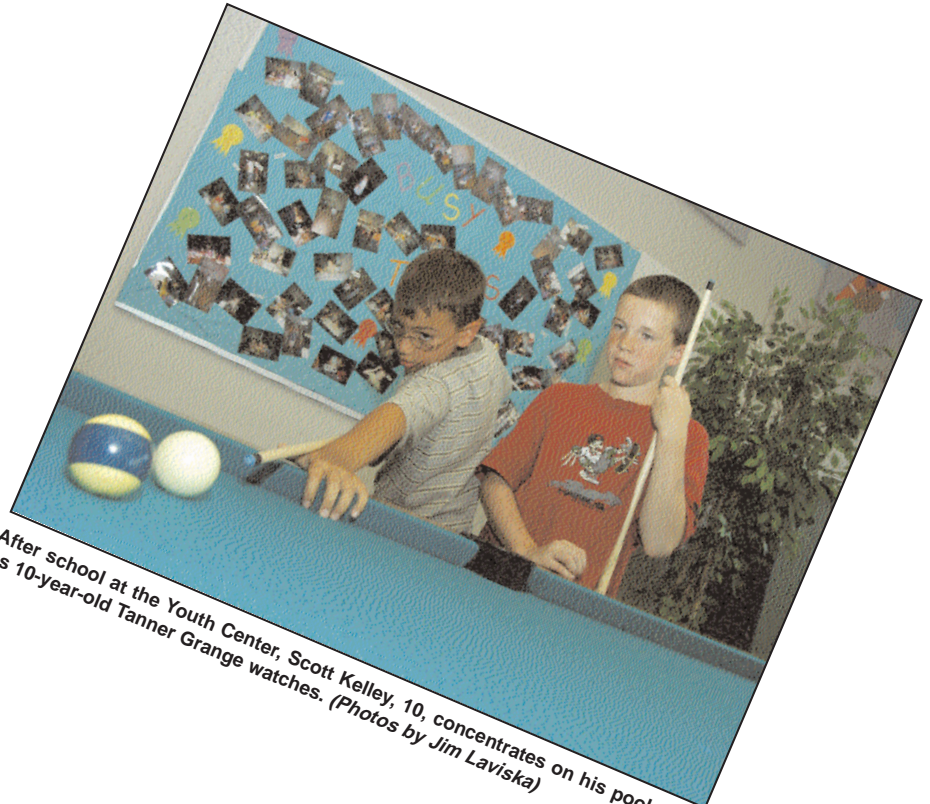
**VBS is coming**

Vacation Bible School is at South Patrick Chapel 9 a.m. - noon June 2-6. Age requirements are preschool to 6th grade. "Super Cool Underwater Bible Adventures" is the theme. Bus transportation will be provided for Central and North Housing.

For more information and/or reservations call 494-4073. Limited space is available.



# Celebrating the Month of the Military Child



After school at the Youth Center, Scott Kelley, 10, concentrates on his pool shot as 10-year-old Tanner Grange watches. (Photos by Jim Laviska)

By Sue Walden  
45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Ten-year-old Krystal Sablan is proud she's different from some of her classmates at Holland Elementary School in Satellite Beach. Krystal is a "military child."

The fourth-grader has moved several times - Puerto Rico, Tampa and here in the last few years, but she sees moving as an advantage. "You meet a lot of friends," she said. "When you're a child of a military parent, you learn to make friends fast, too."

The stories are the same when interviewing children of military parents. "I'm a little shy when I first come to a new school, but then it wears off and I make friends pretty fast," said fifth-grader Stirling Wright, who moved here two years ago from Charleston, S.C. The children agree that the biggest disadvantage to moving is leaving friends behind. "It's hard to leave because you lose contact with your friends and it hurts," said Robert Branch, 13.

Going to exotic places, living in other countries, learning different languages are all advantages the common military child experiences. "And tasting different foods, gosh I miss the bratwurst - it's my favorite," said 14-year-old Tyler Holland, who lived in Germany for six

years. The DeLaura Middle School seventh-grader grew up in Giessen, Germany, playing with American and German children and learning the host nation's culture and language. "There definitely are differences between the two countries, but that's what makes it interesting," he said.

