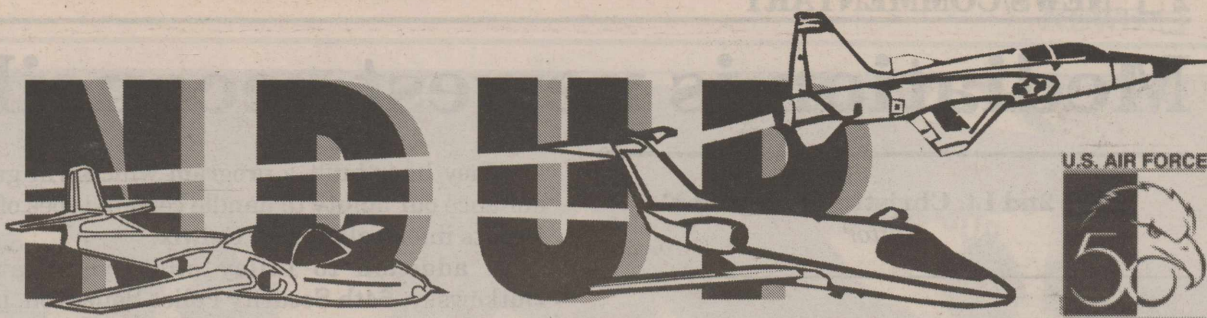


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Photo by Mike Parrish

The Enlisted Awards Banquet is Saturday at the Reese Club. Pictured above are this year's nominees. They are from left: (front row) Stanton, Gonzalez, PlesKovitch, Lilley, Gravelle, (back row) Lappe, Famerre, Hurd, Tate, White, McFarland, Ledlow and Loftus. Not pictured is Harper.

Reese's best compete for annual awards

Fourteen enlisted members are vying for the pinnacle crown in four categories to be announced at the final Reese Enlisted Awards Banquet here Saturday.

"The Reese Legacy...A Time for Reflection" is the banquet's theme and the first Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force, Chief Master Sgt. Paul Airey, is scheduled to speak.

The nominees for the yearly awards are:

□ **First sergeant:** Master Sgt. Roger Gravelle, 64th Logistics Squad-



Airey

ron; and Master Sgt. Mike PlesKovitch, 64th Medical Group;

□ **Senior noncommissioned officer:** Senior Master Sgt. Marion Tate, 64th LS; Master Sgt. Janielle Famerree, 64th Medical Support Squadron; Master Sgt. Walt Lilley, social actions; Master Sgt. Gary Loftus, 64th Operations Support Squadron;

□ **Noncommissioned officer:** Staff Sgt. Mario Gonzalez, 64th OSS; Staff Sgt. L.D. Harper, 64th Security Police Squadron; Staff Sgt. Ron Lappe, closure and reuse office; Staff Sgt. Glenn Stanton, 64th Medical Operations Squadron;

□ **Airman:** Senior Airman Duane Hurd, 64th Comptroller Flight; Senior Airman Bryan Ledlow, 64th MDOS; Senior Airman Gene McFarland, 64th LS; and Senior Airman Melissa White, 64th OSS.

Airey, presently residing in Panama City, Fla., was the first chief master sergeant to be appointed to the ultimate noncommissioned officer position of Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force.

In this position, he advised the Chief of Staff of the United States Air Force on matters concerning the welfare,

effective utilization and progress of the Air Force's enlisted members. He held this position from April 3, 1967 to July 31, 1969.

Born in New Bedford, Mass., on Dec. 13, 1923, he attained an associate's degree through the Air Force's off-duty education program. Airey enlisted in the Air Force in No-

vember 1942 and served continuously until his retirement in August 1970.

Following basic training at Atlantic City, N.J., from November 1942 to January 1943, the chief was assigned to Scott Field, Ill., where he completed Radio Operator School in June 1943. He was then assigned to Aerial Gun-

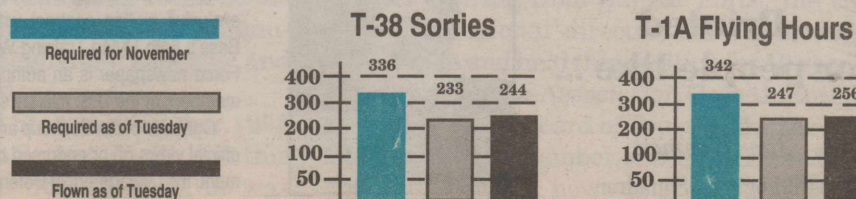
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Mission



Mediation is newest reconciliation technique

by 2nd Lt. Christine Breighner
Editor

The Air Force now offers another option for reporting and solving discrimination and human relations problems said Col. Randy Gelwix, 64th Flying Training Wing commander, in a recent letter to other commanders at Reese.

The new option is called the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) program and the ADR process called mediation will be used.

"For many years individuals who felt they had been discriminated against or wronged filed a formal complaint through the social actions office or the inspector general," said Gelwix, "We are now implementing a new procedure to handle most complaints of this nature."

