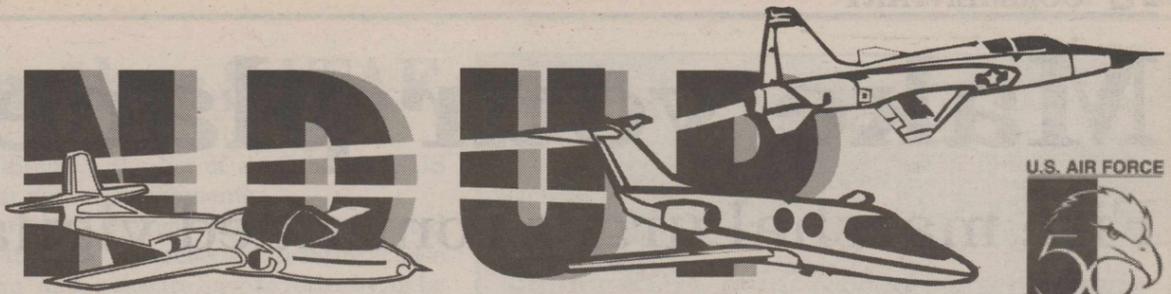


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## Reese members lead Shallowater parade



Pictured above, members of the Reese Honor Guard lead the Shallowater Fall Festival Parade Saturday. Honor guard members were (from left) Airman 1st Class Marnie Ryder, 64th Medical Support Squadron; Airman 1st Class Todd Martin, 64th Civil Engineer Squadron; Airman 1st Class Jeffrey Gill, 64th Logistics Squadron; and Senior Airman Paul Banks, 64th Medical Operations Squadron. Right, Col. Randy Gelwix, 64th Flying Training Wing commander, waves to the crowd as the parade grand marshal.



Photos by Senior Airman Tim Dempsey

## Commissary taking steps toward PBO success

The Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) began to adopt characteristics of a private-sector company as the first performance based organization (PBO) in the federal government Oct. 1.

Pentagon officials are considering measures that will help DeCA make PBO a reality by saving money and increasing efficiency.

"The objective is really to eliminate a lot of the red tape, to streamline the way we do business," said Al Silva,

Reese commissary officer. "Our patrons here won't see any big changes. They'll see the same groceries, but behind-the-scenes there will be some changes."

"DeCA was nominated as a PBO because it has a solid track record in customer service and operating efficiency," said Steve Rossetti, executive director, morale and resale activities for the office of the assistant secretary of defense. "PBO status gives employees and managers the opportunity to

approach the 21st century as a front-runner in government reinvention."

DeCA will strive for excellence through the SAVER 2000 program. Shoppers can see banners, stickers and buttons on display, representing significant events in DeCA's five-year history. SAVER stands for Service, Access, Value, Efficiency and Response.

DeCA operates 309 grocery stores worldwide with sales of more than \$5 billion per year. These sales generate

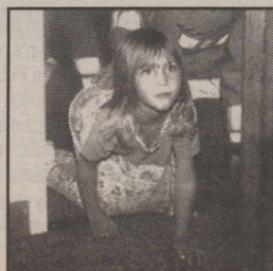
nearly \$1.6 billion per year in savings for customers — almost twice what the Agency's appropriation would buy in direct military compensation.

Becoming a PBO is all part of a federal initiative to make government work better and cost less. DeCA will begin to take on characteristics of a private-sector business to increase efficiency and service to customers.

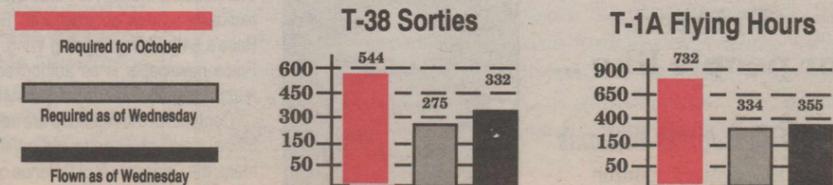
"Our military is changing," says Rossetti. "The stress of increased de  
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### Mission



# Make your place fire safe

## Fire marshal urges continued vigilance in prevention

by Maj. James Sohan  
64th Civil Engineer  
Squadron commander

"Fire!" It's a terrifying word when shouted.

Fires occur in more than 1,500 homes in the United States every day — one house catches fire every 57 seconds. More people have died in home fires so far this year than any year since 1984. On the average, 11 people die from home fires each day. Some are burned; over half die from smoke inhalation, often while they sleep.

During fiscal year 1996 in Air Education and Training Command, there were a total of 26 fire incidents. Fortunately at Reese, we have not experienced any fires in military housing in that same time. This is

because every person at Reese is aggressively identifying and eliminating fire hazards in their homes and work areas.

During National Fire Prevention Week, held Oct. 6-12, the slogan was "Test your detectors." We must work as a team and make a special effort to be partners in fire prevention — 52 weeks of the year. A careful walk-through of your home, checking areas such as kitchen appliances, water heaters and electrical wires goes a long way in preventing fires.

While household goods can be replaced, you can never replace the life of a loved one. I encourage everyone to be a part of the solution — not one of the statistics. Remember to "Test your detector!"



Senior Airman David Chabak, 64th CES, teaches Kaytlin Moore how to exit a room filled with smoke.

Photo by Staff Sgt. Orlando Guerrero

# Pharmacists are medication experts

by Capt. Joanne Bollhofer  
Chief, pharmacy services

Who should you turn to with your medication questions? The answer should be your pharmacist.

Once your doctor diagnoses your condition and chooses the appropriate medication to treat it, your pharmacist takes over to make sure that you receive the maximum benefit from your prescription and non-prescription medicines.