Military children who live on base agree that they have a great sense of security. "I feel very safe," said Greg Hernandez, 12. "We might have curfews, but I know I'm safe and that makes me feel good."

Patriotism runs high in military children. Just ask one what the advantages are of being a military child and the subject is bound to come up. "I think we have more respect for our military and our country than other children," said Tyler Holland. "I'm proud my dad is serving in the Air Force," said Joseph Breznai, 10 years old.

The children are also tuned into the economy. "It's cheaper to be a military family because if you live on base you don't

have to pay for electricity, water or rent," said Tyler Holland.

"My favorite thing about being a military child is that you get discounts at theme parks," said Krystal. "That's the fun part."



Eleven-year-old Tenesha Terrell, left, and Bianca Kelley, 11 take turns playing an educational game at the Youth Center.



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Family  
Advocacy  
Program

Keeping families  
happy and healthy



Taking out some fun time during the Swap 'Til You Drop event Wednesday at the Diaper Club, Pam Higgins plays with her daughter Kierra as Tyler Jones, from left, Karlie Higgins and Sergio Muniz relax. (Photo by Joyce Cardenas)

By Ida Barry  
45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Feelings of isolation and loss overwhelmed Linda Mullinax when she and her husband first moved to Patrick AFB. But those feelings were quickly doused when she joined the Diaper Club.

"This was the first time I had been a stay-at-home mom," she said. "I had always enjoyed the company of friends, yet after living here for six months I still did not know anyone. I felt alone and without a support system to rely upon."

Her life changed the day she picked up a Diaper Club flyer at the Base Exchange. "This is a wonderful club where kids can interact

with each other and it gives parents a chance to get out of the house and enjoy some adult time," she said. "It provides a place to solve problems and a great place for resources. My daughter and I have been attending the meetings ever since. I am thrilled to have given it a try."

The Diaper Club is just one of the programs offered by the Family Advocacy Program, an agency that promotes emotionally-healthy families.

Janet Russell is another staunch supporter of the Diaper Club. "I have been attending these meetings for more than one and a half years," she said. "My son, Jordan, and I set our weekly schedule around

Wednesday. He has two older sisters and does not have anyone his age to interact with. It has also provided him with social building skills."

"The Diaper Club is one of the most popular programs that the Family Advocacy Program offers," according to Joyce Cardenas, FAP assistant. It is a learning/play group for parents and their children ages newborn to 36 months; they meet every Wednesday from 10-11:30 a.m. at 20B Carolina St., South Housing.

The 45th Space Wing's Family Advocacy Program promotes a variety of programs to enhance the health, welfare and morale of all the various active duty services families assigned to Patrick. "The Family Advocacy Program is all about building healthy families," said Larry Kelly, Family Advocacy Outreach worker.

"Our goal is for Patrick to be a healthy family, connecting the people that can be their support during time of stress - that is the purpose and notion of our community connection support. All programs offer education and training."

FAP's treatment component's primary mission is abuse prevention and also identifies and treats of children and spouses who have

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- Linda Mullinax  
DIAPER CLUB MEMBER

been abused. This program educates families by helping them to develop additional life skills, thus lowering the risk of further incidents and resulting in healthier and happier families.

FAP's Behavior Management Program provides classes on anger and stress management, effective communication, couples' counseling and improving self-esteem.

The New Parent Support Program serves active-duty families from pregnancy to the third birthday of the youngest child. The program offers information on childbirth education and parenting classes. Services - which include parent support, intensive home-based nursing and social work services for families in the greatest need - are tailored to meet the unique needs of each family. The program is free and most of the services are home-based for the comfort and convenience of the family.

The Family Support Program is there to enhance families' quality of life and sometimes to smooth out the rough spots. For more information about the agency and its programs, call 494-8171 or visit the team in Bldg. 1370 (behind the main clinic).