Mediation is an ADR process which is nonadversarial in nature. It seeks not to declare winners or losers, but to find reconciliation between disputing partners, according to the 64th FTW ADR office. The office is currently located within the social actions office in Bldg. 230, but both relocate to Bldg. 920 effective Dec. 2.

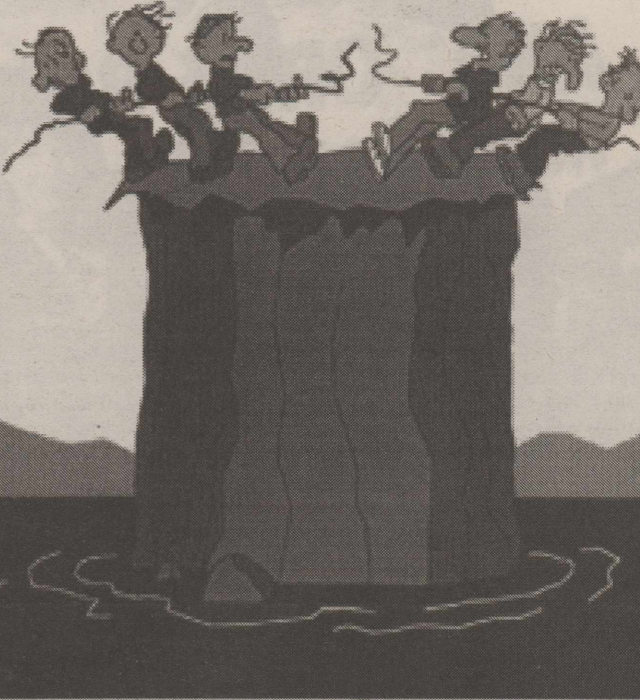
"I fully support the implementation of this program," said Gelwix. "Mediation is cost effective, less time consuming for both the complainant and the respondent, and the individuals involved are part of the problem solving process."

Master Sgt. Walt Lilley, 64th FTW Social Actions, and Kay Dyer, chief equal employment opportunity counselor, recently attended an Air Education and Training Command Mediation Program Administrator workshop and have implemented a mediation program here.

"They have built a program which will greatly enhance our ability to handle certain types of complaints informally," said Gelwix.

In addition to Lilley and Dyer, Laverne Dutkowsky, 64th Security Police Squadron, is also trained as a mediator.

The process of mediation is provided through the skills of one of the trained mediators," said Lilley, Reese's ADR director. "The focus is the mutually satisfactory resolution of disputes. No third party acts as a judge or a jury. The parties themselves ar-



rive at what each of them agrees is fair."

Lilley added that before entering into a mediation, the mediator determines if the situation is appropriate for the process.

Mediation works in many cases including:

- job-related problems,

- discrimination and/or harassment,
- juvenile problems such as fights or vandalism,
- claims over money and personal property,
- base housing problems such as noise, pets or nuisances and
- some domestic issues.

Lilley said that over 70 percent of mediated cases result in lasting settlements. Other advantages of mediation are that it works for a wide range of conflicts and the emotional and financial costs of conflict are mitigated. Mediation lays a foundation on which broken relationships can be mended.

Mediation, however, does not prevent the use or replace the formal complaint processing procedures, said Lilley.

Arbitration has long been used in labor/management disputes, particularly those covered by union/management negotiated collective bargaining agreements, according to the ADR office.

Vice President Al Gore's 1993 Report of the National Performance Review, "From Red Tape to Results -- Creating a Government that Works Better and Costs Less," encourages increased use of ADR by federal employees.

In addition, the Civil Rights Act of 1991 encourages the resolution of disputes by ADR methods as does the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

The Air Force, long a leader in the area of human relations education and equal opportunity training, wants people to seek out resolution through mediation as one of the methods for solving

human relations issues.

For further information on ADR's mediation process or to determine if a particular situation would warrant the use of mediation, call Lilley at 3420r Dyer at 3310. After Dec. 2, call the ADR office at 3930.

64th SPTG CC restates day care policy



Col. Edward De Iulio

Reese Air Force Base policy defines Reese Village Family Day Care as child care provided more than 10 hours per week, or provided on a regular basis.

This policy applies whether care is provided in the child's home or in the provider's home.

Individuals providing family day care in Reese Village must operate with a license.

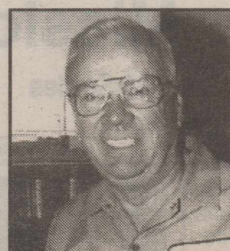
If you or someone you know is interested in obtaining a license, contact our family day

care coordinator, Melissa Steed, at 885-6270. The application process to be a family day care provider in the base housing area takes approximately one month. The process includes an orientation where the person learns how to child-proof their home, and goes through other training and inspections.

Persons providing family day care without a license are violating our policy and could lose base housing privileges.

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64th Logistics Squadron



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Equal Opportunity 101

Q. Who was the first Puerto Rican graduate of West Point?

(Look for the answer in next week's Roundup.)

Last week's question:

Q. Who was the first Black/African-American female general in the U.S. Air Force, and who was the first Black/African-American photographer to win a Pulitzer Prize?

