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AN ARMY**



Photo by Senior Airman Kristin Ruleau

Tech. Sgt. Carlos Dashiell (right) and Senior Airman Jeremiah Rylee, Jr., both of the 506th Expeditionary Communications Squadron, splice telephone cables together during the process of restoring service to remote areas of the base October 19. Sergeant Dashiell is deployed from Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany and Airman Rylee is deployed from Davis Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.

On the cover...

Soldiers from the 116th Brigade Combat Team, deployed to Forward Operating Base Warrior here, walk on to a C-130 during an engines running on-load November 1. In the 20 days of the U.S. Army Replacement in Place/Transfer of Authority, the 506th Expeditionary Logistic Readiness Squadron assisted more than 6,000 soldiers either on or off airplanes at Kirkuk Regional Air Base, Iraq. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat)

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I salute the warrior in you

By Col. Ed Daniel
506th Air Expeditionary Group Commander

Some have said and I'm sure you have all heard the old saying "fun flies when you're doing time". Meaning, of course, that happiness is hard to attain and motivation wanes easily when you're imprisoned. From what I have seen during my first month here at the Kirkuk Regional Air Base, this catchy phrase has no steam among the men and women of the fighting 506th.

As many of you approach the halfway point in the tour, when there is a possibility that the adrenaline that you brought to this combat zone might start to wear off, I am here to tell you that I have not seen any signs that this team is losing its edge. Moreover, I see the exact opposite.

Every day, I see a proud group of Airmen, performing at a level above and far beyond the normal call of duty. It is a group that, considering the tenuous circumstances it was presented with during the month of October, is remarkable. All of us knew that with the overlap of the 116th Brigade Combat Team and the 101st, October would be a difficult and daring time for us.

One of my first charges to the commanders, chiefs and first sergeants was to be sure that the Airmen of the 506th remain, not only patient and polite, but professional as well. Each of

you - to a man and woman - responded to this charge like warriors.

You embraced the challenges of October as something to overcome rather than something to complain about or simply ignore. Although it's impossible to sum up my appreciation and admiration in just a few paragraphs, I want it on the record that all of you in my command have earned my respect and gratitude.

This month could have gone awry at many different junctures; yet when you passed through the furnace, you emerged as forged steel, not burned metal.

It is this dedication to duty that I feel exemplifies the true spirit of the 506th, every member performing his or her role safely, professionally and to the utmost of their ability.

When I see those of us who leave the relative safety of the base to complete their mission, I know that there are 20 of us who remain behind because that is where our mission is completed. It reminds me that none of the bricks in a wall are more significant than any of the other bricks in that wall. And yet, if any of them were to fail - even just one of them - the entire wall could collapse in failure. As leaders, and as warriors, we have an obligation to help each other remember that all of us are equally a part of mission success. From my view, we have one mission, one team and we are on our way to success.

Now that I have seen what each of you brings to our mission, I am determined not to slow you down. My intent is to let you - the leaders and warriors in each of you - do what you do best. I'll admire the results.

My hope is that your heart, like mine, is energized and your spirits are lifted as you witness the efforts of your fellow warriors. The atmosphere that you have created is producing both amazing results and a culture where enthusiasm becomes contagious, recognition becomes unnecessary, and the reward for a job well done is a simple smile or thank you from a fellow warrior.

You have established a tremendous team that is hitting on all eight, let's see this all the way home. I am truly humbled to be a part of your team and I salute you all.

Featured Photo



Sparrows take a momentary rest on some of the Constantine wire that encircles Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq. The share razor-like blades of the "C-wire" don't seem to bother the sparrows as they appear to relax in the sunset. (Courtesy photo used by permission of Senior Airman Eric Velasquez)

Be Seen...Be Safe

Always wear something reflective at night

DFAC Hours of Operation

Breakfast: 0530 - 0800, **Lunch:** 1100 - 1330

Dinner: 1700 - 2000, **Midnight Meal:** 2300 - 0130

AEG CC presents “sharp Saber Team” award for October

506th Air Expeditionary Group presented the *Sharp Saber Team* award for the month of October to the Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron's TOA Team.

The award was presented by Col. Ed Daniel, 506th AEG Commander, and Chief Master Sgt. David Lorenz, 506th AEG Command Chief Master Sgt., during the monthly commander's call. The winning 506th ELRS team was one of seven teams competing for the award.

