



WHITEMAN SPIRIT



NSI Countdown 40 Days

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Red Carpet Rollout

This week Whiteman welcomes ...

ESOH CAMP Inspection Team

Air Combat Command Safety Program Management Evaluation Inspection Team

News in Brief

15 to be promoted to captain

The Air Force Personnel Center released the results for promotion to captain Oct. 22.

Whiteman had 15 people selected for promotion. They are **Robert Austin**, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, **Cecil Barrett**, 509th Bomb Wing, **Timothy Beck**, 509th Maintenance Squadron, **Matthew Cramer**, 509th Operations Support Squadron, **Robert Custer**, 509th Munitions Squadron, **Timothy Hensley**, Air Force Element U.S. Central Command, **Keith Johnson**, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron, **Laura Maher**, 394th Combat Training Squadron, **Rosaiah Manigault**, 325th Bomb Squadron, **Richard Parry**, 509th MOS, **Barry Reeder**, 509th Medical Operations Squadron, **Jordan Schindler**, 72nd Test and Evaluation Squadron, **Jason Williams**, 509th Comptroller Squadron, **Summer Worden**, 509th LRS, and **Tyrone Wright**, 509th Communications Squadron.

Trick-or-treat hours set

On-base Halloween trick-or-treating takes place 6-8 p.m. today. Residents who don't wish to participate should turn off their porch light. Trick-or-treat participants should wear reflective material or carry flashlights to help make them visible to motorists.

Wing promotion ceremony set

The 509th Bomb Wing promotion ceremony begins at 9:30 a.m. Monday at Mission's End.

Medical group announces closure

The 509th Medical Group closes at noon Nov. 7 for a Medical Professional Community Outreach Open House. In case of an emergency, call Cheryl Burton at 687-1045.

Reception for AEF 7/8 members set

A free reception for members who deployed for Air Expeditionary Force 7 or 8 and their families takes place 5-7 p.m. Nov. 10 at Mission's End.

Officer calls scheduled

Brig. Gen. Gregory Power, 8th Air Force commander, will hold mandatory meetings Nov. 13 to discuss the service's new Force Development concept. The meetings take place 10-11 a.m. for squadron commanders and above in the Spirit Conference Room in Bldg. 509. Other officer calls take place 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-4:15 p.m. in the base theater. For more information about the program, visit <https://www.dp.hq.af.mil/afslmo/fd>.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Radio show host visits Whiteman

Nationally syndicated radio personality, Erich "Mancow" Muller, spoke to Team Whiteman members here Oct. 24. He met with troops, participated in the wing retreat ceremony, toured the B-2 Spirit of Oklahoma, and flew the B-2 simulator during his visit. Mancow got his start in radio locally while attending Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg. Mancow, who made his first visit here, was also in town for the CMSU homecoming weekend.



Photos by Senior Airman Shawn Clements

Exercise, exercise

Top left: Master Sgt. Donald Whitley, 509th Bomb Wing paralegal, speaks with Tech. Sgt. Shannon Moore, 509th Mission Support Squadron, during a higher headquarters-directed command and control exercise simulating a deployment. Bottom left: Tech. Sgt. Stephen Stoddard and Staff Sgt. Christopher Courter, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, review logistical plans. Right: Airman 1st Class Brian Hackney, 509th Security Forces Squadron, and Army Spc. Ken Nease, currently assigned to the 509th SFS as part of the Missouri Army National Guard's 110th Engineer Battalion from Lexington, Mo., install a security pole at Spirit Gate.



Commander's Corner

By Col. Doug Raaberg
509th Bomb Wing Commander

110th COMBAT ENGINEERS LEADING THE MISSION. Whiteman is truly a total force installation. Look around and you'll see almost every conceivable uniform of our armed forces here.



I would like to recognize one component that meets the challenge and deserves the recognition ... our soldiers of the 110th Engineer Battalion, Company C, Lexington, Mo., of the Missouri Army National Guard.

They're 46 citizen soldiers that have done two incredible things. First, they've left their ordinary jobs behind to serve on active duty in extraordinary conditions. Second, they've replaced their MOS, combat engineering, and in return they're serving as full-fledged members of the 509th Security Forces Squadron — a tough AFSC that's in dire need around the world. Think of their challenge of not only giving up their regular employment, but also taking on an entirely different role in uniform.

Army Sgts. Alfred Mallot and Scharles Patterson, thank you for bringing this to my attention when I visited the SFS posts. We can't thank you and your outfit enough for the leadership you provide us.

If you see a soldier at the front gate or on the flight line guarding our national treasures, give them a big thank you for being a critical part of Team Whiteman ... they're true Minutemen!

FIRE DEPARTMENT ROCKS. Once again, Command Chief Master Sergeant Cobb and I found out how great our airmen are. This week we "suited up" for a routine fire drill that, in my opinion, was not routine.

If it weren't for my skilled partner, Airman 1st Class Tim Solorio, I'm convinced I would've gotten trapped in the smoke-filled house we responded to. In pilot terms, we were

crawling through a "zero-zero" environment ... no ceiling, no visibility.

I'm confident the chief equally needed his trusty side-arm, Airman 1st Class Trevor Stevens, to get him into the house and out. In the end we fought a simulated fire and rescued two heavyweight people.

I want to thank the members of A-shift for giving us a chance to be a part of the team. I particularly want to thank Airman 1st Class Chad Schumpert for accepting our challenge to make us firemen-for-the-moment and setting up this opportunity to learn.

What did I learn? Whiteman has the most highly skilled, highly trained firefighting team that will respond quickly, efficiently and immediately to any emergency from a fire to a routine medical response. I learned that their leadership has put great stock in their training, equipment and people to assure me that they're truly ready for any call — 24/7!

Thank you.

ESOH CAMP IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY — GET READY TO PROVE IT! Early next week a team from Air Combat Command will begin to evaluate our environmental programs. Ironically, you have a bigger part in our success than you think.