A. Maj. Gen. Marcelite J. Harris, Moneta J. Sleet, Jr. (Submitted by Staff Sgt. Ronshella White, 64th CS)

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



Airman Leadership School Class 97-A graduates today. They are, from left to right, front row: Senior Airman David Tanner, Kelly Collins, Brian Applegate, Nicholas Kerr, Felicia Powell, Teri Zielinski and Terrance Baucum; back row: Jason Lazzara, Jason Brinkley, Brian Crane, Douglas Jennings, Harry Metheny, Christine Biddinger and Francisca Benjamin. Staff Sgt. Dennis Turriff, Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas, far right, is one of the instructors.

Final Reese ALS class closes doors on PME Center

by 2nd Lt. Christine Breighner
Editor

The last class to conquer Airman Leadership School here — Class 97-A — graduates today in a 11:30 a.m. luncheon ceremony at the Reese Club.

Several class members and one of their instructors, Staff Sgt. Dennis Turriff from Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas, had some thoughts on the significance of being the last Reese ALS class.

"We may be the last ALS class at Reese, but we are proud to represent the classes before us who have given us the opportunity to be here today," said Senior Airman Harry Metheny.

"From here we can continue to pass the knowledge we have gained to others. I look forward to helping others the way they have helped me," he said.

This class closes the doors on Reese's Professional Military Education Center, housed in Bldg. 421. The first Noncommissioned Officer Preparatory class graduated here in 1979.

Turriff said the memories and experiences from ALS are different and meaningful for each person.

Senior Airman Teri Zielinski, student commander, said, "ALS Class 97-A came together on Oct. 20, as 14 unfamiliar faces. It will depart on Nov. 22 as 14 unforgettable friends, carrying the torch of leadership into the future."

"There will be no more future leaders leaving the PME Center here again," said Senior Airman David Tanner, student first sergeant. "We followed the footsteps of those before us, but now the West Texas wind will blow our footsteps away, never to be tread upon again."

"This class will help in making me not only a better supervisor but a better person. We'll all go back to different sections or bases, but we will all make a difference," said Senior Airman Jason Brinkley. "The ALS instructors are very professional and have a way of making you want to learn things like leadership, followership and, a scary thing for me...speaking."

"For me, ALS has exposed new ways of looking at the leaders of today and what I would like to see as a leader of tomorrow," said Metheny.

It's appropriate, then, that this class's motto was, "Saving the Best for Last." Other classes have had mottos ranging from "Droppin' Dimes," to "We All Have a Comb."

"Being in the last class is exciting," Tanner said.

"We are ending an era — an era that has continued over the years, bringing the Air Force the best," Metheny said. "From Reese Air Force Base only the best endure, which takes us a step closer to the quality leadership they have instilled in us from the beginning," he said.

First CMSAF Airey to speak at Enlisted Awards Banquet Saturday

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nery School, Tyndall Field, Fla. Graduating in August 1943, he was reassigned to the 485th Bomb Group at Fairmont Army Air Field, Fairmont, Neb., where the organization was undergoing B-24 Liberator Bomber phase training.

In March 1944, his organization was assigned to the 15th Air Force in North Africa and in May 1944 was reassigned to Italy. Based near Foggia, he flew as a radio operator-aerial gunner on combat missions over the Ploesti oil fields in Germany and Austria. Airey was flying on his 28th combat mission in July 1944 over Vienna, Austria when his B-24 was shot down by anti-aircraft fire. Parachuting safely, he was immediately made a prisoner of war.

He was first incarcerated in Salagluft 4, near the Baltic Sea. Some months later Airey and his fellow prisoners were force-marched hundreds of miles to Stalag 11B. When he was released in May 1945, he weighed just more than 100 pounds, 60 pounds

under his normal weight and was immediately returned to the United States and placed on a three-month recuperation leave.

In August 1945, the chief was assigned to Scott Field, Ill. as a radio school instructor. He was reassigned to Naha Air Base, Okinawa, in 1951. As Noncommissioned Officer In Charge of Naha's wing communications he devised a corrosion control assembly line for aircraft radio and radar equipment. Airey then trained personnel in the proper use and maintenance of this equipment, and placed it in full operation on a production line basis. His unique idea and resourcefulness resulted in tremendous monetary savings by prolonging the life of communications equipment at negligible expense and earned him the Legion of Merit medal.

Returning to the United States in October 1953 Airey was again assigned to Scott AFB, Ill., but this time as a first sergeant. In October 1958, he was reassigned to the 3407th School Squadron, Keesler

AFB, Miss., as first sergeant. Overseas again, he was first sergeant at the 611th Aircraft Control and Warning Site in 1959.

He was assigned to the 478th Fighter Group at Grand Forks AFB, N.D., in August 1960 as NCOIC of the Airmen Section, Directorate of Personnel Sergeant Major, then first sergeant of the 468th Consolidated Maintenance Squadron, and finally as first sergeant of the 18th Fighter Interceptor Squadron. He was assigned to his last first sergeant position at the 4756th Civil Engineering Squadron, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., in 1964.

