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9-Line Target

9-Line Target allows the 509th Bomb Wing commander to share thoughts and views with Team Whiteman.

Congratulations to Whiteman's new lieutenant colonel selects!

News in Brief

Air Force announces promotions

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFP) — Nearly 1,800 Air Force officers were selected for lieutenant colonel by promotion boards held at the Air Force Personnel Center here.

Of those, four are stationed at Whiteman and four recently had a permanent change of station. They are: **Majs. Rex Adee**, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron commander; **Clayton Perce**, 509th Communications Squadron commander; **Brian Zembraski**, 509th Operations Group standardization and evaluation chief; **Roger Forsythe**, Detachment 12, Air Combat Command Training Support Squadron commander; **Edward Brown**, former 509th Services Squadron commander; **Richard Sloop**, former 509th Civil Engineer Squadron deputy commander; **Chad Stevenson**, former 325th Bomb Squadron director of operations; and **Mark Garney**, former 509th Bomb Wing deputy staff judge advocate.

Wing schedules banquet

The 509th Bomb Wing's 2002 annual awards banquet begins at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 21 at Mission's End. The menu is London broil, sliced potatoes, chef's vegetables and peanut butter pie. The speaker for the event is Air Combat Command Chief Master Sgt. Daniel Keane. The cost is \$18 for members and \$20 for nonmembers. Attire is mess dress or semi formal for military members, and coat and tie for civilians. Tickets are available from first sergeants through Feb. 14.

Commander's calls times set

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander hosts mandatory commander's calls. The airmen, NCO and senior NCO calls will be at the base theatre. Officer and civilian calls will be at Mission's End. The dates and times are:

Airmen

9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday, 6:30 a.m. Wednesday

NCOs

8 a.m. Tuesday, 10 a.m. Thursday

Senior NCOs

9:30 a.m. Tuesday

Officers

4 p.m. Wednesday

Civilians

3 p.m. Feb. 19

Weather

Saturday

Partly cloudy



H 38 °

L 20 °

Sunday

Mostly cloudy



H 31 °

L 19 °

For more complete weather information, visit <https://www.whiteman.af.mil/509oss/osw/index.htm>. Courtesy of 509th OSS/OSW



Photo by 2nd Lt. Ed Gulick

Members of the 509th Maintenance Squadron Fabrication Flight perform a FOD walk early Tuesday morning. Units routinely endure extreme temperatures and high winds to ensure the safety of the mission.

The FOD squad: Keeping the airfield clean, protecting the mission

By 2nd Lt. Ed Gulick
Public Affairs

Every time an aircraft takes off, many hours of work and dedication by Whiteman members are displayed. Much of this work is quietly performed behind the scenes and is unnoticed until something is forgotten.

One program that fits this category is foreign object damage prevention. If it's done, our mission continues. If it's neglected, preventable aircraft accidents can occur.

Master Sgt. Frank Merchant, 509th Maintenance Group, runs the 509th Bomb Wing FOD prevention program and understands its importance.

"It's all about safety and preserving the assets that we have from damage," he said. "If an aircraft is off line from FOD damage, it's unable to fulfill the mission of defending our country."

Crews work to ensure bolts, rocks, tools, change, and even rags, paper and other objects are removed from around the airfield. Checks are constantly performed to ensure nothing is left on the airfield when work is performed on an aircraft. Ultimately, it's every member's responsibility to ensure a safe environment, said Merchant. If FOD is ingested into the intake of a jet engine or punctures a tire, the results can be costly, if not disastrous.

To avoid an accident, the B-2 area is checked weekly by unit members who line up and walk side by side along a section of the ramp. Base operations members are responsible for FOD disposal on the rest of the airfield. They rely heavily on the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron's sweeper trucks to help keep the airfield safe.

To combat FOD, Merchant has several programs in place to provide encouragement and give recognition for constant awareness.

The most noticeable is the Golden Bolt program. Each quarter, two "bolts" are left somewhere on the flight line. The bolts are actually small pieces of paper with a drawing of a gold-colored bolt with a note to call Merchant. Merchant said the program encourages vigilance in FOD prevention awareness. When found and returned, each bolt is worth a three-day pass and several gifts with the FOD logo. In addition, Col. Ned Schoeck, 509th BW vice commander, will present an award certificate recognizing the accomplishment.

The FOD Fighter award recognizes outstanding vigilance or an exceptional event of a person while performing FOD checks, etc. The recipient receives the same recogni-



Photo by 2nd Lt. Ed Gulick

Airman 1st Class Brian Leverton, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, performs a vehicle foreign object damage check before proceeding onto the flight line. Vehicles operated on the flight line must be free of rocks, and excessive mud or dirt. A container with a lid must also be kept in the vehicle for placing loose items that could cause FOD.

tion as the Golden Bolt program winner.

Another program is the FOD poster award. Each quarter, Whiteman members can design a FOD prevention poster with a catchy slogan. The winning poster is sent out to base maintenance organizations to print and post in work centers. The recipient receives the same recognition as the previous awards.

The last award is a unit award, called Eagle Eyes. It pits flight against flight in an effort to collect not only the most FOD, but also the most dangerous FOD item. The winning maintenance flight receives a certificate of recognition from the 509th BW vice commander and each member receives a one-day pass.

Commander's Corner

By Col. Doug Raaberg
509th Bomb Wing Commander

The mission of the 509th Bomb Wing, and specifically the B-2 *Spirit*, is to *kick the door down and kill targets!*

Everywhere I go, people are asking me if and when we're going to be called to action — again. I don't have an answer, but I do have an observation; one you have heard quite often. We'll be ready when someone needs the B-2 overhead protecting our forces.

I visited many places around the base this week and there's a resounding level of confidence in every person's eyes and voice. First, confidence in knowing our mission. Second, in knowing we're trained to conduct that mission. Third, confidence that whatever the task, wherever the place, we'll complete it with utmost professionalism. Finally, there's confidence that we're taking care of our families who have deployed members. If you ask me, if and when "are we going," my confident answer is ... **WE ARE READY!**

The sobering tragedy of losing the Space Shuttle Columbia, once again reminds us how much Whiteman means to other air and space missions. We have and will provide strong support for our Air Force and nation's space programs. The next time the NASA shuttle comes to our base "piggy backed" on its 747, let's

remember that, like us, there are others who are willing to sacrifice the ultimate to accomplish a very important mission for our nation. They deserve our ultimate respect.