Ask Ken Nugent, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, who has prepared the way for this inspection. He will remind you that a routine inspection in your work area may reveal the spray cans you've been harboring in a locker or cardboard box may not meet environmental standards. Perhaps, you may want to reconsider throwing used oil cans in the ordinary trash ... not the right place for them to go! Invariably, someone just assumes it's alright to dispose of chemicals in an ordinary way. Unfortunately, that assumption may cost us a write-up.

Take the time to join in the final prep for our ESOHCAMP and do your part to clean up the unnecessary hazards. At 6 p.m. Monday, we will welcome the inspection team during an icebreaker at the club ... come join us.

STOP, SLEEP, SAFE. This week, the FTAC airmen joined the commanders in a video-teleconference to listen to



Photo by Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole

Army Spcs. William Johnston and Shawn Cobb, members of the Missouri Army National Guard's 1-110th Engineer Battalion from Lexington, Mo., stand in front of their post at Arnold Gate.

several fatality briefs. Two of the three briefs involved someone falling asleep at the wheel and slamming into trees. Both drivers and all but one passenger were killed.

I could easily recommend you don't drive when you're tired, but that's not what I garnered from these briefs. I saw the ruins of a bad decision. In both cases, the drivers decided to press home when they could have waited, rested and, most of all, called ahead to let their supervisor or family know they will be late.

I'm reminding you that it's alright to call back and let your boss know you can't make it back without pushing your limits. Supervisors ... take the time to remind your airmen that you're there for them. Remind them that it's better for them to admit they're late, tired and stopping to sleep than it is to risk a thin margin of safety. It's a leadership issue!

ENLISTED SPOUSES LEAD THE WAY. We had a magnificent generation this last week as part of a higher headquarters command and control exercise. Our success was fueled by the enlisted spouses who provided hot chocolate, soup and cookies on the flight line. Thanks to all the ladies for their huge support. The hardworking airmen appreciate the hospitality you provided to the line. Thank you.

Commitment key to successful career

By Maj. Chase McCown
509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Commander

A senior NCO put me on the spot the other day at my commander's call. He asked me why we were having discipline problems in our unit; specifically, driving under the influence and underage drinking.

I thought for a second and then my answer started to roll out without thinking more about it. The answer was "commitment." I paused for a second because I knew my answer would get some people fired up.

We work maintainers hard, and my folks put in a lot of hours, so how could I be questioning anyone's commitment?

The commitment I'm talking about goes deeper than the 10-12 hours you put in on your shift. I'm talking about commitment to our profession, the profession of arms.

Everyone knows the Air Force core values, and I believe commitment under-

lies all three. Integrity is about commitment to doing what's right when no one is looking. Service before self is about commitment to your brothers and sisters wearing Air Force blue and our mission. Excellence is about commitment to always doing your best.

I talk with our new airmen during my newcomer's briefings and touch on commitment. I tell them if they're worried about why men can't wear earrings on base and why tattoos on the face or neck don't fly in the Air Force, they might want to relook at their commitment to our service. If you're committed to a great cause like serving your country, some of the fads or trends of civilian society lose their importance.

When there's a DUI in the squadron, I wonder about commitment. How can someone be committed to our service when they're willing to violate the public's trust placed in military members and get behind the wheel of a car when they're drunk? I question commitment to our mis-

sion when I see an airman get arrested for underage drinking just 30 days before turning 21. I wonder if that person thought about how this lack of commitment would impact the members in the shop, our unit and our combat capability.

I think it's good for us to take a look from time to time at what we're committed to. Family, God and friends are important to be committed to because they're what make our lives complete. But commitment to our calling, our mission and our service is vital for us to be successful as a combat organization. The cost of us failing is too great for America and our way of life.

Commitment can be challenging at different points in your career. People might not fully understand what our service requires of them when they first become an airman. It might take them some time to fully appreciate their responsibilities and understand the difference between a profession and a job, and how one requires a different level of commitment



Photo by Senior Airman Shawn Clements

Maj. Chase McCown, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron commander, and squadron members, 2nd Lt. Will Babor and Tech. Sgt. Lisa Hathcock, review papers while discussing their commitment to the Air Force.

than the other.

For an NCO or young officer, the extra commitment required to take care of the troops they supervise can be tough. Many of life's stressors increase as family and

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509th BW names quarterly award winners

By Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole
Public Affairs

The 509th Bomb Wing honored the award winners for the third quarter of 2003 at a luncheon at Mission's End Oct. 24. The winners are:

Company Grade Officer

First Lt. Justin Secrest, 509th Security Forces Squadron, was selected as the Company Grade Officer of the Quarter. As the wing's anti-terrorism officer, he created a force protection working group which was benchmarked by Air Combat Command. He also chartered the 509th's first-ever force protection executive council and incorporated senior leadership in force protection efforts.

He wrote the wing's anti-terrorism plan, coordinating with 20 agencies to cover every aspect of force protection. Secrest initiated the 509th's first force protection awareness week, recruiting volunteers to distribute 2,000 Eagle Eye brochures to base members.

Off duty, Secrest is working toward a master's degree in human resources. As the member of the executive council of the 509th SFS Defenders Association, he increased membership by 25 percent. Additionally, he participates in wing fitness events, and placed first in the 2003 Whiteman Air Force Base Triathlon and second in the recent 5.5-mile Warrior Run. He is currently stationed at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea.



Senior NCO

Senior Master Sgt. Dennis Stuart, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, is the Senior NCO of the Quarter. As the superintendent of management and systems, he oversaw an inventory of 32,873 line items worth more than \$393 million in less than six weeks, achieving 99 percent accuracy.

Stuart developed a B-2 parts stock program, which improved stock effectiveness by 85 percent, the highest ever recorded. Additionally, he fostered design and facilitated implementation of squadron members and training database, consolidating several processes and information sources of nearly 400 members into one easy-to-use database.

