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Master Sgt. Roberta LaPorte salutes the U.S. Flag as Tech. Sgt. John Burton and Senior Airman Helen Coleman, all from the 407th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron, lower it during Retreat April 1. The base had just been hit by a sudden dust storm. (Photo by Master Sgt. Jon Hanson)

A chance of a lifetime

By Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Bellrose

407th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron operations chief

When the commander of the 158th Fighter Wing Civil Engineer Squadron asked the question “Is there any interest in doing a 120 day rotation to the area of responsibility?”

I knew then and there, if it came to be reality the benefits would be enormous not only for us as individuals but also as a squadron. This truly would be a chance of a lifetime.

The experience alone would be of great benefit and the opportunity to do our part supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom would be a personal fulfillment; a real chance to prove ourselves on a grand scale.

Our junior Airmen would be all that much more seasoned and ready to accept the baton of leadership when their horizon surfaced.

As we boarded the plane and were ready to depart from our loved ones and our home station, I thought to myself, we are about to embark on a great journey that we, as a squadron would never forget.

The journey had begun, flying from one place to another either for crew changes and refueling of the aircraft. We were slowly advancing to our final destination Ali Base, Iraq.

That alone is an experience in itself. After hours of traveling and bag dragging, we finally arrived. It was early in the morning and still dark when we arrived. As the sun began to rise in the east, the picture became much clearer; we were in place and ready to conquer any task handed to us.

We hit the ground running, although tired from the trip. The team started working together side by side with people from different walks of life and different parts of the world.

There is always something an individual can learn from someone else, perhaps a new construction material or just a different way to do a certain



Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Bellrose

tasking.

It could consist of a different way to operate a piece of equipment or to just verbally communicate with someone from a different walk of life. As time marches on, we find that our team of 21 different units from all over the world — active duty, reservists and guardsmen — have molded into a world-class team actively supporting the Ali Base mission.

Soon, we will return back to our loved ones and home stations. For now though, we must keep the pace and keep the mission going. We are all very fortunate to have had some great experiences during our time here at Ali Base.

Also, we can feel great about the fact we helped other people from a totally different way of life and culture to have a chance to embrace a better life for themselves and their families.

You all can be very proud of yourselves, for all the hard work you have accomplished here at Ali Base. For many of us, it truly is a chance of a lifetime.

Air traffic controllers responsible for one third of Iraqi airspace

By Master Sgt. Jon Hanson

407th Air Expeditionary Group Public Affairs

With more than 10,000 aircraft flying through their airspace each month, the men and women of the 407th Expeditionary Operations Support Squadron's Air Traffic Control Tower and Area Control Center stay very busy.

"We are responsible for one third of Iraq – any aircraft coming in or going through," said Senior Master Sgt. Troy Hammond, 407th EOSS chief controller, who is deployed here from the South Carolina Air National Guard. "We are the second busiest radar in the AOR, with Balad being busier."

Air traffic control at Ali Base is managed by controllers in two sections – the ATC tower and the ACC radar.

The air traffic controllers in the tower are responsible for all aircraft within five miles of the airfield and all aircraft landings and takeoffs.

After they are five miles away they are turned over to the ACC which control the aircraft within



Staff Sgt. Scott Williams goes over aircraft positions before turning over the radar to Tech. Sgt. Andrew Peters at the Ali Base Area Control Center. (Photos by Master Sgt. Jon Hanson)

a 200-mile radius from the surface to 40,000 feet.

The sheer number of flights coming through the airspace can make the job interesting.

"I consider it fast paced," said Staff Sgt. Chuck Wichert, a controller at the Ali Base ATC Tower. "You have to stay on your toes no matter where you're at or what you are doing."

Being an air traffic controller in Iraq isn't much different than doing it in the United States but does have one main difference. The one limiting factor both the tower and radar controllers experience is the language barrier. While they say all the

countries coming through the airspace speak English, it can sometimes be difficult.

"Everything is pretty much standard," Sergeant Wichert said, who is deployed from Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska. "The only thing is getting used to the language barrier. Other than that, phraseology is almost uniform. They all speak English but just with heavy accents. They are asking for the same thing and all come in doing pretty much the same thing."

In the air traffic control tower, the job is different because their responsibility lies in getting the aircraft safely on or off the ground.

But before the aircraft gets to Ali Base the ACC crew ensures each aircraft maintains the proper altitude, direction and distance



Staff Sgt. Nichole Heise, an air traffic controller at the Ali Base control tower ensures an aircraft's gear is up after taking off.

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ATC

407th AEG/CC presents Monthly Awards



Airmen of the Month
Senior Airman **Juan Flores**
407th EOSS



NCO of the Month
Staff. Sgt. **Jesus Reyes**
407th EOSS



Senior NCO of the Month
Senior Master Sgt. **Diane Scott-Dailey**
407th ELRS



Company Grade Officer of the Month
Capt. **Roger Yoon**
407th ECS



Winners for the Sharp
Saber Team Award is
the Fire and Refueling
Maintenance Team,
407th Expeditionary
Logistics Readiness
Squadron

DOD working to prevent sexual assaults

By Rudi Williams

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — Sexual assault is one of the most underreported crimes in the military and in society as a whole, a top defense personnel and readiness official said.

