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Photo courtesy of the 45th CES Environmental Flight

A 45th Civil Engineer Squadron contractor samples groundwater near Space Launch Complex 37 at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Using a geoprobe, testers can check for contaminants in the water.

Environmental tops in DoD

By Terri Bracher

45th Civil Engineer Squadron

It was a long road with tough competition along the way, but the 45th Civil Engineer Squadron's Environmental Flight once again proved they are unsurpassed by winning the 2003 Department of Defense Environmental Restoration Team Award.

This award recognizes efforts to protect human health and the environment by cleaning up identified DoD sites in a timely, cost-efficient and responsive manner.

"Our environmental flight is consistently recognized for their outstanding programs, teamwork and commitment to protecting, preserving and restoring the environment. They were recently named the Air Force's Outstanding Environmental Flight and honored with two additional Air Force awards. Now,

this recognition at the highest level, indicates they are truly the best of the best in the entire Department of Defense," said Brig. Gen. Greg Pavlovich, 45th Space Wing commander.

The wing's restoration team is comprised of a group of individuals with diverse backgrounds and 308 total years of experience.

The 45th Civil Engineer Squadron's personnel work closely with other team members from the Environmental Protection Agency and other agencies.

There are 166 Installation Restoration Program sites on wing facilities, covering 2,800 acres. Of these, 109 were approved for no further action, 18 are in long-term management or undergoing remediation, eight are in remedial design or in the remedial implementation stage, while 18 are undergoing investigation. During the award period, "remedy in place" was achieved at 10

sites, eight sites were approved for "no further action" and the remaining two sites have long-term management requirements.

The IRP team executed a \$22 million budget during the last two fiscal years and hosted 22 innovative, remedial technology demonstrations.

The flight has won five consecutive years of recognition at the Air Force level, three out of the last five years at the DoD level and taking 62 percent of all Air Force Space Command environmental awards.

"The Environmental Flight has become the benchmark to follow throughout the command, Air Force and DOD," said Lt. Col. Ray Sable, 45th CES commander. "I am proud of the men and women of our environmental flight and in particular the members of the restoration team."



Straight from the Commander's Desk



By Brig. Gen. Greg Pavlovich
45th SW commander

Goal surpassed! Thanks to everyone who gave during this year's Air Force Assistance Fund drive. It took a bit longer than hoped, but you did it. Kudos to project officers Lt. Col. Lynn Malone and Maj. Scott Langan and all the key workers who got us over the hump. We owe a special salute to our Patrick Spouses Club. They donated \$2,000. Wow! I got a nice congratulatory phone call from Lt. Gen. Dan Leaf, Air Force Space Command vice commander, but as I told him the glory is all yours. Once again, you came through in the clutch.

Speaking of clutch performers, Tech. Sgt. Terrence Cosby of the 45th Security Forces Squadron, was named one of Air Force Space Command's outstanding Airmen at a banquet last week at Peterson AFB, Colo.

Terrence, a reservist, will now compete to be one of the Air Force's 12 Outstanding Airmen. Many of you remember Tech. Sgt. Karen Rowe, formerly the assistant to our command chief. Karen, now based at Cheyenne Mountain in Colo., was STEP promoted to master sergeant at the same banquet where Terrence was honored. She got her new stripe based on her superb performance here at the 45th Space Wing.

In other good news Senior Master Sgt. Larry Blake, 45th Medical Group, was a distinguished graduate from the Senior NCO Academy. That means he finished in the top 1 percent of all attendees ... way to go!

Ask any award winner if they would be as successful without spousal support and I am sure they would answer with a resounding: "No way!" In many ways, spouses sacrifice more than service members for our nation and are warriors in their own right. I would not be where I am without my wife Deb. It is critical to let our spouses know how important they are to us and how much we appreciate them.

To help do that, we are celebrating Friday, May 14 as Spouse Appreciation Day. Our Family Support Center is sponsoring several commemorative activities. One of those activities is a "Why I Appreciate My Spouse" essay-writing contest. The contest is open to all military personnel and DoD civilians. Entries must be dou-



Photo illustration by Jim Laviska

Lt. Col. Lynn Malone, left, and Maj. Scott Langan, this year's Air Force Assistance Fund drive project officers, put up a new banner on the AFAF sign Tuesday signifying that the 45th Space Wing surpassed its goal.

bled-spaced, two pages or less.

Entries can be e-mailed to Mr. Larry Fulk or dropped off to him at building 722. Entries must be received by May 7. Call Larry at 494-5675 for more information. See the list of events in this week's edition on Page 10.

While military spouses are truly warriors, another group of Space Coast warriors are the members of our Guardian Challenge team. Today, we will send them off in high style with a FREE picnic and pep rally at Chevron Park starting at 11 a.m. Everyone is invited. This is going to be lots of fun and a great chance to let our team know we are behind them 100 percent. Our team departs for Vandenberg AFB, Calif., Sunday. I have no doubt they will bring the Schriever Trophy back to the 45th SW!

While they are at Vandenberg next week, we will have our annual hurricane exercise here at Patrick and the Cape. It was an unavoidable conflict, the exercise had to be scheduled at this time to assure optimum participation by other government agencies. This year's exercise will feature lots more involvement from them, which will make it more realistic and a more valuable learning experience for all.

I encourage you to read up on all your hurricane response actions and please take this drill seriously. Mr. William Gray, the noted hurricane forecaster, predicts 14 storms in the Atlantic will reach tropical storm status and earn names. He says eight will become hurricanes. The season officially starts June 1. Your

readiness is crucial to protecting our resources ... and by the way, you and your families are the most important. Get your home hurricane kits and evacuation plans prepared.

The success of the annual Space Congress held this week in Cape Canaveral is an example of the value of advance preparation. Tuesday, I had the pleasure of opening this forum. It is a gathering of space professionals who discuss programs, trends and the way ahead.

Mike Bauer of our Plans and Programs Office and Wayne Wambach of our Range Management Squadron were our primary project officers. Sharon Rodriguez, also of XP, pitched in. They worked together with Canaveral Council of Technical Societies representatives to put on another great congress. Well done!

On a final note, last week we hosted Air Force Space Command's Facilities Excellence Recognition Program Team. Overall, the team was very impressed with what they saw. The team recognized Mr. Pat Giniowski and Mr. Robert Samsel of our Civil Engineer Squadron for their outstanding contributions.

The team will visit all of the bases in our command before naming a winner in October. The first place winner will get \$200K for quality of life initiatives. Thanks to all of your hard work, we have a legitimate shot at that money. The last slide of their out brief said it best: "START ... the 45th SW got it!"

Our team of active duty, reservists, guardsmen and civilians is second to none. God bless!



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To pray or not to pray

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Prayer is definitely a news item. Whether an individual can pray publicly in our schools, or at sporting events has been debated and I am sure that it will continue to be discussed. Regardless of the result of the public prayer debate, you and I have a choice to make.

On Thursday in communities across America, millions will unite at noon for the 53rd Annual National Day of Prayer, to pray for our troops, our leaders and our nation.

It is an individual's choice to make, and I invite you, actually, I challenge you to join in prayer Thursday, adding your voice with those of countless others in support of our nation. It won't take but a few moments of your time, and the effect of your support cannot be underestimated. Please consider taking part in this important event. Thank you for your willingness to participate.

Prayer for the Nation 2004

By Dr. Barry Black

Chaplain of the United States Senate

Gracious God,

You have been good to us beyond our deserving, making our Nation a land of liberty. Help us to protect our freedoms with diligence and integrity.

Lord, bless our military as it advances freedom's cause around the world. Bless also the institutions of power and influence in our society - the government, the churches, the media, the schools and the families.

May each bring glory to Your name.

Forgive us when we stray from right paths. We place our trust in You, oh Lord, believing that Your hand will sustain America. Let no shadows obscure the pathways that we should tread.

We pray in Your holy name. Amen.

Sea turtle nesting begins

By Keitha Dattilo-Bain

45th CES Environmental Flight

Area beaches are getting more crowded lately ... and not just from humans. It's sea turtle nesting season and much of its success depends on people.

Sea turtles travel hundreds to thousands of miles to reach offshore feeding sites. Each nesting season, March to October, most females make the long return trip to nest on the beach where they were born. Research suggests that these miraculous navigational feats are attributed to detection of both the angle and intensity of the earth's magnetic field. One might say turtles have their own internal Global Positioning System.

Returning to her natal beach, this 100- to 1,300-pound reptile digs a 1.5 to 2.5-foot-deep egg chamber with her rear flippers and carefully deposits her eggs. After covering the nest and disguising the location by throwing sand, she makes her way back to the ocean. Hatchlings emerge from the nest approximately 60 days later. The hatchlings orient themselves to the brightest horizon then make the dash to the ocean.

Unfortunately, the hatchlings face many obstacles before reaching the adult stage. If predators, such as raccoons, birds, crabs or fish don't catch them during their first few days of life, then garbage or artificial lighting may impact their survival.