Why is this so important? Taking your medication properly is one of the best ways to decrease health care costs. Thousands of people each year end up in the hospital, fail to get better and have more money spent on their condition because they did not take their medications correctly.

National Pharmacy Week is Sunday through Oct. 26, and pharmacists want you to know they

are always available to advise you about your medications. Remember to "Team Up & Talk With Your Pharmacist" - the more you know, the better you will feel.

Pharmacists are medication experts - they do much more than count and pour. For each prescription, the pharmacist (or pharmacy technician) must check to see that the information provided by the prescriber is complete, that the new medication will not interact with other medicines you are taking, that the medication and dosage are appropriate for your health condition, and that you understand the proper way to take the medication.

Ultimately, you have the responsibility for managing your health care, but your pharmacist can help if you keep him or her up-to-date about changes in your health and the medications you are taking. It is important to try and use one pharmacy for all prescriptions, especially when

seeing multiple doctors. If this is not possible, inform each pharmacist you see of the medications you are filling elsewhere. This will ensure that the pharmacist has access to your complete medication history when checking for problems or possible interactions.

You should also check with your pharmacist before taking any over-the-counter medications (ex. aspirin, vitamins, etc.) Even though they do not require a doctor's prescription, nonprescription medications are powerful and can adversely interact with your prescription medications or affect another health condition. Make sure your pharmacist is aware of your allergies to any medications so adverse reactions can be prevented.

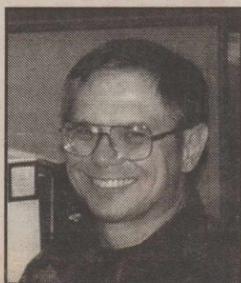
By working together with your pharmacist, you can be sure that your medications are taken safely, effectively, and appropriately to maintain your good health.

**Energy conservation tip -- An empty room doesn't need illumination. So, turn the lights off when you leave. You'll save money while conserving energy!**

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for people like ...

Master Sgt. James Williams  
64th Logistics Squadron



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## Reese undergoes another SATAF

by Tech. Sgt. David Brown  
NCOIC, public affairs

Reese underwent its third Site Activation Task Force (SATAF) visit Oct. 7-9.

Members of the SATAF team came from Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas; Columbus AFB, Miss.; Laughlin AFB, Texas and Vance AFB, Okla., to participate in discussions regarding the drawdown of operations here.

According to the SATAF team chief, Maj. Mike Connolly, HQ AETC, the drawdown efforts are on track. He indicated there will probably not be another SATAF at Reese.

The primary purpose of the SATAF was to orchestrate the smooth transfer of Reese AFB assets and workload to the other specialized undergraduate pilot training bases in the command, with emphasis on the T-38 and T-1A mission. The team also updated and closed some existing action items from SATAFs held in January and May of this year.

In addition, the team addressed five other functional areas: civil engineering, logistics, manpower and personnel, training and operations,

and medical. During discussions with people from various functional areas on base, specific agencies were tasked for information, action and estimated completion dates for open items.

The civil engineering functional team established new taskings to precisely define the minimum level of support required following termination of flying training operations.

The logistics team concentrated on personal property, aircraft transfer and supply warehouse drawdown. In addition, the HQ AETC logistics team and representatives of the Air Force Base Conversion Agency met with the Lubbock Reese Redevelopment Authority and discussed redistribution of military unique and mission essential personal property. The city staff expressed a desire not to rush any property disposition decisions before the development of the city's reuse plan is completed.

The main emphasis for the manpower/personnel team was enlisted assignments, retirement dates for affected enlisted personnel and the reassignment process. The assignment system has personnel matched and selected for overseas assignments. The challenge now is to develop

the list of available CONUS assignments.

Team members emphasized those choosing to retire at base closure have to retire by, or be on terminal leave by, Sept. 30, 1997. Those eligible should apply for voluntary retirement before they are matched to an assignment.

The organizational structure of the transitional caretaker force was another key issue. The team said the 64th Flying Training Wing must determine the final organizational structure that will carry the base through its transition to caretaker status.

The training/operations team contended with the upcoming disassembly of the flight simulators, movement, reassembly at the gaining bases and cost. They also addressed the minimum level of airfield support operations needed once all student training is complete.

The medical team was concerned with one primary issue, the need for records storage. HQ AETC determined that a central storage site for some of the important historical and accounting records is needed.

Many key issues were resolved during the visit, ensuring an orderly drawdown of operations.



Photo by Mike Parrish

### Length of Service Award

Col. Randy Gelwix, 64th Flying Training Wing commander, presents Bill Tynan, public affairs chief, a Length of Service Award for 30 years of civil service Oct. 10. Tynan arrived at Reese Air Force Base Oct. 9, 1973. Receiving 20-year Length of Service Awards for October through December are: Debbie Wild, 64th Services Squadron—arrived here Dec. 4, 1991; Gloria Schumacher, 64th Operations Group—arrived July 10, 1977; and Bob McGraw, 64th Communications Squadron—arrived Oct. 11, 1991.

## PEOPLE FIRST

### Junior ROTC holds second-career options

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. (AFNS) — Are you on the verge of retiring but career options seem overwhelming? Are you considering a second career, but are not sure how military skills will translate into a civilian job?

The answer could be a second career as an Air Force Junior ROTC instructor. Retired Air Force officers serve as aerospace science instructors, and retired enlisted personnel as assistant instructors.

All program applicants must have at least 15 years active duty service and be retired no more than four years from the date of application. Personnel on active duty may apply within six months of approved retirement. Eligible instructors must possess at least a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university and assistant instructors must have a high school diploma or its equivalent.