“Some studies indicate that only 5 percent of sexual assaults are reported,” said Air Force Brig. Gen. K.C. McClain, who heads the Department of Defense Joint Task Force for Sexual Assault Prevention and Response.

“The highest number we’ve ever seen is about 35 percent. We don’t know where DOD fits in that range, but we’re in there somewhere,” General McClain said.

General McClain is the single point of accountability for DOD sexual assault policy matters. The task force, stood up in October 2004, develops policy and programs to improve prevention efforts, enhance victim support, and increase offender accountability.

One task force goal was to remove barriers that prevent victims from reporting sexual assault, General McClain said.

“Immediately following a sexual assault, there is an overwhelming sense of loss of control and a sense of powerlessness,” she said. “For many, the thought of participating in the investigative process is so overwhelming that they chose to get no care rather than to go through that investigative process.”

General McClain said sexual assault turns the victim’s world upside down and the trauma of being assaulted is a shock from which many victims may never fully recover.

“And the thought that you’re going to have to talk to your commander, supervisor, the investigators — all these people are going to know,” she said. “That’s overwhelming for some people, and they don’t want to deal with it.”

She said some barriers that prevent victims from reporting sexual assault include embarrassment, shame and not wanting anyone to know what happened to them. Sometimes not understanding the process or misconceptions of what’s going to happen prevent individuals from coming forward.

To help overcome these barriers to reporting, DOD in 2005 introduced a “restrictive reporting” option to victims of sexual assault. Victims can come forward and seek counseling and other treatment, but can choose to not have a criminal investigation into the assault opened.

The general said sometimes victims’ initial reaction is: “Stop! Leave me alone! I don’t want to see anybody! I don’t want to do anything!” However, after having time to gather their strength and resources, many victims think about what happened to them and decide to participate in an investigation, General McClain said.

General McClain noted that the DOD theme for Sexual Assault Awareness Month, which is April, is “Sexual Assault Prevention Begins with You.” She emphasized that sexual assault is not tolerated in DOD.

“Everyone from our most junior member to our most senior member has a role in prevention and response,” she said. “It’s not a commander’s program; it’s everyone’s responsibility.”

Drink More Water: 10 Tips to Prevent Dehydration

By Tech. Sgt. John Hale

407th Air Expeditionary Group Ground Safety Manager

Here are some tips to take when the temperature rises and when out in the sun.

1. Drink ½ to 1 quart of water an hour depending on the temperature and type of work.
2. Take regular breaks and follow the work-rest cycle guidelines found in AFI 10-2602.
3. Take a container of water with you wherever you go and try to drink at least every 15 to 20 minutes.
4. Drink water before, during and after exercise.
5. Avoid caffeinated beverages because they

contain substances that will cause dehydration.

6. Avoid soda, the carbonation may cause a feeling of fullness and prevent adequate consumption of fluids.
7. Stay out of the sun if you can and use sunblock with SPF of 15 or greater.
8. Protect your skin by not rolling up your sleeves and use a floppy hat to covers your ears and neck.
9. If you feel dizzy, light-headed, nausea, fatigue or overheated, rest in a cool area and drink plenty of water.
10. Keep an eye out for your fellow Airmen; watch for signs of dehydration and over heating.

Security Forces take on broader responsibilities

By Master Sgt. Keith Collins

407th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron

Air Force Security Forces are answering the needs of the nation with more frequent and longer deployments in support of operations worldwide. Traditionally, security forces deploy in support of flight line security and air base defense missions, but for the past 18 months, their scope of responsibilities has been broadened at several locations across the Iraqi theater.

As a result, security forces are now performing confinement duties, convoy security, and law and order missions, normally conducted by Army Military Police. The Joint Forces Police Operation is comprised of security forces personnel and military police officers working together to accomplish the law and order mission at Ali Base/Camp Adder and Camp Cedar II.

The JFPO is responsible for force protection, traffic safety enforcement, emergency and routine police responses, vehicle accident and criminal investigations, customs inspections and police report processing. The conduct of daily law and order operations differs very little for most of these Airmen and Soldiers from those conducted at Air Force and Army installation worldwide.

While in general the law and order mission differs very little between services, theater-wide law and order is an Army mission. Security forces personnel have been tasked with learning to translate some tasks from blue to green.

Though not difficult, security forces' (temporary) role as in-lieu of forces has required a moderate level of flexibility and adjustment for members of both services. Spe-



Senior Airman Philip Becker, 407th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, checks for speeders driving on Broadway. (Photo by Master Sgt. Jon Hanson)

cific changes experienced by security forces personnel are in the areas of operations, reporting procedures, communications and forms.

However, the most significant change is the introduction of the Centralized Operations Police Suite, known as COPS, a law enforcement tool set in use by Army MP units worldwide.