Artificial lighting can adversely affect sea turtle behaviors when choosing nesting sites, returning to the sea after nesting, and correctly orienting to the sea after emerging from the nest. Managing artificial lighting is one of the easiest ways to protect threatened and endangered sea turtles.

Organizations, mission partners and residents at Patrick and the Cape are reminded to turn off all nonessential lighting (interior and exterior) at night during peak sea turtle nesting season, May 1 - Oct. 31, from 9 p.m. - 6 a.m.

Any lighting that is not categorized as mission-, safety-, or security-essential is considered nonessential. Facility managers are responsible for extinguishing all nonessential lighting during this time frame.



Photo courtesy of 45th CES

Female sea turtles, like this green turtle, face many obstacles while nesting. Observing light regulations and staying away from turtles and their hatchlings help them survive.

Turn off headlights immediately when arriving at beach.

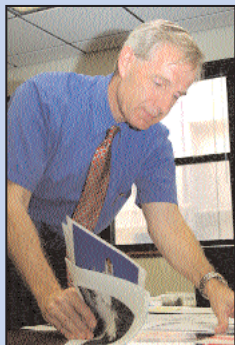
Don't use flashlights on or near the beach.

Do not approach female sea turtles attempting to choose a nesting site, in the process of creating a nest, or laying eggs. Watch her activities from a safe distance so she will not abandon her nesting attempts.

Allow hatchlings to crawl to the ocean themselves so they can imprint and return to the beach years later as adults.

The 45 CES/CEV office will be conducting sea turtle and light surveys to monitor sea turtle populations, light pollution effects on sea turtle behavior and violations of the Endangered Species Act and 45 SW Instruction (SWI) 32-7001, Exterior Lighting Management. Incidents of inappropriate light operation will be reported to the accountable facility managers and appropriate commanders.

For more information, call 494-7288.



Commander Q&A :

Mr. Mark Cleary
45th Space Wing
Historian

Q. What is your mission as the 45th Space Wing historian?

To record and preserve the history of the 45th Space Wing and its predecessor organizations for the education of the wing's personnel, other agencies, and the general public. This is accomplished primarily through the annual histories I write, but I also produce special studies and create photo retrospectives. All these materials are maintained in the 45th Space Wing's archives.

A. How is your office critical to the success of the wing?

The History Office Archives is an important part of the wing's corporate memory. In some instances, it may be the only place that has the information a customer needs.

Q. What is the one piece of 45th Space Wing history people ask you about the most?

A. "Do you have a list of all the missiles and space vehicles that have been launched on the Eastern Range since I arrived here?"

Former wing NCO gets surprise stripe

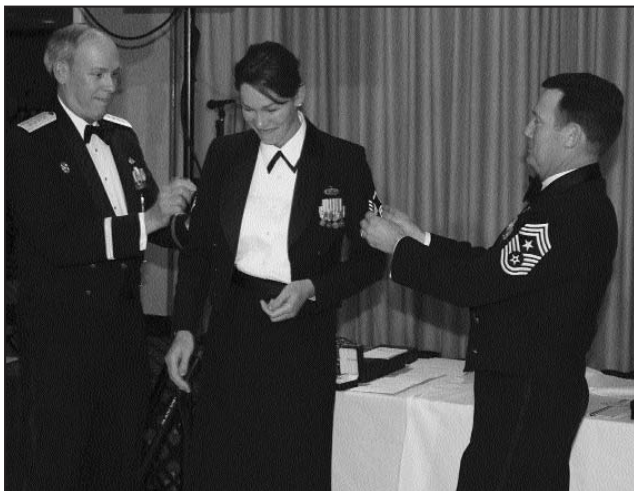


Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Bergmann

Master Sgt. Karen Rowe, former 45th Space Wing executive assistant to the command chief, is STEPed from technical sergeant to master sergeant by (left) Gen. Lance W. Lord, AFSPC commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Ronald Kreite, AFSPC command chief.

By Sue Walden
45th SW Public Affairs

Talk about the luck of the Irish.

A recent 45th Space Wing staff noncommissioned officer got the surprise of her life while attending last week's Air Force Space Command Airmen of the Year Awards.

She left the event with one more stripe.

Master Sgt. Karen Rowe, who was the 45th Space Wing executive assistant to 45th SW Command Chief Master Sgt. Anthony Manson until late March, and is now the 721st Mission Support Group command section superintendent at Cheyenne Mountain Air Station, Colo., was STEPed from technical sergeant to master sergeant by AFSPC commander Gen. Lance W. Lord and Chief Master Sgt. Ronald Kreite, AFSPC command chief.

"Chief Kreite announced that there was a special guest in the audience and then he introduced me," said Sgt.

Rowe, who felt that time had stopped. "I was absolutely shocked as he told everyone how professional I was and that the last time he and Gen. Lord came to Patrick, they'd forgotten to give me a coin, so he told me to come up and get it."

Irish-descent Sgt. Rowe, who tested for master sergeant on St. Patrick's Day (March 17), made her way through the crowded tables and chairs to the stage to accept the coin.

But, according to Chief Kreite, that wasn't all.

"He said, 'I have one more thing for you - now you're a master sergeant,' and Gen. Lord and Chief Kreite tacked them on me," she said.

But, it really wasn't luck that earned her those stripes. It was hard work, according to Chief Manson. "She's a decisive, take-charge leader. Her work is flawless and she had a big impact on our enlisted force when she was here. She truly deserves the stripe," he said.

Two Patrick Airmen found guilty at courts-martial

By Tech. Sgt. Robert Hughes
45th SW Legal Office

In separate courts-martial recently held at Patrick AFB, two airmen found out the hard way that stealing government property results in jail time and more.

On Sept. 9, 2003, 45th Security Forces received a call that two individuals had been seen breaking into the base's Honor Guard van. Responding immediately, they found Airman 1st Class Marquis Alderman, 45th Medical Operations Squadron and Senior Airman Jahreese Jordan, Air Force Technical Applications Center, in the van with its radio/GPS unit in their possession.

Airman Alderman ran from SF members but was quickly apprehended. The ensuing investigation uncovered that Airmen Alderman and Jordan had conspired to take the radio earlier that evening. Taking a screwdriver, flashlight and gloves, they pried open the van's window and climbed inside.

Right after they removed the radio from the dashboard, a SF patrol pulled up. Further investigation by Security Forces led to the discovery of 19 small bags of marijuana in Airman Alderman's room. The Air Force Office of Special Investigations was then contacted and they discovered a loaded handgun in the trunk of Airman Alderman's car.

On Jan. 24, the 14th Air Force commander referred charges to a General Court Martial in the

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Capt. Brent Osgood
45TH SW LEGAL OFFICE

case of U.S. vs. Marquis Alderman. The trial was held Feb. 19 and pursuant to Airman Alderman's guilty plea, he was found guilty of conspiracy to commit larceny of government property over \$500; larceny of military property over \$500; wrongful possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, failing to obey a lawful general regulation covering the proper registration and storage of a handgun on base; and fleeing apprehension.

Judge (Col.) Harvey Kornstein sentenced Airman Alderman to confinement for 30 months, reduction to airman basic, total forfeitures of all pay and allowances for 30 months, and a bad conduct discharge. Pursuant to a pre-trial agreement entered into between the 14th AF commander and Airman Alderman, the Airman's guilty plea to the above offenses limited his confinement to 21 months.

On March 10, 45th Space Wing commander

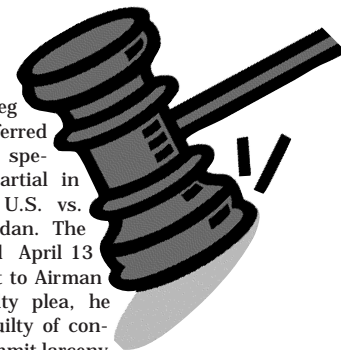
Brig. Gen. Greg Pavlovich referred charges to a special court martial in the case of U.S. vs. Jahreese Jordan. The trial was held April 13 and pursuant to Airman Jordan's guilty plea, he was found guilty of conspiracy to commit larceny of Government property over \$500 and larceny of military property over \$500.