To apply as a high school Air Force Junior ROTC instructor, call Headquarters Air Force ROTC, Instructor Management Section, at 1-800-522-0033, ext. 7741 or 5275; DSN 493-7741/5275; or write to HQ AFROTC/DOJI, 551 East Maxwell Blvd., Maxwell AFB, AL 36112-6106. (Courtesy AETC News Service)

### Captains' promotion list coming Tuesday

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFNS) — The Air Force plans to release the listing of the service's newest line chaplain and judge advocate captains Tuesday (Wednesday for those units across the date line).

The lists are releasable at 8 a.m. Tuesday. The complete list of those selected for promotion will be available on the Air Force Personnel Center's Home Page at noon, CDT, Wednesday. The Home Page address is: <http://www.afpc.af.mil/> and then click on "captain's rank" to view the list.

### AF Services offers courses

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFNS) — The Air Force Services Agency has announced a new marketing management course for services marketing directors, marketing specialists, and publicists. The first class will begin Nov. 4.

The course will include blocks of instruction on communications and team building, Services activity procedures and programs, public affairs, advertising, marketing research and survey techniques, commercial sponsorship, and strategic marketing planning. Call Bill Middleton at DSN 487-3410 to sign up.

### AF seeks officers for ROTC cadre positions

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFNS) — Officers interested in shaping the Air Force's future leaders in a collegiate setting should consider a position as an Air Force ROTC cadre member.

Officials said the Air Force needs 50 colonels and lieutenant colonels to be commanders/professors of aerospace studies, 97 majors and captains to be assistant professors of aerospace studies and 10 captains to be regional directors of admission for the summer of 1997.

First lieutenants, captains and junior majors with a master's degree are eligible for duty as assistant professors of aerospace studies. Commanders need a graduate degree. Regional directors of admissions need an undergraduate degree.

## Around Reese

### Ruby's Lounge

(885-3156)

**Today:** Social hour begins at 4:30 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and beverage specials. Shuffleboard tournament with prizes at 7 p.m. Variety Disc Jockey begins at 9 p.m.

**Saturday:** Lounge opens at noon.

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**Monday:** Lounge opens at 3 p.m. Monday Night Football with food and beverage specials.

**Tuesday:** Lounge opens at 3 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Lounge opens at 3 p.m. Taco night from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Free for members.

**Thursday:** Lounge opens at 3 p.m. with 30-minute beverage special.

### Reese Chapel

(885-3237)

**Catholic services:** Mass -- Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11:30 a.m., Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Confessions -- Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. and weekdays by appointment.

**Protestant services:** Sunday worship 11:15 a.m.

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**Bible Study:** Wednesday at noon with Chaplain Janner. A light lunch is provided. "Marriage and God's Blueprint" Bible study Thursday at 7 p.m.

**Catholic Religious Education** is Sunday from 11 a.m. to noon.

For information on other worship opportunities in the local community call 3237.

### Library

(885-3344)

**New displays!** See a Halloween display through Oct. 31.

Complete set of **Video Learning Systems** for various Windows computer programs is available.

**Carol's Video Picks-'O-the-Week:** Family entertainment -- "Junior;" Adult -- "Die Hard 3;" Children -- "Adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle."

Check out "The Dilbert Principle" by cartoonist Scott Adams.

**Hours of Operation:** Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday from 12 to 5 p.m. The library is closed on Fridays, holidays and goal days.

### Auto Skills Center

(885-3142)

**Hours of Operation:** Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center is closed on Sunday, Monday and holidays.

The center is designed for **self-helpers**. All self-helpers must obtain a safety card to be authorized use of the facility and equipment. A free shop and safety orientation is the second Saturday of each month at 9 a.m.

### Simler Theater

(885-4888)

#### NOW SHOWING

**Today:** "The Fan," (R) 7:30 p.m. This is an edgy thriller about obsessed fan Gil Renard (Robert DeNiro) who stalks his favorite celebrity, Bobby Rayburn (Wesley Snipes). When Rayburn falls into a career slump, Gil's obsession takes a deadly turn, and he vows to stop at nothing, including murder, to restore his idol's reputation.

**Saturday:** "Jack," (PG-13) 7:30 p.m. Jack appears to be an average 40-year old man, but he is actually 10 years old with a unique disorder that causes premature aging. His life of seclusion is about to change as he comes out into the world...and into the fourth grade.

**Sunday:** "House Arrest," (PG) 6:30 p.m. Grover Beindorf is devastated when his parents tell him and his younger sister that they're separating. To prevent a divorce, they lock their parents in the basement, hoping they'll work out their problems and get back together.

Ticket price for adults is \$1.50 and \$1.25 for children under 12 years old.

### Caprock Cafe

(6027 - voice / 6028 - menu)

**Today:** Lunch — Beef Ball Stroganoff, Barbecue Ham Steaks, Ginger Basted Sole. Dinner — Beef/Cheese Manicotti, Fried Fish Portions, Herbed Baked Fish.

**Saturday:** Lunch — Lasagna, Ground Beef Cordon Bleu, Barbecue Spareribs. Dinner — Beef Pot Roast, Fish Almondine, Chicken Cacciatore.

**Sunday:** Lunch — Parmesan Fish, Braised Liver, Southern Fried Chicken. Dinner — Chili Macaroni, Roast Fresh Ham, Tuna Casserole.

**Monday:** Lunch — Beef Stew, Grilled Salisbury Steak, Lime Cilantro Sole. Dinner — Roast Beef, Stuffed Green Peppers, Pineapple Chicken.

**Tuesday:** Lunch — Country Style Steak, Savory Baked Chicken, Ground Beef Cordon Bleu. Dinner — Sukiyaki, Onion-Lemon Baked Fish, Fried Chicken.

**Wednesday:** Lunch — Swedish Meatballs, Roast Veal, Chicken Enchiladas. Dinner — Beef Stew, Grilled Ham Steaks, Creole Fish Fillets.