After retiring from the Air Force, the chief became the regional director, Air Force Sergeants Association and held this position for 10 years. He is also a director for Association Growth Enterprises, a member of the Board of Trustees for the Airman's Museum, and a member of the Air Force Memorial Foundation. Airey now spends most of his time on speaking engagements for the U.S. Air Force.

Around Reese

Ruby's Lounge

(3156)

Today: Social hour begins at 4:30 p.m. with free hors d'oeuvres and beverage specials. Shuffleboard tournament with prizes at 7 p.m. Variety Disc Jockey 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Saturday: Frog Pond opens at noon.

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

Tuesday: Main Lounge opens at 3 p.m.

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

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

Reese Chapel

(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.

Bible Study: Wednesday at noon with Chaplain Janner. A light lunch is provided.

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

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

Library

(3344)

Thanksgiving Display: Through Nov. 30.

Voting Display: Available through Nov. 30.

Check out "Undaunted Courage" by Stephen Ambrose. Look for it on the bestseller nonfiction list at #6.

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 noon to 5 p.m. The library is closed on Fridays, holidays and goal days.

Auto Skills Center

(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. Open on goal days from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Now through Wednesday -- free safety inspections available.

The facility is designed for **self-helpers**. All self-helpers must obtain a safety card to be authorized use of the facility and equipment.

Simler Theater

(4888)

NOW SHOWING

Today: "Extreme Measures," (R) 7:30 p.m. No one takes much notice when a homeless man dies from bizarre symptoms in a New York City trauma room. One doctor who does pay attention finds himself caught up in a very dangerous intrigue involving a private research program. The doctor is determined to unravel the mystery at the risk of losing his career, and even his life.

Saturday: "The Rich Man's Wife," (R) 7:30 p.m. An unhappy wife, married to an Los Angeles television executive, confides in a sympathetic, psychotic stranger she meets in a bar. She then finds herself a suspect in her husband's sudden murder.

Sunday: "D3: Mighty Ducks," (PG) 6:30 p.m. The Ducks are now on scholarship at the prestigious Eden Academy, an upscale high school. The Ducks face off with the snooty alumni, a new coach and a team of angry older brothers of the students the Ducks replaced.

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

Caprock Cafe

(6027 - voice / 6028 - menu)

Today: Lunch — Baked Stuffed Pork Chops, Herbed Baked Fish, Fried Chicken. Dinner — Lasagna, Roast Veal, Szechuan Chicken.

Saturday: Lunch — Teriyaki Steak, Savory Baked Chicken, Turkey Nuggets. Dinner — Yankee Pot Roast, Mustard Dill Baked Fish, Herbed Baked Chicken.

Sunday: Lunch — Grilled Salisbury Steak, Tempura Fried Shrimp, Oriental Chicken Stir Fry. Dinner — Onion Lemon Baked Fish, Baked Chicken, Ground Beef Cordon Bleu.

Monday: Lunch — Spaghetti with Meatballs, Southern Fried Whole Catfish, Chicken Parmesan. Dinner — Hungarian Goulash, Salmon Cakes, Roast Loin of Pork.

Tuesday: Lunch — Roast Veal, Baked Tuna with Noodles, Fried Chicken. Dinner — Stuffed Cabbage Rolls, Tomato Meat Loaf, Oven Fried Fish.

Wednesday: Lunch — Stuffed Green Peppers, French Fried Shrimp, Roast Turkey. Dinner — Stuffed Beef Rolls, Sweet and Sour Pork, Herbed Baked Chicken.

Thursday: Lunch — Lasagna, Grilled Pork Chops, Chinese Five Spice Chicken. Dinner — Veal Parmesan, Braised Liver Onions, Lemon Baked Fish.

*Menu subject to change.

Reese Club

(3466)

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

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: Closed.

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: Short Order Line from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Check for sandwich specials every Wednesday. 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: Closed for Thanksgiving.

Youth Center

(3820)

Today: Ice Skating at The Rink for ages 8 and up, 7 to 10 p.m. Cost is \$4 per person.

Monday: In-line hockey for ages 8 and up from 5 to 6 p.m. 3-on-3 basketball, ages 10 to 18 from 5 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday: No School - Mail Field Trip for ages 5 and up from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Arts and crafts and chess club from 5 to 6 p.m.

Thursday: Closed for Thanksgiving.

Bowling Center Breakfast Specials

(6555)

Today: Biscuits and Sausage Gravy. Cost is \$2.30.

Saturday: Breakfast Burrito with Sausage, Cost is \$2.30.

Monday: Ham and Cheese Omelet, Toast and Jelly. Cost is \$2.80.

Tuesday: French Toast with Bacon. Cost is \$2.55.

Wednesday: Breakfast Burrito with Bacon. Cost is \$2.30.

Thursday: Closed for Thanksgiving.

Child Development Center

(3541)

Thursday: Closed in observance of Thanksgiving.

Skills Development Center and Equipment Rental

(3141)

The center has framed photos and prints. It has reduced prices on wood furniture sets and displays. Custom framing is available. Color prints by John Ficklin (T-1A, T-37B and T-38A). Reese souvenir T-shirts available in various designs.

Christmas sale is ongoing. Look for super discounts on Reese commemorative items.