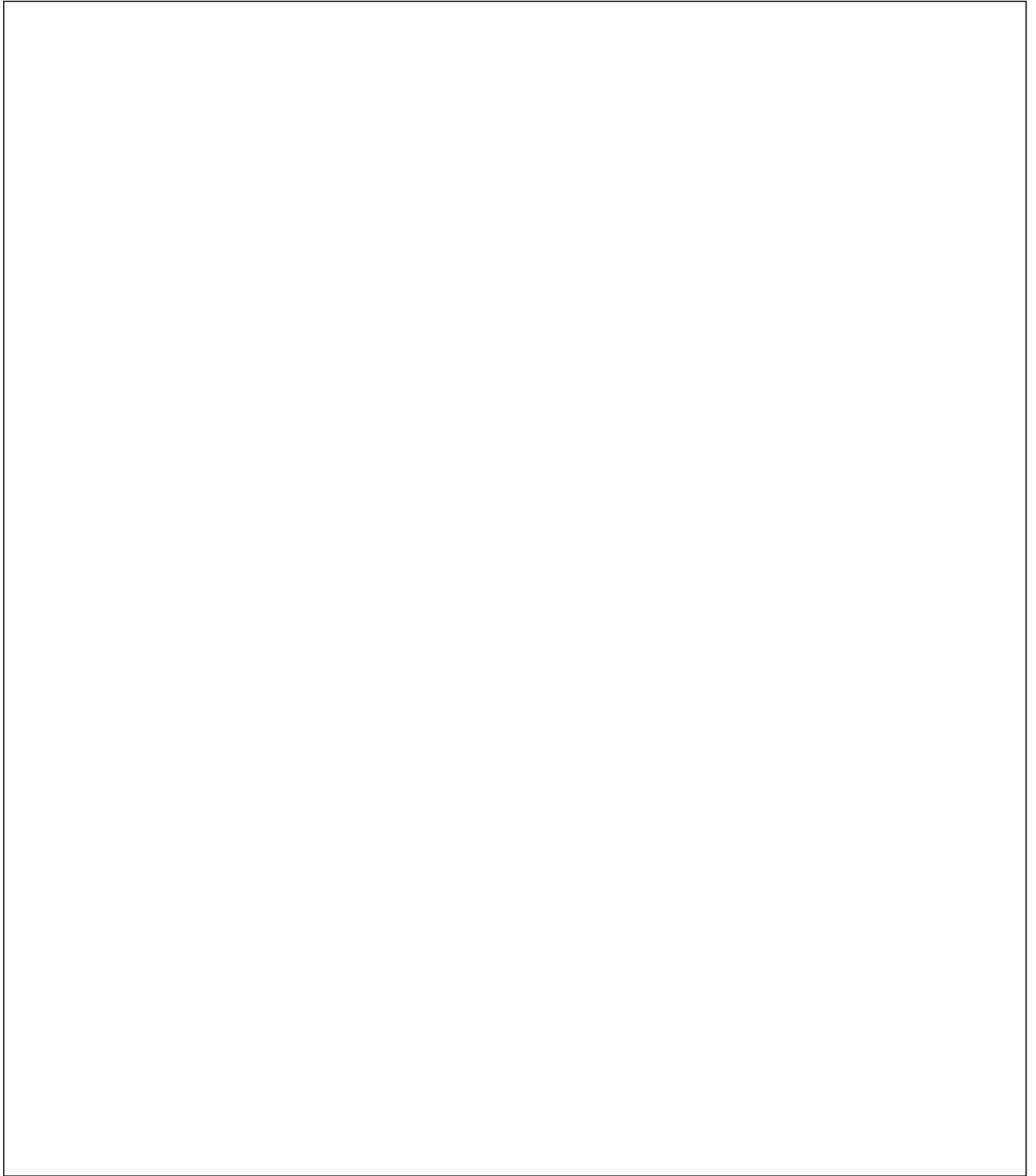
Judge (Col.) Thomas Cumbie sentenced Airman Jordan to confinement for six months, reduction to airman basic, and forfeitures of \$750 pay per month for six months.

Capt. Brent Osgood, chief of Military Justice at the 45th SW Legal Office, and one of the trial counsel for Airman Jordan's trial, stated that these cases demonstrated how teamwork came together to ultimately prevent the loss of this highly valued piece of equipment, and to bring to justice those who failed to abide by our standards.

"The Security Forces and AFOSI immediately jumped into action once the call came in, and did a great job gathering all the evidence needed for these prosecutions," said Capt. Osgood.

"But it was the attention of a civilian employee on base who noted the suspicious activity and called it in to the Security Forces that really made the difference, allowing the patrol to respond before the suspects left the area."





May History Highlights

1954-2004



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45th Space Wing historical files

A Matador launches from Patrick Air Force Base during an Armed Forces Day celebration May 20, 1956.

May 23, 1955 The first quarter-scale X-17 research vehicle lifted off Complex 3, Cape Canaveral Air Force Station. Thirty-eight quarter, half and full-scale X-17s were launched from CCAFS between May 23, 1955 and Aug. 23, 1957.

May 20, 1956 The first and only Matador ever launched from Patrick Air Force Base was launched during an Armed Forces Day celebration this day. The 6555th Guided Missile Squadron launched the missile from a mobile launcher north of Hangar 800.

May 26, 1958 The Eastern Range supported its first Bold Orion air-launched ballistic missile flight on this date. The missile was launched from a B-47 bomber aircraft. Twelve Bold Orions were launched between this date and Oct. 14, 1959.

May 23, 1969 The Titan IIIC, carrying two nuclear detection satellites and three OV5 satellites, was launched from Complex 41 on this date. The launch completed the Research and Development program for the Titan IIIC space launch vehicle system.

May 2, 1988 The contract for the procurement of instrumentation systems for the Cape's Range Operations Control Center was awarded to the Harris Corporation of Melbourne.



Leadership program stresses responsible community involvement

By 1st Lt. Warren Comer
45th SW Public Affairs

It may not be new to Brevard County or some members of the 45th Space Wing, but there's a unique seminar that gives leaders from many different backgrounds the opportunity to meet with each other and build relationships beyond their normal careers.

Leadership Brevard, an independent non-profit organization, is a 10-session leadership development program that highlights three main components of leadership: leadership skill building, community information and volunteerism opportunities.

"I love Brevard County and want to be responsible citizen," said Lt. Col. Marlene Abbott, 45th Medical Operations Squadron commander and 2004 graduate of Leadership Brevard. "I wanted to learn more about the county, but I also wanted the community to get a better understanding of their military neighbors."

According to Col. Abbott, the sessions are devised to get a group of individuals positioned to utilize their leadership skills for the long-term benefit of the community. While many military members are usually a transient element to a community, she says that what she learned in Leadership Brevard can be used no matter where you live.

"Leadership Brevard was started in 1985," said Ms. Kristin Bakke, Leadership Brevard president and chief executive officer. "(Once you graduate) you're going to be connected to people from past sessions as well."

The session deals mostly with the relationships individuals make, especially those who wouldn't have an opportunity to meet each other under normal circumstances.

"If you're in the health care profession, it's entirely possible you don't know anyone in the military," said Ms. Bakke. "It allows people to broaden their horizons."

According to Ms. Bakke, signing up to attend Leadership Brevard is a competitive process. People must sign an application that can be found on the organization's Web site at <http://www.leadershipbrevard.org> or by calling 632-8222.

This year, a competitive process has been established to select two people from the 45th Space Wing who will be funded by the wing.

The 10 sessions are broken up over nine months, usually taking place on the third Thursday of each month with the exception of September, which has two sessions. Each session consists of around 45 people. There is also a community activity that will take up some of the participants extra time to include some weekends.

Col. Abbott is working with base leaders to develop a competitive selection process for civilian and military personnel who would like attend. For more information, contact Col. Abbott at 494-2184.

"Leadership Brevard is a great way for our military and civilian personnel to learn about our local community," said Brig. Gen. Greg Pavlovich, 45th SW commander. "It also provides an opportunity for our local community to learn about our mission and the important things we do for the Space Coast."

Victim-care training offers insight

By 2nd Lt. Elizabeth Kreft
45th SW Public Affairs

First responders and other 45th Space Wing members received extra training Monday for dealing with sexual assault cases and victims.

More than 45 firefighters, medical personnel and others attended a class provided by the Life Skills Center and health information staff from Wuestoff Health Services.

"We wanted to hold the class to provide our personnel, specifically those who would be the first ones to be in contact with a victim of sexual assault, with important information on how to deal with a victim, and what the proper treatment steps are," said Lt. Col. (Dr.) Kimberly Finney, Life Skills flight commander.

"We want them to know what specific things to look for, and how to deal mentally with the wounded individuals."

While Life Skills members arranged the class, it was taught by Wuestoff Health System Katherine Scholl, a clinical forensic nurse specialist, and Maria Bonnett, Child Protection Team advanced registered nurse, Wuestoff Health Services.

The women came to explain the services their offices offer to military and civilians in a difficult time of sexual assault or sexual battery.

Ms. Bonnett specializes in help for victims of child battery and sexual assault, and she gave

some critical information about how to look for indicators in children who might be exposed to sexual violence. "There may not be many physical signs for sexual assault in children," she said.

While it may be doubly hard to detect evidence of assault in children, all victims need careful observation and inspection following an incident of sexual violence.

"The key is being treated like you would want to be treated in this kind of a situation," said Ms. Scholl. "People need care and special treatment after an experience with sexual assault. We are so glad to be here to spread good information to those who will be helping the victims."

Ms. Scholl explained that many volunteers and practitioners don't understand that everyone will respond to sexual assault in different manners.

"People may not be hysterical or ready to fight someone over the incident," she said. "This doesn't mean they don't need the same help that those who are really shaken up do."

Sexual assault victims who don't get proper attention or consideration after the incident are three times more likely to experience rape-related post traumatic stress disorder, said Ms. Scholl. "But even worse, people are 13 times more likely to attempt suicide if they do not get proper care after a sexual assault."