We have a new set of lieutenant colonels this week. Congratulations to our selectees Rex Adee, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron commander; Roger "Bull" Forsythe, Detachment 12, Air Combat Command Training Support Squadron commander; Clayton Perce, 509th Communications Squadron commander; and Brian "Z-Man" Zembraski, 509th Operations Group standardization and evaluation chief, on their promotion. These promotions demonstrate their potential for the next higher grade and leadership in today's expeditionary Air Force.

During my recent visit to Challenger Hall, the security forces dormitory, I was very pleased to see our dorm upgrade is taking full steam with the new furniture. I know it wasn't easy getting the old out and the new in, but it'll make a huge quality-of-life change for everyone. It's a true team effort — the whole flight working together to make the project happen! Obviously, you take pride in your dorm. I suggest the other dorms benchmark off your efforts when they receive their new furniture.

As a reminder, a new cleaning contractor is cleaning our dorms on an almost



daily basis. We're the Air Force's demonstration base for this cleaning contract. Let's show our service that it works.

I want to thank all the spouses of deployed members who attended the gathering at the family support center Saturday. My wife and I learned a lot from them. I know there were plenty of questions concerning the extension of AEF 8 and its effect on pending assignments. The discussion was very productive. I know other squadrons intend to hold similar forums, such as the "Fireside Chat" for the 393rd Bomb Squadron Tigers. It's very important we keep the families of our deployed *airmen* informed. This is a terrific way to get the word out. I intend to hold future town meetings to address our wing's issues and answer spouses' questions. Also, let me

remind everyone that the FSC is one of our top resources. Give them a call at 687-7132.

While I was out this week, I visited the 509th CS Land Mobile Radio Shop to present Airman 1st Class Jonathan Marrs with the Whiteman Spirit Award. Airman Marrs and the folks at LMR are doing a fantastic job keeping the wing on the air. I appreciate your hard work.

Thanks to Capt. Jason Fick, 509th CS, for your question about smallpox vaccinations. I'll be addressing this very important issue at my commander's calls next week. I'll see you there.

Chief Master Sgt. Keith Cobb, 509th BW command chief master sergeant, and I paid a visit to the engine test shop in the 509th Maintenance Squadron. This shop was overflowing with motivated, young airmen repairing motors for our B-2 fleet. I'm very impressed with the NCO leadership and supervisor involvement. Airman 1st Class Carla Rhea — I was impressed with your 623 and your enthusiasm in your training.

The Cyber-café in the Ozark Inn Dining Facility is moving smartly towards completion. This is a combined effort between the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, 509th CS, 509th SVS and 509th Contracting Squadron. Outstanding work — you're making a huge impact on the quality of life for our dorm residents.

Be prepared for deployment

By Maj. Michael Busch
509th Maintenance Squadron Commander

Are we going to war? Is the country ready for the next war? What will be our role? These questions are on many newscasts.

For people who serve in the military, we don't have to address these questions. We need only comply with one statement: we are ready to go to war.

At Whiteman, we are ready to go to war and we're also improving our readiness by refining our ability to deploy this stealth platform. The outstanding airmen of the 509th Maintenance Squadron have a vision and it is to provide deployable stealth airpower. I know we, along with every other Whiteman member, will achieve this goal.

As we work to refine our processes and declare our units fully operational, we can't forget about ensuring our personal lives are prepared as well. With our new mobility mindset, we must ensure those left behind are taken care of, and we — the curators of "America's bomber" — are as ready to deploy as our equipment.

Taking care of our people and families are the most important things commanders in our Air Force do.

Regardless of whether your troops have a chance to deploy or not, they must be prepared as warriors for what life may throw at them and their families. Unfortunately,

many people don't take advantage of, or aren't aware of, the many programs the Air Force uses to prepare families for the unexpected.

Most members, who have children, already know the importance of developing family care plans that cover short- and long-term situations. However, many members don't have enough detailed plans to smoothly transfer responsibility to another person during their absence.

One of the easiest but most overlooked pieces of the puzzle is executing a power of attorney. Every sponsor can execute a power of attorney, especially when it's as simple as walking into the base legal office and filling out a form. I've done it a few times and, in almost every case, it can be notarized the same day.

The same goes for the execution of a will, which all members, whether parents or not, should take advantage of. In many states, people who die without a valid will may have a court-appointed person deciding on the distribution of their property and the collection of their debts. This causes confusion and added discomfort to friends and family.

Members should be aware of what information is contained on their DD Form 93, Record of Emergency Data, and update the information regularly. I also suggest checking your leave and earnings statement to make sure your serviceman's group life insurance is correct.



Photo by 2nd Lt. Ed Gulick

Airman 1st Class Adam Scott, 509th Maintenance Squadron, shows Maj. Michael Busch, 509th MXS commander, a structural support under a B-2.

There are many more things to take into consideration when planning for the unexpected, but these are the easy ones that are often overlooked and can cause a lot of headache for you and your loved ones. Failure to ensure the readiness of yourself and your family members may not only cause problems, but could result in disciplinary actions.

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Photo by Carol DesCombes

The Space Shuttle Columbia and its carrier aircraft, a refitted Boeing 747, prepares for a landing at Whiteman. The shuttle was on a cross-continental trip when it made an overnight stop here Sept. 24, 1999.

Air Force responds to Columbia tragedy

By James Roche
Secretary of the Air Force
and
Gen. John Jumper
Air Force chief of staff

Our nation and the world lost seven courageous, talented people when the Space Shuttle Columbia Orbiter (STS-107) experienced catastrophic a failure 15 minutes before landing at Kennedy Space Center, Fla., Saturday. Among these brave astronauts were two officers from the Air Force family: Col. Rick Husband, mission commander, from Amarillo, Texas; and Lt. Col. Michael Anderson, payload commander, from Spokane, Wash.

On behalf of the men and women of the U.S. Air Force, we offer our deepest condolences to our Air Force family members — Evelyn Husband, and her children Laura and Matthew, and Sandra Anderson, and her children Sydney and Kaycee. We stand together with all Americans in offering our prayers for the families, friends and co-workers of those lost in this tragic accident. We will never forget their great contributions to our nation and the world.

While we are deeply saddened by this tragic loss, we're also very proud of the Air Force team that has tirelessly assisted in the response to this national tragedy.

Air Force Space Command units from Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., Buckley AFB, Colo., and Patrick AFB, Fla., provided tracking data as part of the accident investigation. Tanker units from Birmingham, Ala., and fighter squadrons from Texas and Louisiana supported a number of search and recovery actions. We've also flown communications support out of Texas and Oklahoma and provided airlift support from McGuire AFB, N.J., Barksdale AFB, La., provided part of the initial response teams supporting the Texas Department of Public Safety in recovery efforts, and continues to function as the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Consequence Management Operations Center and NASA Shuttle Recovery Center.