Off duty, he completed his bachelor of science degree in management and computer information systems cum laude. He also a senior NCO perspective on leadership to a local ROTC detachment and is a member of the Korean War committee. Stuart also provided a basic lifesaver course for 22 youths as part of the family support center baby-sitter training course.



NCO

Tech. Sgt. William Poe, 509th Maintenance Squadron, is the NCO of the Quarter. The aerospace ground equipment assistant inspection and repair team leader directed the production of more than 1,050 maintenance actions and 504 inspections for the third quarter of 2003.

His management skills drove the flight's 95 percent



in-commission rate, which is a 3 percent increase and 5 percent more than the ACC goal. As a contingency planner, Poe use post-combat deployment experience to achieve maximum mobility preparedness. Poe deployed during Coronet Dragon 49 where he supported 14 sorties, 132 flying hours and a 100 percent weapons release rate.

Off duty, he completed 20 hours toward his bachelor of science degree in accounting maintaining a 4.0 grade point average. He volunteered at the Warrensburg food pantry, to distribute food and supplies to more than 400 needy families.

Airman

Staff Sgt. John Pilla, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, is the Airman of the Quarter. The explosive ordnance disposal journeyman was hand picked by ACC for the first-ever airborne Red Horse EOD unit that stood up at a deployed location. While deployed to Kirkuk Airfield, Iraq, he helped palletize and marshal more than three tons of equipment, explosives, food and water in less than 48 hours. Pilla's efforts helped alleviate chronic shortages, enabling teams to sustaining enemy airfield recovery operations under austere conditions.

He developed a special weapons training program, which enhanced technical knowledge of EOD flight members. The program was lauded by the Nuclear Surety Staff Assistance Visit team as "best seen to date."

Pilla earned the John Levitow and Leadership awards upon graduation from airman leadership school class 03-G. Off duty, he's three semester hours shy of his Community College of the Air Force degree.



Honor Guard

Senior Airman Gabriel Deverney, 509th MXS, is the Honor Guard Member of the Quarter. The B-2 structural maintenance journeyman contributed to the completion of 2,054 maintenance actions, reduced 5,340 low-observable combat readiness man hours while supporting 381 sorties for 2,121 flying hours for the third quarter.

Deverney coordinated honor guard details within the 509th MXS, easing the burden to the base honor guard team. He's also responsible for training non-honor guard members to support retirement ceremonies. He was also hand picked by the NCO in charge of base honor guard to train 20 members assigned to B-Team.

The airman supported the POW/MIA Day ceremony with a 21-gun salute, volunteered time to help clean an elderly woman's home and helped prepare food to support the Hispanic Heritage Month luncheon.



Civilian Associate

Jeff Harrington, 509th Communications Squadron, is the Civilian Associate of the Quarter. The budget technician managed \$2.5 million, providing direct support to the flying mission. He proactively preloaded \$16,000 for a Skytell pager contract and



avoided interruption of services which are vital to pilot recall.

Harrington developed and consolidated a collection system for cellular phones, increasing revenue returns 50 percent. He also created a status spreadsheet for temporary duty budget control, resulting in 100 percent order closeout accuracy.

Off duty, he's enrolled in Park University and is working toward a bachelor's degree in human resources. He helped raise \$3,200 for the unit booster club, mentors Knob Noster School District students and drives for Airmen Against Drunk Driving.

Laborer/Craftsman

Jack Crain, 509th CES, is the Laborer/Craftsman of the Quarter. The locksmith planned and directed 250 job orders which resulted in zero delinquent jobs and 100 percent customer satisfaction.

He saved a \$9,000 fiver-drawer safe destined for turn-in as scrap by repairing and recertifying the safe to GSA standards in just two hours. By using salvaged parts to repair the item, he saved \$8,900. Additionally, he spearheaded the replacement of more than 100 locks and associated hardware in 35 buildings, improving the physical security of more than 4,000 people and \$30 billion in B-2 assets.

An active member of the Windsor American Legion Post 82, Crain helped raise \$1,000 for disabled children. He also supports the 509th CES Booster Club, which helps offset the annual cost of retirement, social and holiday events.



Specialist/Manager

Cynthia Waller, 509th Contracting Squadron, is the Specialist/Manager of the Quarter. The contract specialist negotiated, administered and mediated service contracts worth more than \$18 million.

The top contract involved \$15 million for the military family housing maintenance contract. As part of the contract, Waller negotiated modifications of more than \$510,000 for furnishing and flooring, and another modification for acquisition of flooring that yielded a savings of more than \$247,000 over the life of the contract.

Off duty, Waller volunteers for her church relief society by visiting church members and monitoring their welfare. She also volunteered for the fourth- and fifth-grade girls' softball team at Crest Ridge Elementary School.

Volunteer

Susan Wagner is the Volunteer of the Quarter. She directs the chapel's youth AWANA program which teaches nearly 60 youth core values and a spiritual foundation. Wagner volunteered more than 200 hours in the third quarter.

She spent her summer preparing, purchasing, planning and coordinating with wing leadership and Kansas City people to ensure the fall 2003 program started right. Additionally, she teaches and manages a volunteer staff of more than 15 adults for Whiteman's program. Her budget is \$5,000 and is used to buy materials for teaches, students, uniform items, and other supplies and equipment.

She's married to Tech. Sgt. Phil Wagner of the 509th MXS. They have three children: Tyler, 16, Brooklynn, 12, and Chance, 9.



Advance operations team: the people behind the scenes

By Senior Airman Shawn Clements

Public Affairs

NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. — The 393rd Bomb Squadron is participating in the last day of the Red Flag exercise here today.

But, the advance operations team's job isn't done.

The ADVON team arrives before the main exercise body to set up equipment, ensure people have a room and make transportation arrangements, said Master Sgt. Steve Kiplinger, 393rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit lead production superintendent.

The team moved and set up 187,000 pounds of equipment and reserved more than 100 rooms.