Due to the number of vehicles operated on Ali Base/Camp Adder daily, a large part of the police patrol activities is focused on traffic safety and enforcement. The officers conduct frequent selective enforcement stops at problem areas around the installation in an effort to gain compliance with installation traffic rules.

JFPO officers conduct traffic enforcement to reduce the safety hazard, both for vehicle occupants and pedestrians, created by careless driving, speeding and other traffic violations.

Police patrols not only conduct standing observation of traffic control devices (stop signs), but are also equipped with radar devices to enforce speed limits. In

addition to the numerous traffic citations written, JFPO officers have responded to and investigated numerous major and minor vehicle accidents, as well as conducting criminal investigations on offenses ranging from lost ID cards and General Order 1A violations to sexual assaults.

Not only do they enforce law and order on the base, but they are an integral part of customs enforcement for units rotating out of the theater of operation. Here at Ali Base/Camp Adder JFPO officers strictly enforce military and U.S. customs laws and regulations, as well as following U.S. agricultural guidelines to assist with expediting the redeployment of equipment and personnel. For more information on prohibited items, historical artifacts or war souvenirs contact the local judge advocate general's office.

The JFPO will continue to enforce the law and keep order to enforce the safety and security of the civilians, Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines assigned to or transitioning through Ali Base/Camp Adder.

ATC

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between other aircraft.

An average day for a radar controller is looking at a large radar screen for hours at a time controlling numerous aircraft transiting through their airspace.

"We are constantly busy 24-hours a day," said Senior Airman Andrena Guerra, a radar controller from the South Carolina ANG. "We have lots of missions at a time. We are at the heart of the whole mission, at least with the traffic coming in and out. If it wasn't for us here, people would be stranded."

"It gets real busy," said watch supervisor Staff Sgt. Jesus Reyes, who is deployed here from Mountain Home AFB, Idaho. "We will get anywhere between five and 25 aircraft at a time. It is real different because a lot of these guys come over here and aren't used to working traffic like that. They have been doing excel-

lent the whole rotation."

Having a lot of aircraft traffic doesn't bother them though.

"I love air traffic," said Sergeant Reyes. "I love getting busy. There is a stereotype of air traffic control being a real stressful job. But, for the guys who do it and do it well, they love getting busy and talking to as many aircraft as they can.

"That's why I love coming over here. Back at your home station you don't really get to talk to that many guys. It can be slow at times. When you come over here it's busy and you know what is going on with the mission.

Staff Sgt. Scott Williams agreed. "The radar facility has faster traffic. You get to be more creative directing traffic. When it gets really busy the adrenaline starts pumping. It's not like anything I've ever experienced."



Staff Sgt. Scott Williams and Senior Airman Andrena Guerra work flight requests at the Ali Base Area Control Center.

Promotions and Accomplishments

Promotions

To Airman 1st Class:

Bret Bellina, 407th ESVS

Ryan Nicholson, 407th ESFS

To Senior Airman:

Chase Starnes, 407th ESFS

Clifton Gillyard, 407th ESFS

Nicholas Albright, 407th ECS

Kimberly Louis, 407th ELRS

To Staff Sergeant:

Moises Alhambra, 407th ESVS

Jacob Mendow, 407th ESFS

Jeremy Gittens, 407th ESFS

Douglas Degroff, 407th ECES

To Technical Sergeant:

Randy Roes, 407th ECES

Wayne Thibeault, 407th ESFS

Todd Ullman, 407th ELRS

To Master Sergeant:

Michael Luna, 407th ECES

Peter Noble, 407th ECES

90 percent or higher in the completion of

Career Development end of course:

Senior Airman **Robert McCarty**, 407th ECES (90 percent)

Staff Sgt. **Edward Tobin**, 407th ECES (91 percent)

Senior Airman **Patrick O'Brien**, 407th ECES (91 percent and 93 percent)

Senior Airman **Timothy Francis**, 407th ECES (92 percent and 96 percent)

Staff Sgt. **Rex Rostrom**, 407th ECES (93 percent)

Airman 1st Class **Tonya Von Thun**, 407th ESVS (93 percent)

Tech. Sgt. **Sacha Lascala**, 407th ECES (95 percent)

Senior Airman **Andrew Sheldon**, 407th ECES (95 percent and 96 percent)

Senior Airman **Erich Grice**, 407th ECES (96 percent)

Airman 1st Class **Christopher Cruz**, 407th ECES (99 percent)