# Wing dedicated to preserving environment

By Capt. Susan A. Romano  
45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The roots of modern-day Earth Day can be traced back to 1963, when Wisconsin Sen. Gaylord Nelson began to worry about the health of the planet. For the next seven years, Sen. Nelson championed the cause to change how Earth's population dealt with environmental issues.

He wrote letters to colleges and universities, took out ads in magazines and newspapers, and spread the word about his new idea: a day dedicated to educating everyone about the importance of taking care of the Earth.

On April 22, 1970, the first Earth Day celebration was held. Since then, people from across the globe dedicate time and resources to encouraging good stewardship to the Earth.

This year is no exception at the 45th Space Wing. The 45th Civil Engineer Environmental Flight spends a great deal of time throughout the year focusing on environmental issues, including protecting endangered species, non-protected species and vegetation, preventing soil and beach erosion, and ensuring Earth-friendly materials are used by contractors and base agencies. The flight also monitors water for health concerns and ensures hazardous waste is disposed of properly.

"The men and women of the 45th SW are

truly dedicated to protecting and preserving the environment for future generations," said Lex Stokes, chief of the wing's Environmental Flight. "Their diligent oversight ensures the wing remains the premier gateway to space while complying with all environmental requirements and safeguarding the wing's precious and unique natural and cultural resources."

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection officially designated Manatee Cove, Patrick AFB's premier marina, as both a Clean Marina and Clean Boatyard for 2002, the first time in history an Air Force marina was named a clean marina, while also earning the prestige of being the first military facility ever to be designated as a clean boatyard in the nation.

Because of its strong focus on environmental issues, local and regional media outlets came to the marina on Earth Day to get an up-close look at what the marina does to educate its mariners on environmental issues.

Rik Rollins, marina manager, and his staff have worked tirelessly to achieve the level of success when it comes to environmental issues. "Maintaining a clean marina and clean boatyard is the right thing to do, not only for our patrons, but also for the environment," Mr. Rollins said. "We will continue above and beyond what we have accomplished in the name of the environmentally-concerned mariner."



A mother pelican feeds her baby at Patrick's Manatee Cove Marina. The facility recently won the Clean Marina and Clean Boatyard awards. (Photo courtesy of 45th Civil Engineer Squadron)

# Women's softball off to slow start

By Staff Sgt. Joel Langton  
45TH SW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The women's softball season is off to a slow start due to a lack of participants.

"We've got three teams right now," said Ralph Robinson, intramural director. "So, every week, the one team plays a double header where they play one team at 6 p.m., then the other at 7 p.m."

Meanwhile, the men's league is alive and well, with a dozen teams.

Mr. Robinson said he realizes that the women's league won't be adding nine teams, but he would like to add a few more.

He'll form another team if necessary, or accept unit additions.

For information on playing, give Mr. Robinson a call at 494-4947.

Kelly Trickey, a captain in the 45th Space Communications Squadron, slaps a single for the 45th Services Squadron women's team Monday evening. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Joel Langton)



## Golf league forms

The Manatee Cove Golf Course is organizing the 2003 Summer Golf League, which begins around May 21.

An organizational meeting is at 3 p.m. May 16 in the Manatee Cove Lounge. All team coaches or representatives are asked to attend. Any organization that will not be represented is asked to contact Fred Mills, golf league director, to confirm their wish to enter a team. Call 494-7856 for more information.

## Softball standings

AFTAC Blue	5-0
CSR/Cube	5-1
CES-A	5-1
NOTU	4-2
Cape team	4-2
Med group	4-1
SFS	3-2
MSS	1-4
333rd RS	1-5
FBM-OTSU	1-5
RANS	0-4
AFTAC Gr	0-6

**Get fit**

May is National Sports and Physical Fitness Month. Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station Fitness Centers are encouraging people to get excited about getting fit and staying fit for a lifetime by conducting special events and programs throughout May.