The ELRS team took first place for supporting the U.S. Army Relief in Place/Transfer of Authority at the U.S. Army Forward Operating Base Warrior, located on Kirkuk Air Base.

The ELRS team is credited with moving more than 500,000 pounds of personal bags and more than 6,000 soldiers during a 20-day period.

Members of the winning team are: Master Sgt. Shawn Alexander, Airman 1st Class Adam Arvizu, Staff Sgt. Brandon Banks, Senior Airman Alicia Bertram, Airman 1st Class Jared Beem, Tech. Sgt. Jay Boisen, Staff Sgt. Anthony Boragina, Tech. Sgt. Willie Burnett, Airman 1st Class Cory Burton, Senior Airman Eric Carsten, Senior Airman Angel Campbell, Airman 1st Class David Cazalet, Staff Sgt. Anthony Caloger, Senior Airman James Davis, Airman 1st Class Gina Dinarte, Tech. Sgt. Scottie Footracer, Airman 1st Class David Garcia, Staff Sgt. Carl Girmscheid, Airman 1st Class Joshua Goss, Master Sgt. Richard Harmon, Senior Airman Timothy Helms, Airman 1st Class Christopher Howard, Staff Sgt. Kirk Lowry, Staff Sgt. Tracey Mallory, Senior Airman Tyson Martin, Senior Airman Magdalena Marquez, Senior Airman Shantavia Odom, Staff Sgt. Patrick Pittman, Tech. Sgt. Max Quitiquit, Tech. Sgt. Herbert Romero, Master Sgt. John Robinson, Staff Sgt. Thomas Shuler, Airman 1st Class Michael Sloten, Tech. Sgt. Howard Smith, Airman 1st Class Lee Snyder, Tech. Sgt. John Staats, Airman 1st Class Nhat Ta, Staff Sgt. James Tillery, Staff Sgt. Perry Winford and Senior Airman Philip Witherspoon.

If you have a news event you'd like to see in the November 21 edition of the Krab Kronical forward it to 506th AWG/PA by Wednesday, November 16.

Recent changes improve Korean assignment program

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas - Recent policy changes to the Korea Assignment Incentive Pay Program enable Airmen to apply for the program before or after their arrival in South Korea. The KAIP authorizes \$300 monthly payments to Airmen who sign a written agreement to serve the prescribed tour length in South Korea plus an additional 12 months. For more information visit the Air Force Personnel Center's assignment procedures Web site at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/procedures>.

Fitness Center Opens

The new fitness center is now open for business. It is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and is located beside covered pavilion area, across from Pizza Hut and Green Beans Coffee House. This new facility has cardio and weight equipments as well as a full-sized basketball court. The Sand Blasters Fitness Center will still remain open, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Overseas quarterly assignment listing available November 1

10/27/2005 - RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — The Enlisted Quarterly Assignment Listing for overseas requirements for July through September 2006 will be available Nov. 1. Assignment preferences need to be updated by Nov. 17. Airmen will be notified of their selection before Dec. 15. Airmen need to work through their military personnel flight or their commander's support staff to update their preferences. Deployed Airmen should work with their personnel support for contingency operations representative to update assignment preferences. EQUAL advertises upcoming assignment requirements, by Air Force Specialty Code and rank. Airmen should review, prioritize and update their assignment preferences based on the list. Airmen can view the lists by going to the Air Force Personnel Center home page at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil and then logging into the Assignment Management System, or by visiting their local MPFs.

October LES May be confusing

Servicemembers who chose the \$250,000 coverage option during the month of September did not have their pay records updated until October.

The premium for the \$250,000 is \$16.25 per month. Since the transactions were not processed until October, both September and October were collected at the same time for a total of \$32.50.

A transaction was also processed to refund \$26.00 for the mandatory increase to \$400,000 in September. The net effect was a \$6.50 deduction (\$32.50 less \$26.00) that should be collected during October.

The LES remark for this deduction of \$6.50 reads “SGLI for \$100,000” and that is wrong. The \$16.25 should deduct correctly for November.

AF extends navigator application deadline

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – The deadline for all officers interested in applying for navigator training has been extended to Jan. 10.