FPASS provides extra security to Ali Base



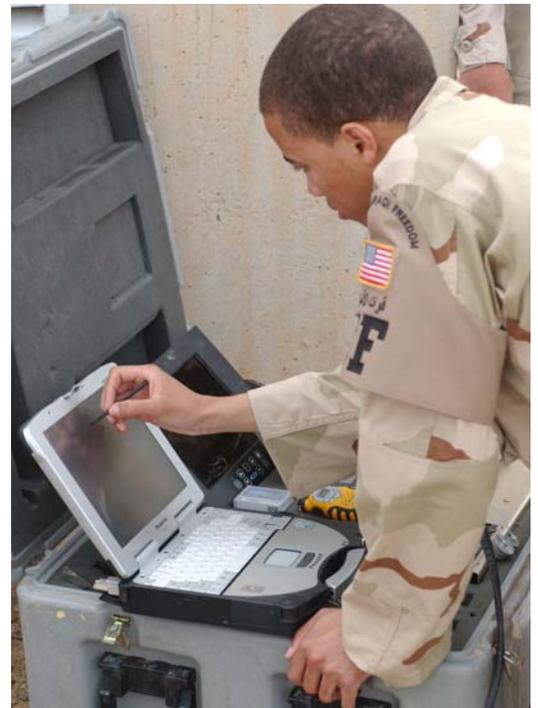
Staff Sgt. Jennifer Simmons holds a “Desert Hawk” surveillance aircraft while Airman 1st Class Philip Crumbley prepares to connect the wing. (Photos by Master Sgt. Jon Hanson)



Above: Airman Crumbley secures the battery in the “Desert Hawk” prior to flight.
Right: Tech. Sgt. Anthony Horde helps launch the “Desert Hawk” using a bungee cord.



Adjustments are made to the camera.



Senior Airman Jarod Johnson makes adjustments during the flight.

The 407th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron uses the Force Protection Aerial Surveillance System, or FPASS, to help scan the area for possible security risks. The small remote controlled aircraft is capable of flying almost 60 miles an hour and allows security personnel to see beyond the base perimeter and adds an additional layer of protection.

Medical clinic offers tips to combat bugs

By Lt. Col. Ron Johanson

407th Air Expeditionary Group Medical Clinic

The 407th Air Expeditionary Group Medical Clinic provides the following information to help prevent and treat insect bites.

The warmer weather will mean an increase in bug bites.

The following steps can be taken to prevent exposure to various insect bites:

Prevention:

1. Wear uniforms protected by permethrin
2. Used deet-based repellent on your skin
3. Cover as much of your skin as possible with clothing
4. Avoid using scented soaps or other fragrances
5. Avoid areas where insects nest (when possible)
6. Use window and door screens in your tent

Treatment:

1. Rarely, you might have a severe reaction called anaphylaxis. If you have severe swelling, shortness of breath, chest pain, light-headedness or dizziness, you should call 911 or go to the emergency room at the 10th Combat Support Hospital (Army medical facility)

2. Most bites will cause minor swelling at the site of the bite and perhaps a small area surrounding the bite. This will be especially noticeable in the

area of the face and around the eyes and lips. Itching at the site is also common.

3. Wash the area with soap and water
4. Use an ice pack or cool compress if available
5. Diphenhydramine (Benadryl) can be used orally for itching
6. A baking soda paste applied topically to the bites can reduce itching
7. A topical steroid or anti-itch cream (available at the medical clinic) can be used to control the itching; Calamine lotion is also useful
8. Acetaminophen (Tylenol) or ibuprofen (Motrin) may also help

Is it infected?

Infection of bug bites is uncommon. The signs to look for would be increasing redness and swelling after the first 24 hours, red streaks in the arms or legs (if the bites are in those locations) and fever. If any of those occur, seek medical evaluation.

Clinic Hours:

The 407th AEG Medical Clinic is open Monday - Friday from 7:30-11 a.m. and from 4-7:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 7:30-11 a.m. They are closed on Sundays. The 10th CSH is open 24 hours.

The clinic staff includes: Lt. Col. Ron Johanson, physician/flight surgeon; Senior Master Sgt. Clarence Jackson, superintendent medical services; and Staff Sgt. Joe Heath, medical technician.



Billeting tents

Tents A1 through A10, B1 through B10 and C1 through C10 are off limits to all unauthorized personnel. These tents are for transiting members only. There has been a rash of items disappearing from these tents and officials remind Bedrock residents that if they need items for their tents to go through their first sergeants. The 407th Expeditionary Services Squadron Billeting Office has extra items available. (Photo by Master Sgt. Jon Hanson)



Emergency Management Flight 'More than just NBC'

By Staff Sgt. Stephen Van Curen

407th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron Emergency Management Flight

The 407th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron Emergency Management Flight (formerly called Readiness) is made up of a small group of individuals working together to provide the base emergency management direction and information.

Many people who are familiar with the EMF think the job consists of only things that have to do with chemical warfare and weapons of mass destruction. But there are many other aspects that the flight is responsible for.

Although at home station

EMF is responsible for providing a lot of Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Explosive, or CBRNE, refresher classes they actually do much more than that. Here at Ali Base there is a lot of equipment that needs upkeep, inspections and documentation.

There are also specialized teams that the flight has the responsibility of training such as Post Attack Reconnaissance and Unit Control Centers.

The flight has assisted in providing the emergency management portion of the Right Start briefings of which about 900 people have attended so far this rotation. The flight also oversees

the base exercise program here at Ali Base. In addition, EMF has mobility commitments that extend beyond NBC equipment to include all spectrums of disaster response and emergency management.