Register for some or all of May Fitness Month's activities. Punch cards will be issued to every May Fitness Month participant. Get a punch card and get it punched for each event. To receive a T-shirt, participate in one event or complete a punch card. Call the Patrick Fitness and Sports Center at 494-4947 or the Cape Fitness and Sports Center at 853-3966 for additional information on how you can participate.

May Fitness Month Events:

Date	Time	Event
May 1	7 a.m.	Armed Forces 5K Run/1.5-mile walk (CCAFS)
May 1	11 a.m.	Armed Forces 5K Run/1.5-mile walk (PAFB)
May 2	11 a.m.	Pedal Paddle, Pant (PAFB)
May 5 & 7	5p.m.	Water Polo Tournament at PAFB Lap Pool
May 9	9 a.m.	Aqua-exercise in the Lap Pool
May 9	Noon	Circuit training workout in the PAFB basketball gym in observance of Spouses Day.
May 12-14	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	3-on-3 Basketball Tournament at PAFB gym
May 12-16	TBD	Tennis and Racquetball Challenge at CCAFS Fitness Center. Contact Cape Fitness & Sports Center at 494-3966 for times.
May 16	6:30 a.m.	WarFit 5K run/ 1.5 mile walk PAFB Fitness Center
May 16	7:30 a.m.	WarFit 5K run/ 1.5 mile walk CCAFS Fitness Center
May 16	11 a.m.	Squadron Fun Swim Relays a PAFB Lap Pool
May 16	11 a.m.	Duathlon at CCAFS only
May 19, 21	6:30-7:30 a.m.	Wallyball challenge at PAFB Fitness Center
May 19	10 a.m. - noon	Wallyball challenge at CCAFS Fitness Center
May 22	11 a.m.	SWAP Walk - Stretch, Walk and a Potato.
May 23	11 a.m.	10-mile bike ride - CCAFS & PAFB Fitness Centers
May 28	6:30 a.m.	3-mile Walk for "Senior Citizens Day" at CCAFS
May 28	8:30 a.m.	3-mile Walk for "Senior Citizens Day" at PAFB. Brunch will follow in the HAWC (PAFB only)
May 29	Noon	Triathlon Safety Brief & Clinic in the HAWC
May 30	11 a.m.	Mini Triathlon at PAFB Fitness Center

**Services facilities revise hours for Air Show**

Several 45th Services Squadron facilities will operate on a revised schedule as a result of the Patrick Air Show April 27.

The following facilities will be open but operate on amended hours:

- ▲ Aero Club open from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- ▲ Patrick Fitness Center from 8 a.m. - noon
- ▲ Riverside Dining Facility brunch hours from 5:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The following facilities will be closed: Auto Skills, Bowling Center; Engraving and Framing; Information, Tickets and Travel; Patrick Library; NCO Club; and Outdoor Recreation.

All other facilities will operate during normal business hours.

**Register for Kids Triathlon**

The Patrick Youth Center and Fitness and Sports Center presents a Kids Triathlon May 31 at 8 a.m. Arrival time for all participants is 7:15 a.m. This event is free and takes place at the Patrick Fitness and Sports Center. Family members of active duty or retired military, DoD personnel or NAF employees and DoD contractors are eligible.

All participants must register at the Youth Center or the Fitness and Sports Center by May 28.

Registered participants receive a T-shirt and medal.

Awards will be given for first-, second- and third-place in each age group. For more information and to register, call 494-4947 or 494-3770.

Ages	Swim	Bike	Run
6-8	25 yards	1 mile	1/4 mile
9-11	50 yards	2 miles	1/2 mile
12-14	50 yards	2 miles	1/2 mile
15-18	100 yards	3 miles	1 mile

**Annual Car Show and Yard Sale**

Outdoor Recreation and the Auto Skills Center are sponsoring a Car Show/Yard Sale and Dockside Deck party May 17, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Enjoy free boat rides, kayaks and canoes and food that will be on sale.

For unusual or hard-to-find items in good condition, come to the base-wide yard sale. Space is available if you'd like to sell your crafts or used items.

