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'Operation Spirit' deploys Whiteman youth



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Bryan Crane

Children returning from their simulated deployment are greeted by a line of Airmen during Operation Spirit April 21. Operation Spirit is held annually to help children experience a "deployment" in a way they understand. See pages 8-9 for story and more photos.

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While some service members deploy and perform similar duties at their home station, others may do something entirely different.

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Courtesy of National Weather Service

Area WWII Veterans to be honored in pre-Memorial Day program May 17

By Jeff Murphy
University of Central Missouri Relations

WARRENSBURG, Mo. -- A special invitation, with a May 4 deadline, is being made to area World War II veterans so they can be recognized at a pre-Memorial Day program at 2:30 p.m. May 17 at Northside Christian Church, 500 N. Ridgeview Drive, Warrensburg. The special program, "Honoring Our World War II Veterans," will feature former U.S. Congressman Ike Skelton as the guest speaker.

Any WWII veteran who is willing to be recognized at this event is urged to mail their name, address, phone number, branch of service, and theater/location in which they served to: American Legion Post 131 Commander, PO Box 91, Warrensburg, Mo., 64093. If they prefer, they

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Team Whiteman invited to Motorcycle Safety Day

By Heidi Hunt
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Call it a motorcycle, bike or cycle, but the two-wheeled vehicle often catches a gaze from its admirers. Cyclist fans enjoy everything from taking advantage of the open road, fuel savings, the distinct sounds and, overall body style; nevertheless it can also be dangerous to operate if not driven properly.

Making every effort to fulfill the U.S. Air Force's safety requirement while remaining stylish and comfortable, the 509th Bomb Wing Safety Office and the Whiteman Green Knights will host Motorcycle Safety Day at the Commissary parking lot from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 30.

The event is designed to promote motorcycle safety, mentorship and includes vendors, free food and prizes.

"As motorcycle riding season continues, this event will be a great way to facilitate a proactive approach to motorcycle safety throughout the base," said Max Lafferty, 509th Bomb Wing occupational safety and health specialist.

The event is being held in conjunction with Wing Safety Day and has been approved by wing leadership as an alternate duty location.

"This year, we will have a safety course and gauntlet which is a timed test of every rider's handling and coordination skills that riders can participate in," said Staff Sgt. Devin Giles, 509th Munitions Squadron verification and checkout technician. "Additionally, we will raffle off six brand new helmets."

Participants will be able to brush up on their basic motorcycle skills on our safety course, according to Giles.

"We have a few motorcycle safety foundation instructors that will be working both events to assist riders and let them know what they're doing correctly and what needs improvement," Giles said. "This is the perfect opportunity for riders to invest time and enjoy a motorcycle function that exemplifies positive riding attitudes and behaviors," Lafferty said.

The goal is for Team Whiteman to walk away

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Not just being someone's boss

Lt. Col. Brett Gooden
509th Force Support Squadron commander

As with any endeavor that is done correctly, much time is required to do it properly. This is especially true when it comes to leading people. There is a tremendous difference between being a leader and merely being someone's boss or superior. The former takes commitment, while the latter is a function of position.

In the Air Force this usually means someone wears an extra stripe or rank over another and his or her name sits higher on the organizational chart.

Many people attest to having had at least one supervisor who left much to be desired in the leadership arena. Retired Army Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf once said, "You learn far more from negative leadership than from positive leadership because you learn how not to do it. And, therefore, you learn how to do it."

Effective leadership is really quite simple, even if you haven't witnessed poor leadership firsthand. The basic formula includes trusting your people, challenging them to broaden their personal comfort zone in order to attain a goal, listening to and understanding their ideas, and rewarding their effort and performance. While these actions are essential, nothing is more crucial than knowing your people. This step comes before all others.

Many people search for that simple solution to becoming an effective leader by concentrating on the steps rather than their people. They focus on a checklist of events instead of getting to know who they supervise. What motivates one person may not another.

Those who are married with children may behave differently than those who are single. Some grew up in the 90s, while others spent their teen years after 9/11. Some may want to remain in the Air Force

for a career, while others are content completing their first enlistment.

A leader's responsibility is to find out what makes that person tick and then develop a plan for maximizing that individual's performance.

Once you've gotten to know your subordinate and discovered how best to lead that individual, be careful not to use those same techniques for leading others. Everybody is unique, and a leader needs to invest the time to find out what motivates each person.

Effective leadership also requires the resolve to apply discipline when appropriate. Having the fortitude to do so sends a clear message to the recipient. This requires a leader to keep his or her emotions in check while addressing the individual and the behavior in question. It also informs all others under your charge that you have standards of conduct and performance that are unwavering. You hold people accountable. Period.

Finally, effective leadership requires authenticity. Generations ago people expressed authenticity when they gave their word, and their word was their bond. To some it may sound like today's latest buzzword, but it simply means being real with people. Authenticity is consistency, genuineness and truthfulness. Someone who is authentic is interested in what others have to say. Such a person values all people and treats them with respect and dignity.

Former Secretary of State and retired Gen. Colin Powell was known for his authenticity and once said, "I try to be the same person I was yesterday."

The enduring way in which he treated heads of state was the same manner in which he dealt with the wait staff at a state dinner.

These ideas are likely nothing new and perhaps not profound, but they are true. They separate an effective leader from simply a boss.

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Commander's Corner

Team Whiteman,

In an effort to better understand what issues you see on the horizon on a daily basis, we are embarking on a journey together. I am opening a new forum for you to identify the three most important problems on the horizon. They can be on any subject relating to your



mission or work area--regardless of your duty title, rank, military or civilian status.

This is the continuation of a dialogue on our part to work areas we can to make your jobs and lives better...BUT it will only be a dialogue if there is participation. Hearing your voice is essential and I need hear it directly from YOU, not filtered. So, whether flightline or office related or something completely different, my intent is to garner your assistance and bring to light the top issues you see at the true boots-on-the-ground level.