Camping equipment, pop-up trailers, gardening tools and camcorders with tripod for rent.

Community notes

AAFES announces holiday hours

The Thanksgiving Day hours of operation for the shopette are from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. All other facilities will be closed.

Bake sale set for Saturday

The Reese Exchange Employee Association is sponsoring a bake sale Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the base exchange mall. Whole cakes, pies and the like are available. A can food drive is also being held at the same time.

64th Support Group holds cookie drive

The 64th Support Group is conducting their annual "Cookies for Airmen" cookie drive. The goal is to deliver holiday cookies to all single airmen living in the dorms and base housing on Dec. 17. Bring your donations to the family support flight, Bldg. 310, on Dec. 16 or to 103 Andrews on Dec. 14 or 15. Call ahead to 3305 by Dec. 12 to say how many cookies you plan on donating. For more information, call Elsa Summers at 3305 or Becky De Iulio at 885-4841.

Base-wide garage sale is Saturday

The base-wide garage sale is being held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the youth center parking lot. Come out and check out some great bargains.

IM awards deadline is Monday

The annual information manager awards deadline is Monday. Recognize outstanding officer, enlisted and civilian information managers for meritorious service during the past year. Guidelines can be found in Air Force Instruction 36-2845. For more information call Master Sgt. Gustavo Hernandez at 3437.

Chapel announces holiday events

The base chapel is holding an ecumenical Thanksgiving worship service Wednesday at noon at the chapel. This brief service will be followed by a free Thanksgiving meal consisting of baked ham and all the trimmings in the chapel annex. Please call the chapel at 3237 to make reservations.

Project Giving Tree starts Dec. 9. This is a chance to make Christmas morning a little brighter for a Reese family. Stop by the chapel and take a star from the Giving Tree, purchase the gift and return it to the chapel. Gifts will make it back to the families in time for Christmas morning.

For more information on either of these programs, call Tech. Sgt. Steve Wachter at 3237.

ROCC holds financial seminar

The Reese Options Career Center holds a financial woes seminar Dec. 4 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

in the family support flight classroom, Bldg. 310. To sign up or for more information, call Kay Dyer at 3305.

Readiness Flight changes training

The 64th Civil Engineer Readiness Flight is discontinuing the Staff Assistance Visit program and all scheduled training effective Dec. 30. Those requiring chemical warfare defense or hazardous materials training should contact Senior Airman Lee Smith at 3701.

Caprock holds turkey day dinner

All military and family members are invited to the Thanksgiving meal at the Caprock Cafe Thursday. The serving lines will be open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with several guest servers on hand.

For more information contact Senior Airman Will Hightower at 3408.

Tops In Blue videotaping set

The 1997 Tops In Blue worldwide talent contest auditions videotaping begins Monday. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Joseph Jackson at 6322.

Career change seminar scheduled

The Reese Options Career Center is offering a "Making Change an Adventure" seminar Dec. 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the family support flight classroom, Bldg. 310. To sign up or for more information, call Kay Dyer at 3305.

Military Families Appreciation Week' starts Sunday

by 2nd Lt. Christine Breighner
Editor

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, it's appropriate that Secretary of Defense William Perry has designated the week beginning Sunday as "Military Families Appreciation Week."

"This week is an open opportunity to honor not only the active duty member, but the entire family

unit," said Elsa Summers, Reese family development specialist. "It's the whole family that's involved in the process of finding jobs, PCSing and getting settled in a new community."

"During the week, Reese families can sit back and take stock of the important role they play and be proud," said Summers.

The 64th Services Squadron, the family support flight, and the chapel have scheduled several events to honor families. The week ends with Reese Family Day on Nov. 27—a day off for active duty members.

"As we celebrate this week of Thanksgiving, we can also take time to be thankful for the legions of military families who give so much to the military and to the country," said Perry.

He continued, "Active duty and reserve component military families are significant members of the Department of Defense Team. They include spouses, children, parents and other family members of our married and single service members. They contribute to our overall morale and substantially enhance the well-being of the force.

"This past year, military families all over the world have sacrificed along with their military member for the sake of world peace," said Perry.

"Join me in saluting these special people."



Sarah Taylor, age 2 1/2, and Kelsey Walling, 17 months, get help from their moms, Amy and Michelle, at the Moms & Tots play group Nov. 12 at the family support center.

Military Family Appreciation Week Activities

Sunday - Nov. 30	Book display, family videos	Base library
Sunday - Nov. 30	10 percent off custom frames	Skills development center
Sunday - Nov. 30	Families bowl for 75 cents per game	Windmill Lanes
Sunday - Nov. 30	Free 17-point safety inspection	Auto hobby center
Sunday - Nov. 30	Sales/promotions	Base exchange
Tuesday	Potluck dinner - family night	Youth center
Monday and Tuesday	Information table for families	Base exchange
Tuesday	Moms & Tots play group	Family support center
Tuesday	Open house (a variety of videos are on tap from 8 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.)	Family support center
Wednesday	Thanksgiving service at 12 p.m.	Base chapel
Thursday	Thanksgiving meal	Caprock Cafe