**Thursday:** Lunch — Grilled Top Sirloin Steak, Parmesan Fish, Sweet & Sour Pork. Dinner — Chili Macaroni, Braised Liver, Roast Turkey.

\*Menu subject to change

### Skills Development Center

(885-3787)

**Basic Frame Workshop:** By appointment. Cost is \$5 plus materials.

**Custom framing** is also available.

Hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Reese Club

(885-3466)

**Today:** Short Order Line from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Smokin' Hole opens at 4 p.m. Social hour at 5 p.m. with free hors d'oeuvres and beverage specials.

**Saturday:** Closed

**Sunday:** Sunday Brunch from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Monday:** Short Order Line from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Texas Barbeque Buffet from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$3.95.

**Wednesday:** Lunch special is an open-faced hot turkey sandwich for \$3.95. Short Order Line from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Smokin' Hole opens at 4:30 p.m. Taco Night from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$2 for members and \$5 for nonmembers. Thirty-minute drink special.

**Thursday:** Chicken Fried Steak from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$3.95. Smokin' Hole opens at 4:30 p.m. Thursday evening dining is Mongolian barbecue from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Price varies according to plate size.

### Youth Center

(885-3820)

**Today:** Costume party for children ages 5-9 from 7 to 10 p.m. for \$1.50 per child.

**Saturday:** Car wash at the Visitor's Center from 12 to 3 p.m.

**Monday:** In-line hockey and three-on-three basketball starting at 5 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Arts and crafts and chess club from 5 to 6 p.m.

**Thursday:** Cooking club from 5 to 6 p.m.

### Bowling Center Breakfast Specials

(885-6555)

**Today and Saturday:** Biscuits with Sausage Gravy. Cost is \$2.15.

**Monday:** Bagel with Scrambled Eggs, Bell Pepper, Bacon, Cheese, Lettuce and Tomato. Cost is \$2.25.

**Tuesday:** Short Stack with Bacon. Cost is \$2.30.

**Wednesday:** Breakfast Burrito with Ham. Cost is \$2.30.

**Thursday:** Two Eggs with Ham, Hashbrowns or Grits, Toast. Cost is \$3.20.

### Child Development Center

(885-3541)

**Oct. 26:** Give Parents a Break Respite Care Program from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Reservations are due by Wednesday.

Call the center to find out how to become a family home day care provider.

### Equipment Rental

(885-3141)

Equipment rental is continuing due to popular demand. Camping equipment, pop-up trailers, gardening tools and camcorders with tripod are still available for rent.

## Community notes

### Wing Enlisted Call is Wednesday

The Quarterly Wing Enlisted Call is Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the base theater. Col. Randy Gelwix, 64th Flying Training Wing commander, will address personnel and present awards to the airman, noncommissioned officer, senior noncommissioned officer and honor guard member of the quarter. Attendance is mandatory for all enlisted personnel.

### ROCC reveals secrets of a good letter

The Reese Options Career Center offers a Cover Letters/Broadcast Letters seminar Oct. 29 from 12 to 1 p.m. in the family support flight classroom building. To sign up call 3305.

### FSF welcomes little goblins Oct. 29

The family support flight hosts a Little Goblins Halloween Party Oct. 29 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. for ages one month to four years and their parents. There will be refreshments and snacks and a costume parade around the building where the children can trick-or-treat. Call 6494 for details.

### Chili cook off scheduled for Nov. 1

The 64th Mission Support Squadron Quality Council holds its annual chili cook off Nov. 1 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The council is asking that every office submit a crock pot of chili to be judged. Food handlers' guidelines must be followed. Call Chris Diaz at 3634 or Master Sgt. Walt Lilley at 3422 for more information.

### Tops in Blue to hold auditions

The 1997 Tops in Blue troupe will hold worldwide talent contest auditions soon. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Joseph Jackson at 6322.

### CCAF holds graduation

The Fall 1996 Community College of the Air Force graduation ceremony is Oct. 25 at 3 p.m. in the base chapel.

Col. Kodak Horton, 64th FTW vice commander, will present diplomas and Master Sgt. Janielle Fameree, 64th Medical Support Squadron, will be the guest speaker. Everyone is invited to attend.

### Eagle grant available

Community College of the Air Force graduates in the grade of E-3 through E-7 are eligible to apply for the Air Force Association Eagle Grant. Call 3634 for details.

## Equal Opportunity 101

Q. Who was the first Black/African-American female astronaut to complete a space shuttle mission?  
(Look for the answer in next week's Roundup.)

Last week's question:

Q. What year did the U.S. Congress grant all Indians the right of U.S. citizenship?

A. 1924

(Submitted by Capt. Eric Bass, 64 FTW/SA)

Submit equal opportunity questions and answers to 64 FTW/SA. The name will be published along with the information provided.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Orlando Guerrero

## In the stacks

Lt. Col. Jean Daniel Dailey, 64th Mission Support Squadron commander, browses among the library stacks for something to read. In addition to books, a large selection of videos and audio tapes is also available for check out.

## Math options abound for degree seekers

Commentary  
by Anita Renard  
Chief, education center

Are you one of those people who have all of your Community College of the Air Force courses completed except for math?

Or, do you want to complete one math course without intending to pursue math any further? Have you tried the College Level Examination Program exam for math and scored an insufficient score to gain credit with CCAF? Is one math course for general education requirements all you need?

If you've answered "yes" to one of these questions, we may have

the course for you.

Our MATH 1300-Intermediate Algebra, beginning Nov. 18 is a math course designed for students who do not have a solid math background from high school. The course will be offered one night a week on Tuesday evenings by Wayland Baptist University. This course is accepted by CCAF because Wayland Baptist accepts the course as a general education requirement.