"If everything came here at one time, we wouldn't have any equipment to support the aircraft when it arrived," said Kiplinger.

People wouldn't be prepared for the main body and the jets if it weren't for the 11 members of the ADVON team who came out ahead of them, said Capt. Matthew Lewin, 393rd AMU officer in charge.

"Getting here before the aircraft and the main body allowed us to have a plan," said the master sergeant.

"Anyone can put a plan on paper at home station, but until you get to your destination you can't even begin to execute that plan. That's when you have to adapt to all the challenges that come with being a part of this team."

Besides the equipment, the ADVON team is here to take care of logistical issues before the main exercise body arrives, said Lewin.

"We take care of the things that other people don't want to have to think about," said Lewin. "It's all of the small issues that could become big if someone isn't taking care of them."

The main exercise body has to start working right away and the ADVON team ensures that can happen.

However, the ADVON team doesn't just set up everything.

Once the exercise ends, and the main body and the aircraft have gone back home, the ADVON team stays behind to pack the equipment, get it loaded on trucks and ready to ship back to Whiteman. "It takes a lot of time and hard work to get that job done," said Lewin.

Lewin said wing members did an exceptional job here and at home ensuring everything was prepared for this exercise.



Photo by Master Sgt. Michael Nixon

Staff Sgt. Doyace Wilson, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, drives a fork lift under an exercise equipment pallet at the Red Flag exercise at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

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B-2 Block 30 modifications complete; Northrop closes program

By Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp
Public Affairs

The B-2 program celebrated another milestone Monday at a luncheon to recognize completion of the Block 30 aircraft upgrades by Northrop Grumman.

The luncheon signified the closing of the Post Delivery Change Incorporation Program. This program, a partnership between the Air Force and Northrop established in 1998, incorporated modifications to bring the aircraft to full operational capability. These modifications could not be done before delivery to Whiteman.

A team of as many as 30 technicians and engineers coordinated and implemented modifications during planned lay up periods or when specific aircraft were already undergoing other maintenance either at Whiteman or at Northrop's overhaul facility in Palmdale, Calif.

"When aircraft began arriving at White-

man 10 years ago, they were flyable but not yet fully combat ready," said Lt. Col. Casey Hughson, 509th Maintenance Group deputy commander. "There was still a good deal of work to be done to bring them to their full potential."

Changes included everything from software updates to structural improvements to avionics. PDCI performed 392 individual aircraft retrofits.

These modifications corrected deficiencies that were identified during flight test and production, said Bob Howard, Northrop Grumman retrofit management IPT leader. "(The defects) needed to be corrected to bring the aircraft to full capability."

The last modification was completed Sept. 5 on the *Spirit of Arizona* with the addition of modified exhaust lips. In com-

pleting the Block 30 upgrades, PDCI performed 48 time-compliance-technical-order-directed changes to the B-2 fleet.

During the five-year process to complete the fleet upgrades, the B-2 force participated in three combat operations: Allied Force, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. The Air Force and Northrop worked closely to manage the fleet, meet operational commitments, and still complete the upgrades.

"This couldn't have been done without the help of the 509th," said Gary Roehrig, Northrop Grumman Long-Range Strike Product Support manager. "This wasn't an easy task. The 509th still had to meet operational and training commitments; yet 509ers worked with the PDCI team to provide aircraft when needed. Everyone

involved sacrificed a lot. Often work had to be done during weekends and extra shifts. Schedules had to be reworked to support both the team and the 509th."

Howard agrees.

"The support of the 509th was essential and was a major factor in completing this program," Howard said.

Since PDCI has ended, the next step for Northrop Grumman and the B-2 is completing satellite communications modifications, which will enhance the aircraft's combat capability and improve maintainability, Howard said.

"As the door closes on this chapter in B-2 history, another story is beginning," said Ken Gallagher, Northrop Grumman site manager for Whiteman.

"No aircraft is ever static," said Hughson. "As long as an airframe is in the inventory, teams like PDCI will continue to incorporate improvements to maintain the combat edge our fleet enjoys."



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Whiteman Spirit Award



Staff Sgt. Charles Howell and Senior Airman Greg Dolak
509th Civil Engineer Squadron

Staff Sgt. Charles Howell and Senior Airman Greg Dolak, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, received the Whiteman Spirit Award from Col. Ned Schoeck, 509th Bomb Wing vice commander, Tuesday.

Maj. Don Langley, 509th BW Public Affairs, nominated the airmen for ensuring the PA office had power once new furniture was received.

As the old furniture was removed, the staff realized the power supply in place was through an integrated distribution system, but the new furniture wasn't configured that way.

"This threatened to leave half our staff without adequate power. We called the electrical shop early Friday, and Sergeant Howell and Airman Dolak immediately came over to check out the situation," Langley said.

This wasn't the first time the 509th CES members had come across this situation. Several offices had the same challenge when they received new furniture.

"Instead of getting frustrated that 'it's happened again,' they saw the operational impact and offered to come in Saturday morning to wire new outlets into the office," Langley said. "Sergeant Howell even stopped by a vendor in Warrensburg on his way home that Friday evening to pick up the supplies necessary to accomplish the task. As a result, we resumed operations with the new furniture far more quickly than would have otherwise been possible."

Langley said these airmen are an example of why Whiteman Air Force Base works so well — "they simply get the job done, whatever it takes."

Personally speaking

Duty title: Howell — electrical systems craftsman.

Dolak — electrical systems apprentice.

Time on station: Howell — 3 years, 5 months. Dolak — 8 months.

Time in service: Howell — 15 years. Dolak — 5 years, 3 months.

Hometown: Howell — Springfield, Mo. Dolak — Erie, Pa.

Spouse: Howell — Tracy. Dolak — Jennifer.

Children: Howell — Chase, 16, Ariel, 13.

Hobbies: Howell — hunting, volunteer firefighting, spending time with his family and pets. Dolak — running, football and school.