Along with the war time commitment there is also peace time responsibilities of providing support for natural disasters and major accident responses. The flight is responsible for many of the instructions, plans and checklists.

As a part of the civil engineer squadron the emergency management flight also takes to heart the CE tradition of "One Team, One Fight" and have a "Can Do, Will Do" attitude.

Below are some frequently asked questions regarding the Base Camp Adder/Ali Base Alert Quick Reference Chart.

Q: Do alert status and uniform postures mean the same thing?

A: No. They are two totally different things and they can be used on their own or in conjunction with one another. For example we can go to a U2 posture with little to no reason, however if we would go to an Alert 2 this indicates that an attack by mortar/rocket is imminent or in progress and you should take appropriate action by donning your Kevlar and IBA and taking cover whether inside or out.

Q: Why don't we say the colors along with the alert status over the giant voice like we were trained?

A: Unlike our home stations, we here at Ali Base are tenants not the host. The host on this base is the Army and the colors that we are all used to in the Air Force conflict with the Army's Arming Status. For example if we would say Alert Two RED the Army would go to the Red Arming Status which is: "weapon and full basic load on person, fully loaded magazine in the weapon, and round chambered."

Q: When Alert 4 is declared is it safe to go outside and keep doing your job?

A: No. Only mission essential traffic is authorized (and you will know if you are mission essential). All others stay in place and remain in Kevlar and IBA.

Q: I am on a PAR team. Should I go out and run my PAR route as soon as alert 4 is declared?

A: No. You will be released by giant voice and/or your respective UCC. Do not go out until told to do so.

Q: If I'm at the Hot Spot or Muscle Beach and we are having an exercise, I am a non-player right?

A: Sorry but the answer is again **NO**. If you are on this base you **ARE** playing there are **NO EXCEPTIONS**. You should don your Kevlar and IBA and call your work center or UCC to report accountability. (Note: the commander may deem some operation critical personnel as "non-players")

Q: Our building has HESCOs around it. Now that is a hardened building right?

A: No. Just because a building has some protection doesn't mean it is hardened. A lot of things have to be done to a structure to make it hardened, one of which is being certified by a structural engineer. A good rule is if you haven't heard that your building is hardened it probably isn't.

407th AEG celebrates Palm Sunday this week

By Chaplain (Maj.) James Bailey

407th Air Expeditionary Group chaplain

Palm Sunday, also called Passion Sunday in some liturgical traditions, will be celebrated throughout the Christian world this coming Saturday evening and Sunday.

Here at Ali Base Palm Sunday will be celebrated at the following days/times: Catholic: Saturday at 6 p.m., Sunday at 8 a.m. both beginning at the Chapel Annex with the blessing and procession of palms to the chapel; Protestant: Sunday at 9:30 a.m. for Traditional Service, and 7 p.m. for Contemporary Service at the chapel.

Palm Sunday has an interesting history. Most likely the origin of Palm Sunday was in Jerusalem. The earliest description of the liturgical celebrations conducted on the Sunday preceding the "Paschal" or "Great Week" are found in the "Peregrinatio Sylvaniae" which dates from 378-394.

The liturgical celebration began shortly after dawn and continued until about 5 p.m. Toward the end of the liturgy the gospel passage was read that told of children greeting Jesus as he entered Jerusalem.

The tradition teaches that the children had gathered and waved palm and olive branches on this occasion. Therefore, at this part of the liturgy, the children were given palm and olive branches to reenact the scene.

The earliest recording of the blessing, or benediction, of palms on Palm Sunday has an interesting origin.

Close to the year 397 Servus, the Patriarch of Antioch, states that the Bishop of Edessa ordered the blessing, or benediction, of palms for all the churches of Mesopotamia. Most of Iraq is located in what used to be Mesopotamia.

Today, Christian churches throughout the world have their



Chaplain (Maj.) James Bailey

own distinct ways to celebrate Palm Sunday. Some will have elaborate processions with palm branches, olive branches and flowers. Some church buildings will be decorated while others will have all decorations either covered or removed.

One last note of interest: The Palm Sunday celebrations in Spain and Portugal were named using the root word for "flower(s)." The Spanish term *Pascua florida* is the origin of the name of the state of Florida.

Recent law requires addition to emergency data card

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas – Airmen must designate one immediate family member as the person authorized to direct disposition (PADD) of their remains should they become a casualty. The PADD designation will become a part of the member's Record of Emergency Data as required by law.

Most Airmen will add their PADD information to their virtual Record of Emergency Data by following the instructions in the Virtual MPF. Personnel at deployed locations need to contact their personnel support for contingency operations team to update their record.

Organizations using the DD Form 93 or the United States Air Force Academy Form 0-143 to record emergency data must ensure Airmen are briefed on this new requirement and designate their PADD in the remarks section.

PADD information should include the designated person's name, relationship to member, address with zip code and telephone number.

The PADD will be responsible for the disposition of remains only. The member is still required to designate separately the recipient(s) of any other benefits and entitlements.