JSUPT Class 97-02 IPs

64th Operations Squadron

Lt. Col. Joseph Scaparra
commander

Maj. Greg Davis
operations officer

Lennie Day
T-38 academics site manager

T-38 Instructor Pilots

Bruce Crockett
Gary Lenz
Kirby Lewis
Lloyd Oliver

Mike Ingle

T-1 academics site manager

T-1 Instructor Pilots

Greg Aaron
John D'Annunzio
B.C. Hall
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Mike Neilan
Mac Staples
Larry Van Sickle

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commander

Maj. Robert Edington
operations officer

Capt. Dwight McArthur
C-flight commander

Instructor Pilots

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Capt. Shawn Casey
Capt. James Leber
Lt. Mark McArdle
Capt. Darren Purser
Lt. John Tregoning

Capt. Roger Lyle
F-flight commander

Instructor Pilots

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Capt. John Melloy
Lt. Robbie Page
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Lt. Omar Velasquez
Lt. Jeff Meyer
Lt. Paul Trujillo

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Capt. Scott Crase
Capt. Steve Fouch
Capt. Greg Gorski
Capt. Danny Harris
Capt. Mike Holland
Capt. J.B. Pickens
Capt. Mark Randolph
Capt. Sam Svetecz
Capt. Monte Weiland
Capt. Jeff Yevcak

54th Flying Training Squadron

Lt. Col. Mark Gallagher
commander

Maj. Kevin Kimsey
operations officer

Capt. Doug Hammen
D-flight commander

Instructor Pilots

Lt. Col. Roger Rechsteiner
Lt. Col. Enrique Saa
Maj. Andy Correro
Maj. Dave Specht
Capt. Greg Boerwinkle
Capt. Brian Dawson
Capt. Brian Dodson
Capt. Ken Frollini
Capt. Randy Kaufman
Capt. Kevin Stevens
Capt. Jim Swanik



Photos by Bill Allen

Godlewski, left, and Vincent display the AETC Commander's Trophies they won during graduation. They were recognized for being the top graduates in their respective tracks.

Godlewski, Vincent take top honors in JSUPT Class 97-02 graduation

Lt. j.g. Chadwick Godlewski and 2nd Lt. Craig Vincent received top honors in their respective pilot training tracks during graduation ceremonies for Joint Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 97-02 here Nov. 15.

The two graduates received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy as the top overall graduate in each track.

In addition to the commander's trophy, Godlewski received the tanker/airlift track Flying Training Award and was a distinguished graduate.

Vincent was also a distinguished graduate in the fighter/bomber track.

Also recognized in the tanker/airlift track were: Capt. David Angress—Academic Award, Capt. David Herbison—Leadership Award, Capt. James Boddy—Citizenship Award and 2nd Lt. Jeffrey Allsopp—Outstanding Young Officer.

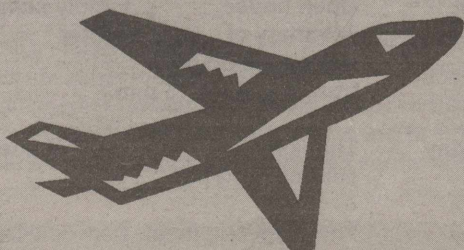
Recognized in the fighter/bomber track were: 2nd Lt. Sean Bittner—Flying Training Award, 2nd Lt. Marc Himelhoch—Academic Training Award, Capt. Gene Cassingham—Leadership

Award, 2nd Lt. Gavin Tade—Citizenship Award and 2nd Lt. Brett Stoffel—Outstanding Young Officer.

Other awards presented were: Outstanding Crew Chief—Emsy Crawford, Lockheed Martin Logistics Management, Outstanding Flightline Instructor Pilot—Lt. Col. Steve Rasmussen, 35th Flying Training Squadron; Lt. Paul Trujillo, 35th FTS; Capt. Kevin Stevens, 54th FTS; and Capt. Scott Crase, 52nd FTS, and Outstanding Contract Simulator Instructor—Loren Stendahl, T-37; Lloyd Oliver, T-38; and B.C. Hall, T-1A.



Retired Lt. Gen. Thomas Baker addresses JSUPT Class 97-02 during graduation ceremonies.



64th CONS commander returns from Bosnia

'Americans! Thank you, thank you!' heard in Sarajevo

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It was a temporary duty assignment -- but it turned out to be a tremendous experience.

Maj. Robert Verica Jr., 64th Contracting Squadron commander, embraced a huge responsibility when he became the chief of contracting for Headquarters Implementation Force (IFOR) at Sarajevo.

Verica departed in May for the 179-day temporary duty to Bosnia-Herzegovina. He attended a one-day orientation course at Ramstein Air Base, Germany, prior to heading for Bosnia and then it was off to Zagreb, Croatia, and augmentation of the Air Force South (AFSOUTH) unit stationed in the country. He finally landed in Sarajevo.

"I was a member of the support team for the 'four-star', Admiral Leighton-Smith and Admiral Lopez," Verica stated. "We provided contracting support for approximately 64,000 NATO IFOR troops assigned to the former Yugoslavia."