If you're looking for a structured math program to prepare you for courses in higher math, we recommend the South Plains College sequence.

South Plains offers math

courses for students entering at any level. Beginning Nov. 13, the school offers intermediate and college algebra. The reason is South Plains does not accept intermediate algebra to fill a general education requirement.

Registration for both Wayland Baptist and South Plains' winter terms begins Oct. 28. Students can register on base with South Plains at the Education Center. Registration with Wayland Baptist must be completed at the Lubbock Center.

Tuition assistance requests are processed for all institutions at the education center, located in building 920.

## Recruits should check service dress uniform coat

WASHINGTON -- Airmen who graduated from basic military training since Oct. 1, 1995, were provided the new service dress coat as part of their initial uniform issue, and some of the men's issue coats have developed appearance problems after dry cleaning, according to officials.

The problems are two-fold: 1) puckering or a wavy appearance along the front coat edge and lapels, and 2) delamination, a separation of the outer material from the interlining causing a bubbling appearance on the flat surface of the coat.

Subsequent manufacturing changes appear to have solved these problems.

Airmen who have graduated from BMTS since October 1995 should inspect their coats for these problems. Coat owners should keep in mind that these problems do not surface until the coat has been dry cleaned and pressed and will not occur in all coats.

Airmen who think they may have one of these coats should first have the coat professionally pressed. If the edge puckering/surface delamination persists, they should take the coat to the base military clothing sales store for inspection.

On-the-spot even exchanges will be provided when the MCSS inventory contains a coat matching the size of a defective coat. When sizes aren't available in store inventories, replacement coats will be special ordered and expedited by MCSS staffs at no cost to members.

Each store received samples of the degree of puckering the Air Force clothing division determined unacceptable. A small amount of puckering along any coat edge is not uncommon and is considered normal in the clothing industry.

If an exchange is deemed necessary, costs associated with sewing on or removing stripes will be the member's responsibility.

## AF News

### MacDill becomes newest AMC base

MACDILL AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. (AFNS) — More than 800 members of the newly-named 6th Air Refueling Wing marched in formation here Oct. 1 as part of a full-scale military parade commemorating the reflagging of the wing and transfer of the base from Air Combat Command to Air Mobility Command.

With the activation of the 6th ARW, 12 KC-135 Stratotankers previously assigned to Malmstrom Air Force Base, Mont., were officially assigned to the wing.

In April 1991, the Base Realignment and Closure Commission recommended MacDill cease all flight operations by September 1993. Flight operations on the base were systematically reduced during the next three years, with the last F-16 squadron leaving the base in August 1993.

The 6th Air Base Wing became the base's host unit in January 1994. Although MacDill had no flying mission, the base's strategic location and outstanding airfield capabilities were highlighted when the base became a major staging area for Operation Restore Democracy in Haiti in September 1994. The base's participation contributed to the 1995 Department of Defense's recommendation to bring the 43rd Air Refueling Group to MacDill as part of the 6th ARW.

### C-130 crew helps rescue fishermen

PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, Ore. (AFNS) — A C-130 aircraft and crew from the 304th Rescue Squadron here helped rescue three Canadian fishermen adrift at sea Oct. 1.

The Reserve crew orchestrated the rescue with the help of the Canadian coast guard, the Canadian Rescue Coordination Center, and some 20 miles away, a Greek cargo ship and another fishing boat.

Circling the area for more than three hours, the C-130 crew stayed in contact with the survivors and relayed information back and forth between the Canadian coast guard and rescue coordination center.

### Fighter squadron takes on new mission

BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, La. (AFNS) — With the arrival of the first students during the second week of October, the 917th Wing's A-10 squadron switched missions from combat to pilot training.

The mission change for the 47th Fighter Squadron was part of the 1995 force structure announcements.

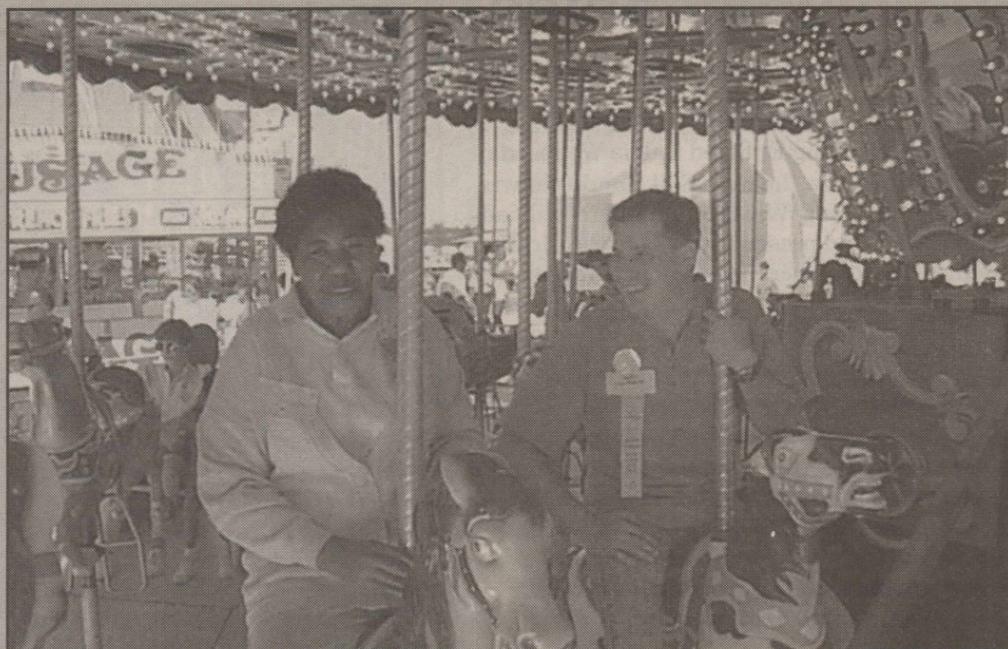
### Service secretaries meet at sea

NORFOLK NAVAL BASE, Va. (AFNS) — All three U.S. military service secretaries were at sea together for the first time Oct. 4-5.