With the Air Force's first Force Shaping Board scheduled for April, the flying training board will provide an increased opportunity to retain some of those affected officers in the 2002 and 2003 year groups. Applicants must meet all requirements listed in Air Force Instruction 36-2205 “Applying for Flying Training, Air Battle Manager and Astronaut Programs.” Applicants must not exceed their 30th birthday or five years beyond their Total Federal Commissioned Service Date by May 2006, the start date of the board's first available undergraduate flying training class.

For more information on flying training selection process, contact the special flying programs section at DSN 665-2330 or commercial (210) 565-2330.

Cashing a check?

Get ahead of the game by filling your check out in advance with:

Full Name, Rank, Social Security Number, Home Station, Home Station Unit, Home Station DSN phone number, KRAB Unit, Deployed Unit Phone number.

Check should be payable to:
DDO DSSN 3801, USCENTAF, S.C.

Moving an Army-twice

By Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat
506th Air Expeditionary Group Public Affairs

If you had to use busses to do it you would need more than 100 them just to get the people moved; and you'd better bring about 13 tractor trailers because you'll need them to transport their luggage. Of course, you could just call the 506th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron to find out how they did it.

The 506th ELRS has been at the center of a U. S. Army rotation that sent one Brigade Combat Team home as its replacement arrived for duty at Forward Operating Base Warrior.

The Army calls this rotation a Replacement in Place/Transfer of Authority and when it happens each year, the men and women of the 506th ELRS are on the frontlines in the battle to move a brigade - twice.

By the time they are finished they will have loaded or unloaded more

than 6,000 soldiers and moved more than 500,000 pounds of personal bags. And they will have taken less than 20 days to do it.

"It's been tough," said Master Sgt. Richard Harmon, Superintendent of Vehicle Operations, deployed from the Arizona Air National Guard at Sky Harbor Airport

in Phoenix, Ariz.

Although the RIP/TOA dramatically increased their daily workload, the vehicle operations section didn't let it stop them from their normal mission of providing the base shuttle, he said.

"We can't let the base shuttle service stop just because we are doing other things," he said. "We need to take care of the base population."

"The whole team had to dig in and roll up their sleeves," said Master Sgt. John Robinson, Vehicle Operations Supervisor, deployed from Willow Grove Joint Air Reserve Station, Pa.

We had some drivers that, after working for 12 to 14 hours, went home for an eight hour break before they had to come back and do it all over again, said Sgt. Robinson.

"They've done an outstanding job, he said.

The process starts in the early morning when the Vehicle Operations Superintendent checks a computerized, and frequently updated, version of the flight schedule.

With the updated schedule in one view and the personnel roster in the other, Sgt. Harmon determines how his team will support the missions planned for the day. At the end of his 12-hour shift, he'll repeat this process using the most current



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat

For many, the long trip home starts in the early morning hours. Members of 506th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron pick soldiers up at their living area before transporting them to the passenger terminal.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat

Airman 1st Class Joshua Goss, a Passenger Service Agent with the 506th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron's Air Terminal Operations Center uses flight tracking computer software to verify aircraft arrival information.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat

Senior Airman Alicia Bertram, Aircraft Services Supervisor for the 506th Air Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, stares intently at her spotter for directions as she negotiates the K-loader she is driving into position at the ramp of a C-130. During the 20 days of the Replacement in Place/Transfer of Authority, members of the 506th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron here, moved more than 500,000 pounds of personal bags on or off airplanes.

schedule available. He knows it may change, but for a planning tool, this is as good as it gets, he said.

The schedule shows us about 24 to 72 hours in the future, he said, adding that doesn't mean they will have that much time to plan.

"We've gotten phone calls telling us that we have a plane ready to land within a few minutes," he said.

We've adopted the motto "Semper Gumby" or, as Sgt. Harmon translates it, "always flexible."

"The hardest part," said Tech. Sgt. Scottie Footracer, a Vehicle Operator for the 506th ELRS, "is being ready to go at a moment's notice."

Sgt. Footracer said some of their drivers have spent three hours driving the base shuttle only to find out that instead of a break when they return to the office, they have to go back out to pick up a bus load of passengers.

When they transport a bus load of passengers, they are often taking them to

get on a flight at the Air Terminal Operations Center.

"I think for most of us, helping people get home safe is just part of what we do," said Master Sgt. Shawn Alexander, Aerial Port Flight Chief, deployed from McChord Air Force Base, Wash. "It's just part of our job," he said.