Goals: Howell — get promoted to technical sergeant and complete career path here. Dolak — get my bachelor's degree through ROTC.

Best thing about Whiteman: Howell — the location of Whiteman and the people in the local communities. Dolak — It's a very clean and quiet base.

Pet peeves: Howell — reporting to work late and failure to follow Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel. Dolak — People who don't follow through on their promises and space heaters.

What motivates your winning spirit?: Howell — customer satisfaction and integrity in what you do. Dolak — great teammates with winning attitudes.

Submitting a Whiteman Spirit Award

Individuals are nominated from within their units or by customers impressed by the individual making Whiteman a better place to live and work by going far beyond his or her assigned duties to "make it happen." If you know someone who has the Whiteman Spirit, send the nomination to the 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs Office, Bldg. 509, Suite 111, or e-mail whiteman.spirit@Whiteman.af.mil.



Courtesy photo

Seeing stars

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, presents a Bronze Star to Col. Chris Matson, 509th Maintenance Group commander. The Bronze Star is given for heroic or meritorious achievement of service, not involving aerial flight, in connection with operations against an opposing armed force.



Courtesy photo

Good on ya!

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, presents Tech. Sgt. Travis Brinzow, 509th Maintenance Squadron, with a B-2 plaque. Brinzow is the squadron-level Resource Adviser of the Year. He maintained funding requirements for the deployment supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom while still allowing a flexible budget here. Tiffany Driskill, 509th Mission Support Group, received the group-level Resource Adviser of the Year Award. She manages funding that represents 45 percent of the 509th Bomb Wing's expenses. She worked funding issues that impacted the fight against the Global War on Terrorism and quality-of-life initiatives here. A photo of Driskill wasn't available at press time.

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Squadrons earn ACC Maintenance Effectiveness awards



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Members of the 509th Communications Squadron pose for a group photo. The 509th CS earned the 2003 Air Combat Command Maintenance Effectiveness Award in the Medium Communications-Electronics Category. Squadron members ensured the bases vital communications systems had a 99.4 percent uptime rate. They managed \$42 million worth of equipment and contracts for eight career fields. Members installed state-of-the-art PRC-117s, secure data and voice system, in the B-2s. The system allows pilots to receive time-sensitive targets while en route to fulfill a mission. This proved vital during the wing's involvement in Operation Iraqi Freedom, because 60 percent of the sorties were retargeted through the system — 92 targets were killed in one night. Besides that, the squadron initiated the largest wireless technology roll-out in ACC history when it issued BlackBerry devices to base leaders. A half a world away, the squadron oversaw installing the Giant Voice system in Kuwait. They also completed the fiberoptic upgrades for the B-2 weapons school two years ahead of schedule and under cost.



Courtesy photo

Members of the 509th Munitions Squadron assemble Joint Direct Attack Munitions. The 509th MUNS earned the 2003 Air Combat Command Maintenance Effectiveness Award in the Munition Maintenance Category. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, the squadron safely handled 3,211 tons of munitions and 2 million pounds of explosives worth more than \$78 million. They were the only munitions squadron to support B-1, B-2 and B-52 bombers during OIF from the deployed location. The squadron's integrated team built 4,892 munitions to support 274 B-52 sorties. MUNS members integrated the Smart Bomb Rack Assembly and MK-82 JDAM. This increased to 80 the number of guided weapons a single B-2 can carry per mission. Squadron members completed 3,266 trailer moves, and safely handled more than 5,850 and 2.5 million net explosive weight of munitions for combat missions and aircrew training during the fiscal year. Additionally, MUNS reprogrammed \$50 million worth of JDAMs in five hours. This change ensured the munitions remained compatible with B-2 avionics.



Photo by Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole

Staff Sgt. Tony Witak and Airman Basic Crystal Stuart, 509th Bomb Wing Personnel Reliability Program monitors, audit PRP records.

NSI Countdown: 40 Days

(Editor's note: The 509th Bomb Wing Plans and Programs Office will provide tips and other information to help 509ers prepare for the Nuclear Surety Inspection in December. This week's topic is the personnel reliability program. Read future issues of the Whiteman Spirit for more helpful information.)

Inspectors will review up to 50 percent of the individual personnel and medical records for PRP-qualified members. They will look for the proper clearances, nuclear surety training and medical information in the records. Many organizations across the base are involved with PRP. Each unit has a certifying official, normally the squadron commander, who is responsible for the precise management of the PRP program. Staff Sgt. Tony Witak and Airman Crystal Stuart are the 509th BW PRP monitors. They're working with the 509th Medical Group and squadrons to ensure the 509th has a top-notch program in place for the inspection. During November and December, Witak, Stuart and the medical experts will complete a 100 percent records review of the squadrons under the PRP program.

The Whiteman Thanksgiving Day Food Basket Program is under way. The program helps families who may not be able to afford a Thanksgiving dinner. There's a box located at the exit of the commissary and at your squadron collection point. These products are needed: instant potatoes, stuffing mix, canned vegetables, cranberry sauce and desserts. For more details, call 2nd Lt. John Garvey at 687-3124, Master Sgt. Giles Silver at 687-6045, or Master Sgt. Guy Witt at 687-6047.

Community Subscription Service

Stay up-to-date about base happenings

Log on to <http://www.whiteman.af.mil> and click on the community subscription service link (<https://css.acc.af.mil>) People who sign up for this e-mail-based service can receive news and information on your home computer.

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Civilian Employee of the Week

To nominate a civilian employee, send an e-mail to whiteman.spirit@whiteman.af.mil. Be sure to include why this person is being nominated.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

'Check' this out

Ken Gallagher, Northrop Grumman Whiteman site manager, presents Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, a \$6,744 check to supplement the Aerospace Expeditionary Force 7 and 8 reception at Mission's End Nov. 10. People who deployed during AEF 7/8 and their families will be honored at this free reception, which begins at 5 p.m. Also pictured is Jeff Adams, Mission's End manager.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Nick Martin

Buckle up, baby!