The Air Force family will continue to offer support to the astronaut's families, Department of Defense, NASA, FEMA and state organizations.

We grieve for our friends and co-workers, but we also join the rest of the world in celebrating seven lives well lived and promise to continue to support the space program's noble mission of discovery.

May God bless the grieving families, our men and women in uniform, and the United States of America.

509ers earn annual 8th Air Force awards

By Airman 1st Class Nick Martin
Public Affairs

Three Whiteman members are 8th Air Force Supply/Fuels Annual Award winners. They are:

Junior Supply Manager

Capt. Andrew Burke is the 8th Air Force Outstanding Supply and Fuels Supply Junior Supervisor Manager for 2002.

The 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron member deployed as the chief of supply for the 355th Aerospace Expeditionary Group. He built a supply account for \$38.4 million in assets. Burke provided direct support to fighters on the front line. He implemented procedures and developed a rapport with front-line units to determine their needs accurately. He worked to track, receive and issue 212,000 items valued at \$4.4 million.

Burke ensured uninterrupted electrical power and purified water through delivery of more than 650,000 gallons of ground fuel to the deployed location's power plant and various base support equipment. Burke also managed the issue of 6.2 million gallons of clean, dry jet fuel to Air Force and joint coalition aircraft.

Burke was also selected to lead Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, on a tour of 355th AEG bare-base supply facilities.

"I'm honored to win the award. My success is due to the folks of my flight. The job could not be done without them," said Burke.



Capt. Andrew Burke

Junior Supply Manager

Sandra Vance is the 8th Air Force Outstanding Supply and Fuels Supply Junior Supervisor Manager for 2002.

The 509th LRS member managed the 509th Bomb Wing's low-observable consumable contract ensuring the \$14 million contract met the needs of the supported maintenance organizations. She developed procedures, trained people on stock control processes and worked with higher headquarters to validate several B-2 potential and actual problem areas. Vance saved \$13 million by reconstituting mission-critical assets from Northrop Grumman subcontractors and canceled equipment requests valued at \$50,000 by resolving previously identified shortages.

"I won this award because of the people I work with and for," Vance said.



Sandra Vance

Supply Supervisor Leader

Thomas Burgdoerfer is the 8th Air Force Outstanding Supply and Fuels Supply Supervisor Leader for 2002.

The 509th LRS member managed Whiteman's materiel section with a work force that supported 45 aircraft and oversaw \$530 million in assets. His efforts helped relocate 30 repair shops in a timely manner. He enhanced delivery procedures to prevent work stoppage resulting in an on-time delivery rate of 99.7 percent. He identified and moved 97 B-2 parts to the aircraft parts store enhancing delivery times to five minutes. Burgdoerfer also managed receipt and accountability of more than 2,500 aircraft and non-aircraft parts monthly.

Burgdoerfer identified a discrepancy with the initial inspection of incoming T-38 main landing gear tires, enhancing the inspection process by implementing training programs to properly train supply warehouse inspectors.

"I realize I'm only as good as my employees. My team won this award for me," said Burgdoerfer.



Thomas Burgdoerfer

Korean War History

Jan. 25-Feb. 20, 1951 — Operation Thunderbolt. A counteroffensive was launched against the Chinese Communist Forces. Six U.S. Army divisions participate — 1st Cavalry, 2nd, 3rd, 7th, 24 and 25th. There were 667 people killed in action and 3,570 were wounded in action.

Sortie board



Monthly

	B-2	A-10	T-38
Goal	525.0	380.0	309.4
Flown	28.1	45.0	54.5



Fiscal year

	B-2	A-10	T-38
Goal	6,350.0	3,870.0	4,200.0
Flown	2,258.5	1,390.6	1,287.7



Information current as of Wednesday and is provided by the 509th Operations Support Squadron and 303rd Fighter Squadron scheduling and documentation offices.

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Photo by Tech Sgt. Mike Nixon

Three newly promoted chief master sergeants, **Bryan Brown**, 509th Munitions Squadron, **Pascal Bedard**, 509th Maintenance Squadron, and **Eddie Chitwood**, 509th Maintenance Group, pose with **Col. Doug Raaberg**, 509th Bomb Wing commander, **Col. Ned Schoeck**, 509th BW vice commander, and Whiteman Chief's Group members.

Wing promotes 122 people

By Airman 1st Class Nick Martin
Public Affairs

One hundred twenty-two people added a stripe to their uniform during the 509th Bomb Wing Promotion Ceremony Monday. They are:

Airmen Robert Allen, 509th Security Forces Squadron, **Caluph Allison**, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, **Elizabeth Arroyo**, 509th Communications Squadron, **Jessica Backsen**, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron, **Katrina Ball**, 509th Maintenance Squadron, **Kristina Boling**, 509th MOS, **Brandon Brownlee**, 509th SFS, **Ryan Dickey**, 509th SFS, **Zachary French**, 509th SFS, **Damian Frenzel**, 509th SFS, **Sarah Green**, 509th Operations Support Squadron, **Amanda Haag**, 509th LRS, **Kristopher Harris**, 509th MXS, **Lindsey Harris**, 509th SFS, **Jennifer June**, 509th SFS, **Steven Klepacki**, 509th MXS, **Christopher Mackenberg**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, **Crystal Rankin**, 509th SFS, **Jason Reamer**, 509th SFS, and **Jack Stahley**, 509th SFS.

Airmen 1st Class Charity Coddington, 509th CS, **James Cole**, 509th MXS, **Jessica Colwell**, 509th MOS, **Bernadette Dobson**, 509th LRS, **Jarrett Doorentz**, 509th AMXS, **Kevin Fracek**, 509th Medical Operations Squadron, **Craig Hoivik**, 509th CS, **Christopher Holt**, 509th Munitions Squadron, **Darnell Holyfield**, 509th Mission Support Squadron, **Amy Huddle**, 509th CS, **Randi Johnson**, 509th SFS, **Louis Kane**, 509th MUNS, **Nathalie Kolecki**, 509th Medical Support Squadron, **Jon Langdon**, 509th CS, **Brian Leverton**, 509th LRS, **Samuel Martinez**, 509th SFS, **Cassie McKelvey**, 509th SFS, **Adam Meives**, 509th AMXS, **Mickey Parker**, 509th AMXS, **Brian Rice**, 509th SFS, **Ryan Roberson**, 509th OSS, **Derrick Rose**, 509th AMXS, **Sean Secich**, 509th OSS, **Steven Talley**, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, **Jenna Tatum**, 509th MUNS, **Anthony Vespa**, 509th SFS, **Paul Wilewski**, 509th Contracting Squadron, **Christopher Wilson**, 509th AMXS, and **Rosalyn Wright**, 509th LRS.