Sgt. Alexander is among 18 other ELRS team members deployed from the 62nd Airlift Wing at McChord AFB. They are responsible for maintaining the ATOC, the Passenger Service Section and the Cargo and Ramp Services Section for the 506th ELRS.

Theirs will likely be the last face an outbound passenger will see before he or she gets on a plane to go home.

His team takes a lot of pride in the fact that they are there at the end to be sure it's done correctly, he said.

If something doesn't quite work right, we fix it to make sure it's able to get on the plane and get out of here, he said.

"We take pride in being the last line of defense," Sgt. Alexander said.

"Most of us have deployed together before," said Sgt. Alexander, "We all know each other. We have a good mix of people on this team," he said.

"Most of us are proud of our home unit and we always go out to do the best job possible," said Sgt. Alexander.

"We're a small group so we do a little bit of everything," he said. "We all go out and push pallets; we all go out and help direct passengers onto the plane."

We do whatever it takes to help each other out and get the job done, he said.

AEG Nominees and Winners for October

CGO Nominations for October 2005

1st Lt. Terry Stevenson, Capt. Stephanie Kennedy, Capt. Kurt Wiest, Capt. Stacy Frechette, 1st Lt. Shad Schoppert, 1st Lt. Stephen Baker, 1st Lt. Jesus Raimundi.

SNCO Nominations for October 2005

Master Sgt. Steve Felderman, Senior Master Sgt. Sonya Moore, **Senior Master Sgt. Ronals Gisel**, Master Sgt. Patrick McKenzie, Master Sgt. George Martin, Master Sgt. Beatrice Eveland, Master Sgt. Phillip Kolata

NCO Nominations for October 2005

Staff Sgt. Noah Vaughn, Staff Sgt. Justin Stellflug, Staff Sgt. Aisha Hager, Staff Sgt. Ryan Petterson, Tech. Sgt. Justin King, Staff Sgt. Robert McMurtrie, Tech. Sgt. Chanicke Flord, **Staff Sgt. Steven Carrico**.

AMN Nominations for October 2005

Senior Airman Katelyn Murphy, **Airman 1st Class Jared Beem**, Senior Airman Jessica Fredline, Airmen 1st Class Stefanie Dersch, Senior Airman Dustin Maglinti, Senior Airman William Elkins, Senior Airman Adam Crockett, Senior Airman Nathan Hargrafen

Color me confused...

Understanding alarms conditions

1st Lt. Shad Schoppert
506th ECES Readiness Flight Officer

An engineer's life is often very black and white. For example, the 2x4 piece of wood will either support my weight, or it will not; the toilet flushes, or it does not.

Things are very clear and distinct for us.

Given the choice between six different colors of slushies at the Clamtina, our brains truly do freeze. Do I want the Piña Colada, Strawberry Daiquiri, or Blue Raspberry slushy? Arrg!!!

Some of you may have the same problems when it comes to our Alarm Conditions.

Sure, The Readiness Office has assigned four different colors to make them "easy to remember", and yes, they are the same colors that you likely used at your Home station, but an explanation will still help.

Let me start with the easiest one: Alarm

Green. Alarm Green is for normal everyday operations. In Alarm Green you do your job. I know it is rough, but no sleeping under your desk waiting for the attack to begin; you have to work.

There may be other things to do depending on the Force Protection Condition assigned, but that is a different topic for a different day.

Next is Alarm Yellow. Alarm Yellow is declared when an attack is expected or likely to happen. It may also be used when severe weather exists that could create potentially unsafe conditions outside.

Regardless of why it is declared the actions taken during Alarm Yellow are the same.

Here at Kirkuk Regional Air Base this means you are to limit your outside movement to the minimum necessary to complete the mission. If you do go outside, you must wear your body armor and helmet.

When you are inside of a building, your

body armor and helmet must be available to put on immediately, and immediately means you must have it with you rather than in your vehicle or living quarters, unless that is where you are.

Alarm Red is by far the simplest.

Alarm Red is announced when an attack is occurring. During Alarm Red, all personnel are directed to wear your body armor and helmet and seek immediate shelter.

Nobody, other than the group commander and his designees, should be outside in Alarm Red.