The result of this dialogue will arm us with our top issues. Then we can work together to either fix them now or get us on the right path.

Your full support is requested in this effort. YOU are a part of Team Whiteman and therefore have an integral part in our mission, with this just being another way you can contribute to our success and prevent problem areas you see just around the corner.

Submissions can be sent to top3issues@whiteman.af.mil, and no particular format is required; however, I encourage you to include mission impact on the submission to ensure the problems are prioritized appropriately. There is also no set suspense for this effort. If you need to take time to think about the top issues, please do so. This project will only be as profitable as the effort you take to put into it and really evaluate your mission.

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-Brig. Gen. Scott Vander Hamm, Commander

Balance of supervision, leadership

By Chief Master Sgt.

Richard C. Rucker

509th Mission Support Group
superintendent

Encouragement and expectation on supervising and leading are not new; they are not the same, nor equal, but complimentary to each other. Which one we allow to take center stage can be the differences in how effective we develop our Airmen.

Here are a few of my guiding principles collected and put into action from supervisors, peers, leaders and publications on some actions to influence and shape our Airmen's contributions.

1. Set standards early, but revisit them often. You may not know all the workings and widgets, but you can cover the things you know. Basic topics are communication, timeliness, safety, appearance, attention to details and of course expectations. These few are neither grand nor perfect, but remember, you are framing your subordinates' foundation before pouring the concrete. People will work to meet your standards, but if you lower the standards to meet the people, they may stay where they are.

2. Allow for mistakes. Many learn more from mistakes than they do from accomplishments. We are gifted with creative and innovative thoughts, and will amaze ourselves with our accomplishments. Just because something is not being done the way you would do it does not mean it is being done wrong. Is the objective still on track? If Airmen fear making a mistake, they will never try anything new. However, allowing for mistakes is by no means an open policy to allow something that "is" wrong. This leads me to my next thought.

3. Always ask, is it the right thing to do? As supervisors and leaders, a difficult situation will always make its way to you. If you have not encountered one yet or lately, ask yourself why and are you really paying attention to your people. Doing the right thing is not always easy when it involves others. If the answer is yes, you will gain respect of those next to, above, and below you. Don't bend the needle on your moral compass.

4. Don't get too far into the weeds and keep up with generational lifestyle changes. If you must get in the weeds, make it short by revisiting guiding principle #1. You don't want to be the high school teacher constantly facing the chalkboard demonstrating longhand manuscript techniques to students with notebooks and smartphones.

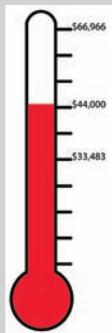
5. Realize you can learn something from everyone. You are surrounded by very special people, and I am sure each has their good and different talents. Think about past and present supervisors, co-workers, friends and think about what you liked and what you did not like about them.

Above is my growing list of guides and thoughts as compiled and rephrased from supervisors, peers, leaders, handouts, pamphlets and publications. The order is not important, but knowing which balance of supervision and leadership to use when making a course correction.

Get comfortable discussing personal experiences, to include involving highs and lows of your own professional growth. These personal anecdotes of teaching moments are often the best examples of the abilities our next generation of leaders need to develop Airmen we need to lead our Air Force for generations to come.

NEWS BRIEFS

Air Force Assistance Fund



The WAFB AFAP campaign goal is to raise \$66,966 and thus far have raised \$44K which benefits the Air Force Aid Society, Air Force Enlisted Village, Air Force Village and the General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation. To contribute contact a Unit Project Officer.

Commissary Case Lot Sale

The Commissary annual spring case lot sale is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 5, and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., May 6. For more information call 660-687-5655.

Special Duty Assignment Team Briefing

The Air Education and Training Command Special Duty Briefing Team is scheduled to visit Whiteman AFB May 1, and will brief on all aspects of special duty opportunities in the Ford Auditorium, building 515, Professional Development Center. The following briefings are scheduled:

8 to 11 a.m. -- Military Training Instructor, Military Training Leader, Professional Military Education Instructor and recruiting duties. The briefing is open to anyone and will address a general audience. Senior airmen (with at least 35 months time in service) through master sergeant (with less than 16 years total active federal military service) may be eligible to apply and are encouraged to attend the briefing.

11:30 a.m. -- The first sergeant recruiting briefing will be conducted in room 101 of the PDC, and is open to motivated technical sergeants to senior master sergeants with the ability to gain three years of retain-ability.

Note: Since each specialty has some varied rank needs and requirements, the briefing is open to everyone. For more information, contact the Wing Career Assistance Advisor, Master Sgt. Cameron St. Amand at 660-687-7829. Spouses and supervisors are encouraged to attend.