Lisa Kimmel straps her son, Sam, into his car seat. Whiteman is enforcing a two-strike seat belt safety rule. A warning will be issued for the first offense. For the second offense, the driver will be unable to use their vehicle on base for one week. Kimmel is a member of the 509th Communications Squadron.

Special duty team visits

A special duty briefing team visits Whiteman 10 a.m.-noon Tuesday at the professional development center. Team members will talk about military training instructor and special assignment jobs.

Senior airmen through master sergeants with less than 17 years of active service are eligible for military training instructor and recruiting positions. MTIs set the stage for personal success in the Air Force and mentor hundreds of new Air Force members. “

The job is filled with substantial rewards for those who want to have a hand in molding tomorrow's Air Force,” said Master Sgt. Jodie Cameron, MTI Recruiting Team superintendent.

Recruiters are responsible for the number and quality of people who enlist in the Air Force.

“Only the best need apply for this job,” said Master Sgt. Charles Brown, chief of the recruiting screening team.

In addition to volunteers, recruiting officials encourage people who were identified by the Air Force Personnel Center and who were approved by their commander for recruiting duty to attend the briefing.

Spouses and members in a mandatory cross training career field are also encouraged to attend the briefing. For more details, call Senior Master Sgt. Bobby Rush at 687-STAY (7829)

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ALS graduates 24 future NCOs

Airman leadership school Class 03-H 509th SFS, graduated 24 senior airmen in a ceremony Thursday at Mission's End.

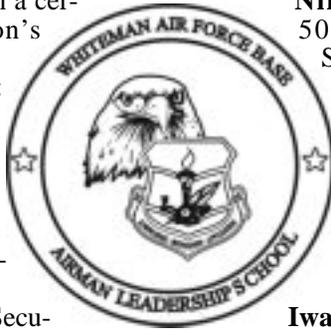
The award winners were: **Kristel Adams**, 509th Maintenance Squadron, John L. Levitow Award,

Robert Fekete, 509th MXS, Academic Achievement Award and Distinguished Graduate, and

Stenya Mendoza, 509th Security Forces Squadron, Leadership Award.

The other graduates were:

Nicholas Bateman, **Michael Schuler** and **Justin Thompson**, 509th MXS, **Ethan Bragg** and **Kevin Jacovino**



Nina Cho and **George Sipp**, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron,

Staff Sgt. Cory Clark and **Michael Dower**, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron,

Thomas Corona and **William Merriman**, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron,

Thomas Delapp, **Ryan Iwanowski**, **Aaron Jacob**, **Spirit Scott**, **Jared Struck** and **Jan Weathers**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron,

Jack Handley and **Tia Schroeder**, 509th Communications Squadron, and

Jason Romine and **Aaron Yurko**, 509th Operations Support Squadron.

16 Whiteman members complete PME

Twelve Whiteman technical sergeants graduated from the NCO Academy Oct. 12 at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.

Graduates are:

Craig Barylski and **William Roe**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron,

Steven Binder and **John Wester**, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron,

Eric Cole, **William George** and **Kent Klotz**, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron,

William Franklin and **Richard Roberson**, 509th Security Forces

Squadron,

Darryl Melton, 509th Maintenance Squadron,

Lawrence Morris, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, and

Garry Steffens, 509th Communications Squadron.

Four Whiteman technical sergeants graduated from the NCO Academy Tuesday at Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Graduates are:

Daniel Hill, 509th SFS,

Phillip Hull and **John Lagassey**, 509th CES, and

Shayne Pederson, 509th LRS.

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Environmental defense:

Team Whiteman ensures compliance with programs protecting health, safety



John Goff, recycling technician, prepares glass to be grinded into sand. The sand is then sold to contractors to make concrete. The external Environmental Safety and Occupational Health Compliance Assessment Management program inspection takes place Sunday through Nov. 7. ESOHCAMP inspectors check to see if members conduct operations in compliance with federal and state regulations. The inspectors ensure environmental safety and occupational health regulations are followed and minimizes negative effects on the environment. ESOHCAMP inspects 30 areas including hazardous materials, solid waste, drinking, storm and waste water, air emissions and natural resources.



Dennis Sierra, Chenega Management environmental technician, and Airman 1st Class Patrick Neavin, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, unloads light bulbs from a truck. The bulbs contain mercury which make them hazardous materials. About 20-30 bulbs per week are boxed and sent to a state-certified recycler.

Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan



Airman Geoffrey Gagnon, 509th Communications Squadron, puts cardboard onto a cardboard bailing machine. Recycling is part of solid waste management. Solid waste management is one of 30 areas the ESOHCAMP team will inspect.



Senior Airman Marsha Sansculotte, 509th Communications Squadron, places shredded paper into the recycling bin. The base generates more than \$240 a week from selling bond paper.



Gary Lindstrom, Chenega Management environmental technician, pumps used oil into a collection tank. One hundred gallons of used oil is reused daily throughout the base for heating purposes.



Airman Carl Simmons, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, ensures a container is properly labeled. Ensuring materials are properly dated and labeled keeps materials in compliance with hazardous waste regulations.

Whiteman, community unite against drugs

By Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole

Public Affairs

Whiteman Air Force Base joined community schools this week to take part in activities supporting drug deterrence and symbolizing Whiteman's unity of purpose.

James Taylor, demand reduction program manager, handed out special dog tags on base Monday. The Knob Noster School District scheduled a variety of activities to remind people of the loss of life and property, and to recognize ongoing efforts to remove the threat of drug abuse from the community.

"Drug abuse takes a staggering toll in lives and money in the United States," Taylor said. "Each year, thousands of lives are lost due to overdose or drug-related activity."

Additionally, crime escalates to pay for drug habits.

"Each American is affected by this plague and it's only through united efforts that we can address this problem," he said.