During Alarm Black, most personnel will take the same action they did in Alarm Red. The only exception to this are personnel assigned to post-attack reconnaissance teams. These personnel are permitted outside to conduct searches for unexploded ordinances and other battle damage.

Hopefully, this paints a clear picture of what actions you should be taking in each Alarm Condition.

If you do still have questions please contact your squadron's Full Spectrum Threat Response Representative, or the

ALARM CONDITION	IF YOU	THIS INDICATES	GENERAL ACTIONS
GREEN	HEAR: ALARM GREEN	ATTACK IS NOT PROBABLE	Listen to LMR or Giant Voice. If directed, report to your UCC for accountability immediately. If there is not a request for accountability, resume normal operations.
YELLOW	HEAR: ALARM YELLOW	ATTACK IS PROBABLE	Don PPE ¹ and go to protective shelter or seek best protection with overhead cover ² . Await further instructions. Don appropriate MOPP level when directed.
RED	HEAR: ALARM RED WAVERING TONE	ATTACK IS IMMINENT OR IN PROGRESS	Don PPE and shelter-in-place or seek immediate protection with over head cover . Await further instructions <u>MOVEMENT DURING ALARM RED IS PROHIBITED.</u> Don appropriate MOPP level when directed. ³
BLACK	HEAR: ALARM BLACK or hear a STEADY TONE	ATTACK IS OVER POSSIBLE UXO/NBC HAZARDS ARE SUSPECTED	Wear PPE and shelter in place. Await further instructions. <u>Only PAR teams, emergency responders, and mission critical personnel are authorized to move in Alarm Black.</u> Don appropriate MOPP level when directed. ³

Dog gone

Keeping the base free of stray dogs

By Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat
506th Air Expeditionary Group Public Affairs

Against the backdrop of a rising sun, a small group of 506th Air Expeditionary Group members make its way stealthily around the air base in search of the enemy. Their mission is safeguarding the Airmen, Soldiers and Department of Defense contractors assigned here from dangerous intruders: stray animals.

For the team of pest management technicians assigned to the 506th Expeditionary Civil Engineers Squadron, traps and deterrence are daily rituals as they try to reduce the amount of stray animals roaming freely on the air base.

The stray animal population here presents a deadly threat to humans because there is a chance they have rabies, explains Tech. Sgt. Stacy Wallett, a Pest Management Technician assigned to the 506th Expeditionary Civil Engineers Squadron, deployed here from McConnell Air Force Base, Kan.

Many deployed Airmen and Soldiers may not automatically understand the full danger of rabies because it is almost unknown in domestic animal populations in North America.

According to figures provided by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the number of rabies related human deaths in the United States have dropped from more than 100 at the turn of the century to just one or two annually. More than 90 percent of reported cases each year occur in wildlife rather than domestic animals.

That isn't the case at Kirkuk Air Base.

Within the last month a dog captured on base tested positive for the rabies virus, said Capt. (Dr.) Kristie Souders, Officer in Charge of the Forward Operating Base Warrior Veterinary Clinic, 72nd Medical Detachment deployed here from Giebelstadt, Germany.

"The big thing people should keep in mind," she said, "is that (Kirkuk residents) don't keep dogs as pets." She said it isn't likely that any of the dogs or cats found on base are really domesticated, at least not the way we think of domestication.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat

Tech. Sgt. Stacy Wallett, left and Tech. Sgt. Bruce Gazaway, both Pest Management Technicians assigned to the 506th Expeditionary Civil Engineers Squadron here, reset and rebait a trap that was apparently sprung by an animal during the night.

One Arab cultural specialist agrees.

Capt. Matthew Ence, a Foreign Affairs Officer for Ninth Air Force at Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. explains that in many Arab countries dogs and cats are seen as little more than pests. He points out that it would be rare for a middle income Arab family to

"I don't care how cuddly it's been. It could change and be totally different."

Capt. (Dr.) Kristi Souders
OIC, FOB Warrior Veterinary Clinic

keep one as a pet inside their home.

The CDC reports that worldwide, exposure to rabid dogs is still the cause of more than 90 percent of human exposure to rabies and causes more than 99 percent of the human deaths annually.

In the case of the rabid dog caught here on Kirkuk Air Base, Dr. Souders said it "acted like it wanted to be played with, then it turned on them."

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An early morning truck ride, often in less-traveled areas of the base, starts the typical day for pest management. They will check, rebait and sometimes move traps before much of the base has had breakfast.