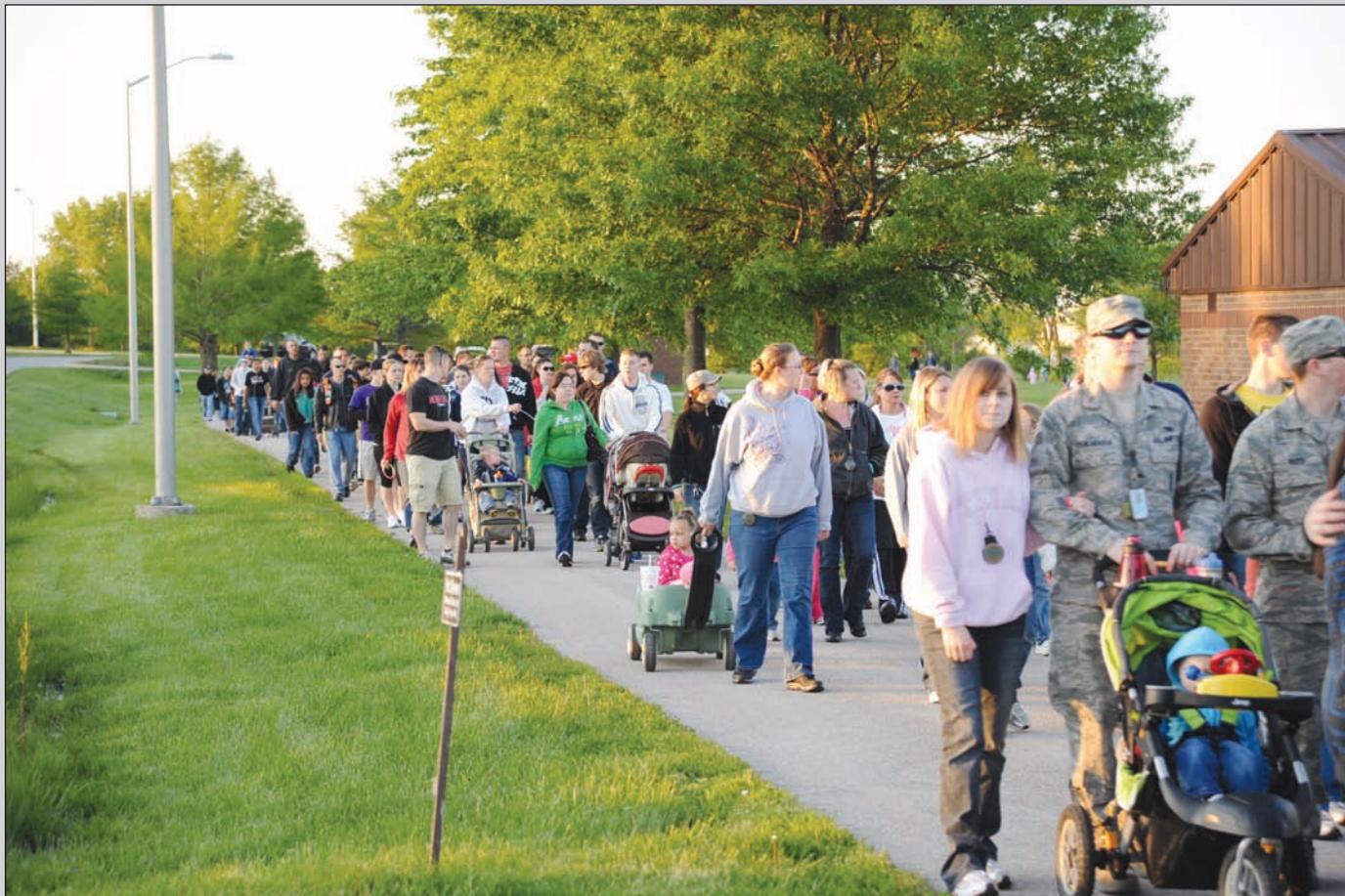
Whiteman Blood Drive

The Whiteman Blood Drive is from noon to 5 p.m. May 2 at the Community Center. To make an appointment, log on to esaveslifeflow.org and use sponsor code: whiteman. For information, call 2nd Lt. Diana Wong at 660-687-5007.

New Air Force Housing Website

The new Air Force Housing website is an Airman's one-stop site for base housing options and support worldwide. Those planning for a permanent change of station should log on to housing.af.mil.

Walkers help raise awareness



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Lacie Carmody
More than 100 members from Team Whiteman walked in support of Take Back the Night, April 20, which was hosted by the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program. The walkers started at the fitness center track and ended at the Ike Skelton Park where they listened to music, ate free food and socialized.

AFGSC bases to hold half marathons

Air Force Global Strike Command Public Affairs

BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, La. -- The first-ever Air Force Global Strike Command half marathon kicks off at Barksdale Air Force Base, La., this weekend.

The command-wide series continues throughout the spring and summer as each AFGSC base holds a half-marathon event, beginning with Barksdale AFB April 28 and ending with Malmstrom AFB, Mont., August 24.

"The Striker Life Half Marathon is a way for Airmen to get involved in something different, and to set long-term goals," said Sean Lehr, with the AFGSC Personnel Directorate. "I think completing this marathon will really give individuals a sense of accomplishment."

Lehr said the half marathon will be a professionally-run event. All competitors will be timed with timing chips, and will receive a participant shirt. Finishers will receive a finisher's medal. Bases will have refreshments during and after the race, and may have entertainment for spectators and children. The events may also include a 5K or 10K

race for those who aren't ready for a half-marathon but still wish to participate.

"This is not your normal 5K where you run, change into your uniform and go back to work," Lehr said. "We want this to be a first-class event."

Air Force Global Strike Command will field a team for the Air Force Marathon in September, and the Striker Life Half Marathon series is designed to tie into that event.

"This is a kind of prep for the Air Force marathon," said Lt. Col. Casey Sanders, AFGSC Personnel Directorate. "This can serve as a great training event for those planning to run that marathon."

The Striker Life Half Marathon schedule is as follows:

- ☐ April 28 - Barksdale AFB, La.
- ☐ May 19 - Whiteman AFB, Mo.
- ☐ June 23 - Minot AFB, N.D.
- ☐ Aug. 18 - F.E. Warren AFB, Wyo.
- ☐ Aug. 24 - Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

To sign up or for more information about the marathon at your base, see you base fitness center.

Changes to AFI tobacco use policy



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Leandra D. Stepp

The following Air Force Instruction 40-102 is current as of March 26, 2012 regarding Tobacco Use in the Air Force. For more information log on to e-Publishing.af.mil

- ☐ Tobacco use is prohibited on AF installations, except in Designated Tobacco Areas and housing units (paragraph 2.2)
- ☐ Tobacco use outside of DTAs, including while walking anytime outside of DTAs, is prohibited. (paragraph 2.2.4.2)
- ☐ DTAs shall be away from common points of facility entry/egress and not in front of buildings or air intake ducts. (paragraph 2.2.4.3)
- ☐ The distance of a DTA from building entry/egress is to be determined by the squadron commander but will be no less than 50 feet. (paragraph 2.2.4.3.1)
- ☐ No DTA shall be within 100 feet of playgrounds (paragraph 2.2.4.3.2)

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LO shop maintains B-2 stealth

By Senior Airman Montse Belleau
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The 509th Maintenance Squadron low observable shop's mission is to make sure the B-2 Spirit stays in the air and out of radar detection.