Often worries about false reports will cripple efforts to get help to those victims in need, but Ms. Scholl explained that even if an observer feels as though a report might be false, they should still forward the victim to trained sexual assault victims professionals.

"If someone makes a false claim, it is still a clear indication they need some sort of mental or psychological treatment, so we will be able to funnel them to a secondary source of help," she said. "The key is just getting the right kind of help to the people who need it."

Maj. Sheree Edkin, IMA to the Life Skills commander, summed up why this kind of training is especially critical for all personnel in the wing that deal with health services.

"Just knowing what off-base services are available, and what step-by-step processes are necessary for properly dealing with these kind of victims will improve our ability to help these individuals," she said.

The instructors brought pamphlets and booklets that offer additional information on how to look for signs of abuse, and how to approach a possible victim of sexual violence. This information and much more is available by calling the Life Skills Center at 494-8234.

MILESTONES

Exemplary civilian service award

Verla Davis, 45th SW Public Affairs

Tax volunteers saluted

The Internal Revenue Service thanks the following volunteers who prepared 1,000 federal income tax returns at Patrick AFB from Feb. 1 – April 15:

Jim Brander	Lt. Col. Franklin Rand
Richard Bachman	Staff Sgt. Chris Simons
Calvin Black	Lt. Col. Richard Speer
William Britz	Wava Sullivan
Tom Clark	LaVonne Swank
Capt. Michelle Devoid	2nd Lt. Karla Taff
Elizabeth English	Lt. StaceyWiggins
Capt. Stephen Espo- sito	Ted Williams
Ronald Fournier	Master Sgt. Brian Wilson
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Faye Lane	Phyllis Banks
1st Lt. Tasha Lis- combe	Senior Master Sgt. Carl Dickens
Lt.. Travis Longmire	John Engel
David McMaster	Rosemary John
Jerry Meyer	Karen Lathers
Tech. Sgt. James Mo- oney	James Mench
Capt. Brent Osgood	Peggy Mitschke
Staff Sgt. Josh Peters	Jeanne Rentmeester
	Sandra Veloske
	Catherine Deleon

Ascension plans perimeter fence

By 2nd Lt. Kevin Coffman
45th SW Public Affairs

Increased tourism is about to invade the small island of Ascension. And that gives the U.S. Air Force something to think about – security.

A perimeter fence project plan has been approved and is waiting for the supplies to arrive. It will require approximately 50,000 linear feet of fencing to complete the project that will enclose and secure parts of the base, including the airfield and the outlying tracking and telemetry sites.

This consists of three separate projects, one for the main base, one for the airfield and one for the outlying sites. Once the project begins it will take about six months to complete.

The fence will not close every day access to the field, but it can close if the need arises.

“It isn’t the local population, the Royal Air Force allies, or even the occasional fishermen we are worried about; it is the potential cruise ship or tourist-laden aircraft that concerns us,” said Maj. John Lansberry, commander of Detachment 2, 45th Operations Group at Ascension Auxiliary Airfield.

“It’s a shame that we must fence the base, but given the current world situations, we must take every precaution to protect U.S. assets,” he said.

Maj. Lansberry found out about the new plan of tourism last spring, when he was asked to take command of Ascension AAF. In November 2003, he briefed the island administrator and council, who

unanimously agreed that the fence project was necessary and would not hinder the relationship with the Air Force.

The base provides its own power and water purification. “All we need to survive is to make sure that we have fuel, food and spare parts, other than that, we are totally self sufficient,” said Maj. Lansberry.

Currently there are two flights that can bring up to 40 tourists per week to the island. The flights originate from RAF Brize-Norton, which also travels to the Falkland Islands. There is also a variable amount of seagoing passengers, who arrive via cruise ship, while others arrive in yachts. In addition there are several fishing tours that facilitate some of the tourists.

Maj. Lansberry says that Security Forces are not necessary at this time, and that the Air Force will probably augment contracted security for perimeter checks, damage accession and tampering.

“We don’t anticipate the need for any mission partners from up-range for additional support,” said Maj. Lansberry, “it just isn’t necessary at this time, but that could change, after all, this used to be a closed island.”

Once the perimeter fence has been established, there will be several access gates allowing individuals to visit the Volcano Club, the base club open to the entire island.

The fence is not intended to separate the base from the rest of the island, but to provide security as an extra precaution.

Spouse Appreciation Day

May 14 Events

Letter-writing contest

The winner of the "Why I Appreciate My Spouse" letter-writing contest will be announced at the cookout at 5 p.m. (see below). The contest is open to active-duty and DoD civilian spouses. Letters are accepted until May 7. Submit a two-page or less, double-spaced letter, including name, e-mail address, and phone numbers, explaining why you appreciate your spouse.

Drop entries off at the Family Support Center, Bldg. 722. Call 494-5675 for more details.

Historical Bus Tour

8 a.m. – noon

Open to active duty and DoD civilian spouses and family members. Take a historical tour of the Cape's museum, lighthouse and more. Meet at the Family Support Center at 7:45 a.m. Call 494-5675 to reserve a seat.

Riverside Dining Facility

11 a.m. – 1p.m.

Open lunch for active duty member spouses and families. Eat at the award-winning 45th Services Squadron facility.

Spouse briefings

9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Spouses and family members of active duty and DoD civilians are welcome to hear briefings on missions of the wing, Air Expeditionary Force, Civil Engineering and Family Support Center. Topics include deployment cycles, construction project updates, family programs and more. Call 494-5675 to reserve a seat.

Free makeovers

10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Male or female spouses are welcome to get a makeover, courtesy of wing volunteers. Call 494-5675 to schedule an appointment.

Free cookout/dinner

4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Open to spouses and family members of active duty and DoD civilians. Enjoy hamburgers, hotdogs, music and much more. Winners of the letter-writing contest will be announced at the cookout at 5 p.m.

Free childcare

6 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Open to families of active-duty personnel. The Family Support Center, in conjunction with 45th Services Squadron Child Development Center, offers eligible families free childcare for the evening. Parents must stop by the CDC by May 10 to sign up, and a copy of the child's shot records is required. Call 494-7028 to reserve a slot; certain age slots are very limited.

For more information on any of the Spouse Appreciation Day events, call the Family Support Center at 494-5675.

Come out to picnic

All Patrick AFB and Cape Canaveral AFS military and civilians are invited to a base-wide picnic Friday at Chevron Park from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. The Pedal, Paddle, Pant Competition begins at 10:30 a.m. at the Patrick Fitness Center, then the picnic crowd will send off the Guardian Challenge team to Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

Recognition program extended

The "Airman of the Year" recognition program is extended. Airmen now have until May 7 to nominate and honor the service person who best embodies the qualities of the men and women serving in today's U.S. Air Force. To nominate an individual, a package including information on the nominee must be sent to Air Force Times. For instructions on putting together a package, and for contact numbers, visit <http://www.airforcetimes.com/airman>.

Central Housing road closed

The northern entrance to Central Housing, from School Avenue to Forecast Lane is now permanently blocked due to construction of the new truck inspection gate.

Pedestrians and non-motorized vehicles are permitted to use this gate, but regular motorized traffic is not authorized. For more information, contact 2nd Lt. Glenn Cameron at 494-9243.

Take a class

The Family Support Center offers the following classes and events:

Applying for Air Force jobs - Tuesday, 9-11 a.m.; CGO (and GS-9 and above) financial course - Tuesday, 12:30-4 p.m.; Information

Fair - Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Free popcorn - Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Classes are in Bldg. 722, the Family Support Center, unless otherwise noted. Register by calling 494-5675.

Customer Service closed

The 45th Mission Support Squadron Customer Service section will be closed for computer software upgrades May 10-11. It will be open for service starting May 12 at 7:30 a.m. Call Tech. Sgt. Shawn Rivers at 494-6144 for more information.

Environmental audit scheduled

The 45th Civil Engineering Squadron and Environmental Support Contractor personnel conducts an internal Environmental Compliance Assessment and Management Program comprehensive audit at Cape Canaveral AFS and the Malabar and Jonathan Dickinson Missile Tracking Annexes Monday - May 7.

This audit reviews environmental programs to ensure compliance with all federal, state and Air Force requirements. Facility users should clean up their areas, check training records and ensure all compliance records are in order. Every attempt should be made to close current ECAMP findings and report closures to Brian Barfus at 853-3712.

During the assessment, cross talks with auditors and interested Cape personnel will be at 8 a.m. every day in the CCAFS cafeteria.

Anyone interesting in volunteering with ECAMP should call Terri Bracher at 494-9262.

Guardian Challenge gear authorized

Personnel on Patrick Air Force Base and at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station are autho-

rized to wear official Guardian Challenge clothing items, such as jackets, pins, hats, BDU T-shirts and patches with appropriate duty uniform combinations until May 15, 2004. For more information, contact wing GC project officer, Maj. Robert Huckleberry, at 853-2261.

Safety Day planned

May 21 is Wing Safety Day. All customer service centers will be closed for training.