The contracting office had the responsibility of procuring contracts for such needs as food, camp services, petroleum products, office supplies and computers for IFOR in Sarajevo. While assigned to the area, Verica directed over 300 contracts worth over \$12 million to include construction or renovation of facilities in the area.

Asked about dangerous situations where he was involved, Verica said that Zagreb was a very low threat area.

"We rode the public transportation system to and from work and even walked down-

town unescorted," said Verica. "Sarajevo was a different subject entirely."

Early in his TDY, Verica explained that he and Navy Capt. Pat Cummings, chief of contracting for all the IFOR forces, made a trip to Sarajevo from Zagreb. The day was dark and rainy. All IFOR personnel were required to wear flak vests and helmets, and carry weapons at all times. "We were unsure about any danger that we were in," he said. "The threat was unknown and we had no idea where it would come from."

Critical situations and contracts were the norm for the major. But dealing with local contractors and IFOR requirements presented the biggest challenges.

"We did a lot of construction and renovating of buildings that were formerly government-owned buildings," said Verica.

"Juggling the needs of IFOR against the government of Bosnia was the most critical. We wanted to maintain a good working relationship with the government. We also wanted to ensure that as many contracts as possible were written using mostly local companies.

"Establishing that much-needed relationship and maintaining it with the businesses

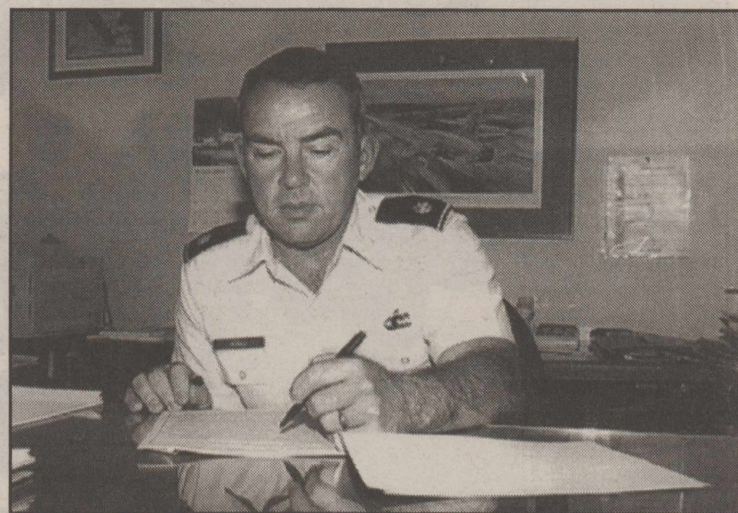


Photo by Tech. Sgt. Dave Brown

Verica catches up on paperwork since returning to Reese from a TDY in Bosnia.

and local government officials was the most critical situation we had to face," he said.

Giving the locals a desire to rebuild was the freedom to move about Sarajevo without fear of retaliation and knowing that American presence would help ensure that the fighting would stop, said Verica.

"The people and pride in what we Americans have accomplished in Bosnia was a central theme of what I really enjoyed during my tour," he explained. "Knowing that we were able to accomplish something that NATO and the U.N. couldn't do really helped the regional situation.

"As we (Americans) would drive down the streets of

Sarajevo or walk down those same streets, the little children would salute our cars or come up to us and shake our hands. Coming back into the city, the common statement was 'IFOR, IFOR! Americans! Thank you, thank you!' That really touched my heart."

Returning to his command here, Verica said he enjoyed coming back to some luxuries Bosnia lacked.

"Having a variety of television programs and stations was sorely missed," he said. "Watching CNN International and EuroSports kept me abreast of the world situation and European sporting events.