More than 200 personnel, including Department of Defense civilians, contract civilians, 131st Bomb Wing Air National Guard employees and 509th Bomb Wing active-duty airmen, design, repair and modify the B-2 Spirit's parts to give them cutting-edge deterrence.

"We are a huge aspect of the importance of the B-2 airframe," said Tech. Sgt. Joshua Oloff, 509th MXS low observable technician. "This aircraft relies solely on its stealth features to avoid enemy threats."

The LO shop utilizes a variety of tools to get the job done correctly, including paint guns, sanding equipment, razor blades, blasting tools, compressed hot air systems and digital measuring systems.

"Our equipment helps us make the B-2 fully capable in an allotted amount of time," said Airman 1st Class Kevin Kingsley, 509th MXS low observable technician. "We work hand-in-hand with crew chiefs and metals technicians to ensure we meet our deadline. Sometimes we have three days or three months."

Oloff said it feels great to know he works on an aircraft that gives the "wow factor" to those who don't work on it.

"When I was TDY, every time the B-2 took off everyone just seemed to stop and watch it," Oloff said. "They never did that with any of the other aircraft."

Kingsley said it's a great feeling coming in to work and knowing every little thing he does has a huge impact on the mission.



Airman 1st Class Mathew Wert, 509th Maintenance Squadron low observable technician, prepares to mix paint for the top coat of the B-2 Spirit April 11.



Airman 1st Class Mathew Wert, 509th Maintenance Squadron low observable technician, puts on his tyvek suit to protect himself from chemicals and harmful fumes.



(ABOVE/RIGHT) Airman 1st Class Mathew Wert, 509th Maintenance Squadron low observable technician, measures paint for the B-2 Spirit coating. The LO section maintains the stealth capabilities of the B-2 by repairing the LO coating and internal and external structural hardware.



Team Whiteman organizes Cub Scout Pack



WARRENSBURG, Mo. -- Staff Sgt. Rafael Franjul, 509th Bomb Wing Judge Advocate civil law paralegal, helps his son, Joshua, apply the final touches to his model car during a Cub Scout District Pinewood Derby at First United Methodist Church April 14. Cub Scouts from Whiteman Air Force Base, Knob Noster, Warrensburg and four other cities in the local area attended the event.

By Senior Airman Nick Wilson
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Volunteers of Team Whiteman are currently in the process of organizing a Boy Scouts of America Cub Scout Pack.

"The Cub Scout program is about growing the boys, helping them develop different skills and becoming not only good scouts but good family and community members," said Lt. Col. Randy Boswell, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron commander and currently in charge of organizing the Cub Scout program on base.

In addition to community events, the program teaches skills such as camping, landscaping, woodworking, teambuilding, learning to mow a lawn, building a fire and setting up tents. Boys in the first through fifth grades are eligible to participate.

"We're trying to turn these boys into productive members of society," said Tech. Sgt. Christopher Cluckey, 509th Security Forces Squadron facilities improvement team NCO in charge. Cluckey will be a den leader for the Cub Scout program.

"We're going to get out and start trying to get boys to sign up so we can begin to build our pack up," Cluckey said. "This will be our chance to explain the program to the boys and the parents."

The pack is scheduled to officially begin May 1, according to Boswell. Each month there will be a pack meeting where activities, field trips and events will be planned and discussed. Locations for the meetings will vary. The Cub Scouts pack will be an ongoing organization that will host activities and events throughout the year.

Within the pack there are three tiers of rank, which are respectfully Tiger Cubs (for boys in the first grade), Cub Scouting (for boys in the second and third grades) and Webelos Scouting (for boys in fourth and fifth grades).

"It's an ongoing constant learning process," Cluckey said. "We learn as individuals, as a pack and we just keep growing."

Adults can volunteer to assist with the Cub Scout Pack. Cubmaster, den leader and Cub Scout planning committee positions are available. Volunteers will commit approximately two hours a week

to assist in Cub Scout activities, according to Boswell.

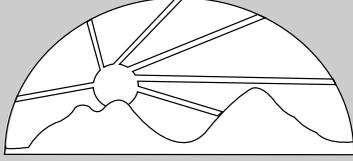
"Volunteers are also welcome to assist with various activities and events if they aren't members of the pack or planning committee," Cluckey said. "The more help we get, the better the pack will be."

To volunteer for a position, email Lt. Col. Randy Boswell at randy.boswell@whiteman.af.mil or call at 660-687-3503. Training for a cubmaster or den leader position can be completed online at <https://myscouting.com>. Youth Protection training for all scouting volunteers is also available at this website.