Tricare site full of info

Tricare beneficiaries now have access to resources such as contacts, services, and medical benefits information by accessing Tricare online at <http://www.tricareonline.com>.

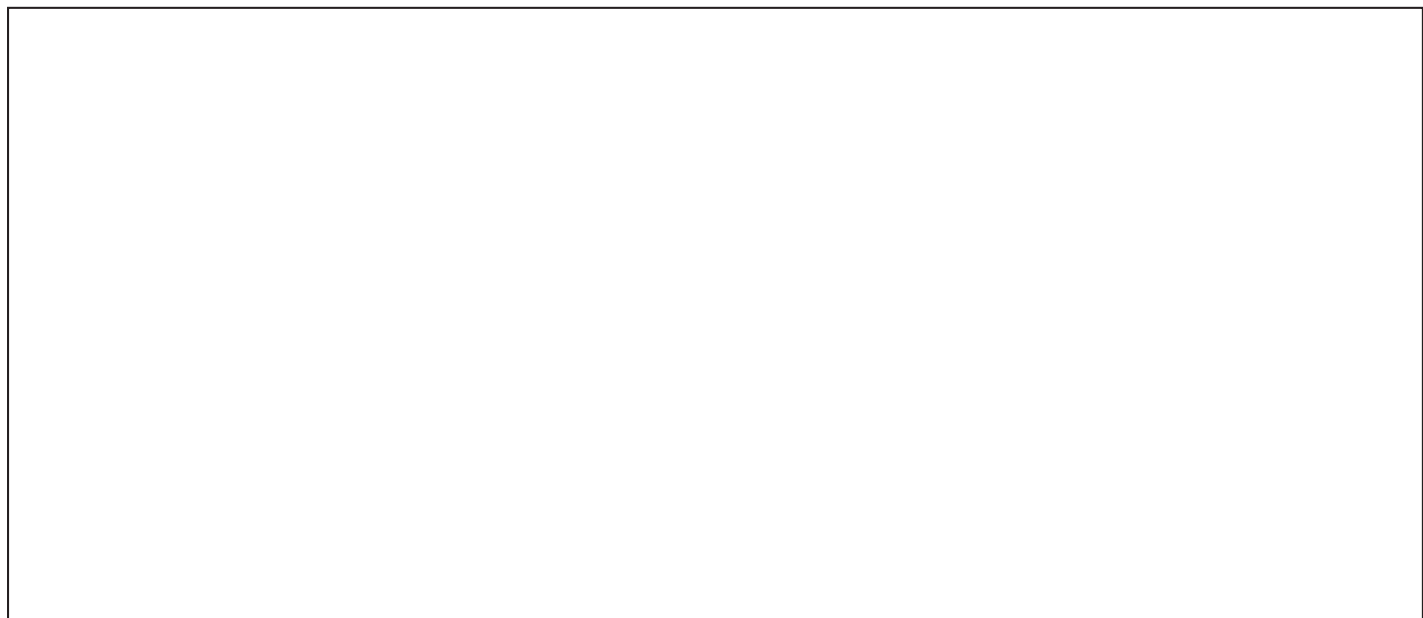
Red Cross offers courses

Red Cross qualification courses are available throughout the summer. Community CPR and First Aid Course is May 15 from 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. at the Family Support Center. Cost is \$35.

The Babysitting Training Course, which includes infant and child cardiopulmonary resuscitation, is May 25-27 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Family Support Center.

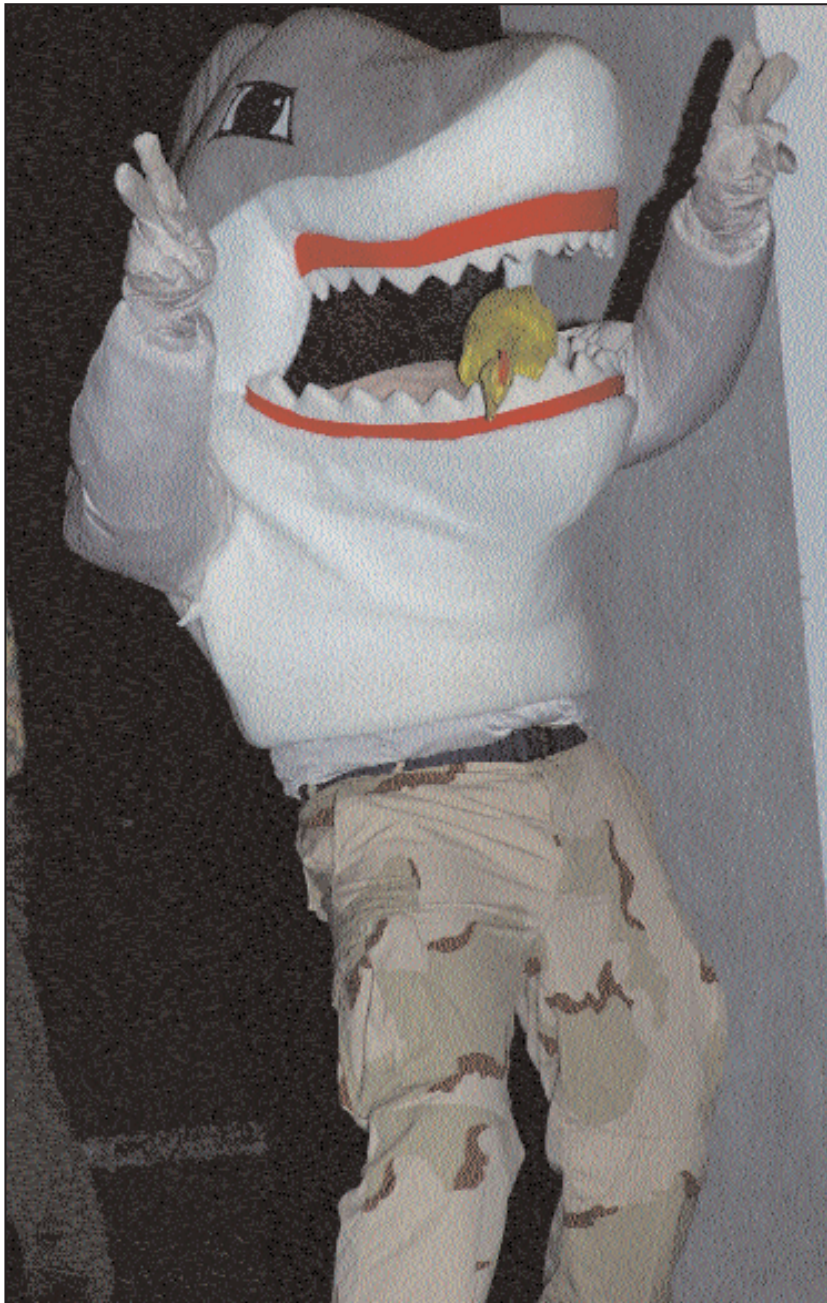
The American Red Cross Summer Youth Program Orientation is May 8 and May 22 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Dental Clinic conference room. Participants must be 14 years old and hold a military ID card. Volunteers need only attend one orientation class.

To register for these courses, call 494-2402.



Good luck Sharks!

GOIN' FOR THE KILL



Photos by Airman 1st Class Shaun Emery

Snark, the 45th Space Wing's Guardian Challenge mascot, shows his hunger for the Schriever Trophy ... and a few chicken hawk feathers.



The Patrick Honor Guard's firing team trains for the Air Force Space Command Honor Guard Competition at Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., March 23-25. The Honor Guard won for the second consecutive time, and is now the official honor guard for the Guardian Challenge Competition May 2-7.

The target is the Schriever Trophy, and of course, bragging rights.

The 45th Space Wing Guardian Challenge team is suited up and ready to beat the competition at Guardian Challenge at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., May 2-7.

Guardian Challenge, the Air Force's only space and missile competition, is an annual event, though last year it was cancelled due to the high operations tempo related to Operation Iraqi Freedom.

It features about 200 competitors from Air Force Space Command units, including, for the first time, the Space and Missile Systems Center at Los Angeles, AFB, Calif.

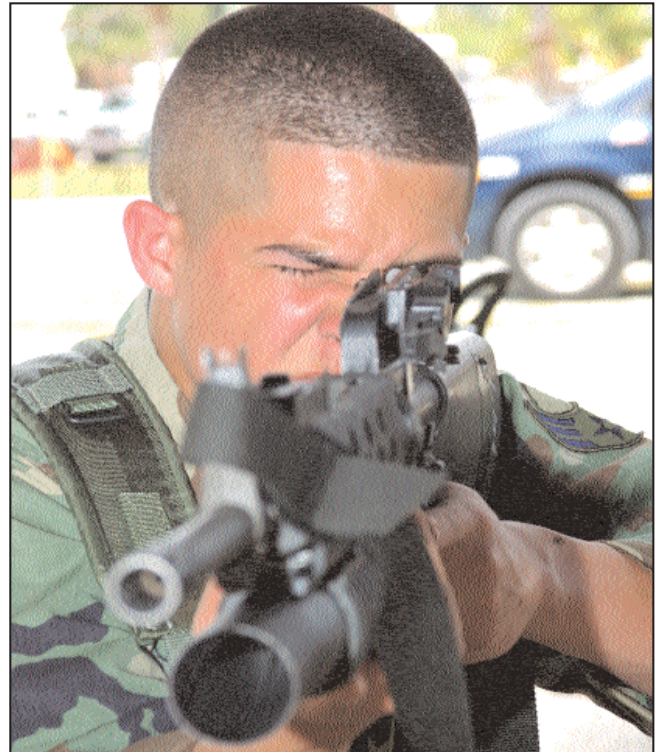
Competition areas include security forces, missile operations, space operators, evaluations of chefs, maintenance and helicopter aircrews.