Senior Airmen Jamarr Blackmon, 509th MXS, **Erik Boyum**, 509th SFS, **Donald Brown**, 509th AMXS, **Tabitha Brown**, 509th CES, **Anthony Carrillo**, 509th AMXS, **William Cheese**, 509th MXS, **Caleb Daugherty**, 509th MXS,

Carlos Espada, 509th LRS, **Shallon Evins**, 509th MXS, **James Goeddertz**, 509th SFS, **Phillip Griffin**, 509th CES, **Jacob Hawkins**, 509th MUNS, **Misty Henseleit**, 509th MDOS, **Amber Jones**, 509th LRS, **Joseph Kablan**, 509th Services Squadron, **Gregory Lane**, 509th AMXS, **Ross Ludemann**, 509th LRS, **John McClintock**, 509th SFS, **Jason Montondo**, 509th CS, **Dustin Myers**, 509th MUNS, **Jacob Ortiz**, 509th AMXS, **Michael Phalen**, 509th AMXS, **Virginia Piringer**, 509th AMXS, **Bradley Roberts**, 509th MUNS, **David Robles**, 509th MXS, **Michael Salinas**, 509th CS, **Paul Santos**, 509th LRS, **William Steinke**, 509th AMXS, **Aaron Tadewald**, 509th CES, and **Jay Wilson**, 509th MSS.

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Master Sgts. Patrick Acheson, 509th MSS, **Patrick Crickard**, 509th MXS, **Kenneth Landreneau**, 509th MXG, **Andre Lange**, 509th MXG, and **Thomas Rutledge**, 509th OSS.

Senior Master Sgts. Randy Richardson, 509th Bomb Wing, **Edwin Shelton**, 509th MXS, and **Edward Weisheit**, 509th MUNS.

Chief Master Sgts. Pascal Bedard, 509th MXS, **Bryan Brown**, 509th MUNS, and **Eddie Chitwood**, 509th MXG.

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Photo by Tech. Sgt Mike Nixon

Lt. Col. Dennis Shumaker, 509th Maintenance Group acting commander, hands the guidon to Maj. Timothy Dennison, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron commander, during a change of command ceremony Jan. 27.

509th MOS holds change of command

Name: Maj. Timothy Dennison
Squadron: 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron

Date assumed command: Jan. 27

Previous assignment: 509th Maintenance Squadron supervisor

Time in service: 15 years, 6 months

Commissioning source: Air Force ROTC, South Dakota State University

Hobbies: Studying my Catholic faith, mountain biking, hiking, motorcycling and tinkering with cars.

Why is the squadron important to the Air Force mission? It's a combat organization that provides the tools, systems and programs needed to make this wing the most formidable weapons platform on earth.

Command philosophy: Provide the leadership needed to give the best combat support to the women and men who keep

the B-2 flying daily.

Goals for new position:

- ✓ Develop and sustain the world's best stealth war fighting capability through innovative planning, training and exercising.
- ✓ Develop and maintain the highest level of readiness to support worldwide contingency operations.
- ✓ Create and foster a 509th quality culture through leadership and teamwork.
- ✓ Make safety an integral part of everything we do, whether in the air, on the ground, on or off duty.
- ✓ Provide resources, time, and opportunity to improve members' wellness and continually improve how and where we work, live and play.
- ✓ Improve the environment through comprehensive awareness, compliance and prevention initiatives.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Members of airman leadership school Class 03-B practice for a retreat.

ALS graduates 24 future NCOs

ALS graduates 24 future NCOs. Airman leadership school Class 03-B graduated 24 senior airmen in a ceremony Thursday at Mission's End.

The award winners were:

Jeremy Duffey, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, John L. Levitow Award.

Porter Motley, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, Leadership Award.

Michael Smith, 509th Security Forces Squadron, Distinguished Graduate.

Jason Thompson, 509th AMXS, Academic Achievement Award.

The other graduates were:

Barbi Lynn Tuers, 509th Medical Operations Squadron.

Randall Blair, Patrick Odom, Steven Walton, Daniel Nienhaus, Craig Steffek and Damon Wilson, 509th SFS.

Keith Thomas, 509th Munitions Squadron.

Kwame Sansculotte and Michael Dugard, 509th Maintenance Squadron.

Christopher Baird, Mark Boone, Nicholas Cox, Brian Morris and William Timmons, 509th AMXS.

Christopher Oliver, 509th Operations Support Squadron.

Daniel DeOrnellas, and Damion Rhymes, 509th Communications Squadron.

Melissa Geer, 393rd Bomb Squadron.

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Base prepares for smallpox vaccination

By Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole
Public Affairs

The Department of Defense is moving forward with plans to administer the smallpox vaccine. The 509th Medical Group staff is learning how to give the inoculation to protect military members.

"Preserving the health and safety of our people are top concerns for the Air Force. If smallpox were used as a weapon, military missions would be disrupted unless troops were protected," said Lt. Col. Tom Langston, 509th Medical Operations Squadron commander.

Langston said the smallpox vaccine has been used successfully for about 200 years in preventing the deadly disease, but it requires careful management.

"While the smallpox vaccine cannot cause smallpox, the virus in the vaccine does cause significant skin irritation which can spread if the vaccination site is touched," Langston said.

Therefore, the 509th Medical Group has a trained cadre of vaccinators comprised of immunization technicians, nurses and providers, said Maj. (Dr.) Edwin Burkett, 509th MedGp chief of clinical services.

"They will be the first people on Whiteman to receive the smallpox vaccination and members trained to properly administer it, identify adverse reactions and provide follow-up as needed," Burkett said.

Designated members who constitute certain mission-critical capabilities will be vaccinated after they're identified via command channels, Burkett said.

According to Department of Defense officials, the smallpox vaccine:

- ✓ Protects the health and safety of military members so they can continue their mission if a smallpox outbreak occurs.
- ✓ Is initially concentrated on units with high priority.
- ✓ Will be given to Guard and Reserve units in the near future.
- ✓ Is consistent with Food and Drug Administration guidelines and the best practice of medicine.
- ✓ Supports the national smallpox preparedness plans announced by President George W. Bush, but is tailored to the unique requirements of the armed forces.
- ✓ Plan was worked closely with DOD, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Those who get the vaccination can expect:

- ✓ To develop an immunity to smallpox.
- ✓ To receive a shot that contains "live" vaccinia virus, a pox-type virus related to smallpox. The vaccine doesn't contain the smallpox virus and doesn't give smallpox



Photo by Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole

Staff Sgt. Robert Kruckow, immunizations clinic, uses an orange to practice giving the smallpox vaccination.

to those who receive it.