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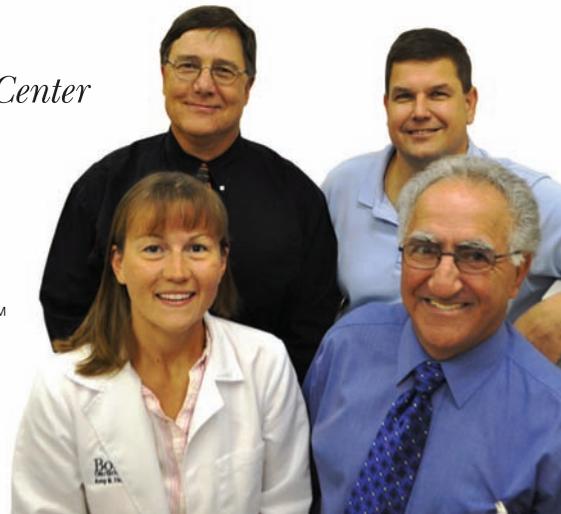
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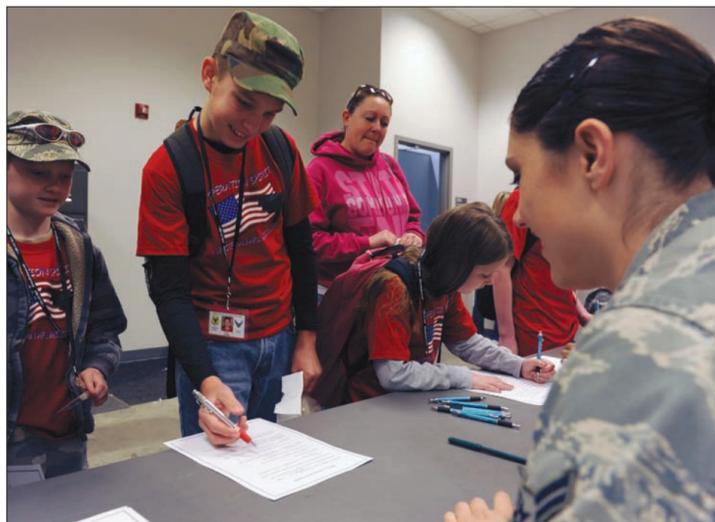


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'OPERATION SPIRIT' DEPLOYS WHITEMAN YOUTH



Airman 1st Class Stephanie Tornero, 509th Force Support Squadron installation personnel readiness, assists operation spirit members with filling out mock power of attorney forms at the Deployment Center April 21.



Children practice standing at attention during Operation Spirit at the Deployment Center April 21.



Members of the medical group simulate strapping a child in a stretcher during the "tent city" portion of Operation Spirit at the Deployment Center April 21.



Children from Operation Spirit try on pilot helmets on the flightline April 21. While there, the children also had a chance to view Whiteman's aircraft and board a C-130 Hercules.

Story and photos by Airman 1st Class Bryan Crane
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

With an 8 a.m. recall, more than 90 members of Team Whiteman reported to the deployment center April 21 to prepare for their mock deployment to Kabul, Afghanistan.

The participants were not the normal "deploying" military member; instead they were school children that ranged from K-12.

"Operation Spirit is designed to educate children about what it's like for their mom or dad to go through the deployment process," said Master Sgt. Robyn Johnson, 509th Force Support Squadron Airman & Family Readiness Center readiness NCO and event coordinator.

Upon arrival at the deployment center, each child began the deployment process by receiving an Operation Spirit T-shirt to be used as their uniform of the day and military orders. The children also received dog tags with their name. Additionally, they received briefings for the day, including one by Col. Robert Spalding III, 509th Bomb Wing vice commander.

Each child was divided into a separate chalk, or group, with a chalk commander and they assisted the children throughout the entire deployment.

"It was great to volunteer and get to see all these children so happy," said Airman 1st Class Stephanie Tornero, 509th Force Support Squadron installation personnel readiness and event volunteer. "It put a smile on my face."

Once on the flightline, the children viewed Whiteman's aircraft and boarded a C-130 Hercules to receive a mission brief from crew members.

After boarding the C-130, the children "returned home" and attended an award ceremony followed by lunch provided by the USO.

After a morning of deploying, the participants visited "tent city" where they viewed equipment and watched demonstrations from different base agencies, to include explosive ordinance disposal, security forces, fire department and medical group.

"It helped me understand what my dad goes through when he has to leave," said Abigail, daughter of EmaLee and Master Sgt. Christopher Gish, 509th Bomb Wing public affairs superintendent.

The seventh annual Operation Spirit was geared toward children and helped them experience a "deployment" that they could understand.

"It was another success for us and the children," Johnson said. "They really enjoyed it and the volunteers did as well."

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A child from Operation Spirit gets a chance to try on a parachute during Operation Spirit April 21.



Children from Operation Spirit were taken to the flightline to view aircraft from Whiteman AFB April 21.

From the Frontlines: Senior Airman Cortez Howery



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Nick Wilson

Senior Airman Cortez Howery, 509th Force Support Squadron Fitness Assessment Cell member, returned from his second six-month deployment October 2011. While deployed, he was a store room manager for Cold Grab and Go which was a dining facility where service members could pick up snacks and cooked meals 24/7.

By Senior Airman Nick Wilson
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

While some service members deploy and perform similar duties at their home station, others may do something entirely different. Senior Airman Cortez Howery, 509th Force Support Squadron Fitness Assessment Cell member, was one such Airman who gained a new perspective while helping accomplish the mission.

Instead of being a FAC member in Southwest Asia, he worked as a store room manager for Cold Grab and Go, a dining facility where service members could pick up snacks and cooked meals 24/7. Howery returned in October 2011 from a six-month deployment where a typical day for him consisted of waking up at 3 a.m. and working anywhere from 12-16 hours a day.

"I had to be ready to get up and go to the grab and go facility to start inventory because we had specific items to order every day," Howery said. "I controlled an inventory of approximately \$2.4 million in Air Force assets."

Howery ensured his facility had the right food and essential items necessary to support the mission of his unit and installation.

"We also provided pilots with meals when they flew sorties," Howery said.

To support the base's mission, Howery was also in charge of managing the wing's ice program which provided ice for the entire base and the fallen warrior program, which kept bodies of perished service members cool as they were flown home.

"Helping preserve the bodies of fallen warriors was a kind of humbling experience," Howery said. "They are our fallen comrades in arms and I helped get the bodies home to

their families."

He said learning about different approaches to work in the services career field with Airmen stationed at bases all over the world was one of the best parts about his deployment.

Additionally, he said his living conditions were nice and made up for the tiring and sometimes stressful mission duties.

"We had wireless internet in the dorms and I was able to talk with my family via Skype every day," Howery said.