Evaluators descended on Cape Canaveral AFS April 21 for the launch and maintenance portions of the challenge. Now they'll join their Security Forces teammates to cheer them on in Vandenberg as SF members compete.

The results won't be known until the end of the competition, but hopes are high that the Schriever Trophy will find its way to the 45th Space Wing.



Staff Sgt. Amber Mitchell, air control officer, throws a baseball at the dunking booth during the Guardian Challenge kick-off festivities.



Senior Airman Bradley Terry, 45th Security Forces Squadron, works his M16 marksmanship during Guardian Challenge practice.



From left, Capt. Shawn Furness, 1st Space Launch Squadron Delta II launch controller; Capt. Thomas Ste Marie, 45th Operations Group deputy launch controller and Maj. Ron Ten Haken, 45th OG mission flight control officer, discuss tactics and techniques during the Guardian Challenge evaluation April 21.

Shark of the Week



Name: Snark
Unit: 45th Space Wing Guardian Challenge Team
Favorite food: Chicken hawk
Favorite pastime: "Personally, plucking feathers. But the rest of the team has been spending a lot of time preparing to beat Vandenberg."
Why were you selected to be the mascot? "My competitive spirit and my winning smile. ... I think it's the teeth."
Words to live by: "Winning isn't everything; it's the only thing."
Shark of the Week is a new Missileer weekly feature highlighting people who've exceeded the standard. To submit a Shark of the Week, call 494-5922.



Photo by Lt. Col. Roberta Melton

Space Command Youth of the Year, Kendra Melton, paints part of a mural at Merritt Square Mall. The award is bestowed upon the youth in the command who displays outstanding initiative and dedication to education and community service. Kendra was recognized as the 2003 winner of the award because of her participation in the wing's summer camps and her multiple community and school-related activities.

Colorful hobbies and a bright future

By 2nd Lt. Elizabeth Kreft
45th SW Public Affairs

Like choosing colors in her painter's palet, Kendra Melton can pick her future, and it's already looking bright.

Kendra Melton, daughter of Lt. Col (Dr.) Roberta Melton 45th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron deputy flight commander, took home the Air Force Space Command Youth of the Year award for 2003.

The 16-year-old Cocoa Beach High School junior, was notified of the Space Command win April 10. She took home the base-level award in January and was forwarded for command level consideration in March. As part of the honor, Kendra and her mother will travel to Washington D.C. to receive the award.

In a shy and humble manner, Kendra expressed her feelings on the award. "It feels great," she said. "I'm just happy that my mother and I will be able to take the trip D.C. and get to see the nation's capital."

The Youth of the Year award is approved by the Youth Center, an affiliate program of the Boys and Girls clubs of America. Members of the Youth Center staff give the award to a young person who displays outstanding leadership and character qualities, according to Lynne Phillips, Youth Center programs director.

In 2003, Kendra volunteered for more than 350 hours to local organizations. Her volunteer work included coaching youth basketball teams, painting murals with Striving to Achieve Results (a nonprofit organization for teens to improve their community) and building and painting sets for local drama clubs.

"I began working with Kendra during the summer months of 2003 during the Youth Center's Camp Xtreme," said Ms. Phillips. "She impressed me with her desire to help with the younger children, and she always followed

through with her promises to assist me, even during those fun summer months when the rest of the kids her age are at the beach doing whatever they want."

During the summer Kendra spent many hours participating in the camps to be a role model for younger children, helping Ms. Phillips organize Youth Center activities and helping children realize the value of hard work.

"There were definitely some 12-hour days working with the Youth Center, but it didn't feel like work to me because I really just enjoy being around children, and having the opportunity to show them how to work hard and how to stay busy, but have fun," said Kendra.

Though Kendra is just 16, her developed maturity shows children just a few years younger how they should mold their attitudes toward hard work, said Ms. Phillips.

"She clearly wants to help people and have a big impact on the community around her, and I think this award is a great way to show others how much she has helped and, an indicator of what she can do in the future," she said.

While Kendra volunteered for countless hours of service through the Youth Center, she also kept herself busy with school commitments and community projects.

"I play basketball. I love art, so I paint with several groups off-base ... I basically just think all of it is fun, so it doesn't feel like volunteering. It's what I would do anyway, so if I earned an award for it, that's great," she said.

Dr. Melton explained part of why she is impressed with what her daughter has accomplished. "Kendra has a schedule that would stress out most adults," she said.

"Her comprehension of time-management and her natural organizational skills that are so impressive, many of her volunteer opportunities have turned into part-time jobs because the people she is networking with are eager to work with her in the future."



Photo by Airman 1st Class Shaun Emery

Slidin' in

Tally Kosnski attempts to take the ball downfield while Kaylynn Williams slides in to stop her advance Monday during the All-Air Force Women's Soccer Team trials at Patrick, which began April 20 and goes through May 7. A group of female Airmen from across the Air Force are here vying for a place on the team. The All-Air Force team will compete at Norfolk Naval Base, Va., in the Armed Forces Championship, and advance to the world competition if they win at Norfolk.

Do cardio at Cape

The Cape Canaveral Air Force Station Fitness Center offers aerobics classes Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. - noon. Contact Chez Sanchez at 853-3966 for more information.

Register for racquetball

The South Housing Racquetball courts are open. Reservations can be made Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. by calling 494-4747. Call Naomi Parish at 494-4534 for more details.

Get Fit to Fight in water

The Patrick Fitness Center offers Fit to Fight classes every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-10 a.m. at the Fitness Center lap pool. The classes are designed for all fitness levels. Aquajoggers and waterbells are supplied.

It's a unique workout

The Patrick AFB Fitness Center offers a wide range of aerobics and body conditioning Classes Monday - Saturday. They include cycling, abdominal classes, kick boxing and step classes. Pick up a copy of the schedule at the Patrick Fitness Center or call 494-4947 for more information.

The Calendar

May 7

▲ Beach Bum Bowling League begins at Rocket Lanes Bowling Center. League runs through Aug. 13. Bowler with the highest average at end of league wins a surfboard. For more information call 494-2958.

May 8

▲ Kids triathlon – 8 a.m., Patrick Fitness Center. Sign up by May 7. Event criterion are as follows: children ages 6-8 swim 25 yards, bike one mile and run 1/4 mile; children ages 9-11 swim 50 yards, bike two miles and run a half mile; children ages 12-14, and 15-18 swim 100 yards, bike three miles and run one mile. Sign-up at the Fitness or Youth Centers by May 7.

May 10

▲ 10-mile bike criterion - 9 a.m., Cape Canaveral Fitness Center. Course description available upon request. Sign up by May 7.

▲ Three-on-three basketball – 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Cape Canaveral Fitness Center. Sign up by May 7.

May 13

▲ 30-minute swim – 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., and 2- 6 p.m., Patrick Fitness Center lap pool. Participants swim as many laps as possible in 30 minutes. No prior sign up required.

▲ "Strong Man" competition – 11 a.m., Patrick Fitness Center track. Participants compete in five different strength events. Sign up by May 12.

May 14

▲ Armed Forces 5K Run - 6:30 a.m., Patrick Fitness Center; 9 a.m., Cape Canaveral Fitness Center. This is the monthly WarFit run.

May 15

▲ Patrick and Cape Canaveral Soccer Challenge (North vs. South) – 10 a.m., South Housing Sports Complex.

May 17

▲ Wallyball Ladder Challenge – May 17-21, Cape Canaveral Fitness Center. Sign up by May 14.

May 18

▲ Duathlon – 10 a.m., Patrick and Cape Fitness Centers. Event consists of a 1.5 mile run, five-mile bike and 1.5 mile run. Course description available upon request. Sign up by May 17.