Airmen, identified by the last digit in their Social Security Number, must update their records by the following dates: (1) – March 28 to April 3; (2) – April 4 to 10; (3) – April 11 to 14; (4) – April 15 to 19; (5) – April 20 to 24; (6) – April 25 to 28; (7) – April 29 to May 3; (8) – May 4 to 9; (9) – May 10 to 15; (0) – May 16 to 22.

For more information or for questions concerning the PADD designation call the Air Force Contact Center at (800) 616-3775.

Services holding World Series of Poker

By Tech. Sgt. Jeff Thomas

407th Expeditionary Services Squadron

The Ali Base World Series Of Poker is an on-going tournament of 21 Texas Hold'em contests. There are 20 mini-tournaments and the big final tournament.

During the 20 minis people play for points based on their final positions. The points they receive decides how many dollars in chips they start the final tournament with.

Each mini they start with \$350 in chips. The final contest they will start from \$350 to \$600 in chips depending on previous points earned.

Points are given during the mini tournaments based on when they run out of money.

With 20 or more participants the points are: 10 for 1st; 8 for 2nd; 6 for 3rd; 5 for 4th; 4 for 5th; 3 for 6th to 10th; 2 for 11th to 20th and 1 for 21st on. If there are less than 20 participants the points for 10th to 19th are slightly modified.

You must participate in at



Players take their turn during a recent match. (Photo by Master Sgt. Jon Hanson)

least one of the 20 mini tournaments to participate in the final.

The tournament started at the end of February and goes until the end of April. The final tournament is tentatively set for May 7 at 4 p.m.

The last seven contests are: April 11 at 8 p.m.; April 13 at 8

p.m.; April 18 at 8 p.m.; April 20 at 8 p.m.; April 23 at noon; April 27 at 2000 and April 30 at noon.

As of April 5 there have been seven tournament champions. Here they are listed with their number of tournament wins.

Staff Sgt. Jesus Reyes, 407th EOSS, four wins

Staff Sgt. Kirk Rider, 407th ECES, two wins

Senior Airman Kenneth Dunham, 407th ECS, two wins (only back-to-back winner)

Master Sgt. Dennis Dubuque, 407th ECES, one win

Staff Sgt. Justin Martin, 407th EOSS, one win

Staff Sgt. James Trussell, 407th ELRS, one win

Senior Airman Melissa Curry, 407th ECS, one win

During the 20 mini tournaments they play for points only. During the final tournament they will play for AAFES gift certificates. The denominations are still to be decided.

All tournaments are held at the Big Top Recreation Center.



The Charlie Daniels Band



with Special Guest
Dave Price

CBS's "The Early Show"

Date: Saturday, 15 April 2006

Time: 2000 hrs

Place: Adder Commons



www.StarforStripes.com

Identify This

Do you know what this is?



If you can identify the object, e-mail the paper at Ali.Times@tlab.centaf.af.mil with "Identify This" in the subject block by noon Wednesday.

The winner will receive a complimentary phone card from the 407th Air Expeditionary Group Chapel. There were seven correct responses identifying the clearing barrel for the March 31 Ali Times and the winning person drawn was **Staff Sgt. Steven Titze**, 192nd Expeditionary Airlift Squadron.



*"Happy 2nd Birthday Leila Stabile!
I miss you and Daddy so much. I hope you
enjoy your special day"
(Senior Airman Narjis Stabile)*

407th AEG

Warrior of the Week



Tech. Sgt. Mike Collins

Unit: 407th Expeditionary Services Squadron

Duty title: NCOIC, Supply

Home station: 341st Services Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

Why other warriors say he's a warrior: "Tech. Sgt. Collins has an enormous amount of energy and drive to accomplish the mission. He completely reorganized equipment/supplies totaling \$300,000 -- streamlining the services supply system. He was also an invaluable asset in a massive cleanup effort, transforming 20 permanent tents into vital transient lodging."

- Master Sgt. Mark Hamrick, 407th ESVS Superintendent

Most memorable Air Force experience: "My first deployment with the 819th Red Horse to Bolivia. We built a school, two clinics, repaired buildings and roads. Seeing the expressions on the kids' and doctors' faces was a great feeling that's unexplainable. I will never forget being part of something that special."

Hobbies: "I like to make people laugh. I am a die hard Steelers fan, and I love to watch Sci-Fi and monster movies."

Notes about my family: "My wife Luzviminda and daughter Jenalyn mean the world to me. They made many sacrifices, and I can never say enough good things about the support and unconditional love I have received."

Serenity in the sand

faith-based services schedule

Worship is at the 407th Air Expeditionary Group **Oasis of Peace** chapel, and at the Army Post Chapel. The *Oasis* is open 24 hours a day for prayer and reflection.

For details on worship opportunities, or directions to worship locations, please call 445-2006.