The national Red Ribbon campaign was organized 11 years ago to combat the negative effects of drug abuse. The campaign's goal is to create a drug-free America.

"This comprehensive campaign is designed to establish a network in every community to support drug-free lifestyles through prevention, education and deterrence. The key element in this network is each member of the community," Taylor said.



Photo by Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole

Knob Noster Middle School students Becky Fisher, Cody LaGrow, Erika Kiplinger and Michael Ketchen tied red ribbons around trees at school Monday as part of Red Ribbon Week activities. Their parents are retired Master Sgt. Scott and Karen Fisher, Master Sgt. Cory and Jill LaGrow, Master Sgt. Jim and April Kiplinger, and Lt. Col. Gavin and Debbie Ketchen.

Taylor's office supports more than 2,000 students with a variety of anti-drug education material and events.

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duty demands grow, but commitment to those we're responsible for in our work centers is critical, because they're the most important part of our great Air Force. We must be committed to developing them and helping them grow — they're our future.

I think on the tail end of your career it can be tough to stay committed. Whether it's a four-year enlistment or a 30-year career, it can be challenging when you're looking at life on the other side. But, that's the time our service needs you to be more committed than ever. Ensure you pass on your experience to the airmen who will carry on after you. For our Air Force to remain the greatest in the world, we need committed members from their first day to their last.

I'm blessed to work with more than 500 talented and smart airmen in my squadron. I almost take the smart and talented for granted since we're talking about maintenance troops. But it's not the brains or abilities that make most of them successful, it's their commitment. I'm happy to have the best and the brightest, but that's not necessarily what I want. I want the most committed, because with commitment, it's amazing how the average airman or lieutenant can become phenomenal.

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Education

For more details, visit <https://wwwmil.whiteman.af.mil/509mss/educ/homepage.htm> or call 687-5750.

CLEP tests set

Active-duty and Reserve members can schedule a College-Level Examination Program test through Nov. 23. The classes covered are English composition, natural sciences, U.S. history I and II, principles of accounting and Spanish. Students must call to schedule an appointment. Call for more details.

Community

Family harvest carnival set

A family harvest carnival begins at 6 p.m. today at the youth center. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Each family attending must bring a bag of candy or a two-liter bottle of soda. For more details, call the chapel at 687-3652.

New award recognizes spouses

Procter & Gamble sponsors the new American Military Spouse Award at the 9th annual American Veteran Awards: A Tribute to Freedom. The award will be given to four recipients who have demonstrated exceptional volunteer accomplishments, selfless giving to others in the community, and the ability to sustain the home front during long deployments and times of family separation. Nomination forms are available at the commissary or online at <http://www.avashow.com>. The deadline is at midnight on Nov. 9. The winners will receive a free trip to attend the taping of AVA Nov. 20-23 in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Clinic offers awareness information

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the 509th Medical Group Diagnostic Imaging Department's information booth is open 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturday at the fitness center.

BCC luncheon scheduled

The base community council dinner begins at 7 p.m. Thursday at Mission's End. The menu will consist of hors d'oeuvres. Base members interested in attending this free event must R.S.V.P. to the public affairs office by noon Monday at 687-6151.

AADD meetings set

Airmen Against Drunk Driving members meet at 1 p.m. Thursday in the professional development center. For more details, call Senior Airman Kelly Johnson at 687-4800.

Blood drive set

The Johnson County Red Cross hosts a blood drive 3-7 p.m. Nov. 7 at the Warrensburg Community Center, 445 E. Gay St., in Warrensburg. For more details or to schedule an appointment, call Bonnie Parsons at 660-747-5173.

CASK meeting scheduled

The Caring Adults Special Kids group meets 6:30-8 p.m. Nov. 13 at the Whiteman Elementary School library. This is a forum for parents and teachers who have children with special needs to meet and discuss common issues. Learn about community support, services and challenges facing families with special needs. Child-care will be provided. For more details, call Jeanette Bachmann at 563-3303.

Mentors needed

The family support center needs mentors for elemen-

tary, middle and high school students. Volunteers must be available 3:15-4:15 p.m. weekdays and must attend monthly training. Supervisors and commanders may authorize airmen to become mentors when the airmen complete the mentor application. For more details, call Glenda Alexander at 687-7132.

Join a 4-H club

The Spirit 4-H club meets 1-3 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at the youth center. For more details, call Deborah Kermick or Connie Morton at 687-5586.

Playgroup expands fun

The Mom's, Pop's and Tot's Play group scheduled the following November events:

- ✓ Field trip to veteran's home in Warrensburg Thursday,
- ✓ Nov. 13 — Free play and Thank You Day.

For more details, call Stephanie Zink at 660-687-4342.

Family Support

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

Girls' seminar set

A "lock-in" program designed to help 6th- through 8th-grade girls begins at 10 p.m. Friday and ends at 7 a.m. Saturday. The program focuses on healthy living. For more details or to make a reservation, call the youth center at 687-5586.

Family seminar scheduled

A Building Resilient Families seminar takes place 9 a.m.-noon and 6-9 p.m. Nov. 14. The topics include family health, communication, youth self-esteem, raising youth and discipline. Free child care will be provided. Call for more details.

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509er goes to All-Armed Forces basketball camp



Photo by Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan

Tyrone Wright, 509th Communications Squadron, is one of 15 players that will vie for a spot on the All-Armed Forces Basketball team. Wright will attend the team's training camp Tuesday through Nov. 16 at Charleston Air Force Base, S.C.

By Airman 1st Class Amy Perry
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CHARLESTON AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. — Basketball players from each service will arrive here Monday for the All-Armed Forces Basketball training camp that runs Tuesday through Nov. 16.

The 15 players will vie for a coveted spot on the 12-player All-Armed Forces Basketball team as it heads to the World Military Games Dec. 2-11. Among those players is Tyrone Wright, 509th Communications Squadron.

Wright averaged 6.5 points and 8.5 rebounds for the Air Force team during the Air Force tournament to win that selection.