✓ To get a single dose, usually in the upper left arm for right-handed people and upper right arm for left-handed people.

✓ A two-pronged needle that's dipped into the vaccine solution, then used to prick the skin a number times in a few seconds.

✓ A red, itchy bump to develop at the vaccine site in three to four days that becomes a blister, fills with pus and begins to drain in the first week. In the second week, the blister begins to dry up and form a scab. The scab falls off in the third week, leaving a small scar.

✓ It to provide high-level immunity for three to five years, with decreasing immunity thereafter.

✓ It to be effective in preventing smallpox in 95 percent of those vaccinated.

✓ Mild side effects such as a sore arm, fever and body aches in most people.

Base members will be educated by clinic staff before being given the smallpox vaccination, Burkett said.

More details about smallpox are available at these Web sites: <http://www.smallpox.army.mil> or <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/agent/smallpox>.

Power up

Airman 1st Class Dan Hoffman passes down a voltmeter to Senior Airman Trevin Mead after installing a power pole in Bldg. 509. The 509th Civil Engineer Squadron members install an average of two electrical poles per day based on the base's needs.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Nick Martin

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Photo by Capt. Don Langley

509ers supporting from the front

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Keith Darlington, 509th Bomb Wing, right, leads a chapel staff meeting at a deployed location. The Air Force recently announced that airmen deployed as part of Aerospace Expeditionary Forces 7 and 8 would not return to their home stations on schedule.

Emphasize caution with APO addresses

By Staff Sgt. C. Todd Lopez
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — World events have Air Force postal officials re-emphasizing the need for security when using the military mail system.

In particular, postal officials are concerned that airmen might not use an appropriate amount of discretion when distributing their overseas mailing addresses.

To reduce the vulnerability of using the mail system as a means to attack military people abroad, the Department of Defense officially suspended "any service member"-type mail programs in late 2000. Those programs allowed the general public to address letters and care packages to "any service member," and those items would in turn be delivered to military people serving overseas.

DOD officials said, those programs were eliminated because they created an avenue to introduce biological, chemical or explosive materials into the military mail system, putting people in danger. At the same time, the programs left the sources of such material virtually untraceable.

Air Force officials have identified other potential vulnerabilities in the system. Those include Web sites that ask for overseas mailing addresses, publicly available sign-up sheets for phone cards or other goods to be sent overseas, said Bob Eichholz, the director of Air Force postal policy. It also includes local community efforts to gather homemade goods and materials that can be sent from anonymous individuals to an APO address provided by a well-meaning service member.

"These are all well-intended programs to support the military," Eichholz said. "In the past those programs worked well, but today the same programs open us up to attacks from unknown sources. We have to take as many safeguards as we can to protect our mail system."

Postal officials recommend people be as prudent with their APO addresses as possible — limiting where they post their address and to whom they hand it out.

"We recommend members not just give out and advertise their APO addresses," Eichholz said. "Keep it for your business purposes and for your correspondence, but don't advertise it on a Web site."



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Whiteman Post Office clerk, Richard Nagel, distributes mail to post office boxes.

He said there are some Web sites asking for people's addresses. On other Web sites, people leave their address to get a pen pal.

"We recommend people don't do that," Eichholz said. "You don't know where that mail is coming from or who has access to that address. You need to safeguard your APO address a little bit."

While the Air Force is emphasizing that people keep a short leash on their APO addresses, officials recognize that the American public wants to show support for its troops. Fortunately, said Eichholz, there are avenues where people can do just that without jeopardizing their security.

"First, they've got the electronic 'any service member' programs," Eichholz said. "Also, you can support the United Services Organization and the Red Cross. Both organizations go overseas to help and support the troops. You can also help by supporting the various aid societies."

1st Sergeant's View

(Editor's note: The 1st Sergeant's View gives Whiteman first sergeants a chance to remind people of correct uniform wear, customs and courtesies, and proper military decorum. Each week, a different first sergeant will share their view.)

By Senior Master Sgt. James Horne

Detachment 6, 372nd Training Squadron

Developing Aerospace Leaders is an initiative of the Air Force Chief of Staff. DAL will enable the Air Force to manage the development of airmen from accession through separation, ensuring our future leaders possess the appropriate competencies and skills required when placed in positions of leadership. Career-broadening opportunities help develop these competencies and skills.

Career-broadening opportunities could include assignments as a first sergeant, technical training instructor,

recruiter, professional military education instructor, military training leader or training detachment instructor. Qualification requirements for these special duties and many more are listed in the SPECAT Assignment Guide available at <http://afas.afpc.randolph.af.mil/procedures/specat.htm>.

If you've already developed your core competencies and would like to share that technical proficiency with others, let me suggest an outstanding career-broadening opportunity by becoming an Air Education and Training Command training detachment instructor. This is an excellent opportunity to teach others what you've learned. The qualifications include: minimum grade of staff sergeant or staff sergeant select, skill level commensurate with grade and minimum physical profile of 121121. Also, the applicants must meet current weight standards and possess an associate's degree or be within one year of completion.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Knobel, Detachment 6, 372nd Training Squadron instructor, conducts a faculty development course for fellow instructors.

If you have questions about becoming an instructor, call me at 687-1080.

Keep your career path in-line with the DAL objectives by preparing for a career-broadening assignment. For additional information, visit the DAL Web site at <http://www.dal.af.mil>. Good luck with your careers!

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Motor power

Engine crew helps keep B-2 running, supports mission



Tech. Sgt. George Eckelbecker, 509th Maintenance Squadron jet engine craftsman, checks the rotary blades of an F118-General Electric-100 engine for damage and discrepancies. The inspection must be performed with each engine repair.



Photos by Airman Joe Laddan

Senior Airman Pete Engebretsen, 509th Maintenance Squadron, left, leads a crew in transporting an engine from an inspection trailer to a maintenance stand. The squadron's jet engine intermediate maintenance staff is comprised of 28 people. They are responsible for minor repairs and initial inspections of F118-General Electric-100 engines, four of which are used in each B-2.



Senior Airman Daniel Adams, 509th Maintenance Squadron, right, performs a tool inventory and accountability inspection as co-worker Airman 1st Class Ozell Gates looks on. The inspections are performed twice daily to ensure tools are accounted for and not left in the engines.



Airman 1st Class Jeff Doucette, 509th Maintenance Squadron, right, issues tools to Airman 1st Class Keenan Quinories, 509th MXS the tools are required to preserve the engine fuel system.