Oasis = Air Force Chapel/Bedrock

OA = Oasis Annex

ARAC = Army Religious Activity Center

APC = Army Post Chapel

TCN = Third Country Nationals living area by DFAC

CC = Camp Cedar

FRIDAY

1 p.m., Muslim prayer/
service: (TCN)

6 p.m., Roman Catholic
Mass: Oasis

6:30 p.m., Jewish Service:
ARAC

7:30 p.m., Gospel choir
rehearsal: APC

8 p.m., Walking Stations of
the Cross: Oasis (through
April 7)

8:30 p.m., Ladies
Fellowship: Oasis

SATURDAY

6 p.m., **Palm Sunday Mass**
Catholic Vigil Mass: Oasis

SUNDAY

7:30 a.m., Traditional
Protestant Service: APC

8 a.m., **Palm Sunday Mass**
Roman Catholic Mass:
Oasis

9:30 a.m., **Palm Sunday**
Traditional Protestant
Service: Oasis

10 a.m., Latter Day Saints
Service: ARAC

10:30 a.m., Roman
Catholic Mass: CC

10:30 a.m., Church of
Christ: ARAC

1 p.m., Gospel Service:
APC

7 p.m., **Palm Sunday**
Contemporary Worship
Service: Oasis

MONDAY

6 p.m., Roman Catholic

Mass: Oasis

7:30 p.m., Discipleship

Bible study: Oasis

7:30 p.m., Gospel choir

Rehearsal: APC

TUESDAY

6 p.m., Roman Catholic
Mass: Oasis

7:30 p.m., Work of Faith
Bible Study: APC

8 p.m., Catholic RCIA:
Oasis Annex

8 p.m., Contemporary
Worship Rehearsal: Oasis

WEDNESDAY

6 p.m., Roman Catholic
Mass: Oasis

7 p.m., Catholic choir
Practice: Oasis

7 p.m., Spanish Bible
Study: ARAC

7 p.m., Women's Bible
Study: Army Hospital

7:30 p.m., Protestant
Worship Service: APC

THURSDAY

6 p.m., **Holy Thursday**
Roman Catholic Mass:
Oasis

6:30 p.m., Ladies Bible
Study: ARAC

7:30 p.m., Creationism
Study: Oasis

7:30 p.m., Mens Bible
Study: APC

CRICKET MOVIE THEATER

at the **Hot Spot**

Today's times and movie descriptions for the week

House of Wax (2005), 1 a.m., Elisha Cuthbert, Paris Hilton, suspense/horror/thriller; **Antwone Fisher** (2002), 3 a.m., Derek Luke, Denzel Washington, *action/drama*; **Into the Blue** (2005), 5 a.m., Paul Walker, Jessica Alba, *action/adventure*; **In the Mix** (2005), 7 a.m., Usher, Anthony Fazio, *comedy*; **Lord of War** (2005), 9 a.m., Nicolas Cage, Ethan Hawke, *action/adventure*; **13 Going On 30** (2004), 11 a.m., Jennifer Garner, Mark Ruffalo, *comedy*; **A Lot Like Love** (2005), 1 p.m., Ashton Kutcher, Amanda Peet, *comedy/drama*; **Birth** (2004), 3 p.m., Nicole Kidman, Danny Huston, *drama/romance/thriller*; **Hostage** (2005), 5 p.m., Bruce Willis, Kevin Pollak, *action/adventure*; **Laws of Attraction** (2004), 7 p.m., Pierce Brosnan, Julianne Moore, *comedy/romance*; **The Clearing** (2004), 9 p.m., Robert Redford, Helen Mirren, *action/adventure*; **A Man Apart** (2003), 11 p.m., Vin Diesel, Larenz Tate, *action/adventure*; **Hellboy** (2004), Ron Perlman, Selma Blair, *action/adventure/horror*; **The Fighting Temptations** (2003), Cuba Gooding Jr, Beyonce Knowles, *comedy/musical*

Saturday

Hostage 1 a.m.
A Lot Like Love 3 a.m.
Laws of Attraction 5 a.m.
Birth 7 a.m.
The Fighting Temp 9 a.m.
The Clearing 11 a.m.
A Man Apart 1 p.m.
Antwone Fisher 3 p.m.
Hellboy 5 p.m.
House of Wax 7 p.m.
In the Mix 9 p.m.
Lord of War 11 p.m.

Sunday

Antwone Fisher 1 a.m.
Birth 3 a.m.
A Man Apart 5 a.m.
Lord of War 7 a.m.
Laws of Attraction 9 a.m.
A Lot Like Love 11 a.m.
Hostage 1 p.m.
The Clearing 3 p.m.
In the Mix 5 p.m.
Into the Blue 7 p.m.
The Fighting Temp 9 p.m.
House of Wax 11 p.m.

Monday

A Lot Like Love 1 a.m.
Hellboy 3 a.m.
13 Going On 30 5 a.m.
House of Wax 7 a.m.
The Clearing 9 a.m.
Antwone Fisher 11 a.m.
Birth 1 p.m.
Laws of Attraction 3 p.m.
Hostage 5 p.m.
Lord of War 7 p.m.
A Man Apart 9 p.m.
In the Mix 11 p.m.