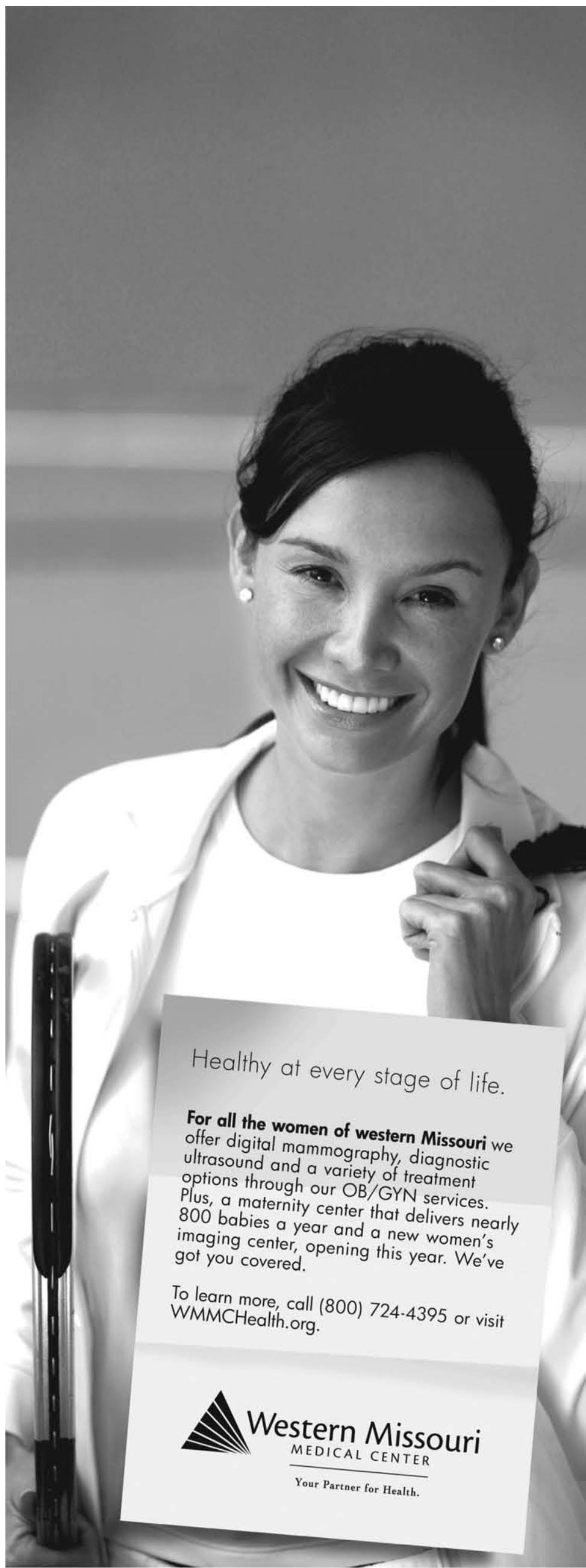
The most difficult part about his deployment was being away from his family. Howery's youngest son was born during his absence.

"I got the chance to see the birth via Skype," Howery said. "It was tough to see my son for the first time and not be able to hold him. I still appreciate the time given to me by my leadership to leave work and enjoy that small bit of delight."

In addition to his duties, he volunteered in the base community by assisting in the management of a bicycle motocross demonstration and a Tops in Blue concert. He also participated in a poetry contest and won first place.

Overall, he enjoyed the experiences of his deployment both on and off duty and being entrusted with a position of leadership that he could excel.

"Howery's superior work performance both stateside and during his deployment greatly attributes to the many goals he's accomplished while being in the Air Force," said Staff Sgt. Katrina Westendorf, 509th FSS fitness programs director and Howery's supervisor. "I believe that if he continues on this path, he will be an outstanding leader and mentor throughout his career."



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SFCC, UCM sign transfer agreement



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SEDALIA, Mo. -- Dr. Marsha Drennon, SFCC president, and Dr. Charles Ambrose, UCM president, signed the official memorandum of agreement, April 17, to make it easier for students to transfer between the two schools. The change is scheduled to take effect in fall 2012.

By Dana M. Kelchner
Director of Marketing and Communications

SEDALIA, Mo. -- State Fair Community College and the University of Central Missouri have signed an agreement to make it easier for students to transfer between the two schools.

Dr. Marsha Drennon, SFCC president, and Dr. Charles Ambrose, UCM president, signed the official memorandum of agreement on the SFCC campus April 17. It is scheduled to take effect in fall 2012. According to the agreement:

- SFCC students will be granted junior status in UCM undergraduate programs if they have completed the Associate of Arts or Associate of Arts in Teaching degree from SFCC. UCM will accept all college-level credit from SFCC, though some credit may be elective credit.

- UCM students may transfer credits for course work earned at UCM to SFCC in order to complete some requirements for an associate degree.

This "reverse transfer" agreement also would enable SFCC students who transfer to UCM before receiving their associate degrees to complete them, pending their further efforts toward obtaining a bachelor's degree.

- Students at SFCC and UCM may participate in a dual admission program in which they may transfer from one institution to the other, alternate enrollment between the two institutions or co-enroll in both institutions at their discretion.

"We're thrilled to expand our partnership with UCM," said Drennon. "Students will be able to transfer seamlessly between the two colleges, making it easier for them to complete their degree programs. Students will enjoy access to library and athletic facilities and other resources at both SFCC and UCM. It's a wonderful opportunity for our students."

Ambrose said the agreement continues a longstanding relationship that has exist-

ed between SFCC and UCM.

"We're proud to continue to collaborate with SFCC to look for ways we can better serve our students," Ambrose said. "Opportunities such as this agreement formalize this commitment, while also contributing to the overall quality of the students' experience in higher education and ultimately their success."