Senior Airman William Cheese, 509th Maintenance Squadron, attaches a lift swing to an engine. Each engine weighs 3,800 pounds.

Whiteman Spirit Award



Airman 1st Class Jon Marrs
509th Communications Squadron

Airman 1st Class Jon Marrs received the Whiteman Spirit Award from Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, Jan. 31.

Tech. Sgt. Deborah Jackson, 509th BW Legal Office, nominated Marrs for the award.

Jackson tried calling a contractor, recommended by Marrs, to get a new pager that would provide the legal office with greater flexibility in responding to disaster control group events. She had no success in reaching the contractor.

"I then called Airman Marrs back and told him what was going on," said Jackson. "He said he'd call the contractor back for me and get the name of another person to talk to."

Marrs found a new contact whom Jackson was able to get in touch, and within minutes the pager was ordered and on its way.

"This was exceptional service since the personal wireless communications systems office normally only activates devices. It's up to units to research and acquire equipment," said Staff Sgt. Sonjia Ramos Marrs' supervisor.

"I really believe that if Airman Marrs hadn't called back, our pager would still not be ordered," said Jackson.

Personally Speaking

Duty title: Assistant to the NCO in charge of personal wireless communications systems

Time on station: 9 months

Time in service: 1 year, 9 months

Hometown: Houston

Goals: To get my bachelor's degree.

Hobbies: Water sports and off-roading in my truck.

Pet peeves: When people take my pens and my stapler.

Best thing about Whiteman: The people.

What motivates your winning spirit? Knowing that the service I provide helps ensure the success of our mission.

If you could change one thing about Whiteman, what would it be? The location.

Spirit spotlights

... on **Airmen 1st Class Adrian Martinez, Carl Robertson, German Romero and Matthew Christian**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, **Airman 1st Class Orlin Rohde**, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, **Master Sgt. Thomas Yetzer** and **Tech. Sgt. Donald Whitley**, 509th Bomb Wing, for earning 90 percent or above on their Career Development Course test.

... on **Senior Airman Shawn Laslie**, and **Airmen 1st Class Gary Temple** and **Richard Kuriger**, 509th OSS, for achieving their air traffic control facility rating.

...on **Capt. Sloan Pye**, 509th BW Legal Office, 509th BW staff Company Grade Officer of the Year.

... on **Senior Master Sgt. Bobby Rush**, 509th BW career assistance adviser, 509th BW staff Senior NCO of the Year.

... on **Tech Sgt. Keith Sanders**, 509th BW Safety Office, 509th BW staff NCO of the Year.

... on **Senior Airman Brenda Clark**, 509th BW Command Post, 509th BW staff Airman of the Year.

... on **Cindy Walters**, 509th Comptroller Squadron, 509th BW staff Manager of the Year.

... on **Becky Borghardt**, 509th BW Public Affairs, 509th BW staff Associate of the Year.

Civilian Employee of the Week

Kim Klein, 509th Bomb Wing Legal Office, was nominated for this award by co-worker Master Sgt. John Vassallo. As the receptionist for the office, Klein is the initial point of contact for people seeking legal assistance here. Vassallo said she completed 441 notaries and helped more than 240 customers during January.



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In the midst of all the hard work, many forget about taking time to prepare physically for the stress that life and war can bring. Some would consider the programs the Air Force has in place to ensure and measure your health intrusive, annoying and actually stress inducing. How many of you enjoy the fear of the bike test or the weigh ins? These programs evolve from time to time, but are in place to measure how well prepared we are for war.

If the bike test or annual weigh in cause anxiety, it most likely means you aren't engaging in a healthy, active lifestyle. Your goal shouldn't be to just pass the bike test or squeeze in under the wire on your

weight.

We know you never do the bare minimum at your daily job, or when getting our equipment and aircraft ready for war. We go over and over our deployment plans and manning numbers, and endlessly check our equipment for serviceability, shortfalls and changes. Don't you think we should do as well with ourselves?

A healthy lifestyle isn't only about going to the gym and eating an apple a day. It's also about quality rest and relaxation to repair your body after the stressful week you just had.

My wife's grandfather, John, had a nice furnace in his house and could probably

afford a new car. Yet, he chose to use a pot bellied stove that sat in his living room and drive an old Chevy.

One day, as we stood in the driveway next to his old Chevy with a bucket of coal in one hand, he said, "There are two things that everyone needs: good food and a good bed."

Did you ever think about how important good nutrition and a good night's sleep is? John wasn't the best dressed or the richest person in his little town, but he knew what it took to be ready for anything a day could throw at him.

As we gear up for the possibility of war in an already high operations tempo environment, chances for accidents and

mishaps greatly increase. Getting the rest you need before starting a long day will definitely help reduce the chances of accidents. It also reduces the effects of stress induced by the hectic pace we have here.

Supervisors, take the time to explain to your troops their options and the importance of personal responsibility. If our airmen aren't aware of the consequences of turning down SGLI or not making a will then we aren't adequately equipping them for war or life in general. Being prepared for war takes more than getting the pallets of stuff and airplanes where they need to go. It also means taking care of our families, our fellow airmen and ourselves.

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What's Happening

Education

For more details, visit the education center Web site at <https://wwwmil.whiteman.af.mil/509mss/educ/homepage.htm>

Scholarships offered

The Scholarships for Military Children offers a \$1,500 scholarship to unmarried children of active-duty members, Reserve, Guard and retired military members. Applicants and their spouses must be enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System. Applications are online at <http://www.commissaries.com> and available at the commissary. The deadline for applications is Feb. 21.

Community

Irrigation class offered

The Master Gardeners and Warrensburg Parks and Recreation offer a class on installing a home irrigation system. The class begins 6 p.m. Thursday and 20. For more details, call 747-7178.

Committee volunteers needed

The Woman's History Month committee seeks volunteers to help organize events in March.

For more details, call 1st Lt. Marsha Kollmansberger at 687-4194.

MOAA, AFA, Daedalians to meet

The Spirit of Missouri chapter of Military Officers Association of America, the Earl D. Clark chapter of the

Air Force Association and the Spirit Flight Order of Daedalians meet at 6 p.m. Feb. 20 at Mission's End. Retired Army Master Sgt. Gilbert Powers, Missouri National Guard, is the speaker. Members and their spouses can attend the dinner.

To R.S.V.P. by Feb. 16 or for more details, call Ann Niblock at 660-429-1775.

Moms in Touch meeting set

The Whiteman chapter of Moms in Touch International meet at 1 p.m. Feb. 11 at the community center.

For more details, call Becca Truhett at 563-4355 or Nadine Kari at 563-5077.