Secretary of the Navy John Dalton hosted Secretary of the Air Force Sheila Widnall and Secretary of the Army Togo West Jr., on the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy for a conference on Command, Control, Communications, Computers and Intelligence.

Secretary Widnall flew to the carrier in the back seat of a Navy F/A-18. Upon landing, the aircraft, with Widnall still aboard, repositioned and catapulted into the sky. The F/A-18 returned to the ship and Widnall joined the other secretaries aboard the Kennedy for the C4I conference.

This service secretaries conference was the third in a series. In March 1996, Widnall hosted her counterparts at Langley AFB, Va., for a conference on modeling and simulation, and the secretaries went on a flight aboard an E-3 Sentry Airborne Warning and Control aircraft. Earlier, the Army hosted the conference at Carlisle, Pa., and focused on quality-of-life issues.



### Air Force volunteers share a day at the fair

Arthureen McLoughlin and Airman Richard Pitsnogle take a spin on the carousel at the South Alabama State Fair. Pitsnogle, Standard Systems Group technical control system programmer, was one of the more than 50 volunteers who chaperoned physically and mentally-challenged children and adults at "Handicapped Day at the Fair" in Montgomery. This was the 19th year that volunteers from SSG, an Air Force software and network organization, have served as chaperones.

## Parents pay newborn care at DoD hospitals

by Elva Whitehead  
Beneficiary advisor

Effective Oct. 1, parents will pay for newborn care at Department of Defense hospitals from the time of birth whether or not the family has other health insurance coverage.

DoD previously charged the standard family member rate for the mother and nothing for the baby, provided both are DoD-eligible beneficiaries and are discharged at the same time.

This same rate is charged for DoD-eligible babies requir-

ing hospitalization after the mother is discharged.

When the family has health insurance, DoD currently bills the insurer to recover full costs from the time of birth.

On Oct. 1, DoD began billing parents without health insurance for all newborn care from the time of birth.

Medical treatment facilities charge \$9.90 per day for babies eligible for DoD health care, the same rate that is charged to the mother, who is not covered by health insurance.

The charges will be significantly higher for newborns not

eligible for care — such as newborns of dependent daughters.

A baby born to a dependent daughter is considered "a civilian, not the dependent of a service member or retiree." Thus the infant is not entitled to military medical benefits or CHAMPUS/TriCare coverage.

The family is billed for all costs the military treatment facility incurs in delivering the baby. For normal deliveries of healthy babies, the charges range from \$600-800.

This change in policy applies to babies delivered in a military treatment facility.

## DeCA to preserve benefits by moving to next level

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ployments and more working families demands that DeCA evolves with state-of-the-art practices that provide our military people with time-saving value."

"We've already saved as much money as we possibly can since the commissaries were consolidated under DeCA in 1991," said John McGowan, director of operations. "We've cut costs by nearly \$300 million, we're more efficient, and we've improved service to the point that the commissaries were picked as the top non-pay military benefit in the 1995 Customer Service Survey. But in order to preserve the

benefit we need to move to the next level."

Before PBO changes can become realities, DeCA will need Department of Defense waivers and legislation to amend regulations and federal law. The DeCA "wish list" includes changes that will: streamline buying and accounting practices, reduce costs of necessary services and streamline personnel services.

According to DeCA legislative liaison Dan Sclater, "We're only in the initial stages of becoming a PBO. We have sought, and successfully received, some administrative waivers and we've drafted a legislative package. This will be an ongoing process."

## 'Terrorist takeover' exercise provides valuable lessons

LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AFNS Feature) — The role players participating in the "Commander's Conference" could barely stifle yawns as they sat in the ballroom of the community center at Los Angeles Air Force Base's Fort MacArthur military housing annex. Most expected a "fire" or an "earthquake"—the type of exercise conducted several times a year in Los Angeles.

Their complacency, however, was soon replaced by sheer terror when the first masked gunman burst through the door, loudly racking the slide of a sawed-off 12 gauge shotgun. "Hostage scenario! Everybody get on the floor!" he yelled.

For the unsuspecting role players, all members of the base's Exercise Evaluation Team, a 10-hour ordeal was just beginning.

Although the base consistently practiced scenarios involving natural and industrial type disasters, a terrorist situ-

ation had never been thoroughly scripted or exercised. As base officials coordinated with the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, they became convinced that Los Angeles AFB needed to prepare for a possible terrorist situation.

To make the scenario as realistic as possible, Master Sgt. Scott Baker and Staff Sgt. John Krayeski from the Air Force Special Investigations Academy, Andrews AFB, Md., provided consultation on planning and executing tactical portions of the exercise. They equipped the role players with "simunitions"—modified 9mm cartridges tipped with wax "bullets" containing paint.

Using simunitions ensured everyone in the exercise was conscious of using proper cover and concealment techniques and allowed evaluators to assess the accuracy of rounds fired during the exercise.

Special Agent Paul Tingle, March Air Reserve Base, Calif., AFOSI forensic science of-

ficer, and Special Agent Corey Whittier, who has in-depth knowledge of hostage negotiation techniques, traveled to Los Angeles to assume the role of terrorists in the exercise. Their combined expertise allowed them to assume the mindset of actual terrorists, which greatly enhanced the realism of the exercise, especially when hostage negotiations began. Several other AFOSI agents from area detachments provided additional manpower to make the terrorist takeover team a formidable force.