The joint effort between SFCC and UCM is also consistent with the state's efforts to aid student retention and make education more accessible to Missouri students through legislation that enables them to more seamlessly transfer credits between two- year and four-year institutions, Ambrose added.

Rick Sluder, vice president for enrollment management at UCM, said during the past year, faculty and administrators from SFCC and UCM have visited each institution, finding ways both institutions can work together to serve students. Such efforts have strengthened relationships between faculty at the program level who worked together to revise and update several transfer guides, giving students assurance that the courses they take at each institution will transfer to the other.

Another outgrowth of these discussions has been the development of a program in which an academic advisor from UCM spends at least one day each week on the SFCC campus working with students who intend to transfer to UCM. Drennon said UCM's advisor is on the SFCC campus from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursdays in the Proctor Library.

Both schools are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and recognize credits earned by other regionally accredited colleges and universities.

For more information contact the Whiteman AFB SFCC campus at 660-563-3358 or UCM at 66-543-4290.

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There will also be many rider inspired activities to promote motorcycle safety and mentorship activities to build strong riding relationships," Lafferty said.

For questions regarding these safety requirements, course offerings and suggestions, contact the ground safety office at 660-687-7233 or Giles 660-687-8115.

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 - 8:15 -10 a.m. -- Range Practice & Maintenance Area
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Potential Candidates must possess certification by an approved life guard course and have certification in CPR for adult & child rescue to include the use of an AED life saving device. All applicants certifications must be current for this swimming season through Labor Day weekend.

Wages range from \$8.50 - \$10.50/hr based on certification levels and previous experience. To apply go to NAFjobs.org, select Whiteman AFB & choose the positions listed. Submit an application with your current certificates.

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The Whiteman AFB Library is available to provide online resources overview briefings for your base office, Commander's Calls, etc. Providing information about: Personal Career Development, College/University Research, Test Preparation and Practice Tests, Foreign Language Learning & Cultural Awareness, K-12/Homeschooling Resources and more! Please contact the Library Director @ 660-687-5614 to schedule.

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AIRMAN & FAMILY READINESS CENTER

Spouse Orientation Acclamation & Resources — Spouse Orientation Acclamation & Resources is a 60-minute program offered every Monday from 10-11 a.m. at the Whiteman Inn. The target audience is spouses who are brand new to the base. The program is designed to inform newcomer spouses with resources available to them, base and local community information as well as answering questions. Children are welcome. For more information, call 660-687-7132.

TEAM WHITEMAN COMMUNITY

Breastfeeding Support Group — Breastfeeding Support Group is a 90-minute support group offered to Whiteman members and is the first Wednesday of every month from 11:30 a.m. -1 p.m. at the A&FRC. Contact Briana Kovach at 660-687-0368 for information. Children are welcome and should bring something to play with. No RSVP needed.

American Red Cross Volunteer Opportunity at Whiteman AFB — The American Red Cross has multiple volunteer opportunities at the 509th Medical Group. Anyone interested in volunteering should first contact the Medical Group's volunteer coordinators in the Resource Management office, room 1130, or call 660-687-6782. Volunteers can serve in a variety of service positions including patient check-in, answering phones, records management, pharmacy, lab, radiology support and other general administrative functions. Professional volunteers are also welcome. The MDG volunteer coordinator will help those with the Red Cross volunteer application process. More information and forms can be found at <http://www.redcross.org/en/volunteer>.

Volunteer opportunities for High School Students (dependents) — High school sons or daughters of active duty Air Force members can volunteer up to 250 hours over the four years of high school, with a maximum potential of \$1,000 toward college or vocational-technical school. The Youth Employment Skills Program is an Air-Force-wide program that offers high school students the opportunity to learn new skills, volunteer their time while helping their community and receive money toward their educational endeavors. For every hour volunteered, \$2 will go to base youth programs to support recreational improvements, computer labs,

and other programs. For more information about the YES program, contact Whiteman Youth Programs at 660-687-5586 or search Whiteman AFB Teen Programs via Facebook and click "Like."

Found property — Keys, wallets, bicycles, jewelry, cellular telephones and other items have been turned in as found property to Security Forces Investigations. To inquire about lost property, go to building 711, room 305, or call 660-687-5342. Vehicles have been identified as suspected abandoned and will be towed at the owner's expense. For more information about vehicles, contact Steven Scott at 660-687-5342.

Airmen Against Drunk Driving — AADD is a Whiteman Active Airmen Association program designed by Airmen to provide Whiteman personnel, who have a valid Department of Defense ID card, (active duty, retirees, Guard, Reserve, cadets and dependents) a free safe ride home 24/7 in the local area by dialing 660-687-7433 (RIDE) or 1-888-516-0013 when they've had too much to drink and their coordinated plan has fallen through. The local area includes: Warrensburg, Knob Noster, Windsor, Sedalia and Whiteman AFB. Rank, name, and age are kept confidential. Rather than risk your life and career, take advantage of AADD.

Palace Chase Briefing — Palace Chase Briefings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 11 a.m. in the Professional Development Center, building 519, room 101. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Rodney Harrell, in-service Recruiter at 660-687-1868 or 660-460-1041.

Whiteman AFB Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate 24 Hour Emergency Crisis Line — Whiteman AFB Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate 24 Hour Emergency Crisis Line is available 24/7 for safety planning, support and referrals. Victim advocates can be reached during duty hours and for non-emergencies at 660-687-4341.

Retiree Activities Office — The Retiree Activities Office provides an interface between the active-duty and the retiree population from all military branches. The RAO is staffed by volunteers and open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday through Friday. The RAO is looking for volunteers and training is provided. For information, call 660-687-6457 or 1-800-303-5608 or email rao@whiteman.af.mil.

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can also send information to the following email address: mizzirene@embarqmail.com. All names should be submitted by May 4. Anyone who knows veterans is asked to encourage them to attend this event.