SFS Spouses meeting set

The 509th Security Forces Spouses' group will meet and nominate officers at 7 p.m. Feb. 10 at the family support center. Voting takes place at the Feb. 24 meeting.

For more details, call Shannon Nickelson at 563-2144.

Family Support

Call 687-7132 for details on these events or other family support center activities. Events take place at the FSC.

Looking for employment?

A seminar to help locate jobs on base and in the local community begins at 1 p.m. Thursday. Reservations are encouraged.

Prepare for remote assignment

A seminar to prepare for a remote tour of duty begins at 9 a.m. Wednesday. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Reservations are required for this couples-only class.

Chapel Corner

Catholic

Eucharistic Service — 11:30 a.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays
Confessions — 4:30 p.m. Saturdays and upon request

Mass — 5 p.m. Saturdays; 10:45 a.m. Sundays; and 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays and Fridays
CCD — 9 a.m. Sundays at the base education and training center

Protestant

General worship — 9 a.m. Sundays
Gospel — 12:45 p.m. Sundays
Liturgical — 8 a.m. Sundays
Sunday School — 10:45 a.m. Sundays

The AWANA Kids Club meets 5:45-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the Community Center.

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Menus

Ozark Inn and Touch & Go

Saturday

- Lunch:** Ribeye steak and crispy baked chicken
Dinner: Pork chops with mushroom gravy, lemon baked fish and chicken stir fry with broccoli

Sunday

- Lunch:** Sauerbraten, tuna and noodles, and chicken Parmesan
Dinner: Spinach lasagna, chicken Parmesan and fried shrimp

Monday

- Lunch:** Baked ham, fish and fries, and roast turkey
Dinner: Baked chicken, Swiss steak and knockwurst

Tuesday

- Lunch:** Barbecued beef, pork chop-

- Dinner:** suey and paprika beef
 Beef and spaghetti yakisoba, grilled Salisbury steak and lemon baked fish

Wednesday

- Lunch:** Oriental ethnic meal
Dinner: Country style steak, pita pizzas and fried chicken

Thursday

- Lunch:** Liver with onions, tempura fried fish and orange-spiced pork chops
Dinner: Pepper steak, ginger pot roast and baked chicken

Feb. 14

- Lunch:** Beef and corn pie, seafood Newburg and veal paprika steak
Dinner: Yankee pot roast, simmered corn beef and pineapple chicken

Ozark Inn Hours

Weekdays

- Mids:** 11 p.m.-12:30 a.m.
Breakfast: 5:30-8 a.m.
Lunch: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Dinner: 4-8 p.m.

Weekends, holidays and Spirit Days

- Mids:** 11 p.m.-12:30 a.m.
Brunch: 6 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Dinner: 5-8 p.m.

Touch & Go Hours

Weekdays

- Breakfast:** 6-8 a.m.
Lunch: 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Dinner: 3:30-6 p.m.

Knob Noster Elementary School

- Monday:** Rib sandwich, green beans, raisin and cake

- Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets, mixed vegetables, orange and cookie

- Wednesday:** Turkey breast, mashed potatoes, beets, fruit roll-up and roll

- Thursday:** Polish sausage, baked beans, fruit and brownie
Feb. 14: Fish sandwich, corn, spinach and apple

Whiteman Elementary School

- Monday:** Egg roll, vegetable, rice and fortune cookie

- Tuesday:** Hot dog, french fries, corn and pudding

- Wednesday:** Meatloaf, baked potato, spinach, fruit and roll

- Thursday:** Barbecued meat balls, green beans, fruit and biscuit

- Feb. 14:** Rib sandwich, french fries, lettuce and fruit cobbler

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Strong front line paves way for volleyball squad's early success



Jeff Martin, No. 5, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, spikes the ball at a tournament at Shawnee Mission East High School in Prairie Village, Kan.

By Airman Joe Lacdan

Public Affairs

Whiteman's varsity volleyball team struggles with its back row defense. So how do the Bombers rack up wins?

They use an overpowering offense.

"We have big hitters," said outside hitter Jeff Martin, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron. "We just hit the heck out of the ball."

Anchored by 6-foot-7-inch mountain of a middle blocker Troy Chupp, 72nd Test and Evaluations Squadron, the Bombers have bulldozed teams with hard hitting and timely passing.

Martin, Chupp, outside hitter Bruce Turner, 509th Operations Support Squadron and setter Nate Howell, 509th Security Forces Squadron, contribute to Whiteman's offensive antics. Chupp leads the team with 123 kills, while Turner and Howell have found the floor 89 and 88 times, respectively.

The Bombers currently sit in second place of the B division in the Hearts of America Volleyball League — a division of USA Volleyball. Whiteman finished third at the Groundhog Day Tournament Sunday at Shawnee Mission East High School in Prairie Village, Kan., among 15 teams.

At the Frozen Tundra Tournament, which also took place at Shawnee East Jan. 19, the team rolled to a second-place finish, winning 12 of 14 games.

"Everybody probably played the best that we've collectively played as a team," said Turner, who is also the team's coach.



Photos by Christina Howell

Bruce Turner, 509th Operations Support Squadron, records a dig during a tournament in Prairie Village, Kan.

"There was a lot of consistency."

Howell has played a big role in running the offense and has a good feel on timing his passes to taller teammates, Turner said.

Most of the players on the squad have club or college volleyball experience including Martin, who played college volleyball at Graceland University in Iowa.

While the team can ride to victory on its offensive game, Martin said the team will need to fine-tune its back row defense to become a complete squad by the end of the season.

Howell leads the team with 84 digs and defensive specialist Justin Martin, 509th OSS, has

been consistent — contributing 58 digs.

Last season Turner said the team struggled because the team's timing was off and the squad had to learn to play as a team.

This season with more talented players like Martin and Chupp, the team has become more competitive, finishing in at least fourth place or higher in each tournament.

"Last year there was a lot of growing pains," said Turner who founded the team last year. "This year we're being more aggressive and we know what to do to win tournaments. This year everyone wants to win."

All-star Basketball game

The best ballers from each squadron intramural team square off in a head-to-head hoops war. Be there to cheer on your fellow squadron members!

The stars of the Over-30 Intramural Basketball League take on the stars of the Under-30 League at 7 p.m. Monday at the fitness center.



CMSU donates basketball tickets

Central Missouri State University and the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce are giving Whiteman members free tickets to the CMSU women's basketball game at 1:30 p.m. and the CMSU men's basketball game at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. Call your first sergeant for tickets and details.