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat

Krab Busters Movie Schedule

November 7 - 20

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7 China Strike Force 2400,0145,0330, 0515,0700,0845, 1030,1215,1400, 1545,1730,1915 2100,2245	8 Hustle & Flow 2400,0145,0330 0515,0700,0845 1030,1215,1400 1545,1730,1915, 2100,2245	9 Head of State 2400,0145,0330 0515,0700,0845 1030,1215,1400 1545,1730,1915, 2100,2245	10 Batman Begins 2400, 0145, 0330, 0515, 0700, 0845, 1330, 1215, 1400, 1545, 1730, 1915, 2100, 2245	11 Veteran's Day Patriotic Festival Show Times below	12 Remember the Titans 2400,0145,0330 0515,0700,0845, 1030,1215,1400 1545,1730,1915, 2100, 2245	13 Four Brothers 2400,0145,0330 0515,0700,0845 1030,1215,1400 1545,1730,1915, 2100,2245
14 Hitch 0700,0900,1100, 1300,1500,1700, 1900,2100,2300	15 Separate Lies 0100,0230,0400, 0530,0700,0830, 1000,1130,1300, 1430,1600,1730, 1900,2030,2200	16 Alexander 2400,0300,0600, 0900,1200,1500, 1800,2100	17 Four Brothers 2400,0145,0330 0515,0700,0845 1030,1215,1400 1545,1730,1915, 2100,2245	18 Crash 2430,0330, 0515, 0700,0845,1030, 1215,1400,1545, 1730,1915,2100 2245	19 Aviator 2430, 0330, 0515, 0700 ,0845, 1030, 1215, 1400, 1545, 1730	20 Roll Bounce 2400,0145,0330 0515,0700,0845 1030,1215,1400 1545,1730,1915, 2100,2245



Though DJay, a streetwise Memphis pimp, has always had a way with words, that gift has long been misused; this philosopher-hustler lives a dead-end life at the fringes of society. Still, DJay wonders what happened to all the big dreams he had for his life. A chance encounter with an old friend, Key, a sound engineer who has always wanted to make it in the music business, spurs DJay: if he's ever going to make his mark, it has to happen now. He begins to write down his freestyle raps - his flow - and the two team up with Shelby, a church musician with a beat machine, to lay down bass-thumping crunk tracks. DJay's metamorphosis affects his entire house, as the women in his life - Shug and Nola - find ways to contribute to the creative process.



Christopher Nolan's film explores the origins of the Batman legend and the Dark Knight's emergence as a force for good in Gotham. In the wake of his parents' murder, disillusioned industrial heir Bruce Wayne (Christian Bale) travels the world seeking the means to fight injustice and turn fear against those who prey on the fearful. He returns to Gotham and unveils his alter-ego: Batman, a masked crusader who uses his strength, intellect and an array of high tech deceptions to fight the sinister forces that threaten the city.



On the surface, Anne and James enjoy a perfect marriage. They slip easily between their two homes - one in London, convenient for James's city job, the other in idyllic rural countryside. James believes their life is happy and fulfilled, but is blinkered to Anne's happiness and when Anne she realizes she can never be truly happy with James again. Anne's affair with Bill comes to light when James discovers the pair were involved in a tragic accident, which killed a local man. Faced with the shocking reality of Anne's revelations, a bereft James responds with a loving resolve to protect Anne. But as he becomes embroiled in the accident investigation, life's unpredictability once more alters the course of their Lies.

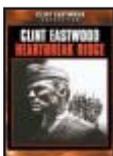


In the late '70s when roller skating was a way of life, X (Bow Wow) and his pals ruled supreme. But when the doors of their local skating rink close, it marks the end of an era and the beginning of another that sees the boys venture into foreign territory - uptown's Sweetwater Roller Rink, complete with its over-the-top skaters and beautiful girls. Through his preparation for the showdown of the season - the Roller Jam skate off with the Sweetwater crew - X manages to find himself and also help his dad (Chi McBride) get back on track.



Four adopted brothers come together to bury the woman who raised them. At the funeral, the brothers discover that their mother may have been murdered and they want revenge.

Veteran's Day Patriotic Festival



0100,1130, 2100



0330,1300



0530,1500



0730,1700



0930,1900

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"I don't care how cuddly it's been. It could change and be totally different," she said.