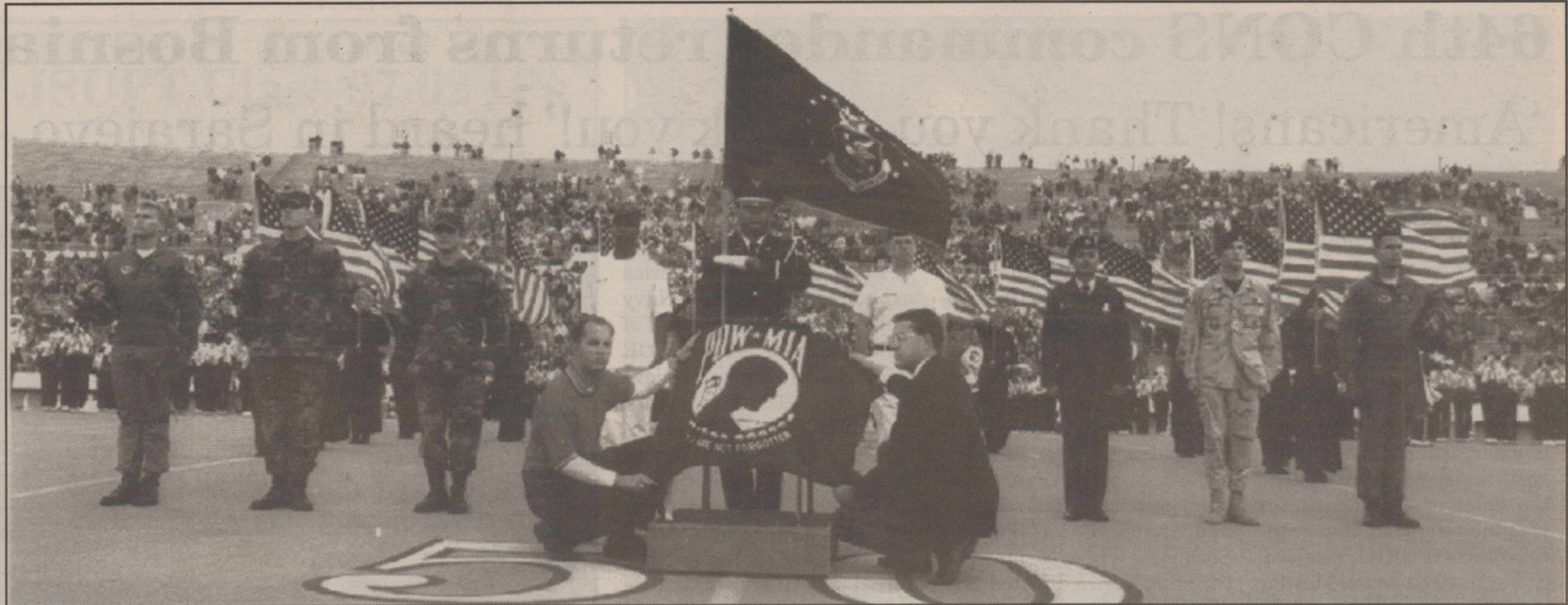
"It really is good to be home and enjoy the amenities I didn't have in Sarajevo."



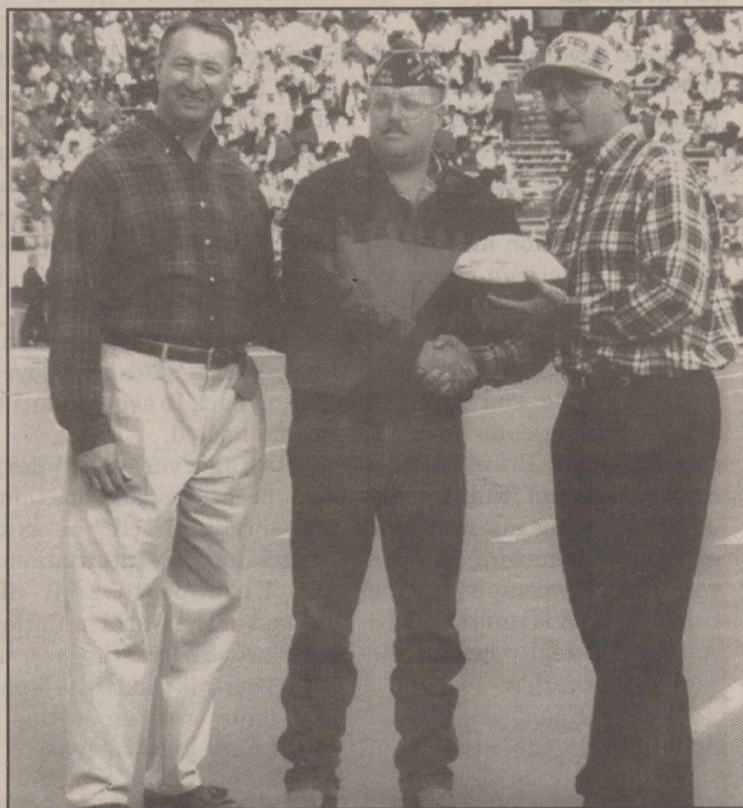
The building, pictured above, is where the daily newspaper is published in Sarajevo. The newspaper shut down for only one day when the building was shelled and then continued to be printed in the basement, according to Verica. (Sarajevo photos courtesy of Maj. Bob Verica)



The first sight Verica said he saw after leaving the airport in Sarajevo.



Active duty Reese personnel participate in halftime activities at the Texas Tech football game Saturday. Each wore a different uniform to represent the Air Force.



Tech. Sgt. Larry Burks (center) 64th Security Police Squadron, receives a game ball from Angel Berlingeri for VFW Post 2466.



Linebacker Robert Johnson and other Red Raider defenders contort a Rajin' Cajun running back.



Master Sgt. William Caballero, 64th Civil Engineer Squadron, adds some zesty sauce to his sandwich.

Reese enjoys day at Tech

Approximately 1,000 Reese folks got together to brave mother nature, tailgate, eat barbeque and watch a football game Saturday.

"The tailgate picnic and game was a great idea. It's something we should have been doing for years," said Col. Kodak Horton, 64th Flying Training Wing vice commander, while going through the food line at the sponsor tent. "The weather is not the best but it doesn't look like it's going to affect our crowd that much. It's a good idea for other bases to adopt."

The weather finally cleared in the second half as the Red Raiders dried the dampened field with their running and passing. Texas Tech went on to blow out the Rajin' Cajuns, 56-21, in front of 34,261 fans.

(Text and photos by Senior Airman Tim Dempsey)