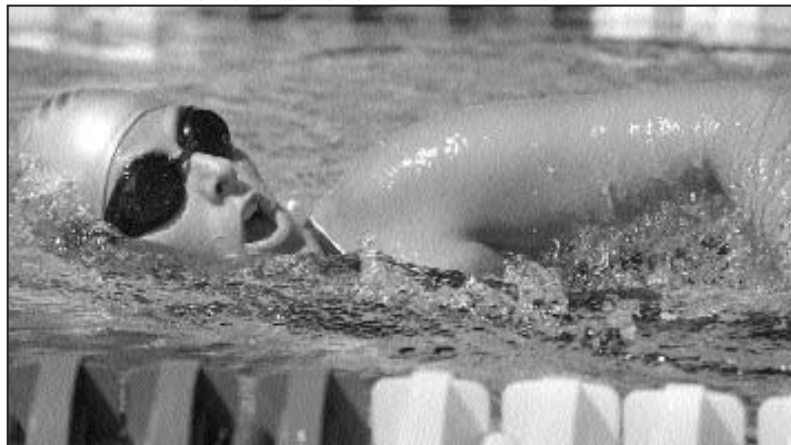


Photo by Jim Laviska

May Fitness Month offers a myriad of fitness activities, suited for all skill levels. Events range from a three-on-three basketball tournament to a 30-minute swim.

Spring ... or swim into May Fitness Month

By Marla Holbert
45th Services Squadron

For those who aren't in shape, there's never been a better time to start working out.

May Fitness Month, a 45th Services Squadron-led activity, offers more than 15 athletic events for 45th Space Wing and Cape Canaveral personnel and their family members through May 31.

"This program was initiated by the Air Force four years ago to promote fitness and wellness amongst the Air Force active duty members," said Luis Saez, Patrick Fitness Center director. "It was (later) extended to all eligible personnel within its respective organizations.

"Even though it is not a mandatory program, Patrick Air Force Base has elected to conduct a multitude of programs during the month of May each year," he continued. "This program has been well-accepted by our military community."

Activities range from a 30-minute swim to a 5K run, said assistant Fitness Center director Naomi Parish.

"We are offering a wide range of events to accommodate all fitness levels and to provide a variety of different types of exercise programs," she said. "May Fitness Month is also an excellent opportunity for the fitness centers to highlight and promote the excellent programs, equipment and events that we offer."

But the event is not limited to adults – there are events planned for children, as well.

The American Red Cross is offering its annual Whale's Tales class May 25-28 for all military and Department of Defense family members. The course teaches a variety of water safety techniques through educational videos, games and water activities. Classes for children ages 5-8 are from 9

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Naomi Parish
PATRICK FITNESS CENTER

a.m. — 10 a.m.; children 9-12, 10 a.m. — 11 a.m.

A second children's event, the Kid's Triathlon, is slated for May 8, 8 a.m. at the Patrick Fitness Center.

"Most children like to swim, bicycle and run; the triathlon is a fun event promoting those activities," said Mike Mendonca, a personal trainer at the Patrick Fitness Center. "With a much shorter course for children that promotes fun and participation, the triathlon may teach them to enjoy individual sports. In the long term, this is an avenue for them to stay fit for the rest of their lives."

Participants who plan to partake in several workouts throughout the month should pick up a punch card at the Patrick or Cape Canaveral facility's front desks. The punch card is used to tabulate how many times a patron utilizes the center. After obtaining 15 punches, participants receive a "prize" and can submit their name into a drawing for a stationary bicycle worth \$1,800, Mrs. Parish said.

For more information on specific activities, call 494-4534 at Patrick or 854-3966 at Cape Canaveral.

 **MOVIES**

Friday *Dawn of the Dead* A mysterious plague causes the newly dead to rise from their graves and begin to eat the living. Desperate survivors seek refuge in an indoor mall, where they must learn not only to protect themselves from the ever-increasing zombie horde, but also to co-exist with each other. Stars Sarah Polley and Ving Rhames. Rated R for violence, gore and language. 97 min.

Saturday *Dawn of the Dead* - See Friday's Synopsis

Sunday *Taking Lives* FBI Agent Scott doesn't rely on traditional crime-solving techniques to unravel the mysteries of a murderous mind. When Montreal detectives ask for help to get inside of the head of a cunning serial killer, she joins the case. She suddenly finds herself on a twisted and terrifying journey, surrounded by suspects in a case that has become chillingly personal. Stars Angelina Jolie and Ethan Hawke. Rated R for strong violence including disturbing images, language and some sexuality. 100 min.

Thursday *Never Die Alone* Half preacher, half Satan and all street smarts, King David recorded the story of his exploits on audiotape, leaving behind sermons on villainy and its consequences. The tapes reveal that the cycle of violence and retribution, which his actions have spawned, has come back to him full circle. Starring DMX and David Arquette. Rated R for strong violence, drug use, sexuality and language. 88 min.

 **CHAPEL**

Catholic

Daily Mass (Tues. - Fri.) at 11:30 a.m. in the Library while Seaside Chapel is being renovated.

Saturday: 4 p.m. confession, 5 p.m. Mass in the South Patrick Chapel.

Sunday: 8:45 a.m. Mass in South Patrick Chapel, and 11:30 a.m. Mass in the Theater.

Religious education classes: 10:15 a.m. at the Education Center for pre-K - 6th grade, grades 7-12 Youth Ministry at 6 p.m. at South Patrick Chapel.

Protestant

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - Traditional Worship in the Theater while Seaside Chapel is being renovated.

9:50 a.m. - Adult Sunday School in Seaside Chapel. 10 a.m. - Grades K-12 at South Patrick Chapel. Van transportation provided for base children.

11 a.m. - Contemporary Service in the South Patrick Chapel.

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner in South Patrick Chapel.



Events

Friday - Sunday, Sunfest. Event will be held on Flagler Dr. on the Intercoastal Waterway from Banyan Blvd. to Lakeview Ave. in West Palm Beach. Friday, 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Saturday and 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sunday. Entertainment includes street entertainers, including acrobats, jugglers, musicians and mimes. There is a fireworks display Friday at 9 p.m., a craft show and a juried art show. A one-day pass is \$17.

For more information log onto the Sunfest Web site at www.sunfest.org

Friday - Saturday, 5 p.m., Relay for Life at Rockledge High School. Cancer survivors will kick off the event with a survivor and caregiver dinner reception at 5 p.m., followed by a victory lap around the track.

Teams will walk throughout the night to raise money for cancer research. To register a team, call 633-1848.

Friday, 7:30 p.m., Guitar concert performed by the Florida East Coast Classical Guitar Society at the Henegar Center for the Arts. Admission is \$15. Call 723-8698 for more information.

Friday, 7:30 p.m., Spring concert performed by the Brevard Symphony Youth Orchestra at the King Center of the Performing Arts.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students. For more information, call 242-2219.

May 29, 8 a.m., Brevard County Parks and Recreation holds a 5-K Race and Fun Walk to benefit the Space Coast Early Intervention Center at Wickham Pavilion, 2500 Parkway Dr., Melbourne.

Participants who register before May 21 pay \$12 per runner and \$10 per walker. Prices the day of the race are \$15 per runner and \$12 per walker.

For more information, call 952-4524. For directions, call 255-4307.

May 31, 3:30 p.m., City of Palm Bay is hosting a Supporting Our Troops rally at Veteran's Memorial Park, 2200 Port Malabar Blvd, Palm Bay. For more information, contact Steve Riser, Palm Bay Parks and Recreation Department at 952-3441.

Camp

June 7 - July 30, Palm Bay Kids' Camp at the Palm Bay Community Center from 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Prices vary with selected drop off and pick-up times. Camp activities include swimming, bowling, movis, crafts, sports and contests with prizes. Eight super trips, such as Sea World, are planned every Wednesday. Register at Palm Bay Community Center, 1502 Malabar Rd. NE, Palm Bay. Space is limited. Call 952-3441 or visit www.palmbayflorida.org for more information.

June 7 - July 30, Palm Bay Teen Scene 2004 for ages 12-15 is held at the Captain's House, 1300 Bianca Dr. NE in Palm Bay. Camp hours are 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Register and receive a Teen Scene T-shirt. Super trips are every Wednesday to places such as major theme and water parks. Teens also will fish, boat, play volleyball and other sports. They'll also learn survival techniques, swimming and bowling. Call 952-3443 for more information or go to www.palmbayflorida.org.

June 7-11 and June 14-18, Palm Bay Cheer Camp. Children 6-8 attend the June 7-11 camp and those who are 9-12 years old attend the June 14-18 camp. Cost is \$75. Campers will learn stunts, tumbling, cheer techniques and dance steps. Availability is limited to 25 children, so register early at the Palm Bay Community Center, 102 Port Malabar Blvd. NE in Palm Bay. Call 952-3443 or log onto www.palmbayflorida.org.

June 21-25 and June 28 - July 2, Nature Camp at the Turkey Sanctuary, 1508 Port Malabar Blvd. NE, next to the Palm Bay library and Community Center. Camp is 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. for children 6-10. Children 11 and older attend June 28 - July 2 camp. Campers will learn

about nature and participate in activities throughout the sanctuary. Camp is limited to 20 children per session. Register now at the Palm Bay Community Center, 1502 Port Malabar Blvd. or the Turkey Creek Sanctuary. For more information, call 952-3433 or go to www.palmbayflorida.org.

Classes

Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Hands-on watercolor technique workshop for all experience levels at the Eau Gallie Public Library. Cost is \$10, including supplies. Registration is limited. Call 255-4304, for more information.