Call Terry Hamric at 494-9692 for space. Cost is \$3 per table.

To display a car, call Clint Fisher at 494-2537.





Brig. Gen.  
Greg Pavlovich  
45th SW  
commander

## Action Line: 494-6550

The Action Line is your direct link to me and provides a valuable source of information on ways we can work together to make Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station better places to work and live.

The best way to get something fixed is to identify the problem to supervisors and first sergeants.

If you can't get your problem resolved through the agencies, contact the Action Line: e-mail, Commander'sLine@patrick.af.mil; recorded message, 494-6550 or mail, 45SW/PA 1201 Edward H. White II St, Ste C-130, Patrick AFB FL 32925-3237; fax, 494-7302. Address all correspondence "Attn: Action Line."

When directing an issue to the Action Line, callers must indicate to whom they've previously addressed the issue.

### 45th Mission Support Group

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### Base Housing

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Capt. Marlon Johnson  
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494-6202

### Financial Services

1st Lt. Raymond Kipp Bradley  
494-7171

### 45th Medical Group

Col. Charles Mackett III  
494-8100

### Ground Safety

Paul Compton 494-2202

### Inspector General

Lt. Col. Ralph Gracia  
494-2287



### Catholic

**Daily Mass** 11:30 a.m. in the Seaside Chapel.

**Saturday:** 4 p.m. Confession. 5 p.m. Mass in the South Patrick Chapel.

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. Mass in the South Patrick Chapel and 11:30 a.m. Mass in the Seaside Chapel.