Dr. Souders said they only submit animals for testing if the animal has caused a problem, such as the case of the antagonistic dog that turned up positive for rabies.

Rabies is a preventable disease that affects the central nervous system. Once it enters the body through a bite or other wound, it begins to navigate its way to the brain. During the period when the virus is traveling to the brain, referred to as the incubation period, the animal may seem normal.

"Once it affects their brain, it will change," she said. "You can't predict how they are going to act."

The symptoms that most people associate with rabies, the aggressive behavior and increased salivation, or foaming at the mouth, begin once the brain become infected.

Once it reaches the brain the disease is always fatal. There is no treatment

***"If you get bit,
and you don't
report it and you
get rabies; you
will die."***

Maj. (Dr.) John Harrah
Director, Emergency Services

available after symptoms appear, for either animal or human.

"If you get bit, and you don't report it and you get rabies, you will die," Said Maj. (Dr.) John D. Harrah, the Director of Emergency Services for the 506th Expeditionary Medical Squadron, and deployed here from Eglin Air Force Base, Fla.

"We don't treat simple exposure unless we know the animal is rabid," said Lt. Col. (Dr.) James W. Freese, Medical Director for the 506th EMEDS, also deployed from Eglin AFB, Fla.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat

Not humbled in the least by his predicament, this captured dog seems to want to attack through the cage that holds him. He was caught by one of traps set daily to catch stray dogs and cats at Kirkuk Air Base.

However, he added, if the animal is rabid, we will treat everyone exposed, regardless of the extent of their exposure.

The post exposure treatment for rabies is a series of five shots, beginning immediately after exposure and continuing at planned intervals with the last one being at 28 days.

The success of the post exposure treatment is very high. According to the CDC "there have been no vaccine failures in the united states" when post exposure treatment was given quickly and correctly.

In addition to the threat of death or a painful treatment regiment, military justice is another reason to avoid stray animal contact.

General Order-1A, which applies to all assigned military, specifically prohibits "adopting as pets or mascots, caring for or feeding any type of domestic or wild animal."

And yet, that risky and illegal behavior continues.

We found a place on base where someone appeared to have set up a feeding station for the local canine population, said Tech. Sgt. Bruce Gazaway, a Pest Management Technician assigned to the 506th ECES, deployed here from Kulis Air National Guard Base, Alaska. He points out that the "well-intentioned Good Samaritan" actually endangered everyone around them by attracting stray dogs to the area.

"They just aren't thinking," he said.

Sgt. Gazaway said he has been approached by people asking him not to trap in their area. They feel that the cat they've adopted keeps the mouse population down, he said. Although we could report them, in most cases we just try to educate them, he said.

While Sgt. Gazaway admits there is some logic to their claim, he points out that "glue boards have the same effect and do not violate military orders."

What really irks me, said Sgt. Gazaway, is that people appear to be springing our traps and letting trapped animals loose.

"I know for an absolute certainty that this was done," said Sgt. Gazaway. "That act goes beyond stupidity."

Sgt. Walleth explained that trapping is the final step in an integrated approach to pest management.

"Exclusion is what we'd rather be doing," he said. Exclusion means using fences or other barriers to keep unwanted animals off the base.

The second part of our integrated approach, Sgt. Walleth said, is to use cultural denial to limit their ability to thrive on base by denying them suitable living places. That means cleaning up or removing large foliage or debris.

"We would much rather keep them out than capture them," said Sgt. Gazaway.

Dodge ball free for all

EOSS defends AF honor

By Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat
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Dodge ball teams from both Army and Air Force competed for a coveted first-place title at the Warrior Gymnasium here, October 30.

Six Army teams competed against each other and one Air Force team in a double elimination kill-a-rama that found the Air Force team ripping through several key victories before losing in the final elimination round to the "Sapper Killers."

First game out of the box, the team fielded by Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron battled the "Penetrators" in, what is widely said to be one of the longest matches seen to date.

As dictated by local rules, games are played for a limit of five-minutes. If after five minutes both teams are still represented on the floor, the team with the most members will be declared the victor. Few matches are fought by competitors strong enough to survive each other's attack for five minutes. While close, this one ended with "Team OSS" bringing down the axe just seven seconds short of the mark giving "The Team who got left out of softball" their first defeat.