Tuesday

Into the Blue 1 a.m.
Hellboy 3 a.m.
In the Mix 5 a.m.
A Man Apart 7 a.m.
Lord of War 9 a.m.
House of Wax 11 a.m.
Garfield The Movie 1 p.m.
Antwone Fisher 3 p.m.
Laws of Attraction 5 p.m.
A Lot Like Love 7 p.m.
The Clearing 9 p.m.
The Fighting Temp ... 11 p.m.

Wednesday

A Man Apart 1 a.m.
Garfield The Movie 3 a.m.
Lord of War 5 a.m.
House of Wax 7 a.m.
Laws of Attraction 9 a.m.
A Lot Like Love 11 a.m.
The Clearing 1 p.m.
Into the Blue 3 p.m.
Birth 5 p.m.
In the Mix 7 p.m.
13 Going On 30 9 p.m.
Hellboy 11 p.m.

Thursday

House of Wax 1 a.m.
The Clearing 3 a.m.
Into the Blue 5 a.m.
Hostage 7 a.m.
In the Mix 9 a.m.
A Man Apart 11 a.m.
Birth 1 p.m.
Garfield The Movie 3 p.m.
Antwone Fisher 5 p.m.
13 Going On 30 7 p.m.
Lord of War 9 p.m.
Laws of Attraction 11 p.m.



Bedrock and beyond...

activities to keep you fit, happy and hungry for more

Today

7:30 a.m., **Karate**: Muscle Beach (I)
2 p.m., **Spades**: Hot Spot
5 p.m., **Spin**: Muscle Beach (I)
7 p.m., **Dominoes**: ACC
7 p.m., **Toning**: HOP
7:30 p.m., **Total Body Cardio**: Muscle Beach (D)
7:30 p.m., **Bingo and Variety Music Night**: Big Top
8 p.m., **Step Aerobics**: HOP

Saturday

2:30 p.m., **Yoga**: Muscle Beach (DVD)
5 p.m., **Sit-up/Push-up Competition**: Muscle Beach
6:30 p.m., **Spin**: HOP
7 p.m., **Absolute Abs**: Muscle Beach (I)
7:30 p.m., **Karaoke (open mic)**: Big Top
7:30 p.m., **Hip Hop**: ACC

Sunday

8 a.m., **Tae-Bo**: Muscle Beach (DVD)
10 a.m., **Spin**: HOP
2 p.m., **Spin**: Muscle Beach (DVD)
4 p.m., **Horseshoes Partners**: Horseshoe Pit
4 p.m., **Squadron Feud**: Big Top
5 p.m., **Dead Lift Competition**: Muscle Beach
7 p.m., **Spin**: HOP
7 p.m., **Darts**: ACC

Monday

Intramural Volleyball Begins: Volleyball Court
8 a.m., **Spades**: Hot Spot
4:30 p.m., **Circuit Training**: Basketball Courts (I)
5 p.m., **Spin**: Muscle Beach (I)
7 p.m., **Toning**: HOP
7 p.m., **Ping Pong**: ACC

7:30 p.m., **Total Body Cardio**: Muscle Beach (DVD)
8 p.m., **9-Ball**: Big Top
8 p.m., **Step Aerobics**: HOP

Tuesday

5 a.m., **Step Aerobics**: Muscle Beach (I)
2 p.m., **Tae Bo**: Muscle Beach (DVD)
6:30 p.m., **Tae Bo**: HOP
7 p.m., **Absolute Abs**: Muscle Beach (I)
7:30 p.m., **Tae Kwon Do**: HOP
8 p.m., **Texas Hold'em**: Big Top
8 p.m., **X-Box Medal of Honor**: Hot Spot
8:30 p.m., **Salsa**: ACC

Wednesday

7:30 a.m., **Karate**: Muscle Beach (I)
5 p.m., **Spin**: Muscle Beach (I)
7 p.m., **Toning**: HOP
7 p.m., **Spades**: ACC
7:30 p.m., **Total Body Cardio**: Muscle Beach (DVD)
8 p.m., **Dominoes**: Hot Spot
8 p.m., **Step Aerobics**: HOP
8:30 p.m., **8-Ball**: Big Top

Thursday

5 a.m., **Step Aerobics**: Muscle Beach (I)
4:30 p.m., **Circuit Training**: Basketball Courts (I)
6 p.m., **4-on-4 Basketball Tourney**: Basketball Courts
6:30 p.m., **Tae Bo**: HOP
7 p.m., **8/9-Ball**: ACC
7 p.m., **Absolute Abs**: Muscle Beach (I)
7:30 p.m., **Tae Kwon Do**: HOP
8 p.m., **Checkers**: Hot Spot
8 p.m., **Texas Hold'em**: Big Top
8:30 p.m., **Salsa**: HOP

(I)—Instructor
(DVD)—DVD
TNY—Tournament
HOP—House of Pain, Army Fitness Center
ACC—Army Community Center

Call the 407th Expeditionary Services Squadron with ideas for activities at 445-2696; for information about the House of Pain, Army fitness center call 833-1709. For information about Army morale, welfare and recreation activities call 833-1745.