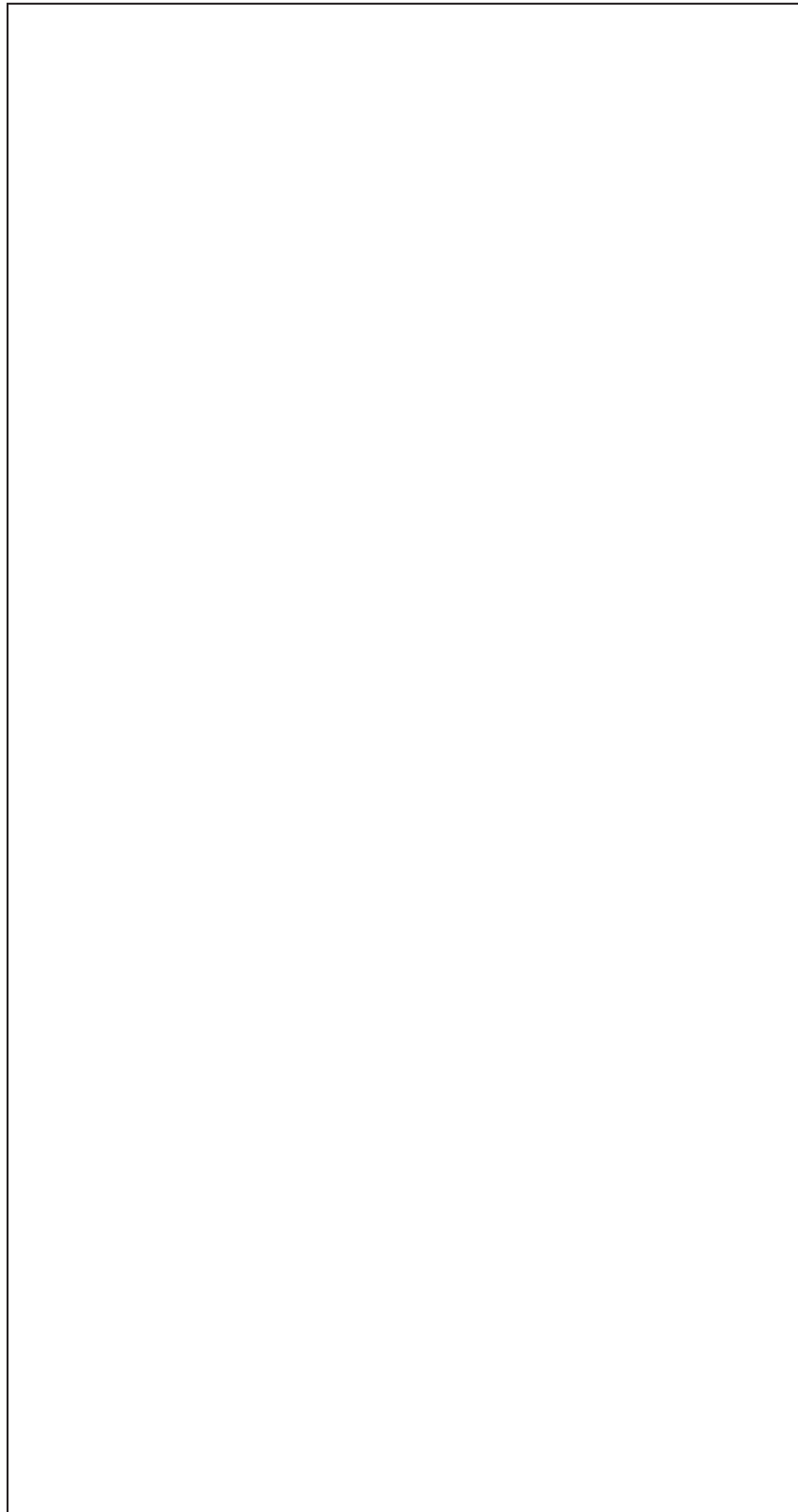
### Protestant

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. Traditional worship in the Seaside Chapel.

9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School in Seaside Chapel. Grades K-12 at South Patrick Chapel.

11 a.m. Inspirational Service in the South Patrick Chapel.

**Wednesday:** 5:30 p.m. Fellowship dinner in the South Patrick Chapel.



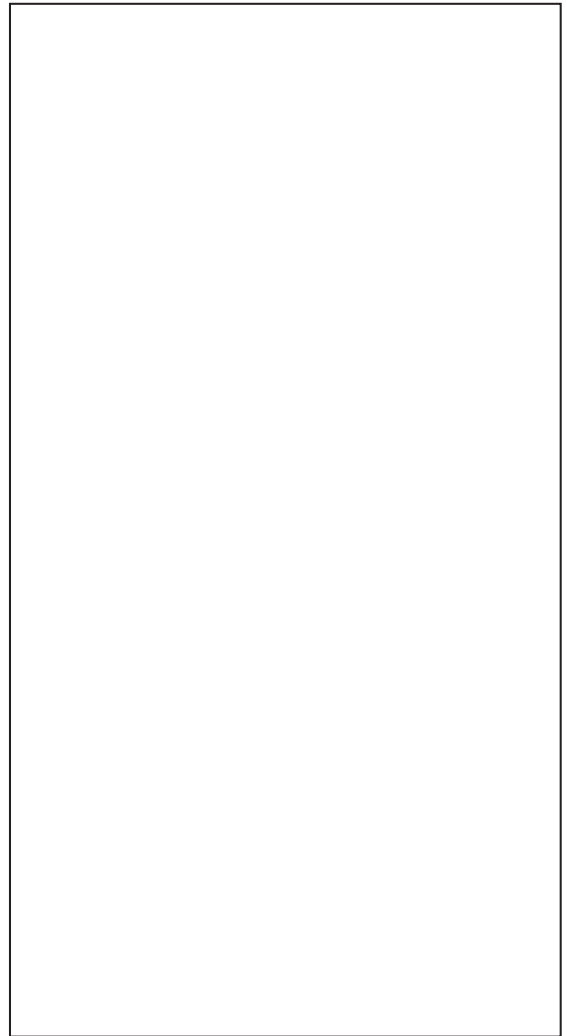
**Friday** *The Hours* Nicole Kidman won best actress in a leading role in 2003's Academy Awards for her portrayal of a character who's struggling with mental illness. Stars Meryl Streep and Nicole Kidman. (PG-13 for mature thematic elements and some disturbing images)