In their second game "Team OSS" struggled against a group of contractors who were more than willing to play hard for the - hard enough in fact to get it.

The EOSS team was handed their first loss of the night with almost two-minutes remaining on the clock.

In their third game, the first of the finals round for "Team OSS", they came up against a crowd favorite.

Although "Animal House" received great fan support, they were

still forced to yield to hard-playing "Team OSS". But they wouldn't go down quietly. It took nearly four-minutes of throw-down fervor and the battle was marked by controversial referee decisions and jeers from a hostile crowd. But the victory, even through the haze of the crowd's disdain, belonged squarely to "Team OSS."

Odds favor the strong, and in a dodge ball free for all, strength is often shown by fan support.

The crowd turned on "Team OSS" like banker at tax time as screams and yells from the stands called for their defeat. And yet, amidst a total collapse of support, they won.

"We're used to playing to a hostile crowd," said Noah "Sticky Hands" Vaughn. He said they've played as a team for a while, and even earned a second place victory the last time they competed at dodge ball.

As they prepared to march on the floor for game four, Charlie "One Arm" Smith checked the dressing on his broken arm. The recent football injury that should sidelined him, instead gave him the motivation to play like there was no tomorrow.

"I can't play football or softball so this is it," he said, as he gritted his teeth in preparation for the battle ahead.

The crowd, now squarely against them, jeered and scorned their every victory. The tiny little victories they were able to get were small and, like the sun in a Kirkuk dust storm, there just weren't to be enjoyed.

With more than a minute of time left to play, the "Sapper Killers" served up a DFAC-sized platter of pain as they booted "Team OSS" out of the race for the title.



Team OSS's Tavis "Thunder" Wollison heaves a dead-aim shot at a helpless competitor October 30. The OSS team won this game but were unable to survive to the end.



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Ken Sloat

Team OSS readies to attack during one of their games. From left, Kurt Schmidtman, Thomas Franz, James "Skinny" McKinny and Donald "Wayner" Knight.



Culture Gram

Following the Prophet: The Hadith

Upon Muhammad's death, the religion of Islam spread quickly throughout the Arabian peninsula and beyond. In less than 100 years, it became an Islamic empire stretching from southern Spain (Andalusia) to India.

As new cultures and ethnic groups with different traditions and histories were incorporated into the empire, Muslim caliphs (religious and political leaders) were confronted by problems for which the Qur'an held no solutions. In these matters, the example set by the Prophet Muhammad became important as a secondary source of law.

The *hadith* (hadeeth) is a collection of what Muhammad said, did or approved. In conjunction with the Qur'an, the hadith forms the basis of Islamic legal code, often called the *shari'a*.

The trick, of course, is determining what is authentic hadith and what is not.

Each hadith is accompanied by an *isnad*, a chain of transmission: A heard it from B, who heard it from C, who heard it from Muhammad.

For a hadith to be considered authentic, each individual in the chain must be recognized as a valid source. Any break in the chain invalidates the hadith in question.

With the great diversity that is found in Islam, there is obviously great debate over which hadith are acceptable. Sunni Muslims accept hadith that Shi'a Muslims do not; Shi'a Muslims accept hadith that Ibadi Muslims do not, and so on.

Regardless of what body of hadith an individual accepts, the hadith forms the basis of not only religious belief and practice, but also the rules of a Muslim's daily life.

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What they are responsible for:

Airfield Management is responsible for providing a safe airfield environment seven days a week, 24-hours a day. They do this by ensuring runways, taxiways, aircraft parking areas, lighting and aircraft arresting systems are maintained and meet established criteria and that all are free from foreign objects and wildlife.

When discrepancies are found, Airfield Management personnel coordinate with the appropriate agency to facilitate correction. Kirkuk AB has almost 7 million square feet of usable pavements, including 2 runways, 3 major parking areas, over 20 taxiways, as well as hardened aircraft shelters. All of which are inspected daily by Airfield Management personnel. They are responsible for publishing information pertinent to the airfield so that arriving and departing aircrews are fully aware of hazards and other irregularities.

Airfield Management personnel use computers and telephony to track inbound and outbound aircraft and relay routine and emergency information to other base agencies.

They are also responsible for the Flightline Driving Program, ensuring only qualified person drive on the flightline.