Last shot

Justin Geers, 509th Security Forces Squadron, runs out the clock to give the 509th SFS intramural basketball team the final shot in a second-round playoff game Tuesday.

His team failed to convert and fell to the 509th Munitions Squadron in overtime, 40-38.



Photo by Airman Joe Lacdan



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509th Services Squadron.....687-3594

Outdoor Recreation 687-5565

Ice sports arena

Meet at outdoor recreation and travel to Shawnee, Kan., 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday to ice skate. The cost is \$8. Bring money for snacks and lunch at Wendy's.

Snow Creek Resort

Meet at outdoor recreation at 10:15 a.m. Monday and travel to Snow Creek Resort in Weston, Mo., to ski. Active-duty military members receive a free ski package, including a flatlands snow pass, ski equipment rental and a beginner lesson. Retirees and family members receive the same package for \$10. Advanced lifts and slopes are \$33.

Intramural bass fishing league meeting

Fishermen can meet at noon Wednesday in the outdoor recreation conference room.

Couples, family getaway weekend

Travel to Duluth, Minn., at 7 a.m. Feb. 14 and return at 8 p.m. Feb. 16. The cost is \$150 per person and includes transportation, lodging and 11 hours of lift and ski rental. Sign up by Tuesday. Bring extra money for food.

Community Center 687-5617

Pick your flick

Watch your VHS videos on our big-screen TV anytime during operating hours. Drinks and snacks are available.

Black history expose

Celebrate Black History Month noon-4 p.m. Saturday. It's free and includes skits, poetry, booths, wardrobe displays, step dance routines, choral presentations and the movie "The Color of Friendship."

Table tennis tournament

A table tennis tournament begins at 2 p.m. Saturday. The cost is \$3. Prizes and ribbons will be awarded.

Cartooning class

Learn the art of cartooning free 3-4 p.m. Saturday from Latisha Banks. Bring a sketch pad and No.2 pencil.

Foosball tournament

A foosball tournament takes place 2-4 p.m. Feb. 15. The cost is \$3. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded for first through third places.



Win this tool box

Customers can enter a drawing for a tool box through Feb. 28 at auto skills by using a lift, stall or any service. A ticket will be given to each participant and put into the drawing. Winners don't need to be present to win. Sponsored in part by Waterloo Industries. No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.

Stars & Strikes Bowling Center 687-5114

Monday bowling league

Join a Monday bowling league beginning at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 10 for 12 weeks. The cost is \$15 per week and includes a custom drilled ball.

Valentine's Day bowling special

Bowl 2 p.m.-midnight Feb. 14. One sweetheart bowls free.

W.C.M.B.A. bowling tournament

The West Central Missouri Bowling Association tournament begins Feb. 15. Pick up your entry form at Stars & Strikes.

Library 687-5614

An Unfortunate Event

Eight - through 17-year-olds can participate in free games, trivia and receive prizes 6:30-8 p.m. Feb. 13. Nine books in Lemony Snicket's series "An Unfortunate Event" will be featured. Call for reservations.

Skills Development 687-5691

Framing class

Learn to cut glass and join a frame 6-9 p.m. Tuesday. The cost is \$40 and includes supplies. Bring a 5X7 photo to be framed.

Stained glass kaleidoscope class

Learn to make a kaleidoscope out of stained glass 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday. The cost is \$10 plus kit and glass.

Rock painting

Students can paint stones 6-8 p.m. Thursday in a two-session class. The cost is \$10 plus supplies. Bring several stones to class with you.

Scrapbooking

Learn to design photo pages 6-8 p.m. Feb. 19. The cost is \$10 and includes some supplies. Bring four to six photos.

Youth Center 687-5586

Valentine's Day card

Building Responsible Individuals of Deployed Guardians Everywhere

Children 5-12 can play in a free pool tournament 3-5 p.m. Feb. 15. Call each Monday for reservations. Open to children of deployed military members.

Before- and after- school program

The youth center has openings in the before- and after-school programs 6:30-8:15 a.m. and 3:10-6 p.m. weekdays. Care is provided on out-of-school days and early-out days, except federal holidays. Program fees are based on total family income. Call for more details.

Torch Club meeting

Fifth through seventh graders can meet free 4-6 p.m. Saturday to plan upcoming pre-teen events.

Valentine's party

Kindergartners through fourth graders can celebrate Valentine's Day 6:30-10:30 p.m. Feb. 14. The cost is \$5.50 for members and \$7.50 for nonmembers. Cookies and punch will be served.

President's Day bingo

Fifth through seventh graders can play bingo 6-9 p.m. Feb. 15. The cost is \$3 for members and \$4 for nonmembers.

Family night



Families of deployed members can dine at Ozark Inn Dining Facility 4-8 p.m. Tuesdays. A surcharge will be applied to families of staff sergeants and above. Prices vary. Special children's meals are available. A movie on the big-screen TV will be played. Bring a copy of your deployed spouse's orders on the first visit.

Fitness Center 687-5496

Strength 101

The fitness center staff offers training sessions 11 a.m.-noon Thursdays on strength training equipment. Sign up at the front desk.

Cardio 101

Learn the proper techniques for using cardiovascular equipment 11 a.m.-noon Tuesdays. Sign up at the front desk.

Mission's End 687-4422



\$1 Lunch

Club members can enjoy a \$1 lunch 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Feb. 18. The menu includes tacos, burritos, fajitas, Spanish rice, refried beans, sopapillas and drinks.

Teen Center 687-5819

TRAIL meeting

The Training Responsible Adolescents in Leadership Club meets 7-8 p.m. Feb. Tuesday. Teens can meet to plan future outdoor recreational trips.

Whiteman Base Theater

Friday
Lord of the Rings: PG-13 7 p.m.
The Two Towers

Starring -- Elijah Wood & Sean Astin
The second in the Tolkien trilogy. Frodo the hobbit continues his quest to destroy the Ring of Power with more villains and special effects.

Saturday
The Wild Thornberrys 4 p.m.
Animated

Eliza and Debbie are two sisters who don't always get along. But their relationship is put to the test when Debbie's life is in danger, and Eliza might have to give up her power to talk to animals.

Lord of the Rings PG-13 7 p.m.
Starring -- Elijah Wood & Sean Astin

Sunday
Two Weeks Notice PG-13 5:30 p.m.
Starring -- Sandra Bullock & Hugh Grant

George doesn't make a move without Lucy, his chief counsel at Wade Corp. It's not the job that's getting to her, it's George. After five years of calling the shots on everything from his clothes to his divorce settlements, Lucy is calling it quits.

Adults \$3 Youth \$1.50

Movie recording line 687-5110

Movies are subject to change due to availability