**Saturday** *Bringing Down the House* Peter is a divorced attorney who's doing his best to move on with his life. He's been chatting online and when his new friend comes to his house he discovers she's not who he thinks she is. It's Charlene, a prison escapee who wants Peter to help clear her name. Stars Steve Martin and Queen Latifah. (PG-13 for language, sexual humor and drug material)

**Sunday Matinee** *Bringing Down the House* See Saturday's synopsis.

**Sunday** *Dreamcatcher* Four young friends perform a heroic act, and in the process are transformed forever by receiving special powers. Years later, now grown, the four reunite for a hunting trip in the Maine woods. A stranger soon interrupts the trip, and the friends must band together to battle a mysterious alien force as the future of the earth hangs in the balance. Stars Donnie Wahlberg and Jason Lee. (R for violence, gore and language)

Show times are 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Admission is \$2.50 for ages 12 and older and \$1.50 for children 11 and younger.







### Riverside Dining Facility Menu

**Saturday brunch** - Creole shrimp, doubly-good chicken, #savory baked chicken, Swedish meatballs

**Saturday supper** - #Baked fish, barbecue chicken, doubly-good chicken, Hungarian goulash

**Sunday brunch** - Cantonese spareribs, grill mustard chicken, oven-fried fish

**Sunday supper** - Steak loin strip, stir-fry beef with broccoli, turkey nuggets

**Monday lunch** - #Baked stuffed fish, pot roast, #roast loin of pork

**Monday dinner** - Cannelloni beef, #chili mac, southern-fried chicken

**Tuesday lunch** - Salmon cakes, #teriyaki chicken, veal parmesan

**Tuesday dinner** - #Country captain chicken, meat loaf, turkey a la king

**Wednesday lunch** - Sukiyaki, teriyaki chicken, beef stir-fry, sweet n sour pork

**Wednesday dinner** - Barbecue spareribs, #lemon-herb chicken, stuffed pork chops

**Thursday lunch** - Herbed-baked chicken, Southern-fried catfish, stuffed cabbage rolls

**Thursday dinner** - Glazed Cornish hen, Jaegerschnitzel with mushroom sauce, #roast loin of pork

**May 2 lunch** - Mexican-baked chicken, stuffed green peppers, Swiss steak with tomato sauce

**May 2 dinner** - #Lasagna, spaghetti with meat sauce, Italian sausage

Menus are subject to change. For more information, please call dial-a-menu 494-2845. Item with an “#” are healthy choice.



### Public Library presentations

April 29, 7:00 p.m. **Speaker and slide presentation** about “The Benefits of Chiropractic and Your Health” at the Cocoa Beach Public Library. Presentation includes discussion on the immune systems and the benefits of chiropractic adjustments and adjusting vitality. Program is free. Call 868-1104.

### Music

April 27, 2-4 p.m. **Jazz quartet presentation** at the Cocoa Beach Public Library to wind up Jazz Appreciation Month. Activities include music and discussion of the style’s uniqueness and its musical forms. Refreshments will be served. Program is free. Call 868-1104.

### Festivals

April 25-28, Sand Point Park in Titusville. **Family festival** that includes food and drinks, a carnival, live entertainment, raft race, arts and crafts, antique car show and other great activities.

Admission and parking are free. Call 267-3036.

April 26-27, 10 a.m. **The 2003 Melbourne Art Festival** on the streets of historic downtown Melbourne. Events include an art show, 5K run, food court, street concessions and park and ride. Entertainment is free with various vocalist groups performing swing, reggae, rock, acoustic and pop music. Call 722-1964 for more information.

May 25, 1-6 p.m.; **“The Art of Harleys” festival of bikes** located on Wickham Park (off Parkway Drive) in Melbourne. Event includes bands and big fun. Call 690-6817.

### Art exhibit

Throughout April at 3550 S. Washington Ave. in Titusville: **Paintings of Challenger and Columbia’s last flight** and a stained glass shuttle display. Admission is free. Call 268-2147.