When the terrorists burst into the Fort MacArthur Community Center and ordered everyone to the floor, some role players were able to escape the terrorists and flee the facility. These escapes were facilitated by the staff although the role players didn't know it. And, since the role players had no prior knowledge that the scenario involved a terrorist takeover, they were surprised and con-

fused as they ran from the building.

Just as in an actual takeover, the details they provided to the first security police on the scene were sketchy and often contradictory. What was clear to the responding officers, though, was that a major law enforcement problem was just beginning at Fort MacArthur.

Security police quickly formed a cordon around the community center and began making the first notifications to AFOSI and simulated notifying the Los Angeles Police Department. Within an hour, the first units of the Los Angeles FBI field office SWAT team were rolling through the gates of Fort MacArthur.

The depth of the FBI's participation demonstrated how seriously they prepare for terrorist activities, as well as their dedication to supporting Department of Defense agencies. More than 50 FBI agents, including sniper units, communications and technical specialists, and a hostage negotiation team, participated in the exercise.

Base and OSI planners added several twists to the exercise plot before the situation was resolved. Early in the standoff, a news media helicopter covering the event lost power and "crashed" on a separate portion of the base. Emergency personnel and the Disaster Control Group had to balance responding to the crash site while continuing to provide support to the FBI operation at the community center.

FBI agents on scene were kept busy, first by an escape attempt by one of the terrorists, and then by detection and apprehension of a "lookout" with a cellular phone that the terrorists had posted outside the FBI cordon. Finally, the terrorists "shot" a hostage in the leg and dumped her outside the building, where she had to be evacuated by FBI SWAT units.

FBI negotiators experienced success as well, securing the release of one hostage in exchange for food. But in the end, the terrorists would not negotiate on some of their most difficult demands, and the FBI SWAT team had to effect a forced entry of the facility, ending the standoff in a hail of simunitions fire.

Robert H. Hicks, AFOSI Detachment 110 special agent in charge, characterized the exercise as a great success. The objective was to expose base personnel to a scenario that, in today's environment, could happen on any Air Force base, Hicks said. "We identified weaknesses as we knew we would, but learned some lessons that we can use to focus our attention and be better prepared should such a tragic event ever occur."

Griffith summed up the exercise, "Although some areas for improvement were identified, this exercise enabled us to find and correct those areas, and simultaneously allowed us to further improve our working relationship with the FBI in Los Angeles. From that perspective, it was a great success."



Los Angeles FBI SWAT team members evacuate a "wounded hostage" from the scene.

## Espionage remains a modern threat to national security

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As recently as 1992, the president of an American corporation specializing in ballistic missile equipment was sentenced to a 15-year jail term for illegally exporting U.S. technology to South Africa. That very technology was used in Iraqi artillery shells fired at U.S. troops during Operation Desert Storm.

For many people, the mention of espionage conveys images of secret gadgets, confidential files and "Mis-

sion Impossible." Espionage is more than just a memory of the Cold War, it is a modern threat. Today, spies target U.S. biological, aerospace, transportation, telecommunication, engine and computer technologies.

Members of Foreign Intelligence Services (FIS) recruit insiders who have access to valuable information. With a well-placed "spy," the enemy is provided with intentions in crises, capabilities, readiness, morale and more.

Members of the military are the most enticing recruits. The Air Force Office of Special Investigations identifies and counters the intelligence threat to U.S. Air Force personnel and resources.

Reporting of suspicious incidents assists in reducing the threat posed.

Suspicious incidents include:

- any unofficial contact with a non-U.S. citizen who is employed by a foreign diplomatic establishment;
- all attempts or requests by any person, including U.S. Air Force civilians or active duty military personnel, to gain unauthorized access to classified or otherwise sensitive information;
- any event that suggests that you might be the target of a FIS or a terrorist group;
- any information indicating the planned or actual, deliberate compro-

mise or unauthorized release of classified or controlled information;

- any offer to give you classified information or otherwise sensitive information;
- all information regarding the intentions of terrorist organizations; and
- all information regarding planned or actual acts of sabotage or subversion.

Everyone can help fight the threat of espionage. By reporting any suspicious incidents, the intelligence threat against the United States is reduced.

Suspicious activity should be reported immediately to the OSI detachment at extension 3414.

# Local companies honor base with Texas Tech Salute to Reese Day

Two Lubbock businesses, J. C. Penney and Lusky's Western Store have chosen Veterans Day as a time to honor Reese AFB personnel.

Penney's Lubbock outlet at the South Plains Mall will offer Reese personnel with a ticket stub from the Texas Tech-Southwestern Louisiana football game a 25 percent discount on all regular priced items Nov. 16-17.

Lusky's at 2431 34th Street near the 34th Street and University Avenue intersection will offer a 25 percent discount on all regular priced items and a 10 percent discount on sale items Nov. 15-16 for customers with a ticket for the Texas Tech-Southwestern Louisiana football game.

Both businesses state that there are a few internationally prominent brands, such as Levi's, for example, that will be exceptions to the discount. Those products will be exceptions only because the manufacturer does not permit retailers to sell their product at a reduced price.