This will be the third program in the University of Central Missouri's Lifelong Learning Series on "World War II in American Memory." Participants in the event will be the UCM Department of Military Science and Leadership, Matthews-Crawford Post 131 of The American Legion, William A. Carleton Post 2513 of the VFW, and Missouri Veterans Home, all of Warrensburg. The Clinton High School Junior ROTC Honor Guard will

post and retire the colors.

UCM professor emeritus of music, Neal Seipp, will play "To the Colors" and "Taps" on the trumpet; KMOS-TV Coordinator of Corporate and Community Support, Mark Pearce, accompanied by Alice Coleman, will lead the audience in singing "God Bless America;" retired UCM Health Center staff member Shirley Briscoe will sing "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You;" and "Four Good Friends" of Sweet Adelines International will close the program with "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy." Warrensburg attorney Bob Welling will introduce the keynote speaker.

This Weekend at the Movies

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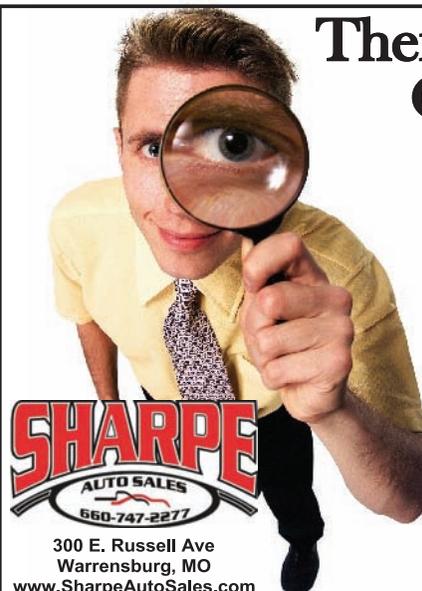
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- Many offices on base are using old forms**. If you would like a copy of the new ad form to keep in your office, call 687-6123 and we'll fax a new form for your use. Or, you can download it at <http://www.whiteman.af.mil> and click on "Whiteman Warrior Classified Ad Form."
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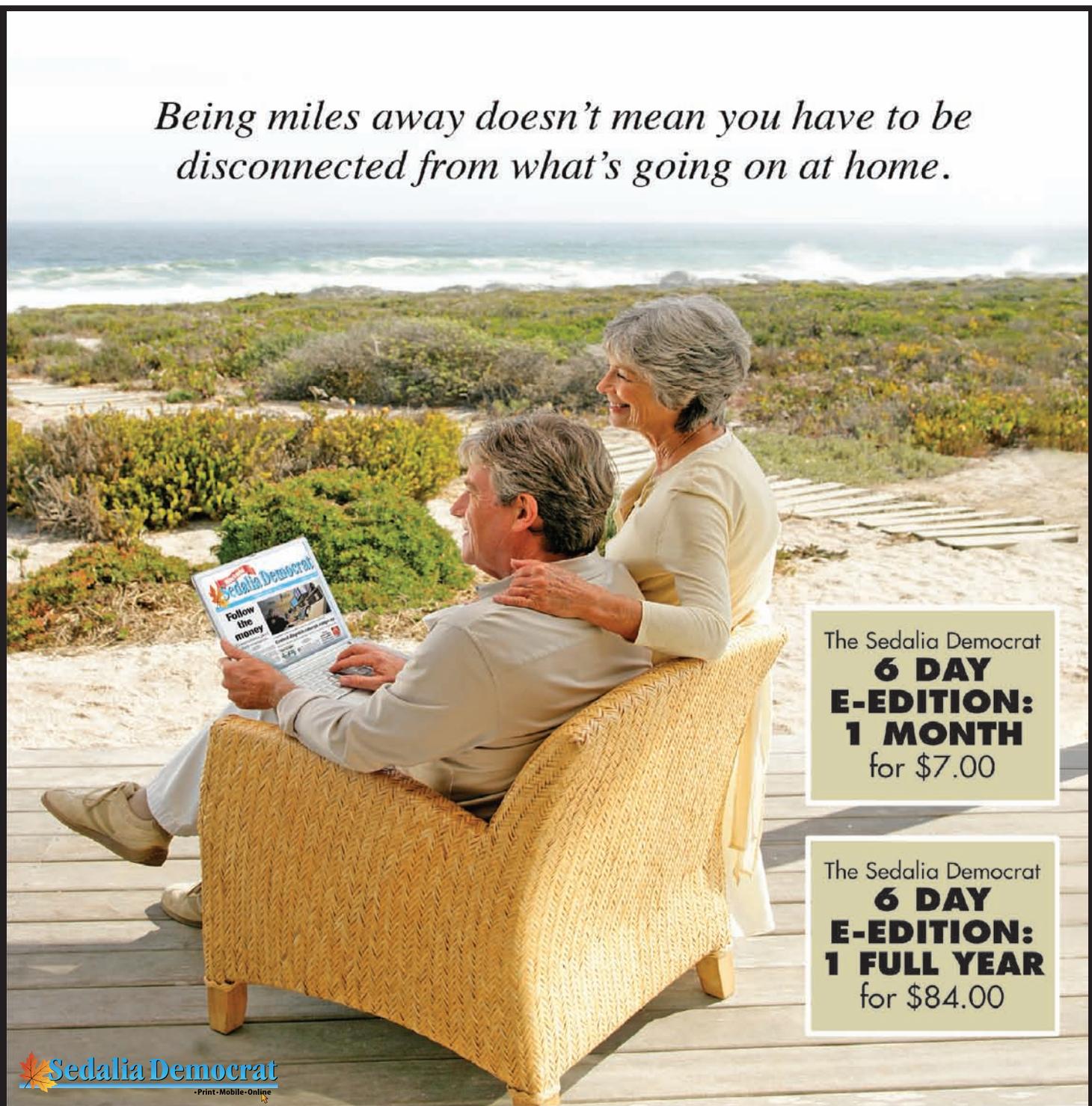
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