Mondays, African Dance and Drum Class at Palm Bay Community Center. Learn traditional West African dance and movement. Class times are 6 p.m. for children and 7:15 p.m. for adults. Prices are \$32 for children for a four-week session and \$38 for adults. Walk-ins are welcome for \$10 per class. For more information, contact Fatou Camara at 960-6200 or the community center at 952-3443.

Theater

Friday - Saturday, 8 p.m., Comedic play "Move Over, Mrs. Markham" by Ray Cooney and John Chapman will be performed at the Surfside Playhouse, 320 S. Fifth Street, Cocoa Beach. Admission is \$12, \$11 for seniors and active military and \$7 for children. For more information contact, 783-3127.

Clubs

First Saturday of the month, 7 p.m., Palm Bay Parks & Recreation holds a Poetry and Spoken Word Club at the Palm Bay Community Center, 1502 Port Malabar Blvd., Palm Bay. Call Rick Scott at 952-3443 for more information or go to www.palmbayflorida.org.

Second Saturday of the month, 10:30 a.m., WAVES National Women of the Sea Services, Space Coast Unit 75, have monthly luncheon meetings at the Indian River Colony Club on Murrell Road in Viera September - May. Become a member by calling 255-1502.



**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 or click global at Commander's Line - Patrick AFB; recorded message, 494-6550; 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.

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494-6607

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Jack Gibson
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494-8081

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Maj. Dianne Dziado
494-2035

Commissary officer
Ronald Rogers
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AAFES
Maurice Joiner
494-6455

Civilian Personnel
Robert Daniel
494-5238

Military Equal Opportunity
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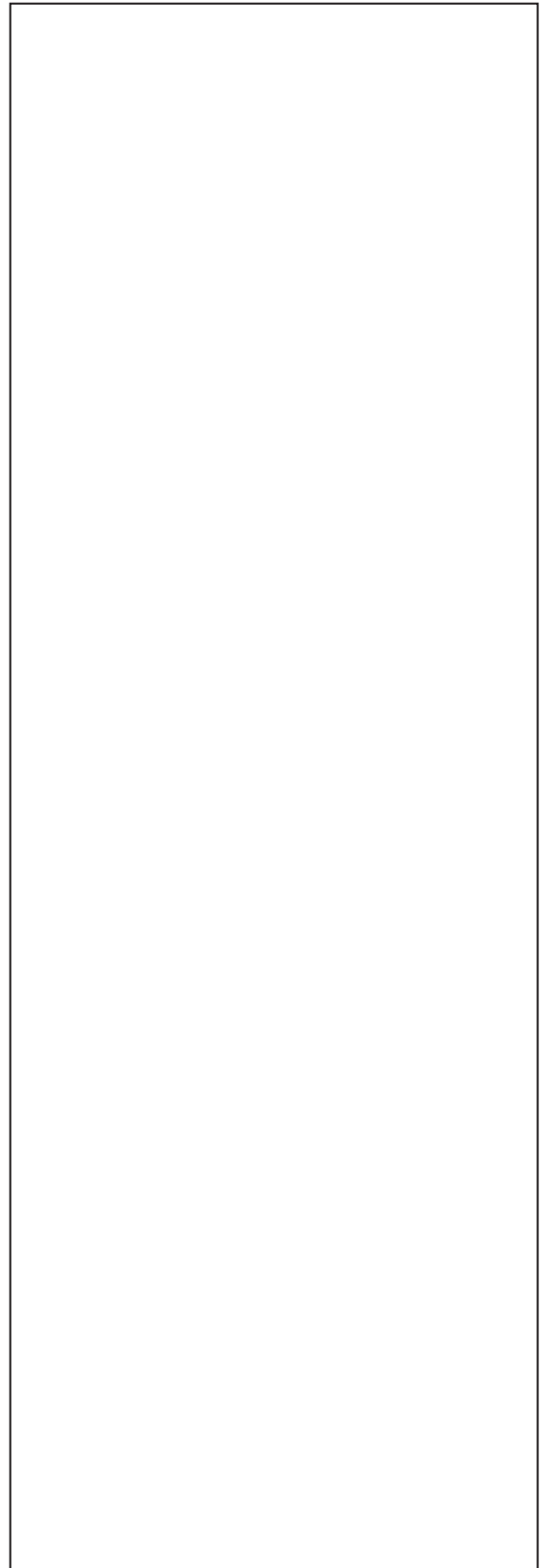
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Col. Gilbert Hansen
494-8100

Ground Safety
Martin Lackie
494-2202

Inspector General
Lt. Col. Frank Miles
494-4373

Q. I am wondering if there are any plans to expedite entrance onto the base given the new additional security measures. I have seen many near-accidents on the Pineda causeway as traffic backs up onto the highway with the delayed entry. Traffic seemed to flow better when we had the guards split, with the first wave of folks checking for decals and the second wave of personnel checking IDs near central housing and the service station. This would eliminate a huge safety issue on the Pineda Causeway.

A. I understand and share your concerns about safety, but the continued security threat and our new security-related directives from higher headquarters mandate the new serpentine barriers at our gates and negate the possibility of moving the second gate inside the perimeter fence. It is a force protection concern and I will not compromise on that. Unfortunately, the nature of the post 9/11 world we live in forces us to give up convenience in the name of enhanced security. It is up to all of us to take measures such as staggering arrival and departure times, and using a bit more courtesy and defensive driving techniques to offset traffic tie-ups and the accompanying frustration that tend to flare up most during rush hour. I encourage supervisors to work with employees to establish alternative work schedules so that fewer people arrive on base between 7:15 and 7:30 a.m., and leave between 4:15 and 4:30 p.m. An adjustment of 15-30 minutes by many of our commuters would alleviate much of the problem without compromising our security requirements.



New restaurants on Cape's menu

By 2nd Lt. Elizabeth Kreft
45th SW Public Affairs

The Army Air Force Exchange Service is bringing more options to those who dine at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station cafeteria.

Sunset Strips and Frank's Franks restaurants are the new alternative franchise options for Cape workers who are looking for a little more variety in their breakfast or lunch diet.

"We wanted to offer our hard-working people a few more options for their work-time meal," said Maurice Joiner, AAFES general manager for Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station.

"We are especially excited to have the addition of Sunset Strips, because this is only the second of its kind to be brought into an AAFES contract," said Mr. Joiner.

"Their concept and menu offers a variety that I'm sure will be appreciated by those eating at

the Cape cafeteria."

Sunset Strips, a franchise subsidiary of Tyson Chicken, is a beach-themed concept featuring a simple menu and quick service.

"Sunset Strips provides an opportunity to establish a quality, branded restaurant on smaller installations or locations with limited customer base," said Richard Sheff, AAFES' vice president of Food and Theater Division.

The restaurant's menu features chicken strips and popcorn chicken bites as well as sandwiches, salads and seafood all served with a variety of eight dipping sauces - barbecue, ranch, ranch light, buffalo, sweet and sour, teriyaki, cocktail and honey mustard.

Grilled chicken and salads are also available for customers looking for healthful alternatives.

The upgrades for the entire building and other franchise restaurants at the cafeteria will continue for several weeks, but these two new

restaurants will be open for business May 11. While the decision to bring the new Sunset Strips to CCAFS was made on the command level of the AAFES organization, the decision to bring more healthy options to the cafeteria is one that the Mr. Joiner takes very seriously, and it's something he wants to bring to a local level.

"We want our customers to know that we will continue to pursue options for them, because we care about their wellbeing and their health," said Mr. Joiner.

"We are excited to have these new meal alternatives and we are happy to see that people are already looking forward to try the new products."

For more information about the new restaurants, the new menu options, or plans for future restaurants, visit the main AAFES Web site at <http://www.aafes.org>.

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RIVERSIDE DINING

PROMO

Saturday Brunch - Cajun meat loaf, **crispy baked chicken**, rib-eye steak

Saturday Supper - **Fish amandine**, pork chops w/mushroom gravy, stir fry chicken w/broccoli

Sunday Brunch - Chicken paarmesan, sauerbraten, tuna and noodles

Sunday Supper - Fried shrimp, **ginger BBQ chicken, spinach lasagna**

Monday Lunch - **Baked chicken**, simmered knockwurst, Swiss steak with tomato sauce

Monday Dinner - Roast turkey, baked ham, fish and fries

Tuesday Lunch - Grilled Salisbury steak, onion-lemon baked fish, yakisoba

Tuesday Dinner - BBQ beef cubes, **paprika beef**, pork chop suey

Wednesday Lunch - Mexican-baked chicken, port chops Mexicana, chicken fajitas, chili conquistador

Wednesday Dinner - Country style steak, fried chicken, **pita pizzas**

Thursday Lunch - Liver with onions, orange-spiced pork chops, tempura fried fish

Thursday Dinner - Pepper steak, **Mr. Z's finger lickin' chicken**, ginger pot roast

Menus are subject to change. For more information, call dial-a-menu 494-2845. Item bolded are healthy choice meals.