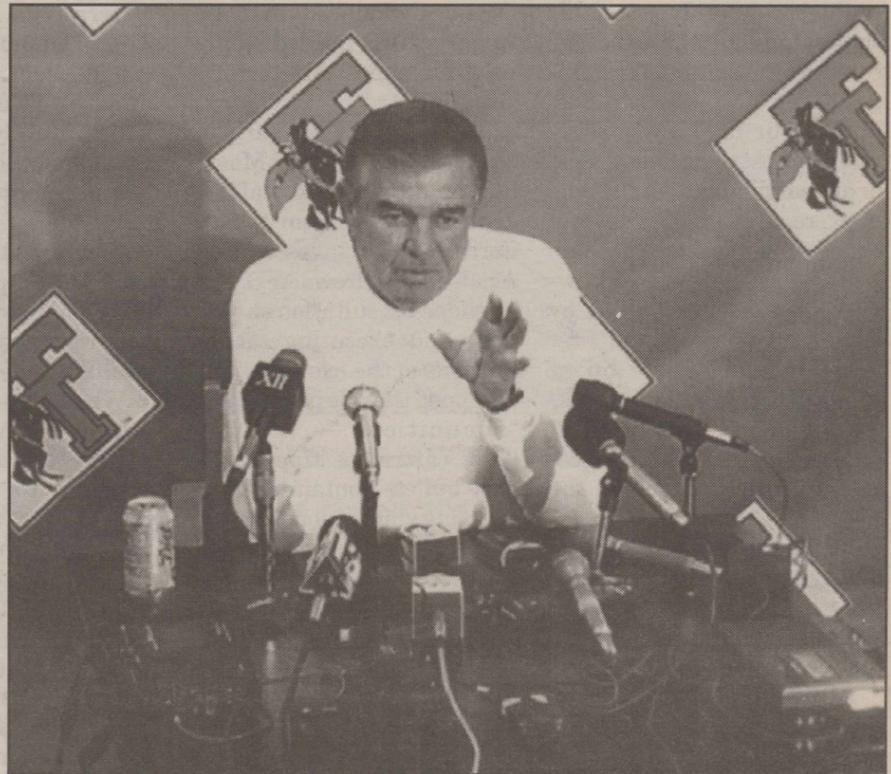
Tickets for the Texas Tech-Southwestern Louisiana football game may

still be ordered through your squadron orderly room or from your work area's designated representative.

Festivities for the day begin at 11 a.m. on Nov. 16 with a meal for all Reese personnel catered by Bigam's Smokehouse. The meal is free for all Reese employees and members of their immediate family. Guests of Reese personnel (such as your friend from church or a neighbor who does not work at Reese) may eat at the base's sponsor tent, but will be charged \$3.75 per meal.

A four ship formation of T-38s from the 54th Flying Training Squadron will flyover Jones Stadium at about 12:45 p.m. during the final notes of the National Anthem prior to the 1:00 p.m. kickoff.

At halftime, the Texas Tech 'Goin Band From Raiderland will dedicate their annual patriotic music performance to Reese AFB-Lubbock Army Air Field personnel and their 56 years of interconnecting support with Texas Tech, its faculty, staff and administration.



Spike Dykes, Texas Tech head football coach, addresses the media at a press conference Monday about Tech's performance Saturday.

Photo by Senior Airman Tim Dempsey

## Sports update



Photo by Staff Sgt. Orlando Guerrero

Ted Lowdermilk tees off on Hole 3 at the Reese Golf Course during the Retiree Appreciation Days Golf Tournament Oct. 11.

### Bowling center schedule

**Today:** TGIF bowling for \$1 per game from 7 p.m. until closing.

**Saturday:** Young American Bowling Alliance bowls at 9:30 a.m. Poor Boy Special--bowl three games for \$2 from noon until closing.

**Sunday:** Bowling for 50 cents per game. Sunday's special (for bowlers only)--barbecue sandwich and french fries for \$2.55 from noon until 6 p.m.

**Monday:** Monday Night Football/Bowling from 8 to 11 p.m. Bowl for 50 cents per game and enjoy reduced beverage prices.

**Tuesday:** Intramural League bowls at 4 p.m. Local Law Enforcement League bowls at 7 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Intramural League bowls at 4 p.m. Mixed League bowls at 7 p.m.

**Thursday:** Industrial League bowls at 6:30 p.m.

**Ongoing:** Club card members bowl for 50 cents per game during open bowling in October.

### Intramural League bowling standings (as of Oct. 9)

Navy	16-4
64th CES-A	14-6
64th MSS-1	13-7
64th MDG	12-8
64th SVS	11-9
52nd FTS-1	10.5-9.5
54th FTS	10-10
64th LS	10-10
64th CS	10-10
LMLM	9-11
52nd FTS-2	9-11

64th CES-B	9-11
64th CONS/FM	7.5-12.5
64th SPS	7-13
64th MSS-2	7-13
64th MSS-3	7-13

### Golf tourney scheduled

The Daedalian Open Golf Tournament is scheduled for Nov. 1 at the Reese Golf Course. Entry fee is \$12. All proceeds go toward the Daedalian Scholarship Fund. To register call Capt. David Ryder, 64th Operations Group, at 6611.

### Lubbock area sporting events calendar

**Today:** Women's Soccer--Baylor vs. Texas Tech at 4 p.m. at R.P. Fuller Soccer Stadium, Drive of Champions (formerly 6th Street) and Flint Avenue, Texas Tech campus. Admission is free.

**Saturday:** Football--Nebraska vs. Texas Tech at 2:30 p.m. at Jones Stadium, 4th Street and Red Raider Avenue (formerly Boston Avenue), Texas Tech campus. All seats are \$25.

**Sunday:** Women's soccer--Southwestern Missouri State vs. Texas Tech at 1 p.m. at R.P. Fuller Soccer Stadium. Tickets are \$5 for adults, and \$3 for students and children under 12 years old.

**Oct. 25:** Women's soccer--Iowa State vs. Texas Tech at 3 p.m. at R.P. Fuller Soccer Stadium. Women's volleyball--Colorado vs. Texas Tech at 7 p.m. in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, Red Raider Avenue and Champion Drive, Texas Tech campus.

**Oct. 26:** Women's volleyball--Nebraska vs. Texas Tech at 7 p.m. in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.