A former guard for the Air Force Academy Falcons, the 6-foot-4-inch Wright averaged 18 points a contest his junior year to earn Western Athletic Conference Second Team honors. He pumped in 14 a game his senior year and made the Mountain West Conference Second Team.

"We have 15 exceptional guys coming here," said Eddie Goad, All-Armed Forces Basketball Training project officer. "All have college experience, and some have pro experience."

The World Military games take place every four years and is the second largest world sporting event outside of the Olympics.

"I'm very excited," Wright said. "This will be my first chance to play overseas and my first time traveling overseas. So the whole experience will be one I'll remember all my life."

With 127 member nations around the world and only 15 different sports, only the best teams from each country are allowed to compete.

"Each year, the team is different; so you

have to choose the teams by their historical records," said Goad. "Historically, the USA (All Armed Forces Basketball Team) has placed second during each of the previous (World Military Games)."

Players are selected upon completion of the Armed Forces Tournament each year. Four representatives from each service choose the best players from that year's games, to represent the U.S. on the All-Armed Forces team.

This year is unique because the players haven't played together in two months, and since there was a delay in the WMG, more people were chosen to participate in the camp. Also, due to mission requirements, several members were unable to attend the WMG, and other people were selected to fill their spots. Leadership, however, won't be a problem, Goad said.

"As far as coaching, Antonio Robinson (Marine Corps master gunnery sergeant from Marine Corps Base Quantico, Va.) is an incredible leader, strong motivator, disciplinarian and structured; everything you would want in a head coach," said Goad. "James Jones (Marine Corps captain from Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, N.C.) has been with Robinson for two years. He brings his unique flavor and own set of skills to the team. They complement each other equally and superbly."

This is the fifth year Goad has been the project officer for the All Armed Forces Basketball team. He also filled the position of assistant coach for one year.

Goad also said the quality of the players doesn't get any better.

(Airman 1st Class Joe Lacdan, 509th Bomb Wing, contributed to this story.)

Bowling standings

As of Oct. 23

Team	Won	Lost
MedGp	45	19
CES A	40	24
AMXS	40	24
72nd TES	40	24
MOS	40	24
MXS B	38	26
SVS	38	26
MXS A	36	28
MUNS	36	28
SFS	34	30
MSS/BW	32	32
CPTS	31	33
LRS	23	41
CES C	18	46
CES B	17	47

Aerobics Schedule

Mondays — 11 a.m. Tae kwon do,
5 p.m. turbo step and 6:15 p.m. yoga

Tuesdays — 5 p.m. Cardio toning

Wednesdays — 11 a.m. Tae kwon do

Fridays — 11 a.m. Tae kwon do

Gridiron Challenge

The Gridiron Challenge is a weekly competition between the 509th Bomb Wing headquarters and groups, and the 442nd Fighter Wing and Missouri Army National Guard.

A different person from each organization will select the picks for their unit each week.

The weekly winner receives a \$5 SeeMore Buck courtesy of the 509th Services Squadron. Last week's winner was Mike Addis, 442nd Fighter Wing.

Week Nine

NCAA

Utah at Air Force
Miami at Virginia Tech
Michigan at Michigan St.
Virginia at N.C. State
Nebraska at Texas

NFL

Steelers at Seahawks
Rams at 49ers
Packers at Vikings
Colts at Dolphins
Raiders at Lions

	BW	OG	MXG	MSG	MedGp	442nd	MOARNG
	Senior Airman Lehjade Menchavez	Senior Airman Richard Kuriger	Senior Airman Felecia Jackson	Master Sgt. Randy Canada	Senior Airman Summer Conner	Master Sgt. Steven Rice	Army Staff Sgt. Ryan Brookins
	Air Force Miami Michigan State N.C. State Nebraska	Air Force Miami Michigan N.C. State Texas	Air Force Miami Michigan N.C. State Nebraska	Air Force Miami Michigan N.C. State Nebraska	Air Force Miami Michigan N.C. State Nebraska	Air Force Miami Michigan N.C. State Nebraska	Air Force Miami Michigan St. N.C. State Nebraska
	Steelers Rams Vikings Colts Raiders	Seahawks Rams Vikings Colts Raiders	Steelers Rams Vikings Dolphins Raiders	Seahawks Rams Vikings Colts Raiders	Seahawks Rams Vikings Dolphins Raiders	Steelers Rams Vikings Colts Raiders	Seahawks Rams Vikings Colts Raiders
Last Week's Totals	5-5	5-5	5-5	6-4	4-6	9-1	8-2
Season Totals	49-31	42-38	44-36	52-28	49-31	58-22	44-36



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Teen Center
687-5819

Club days

Teen clubs are offered at 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays in the teen center. Tuesday is chess, Wednesday is video games, and Thursday is cards and board games. This is free for members and \$1 for non-members. Have other club interests? Call the teen center staff.

Ice skating and dinner

There is ice skating and a dinner 5-11 p.m. Nov. 15 at the Crown Center Plaza. A \$10 fee includes skating and transportation to Kansas City, Mo. Sign up by Nov. 12.

Library
687-5614

Base library book sale

Donate used books to the library book sale. Volunteers are needed for the book sale. Help raise money for library programs and supplies. The sale takes place Nov. 12.

Fitness Center
687-5496

Fitness bingo

Participants can pick up a free bingo card at the fitness center through Dec. 31 for this quarterly incentive program. The participant who completes the most bingos during the quarter will win the first-place prize, a full-body massage provided by Darlene Goebel, L.M.T., at Hair Dynamics.

Community Center
687-5617

Christmas cards to go

Prepare Christmas cards Monday-Dec. 4 for our service members abroad. Cards can be dropped off at the community center.



Afternoon at the USO

A boys choir performs at the USO event. An afternoon of fun takes place 2-4 Nov. 7 at the Missouri Veterans Home in Warrensburg. Come to honor veterans and their families with entertainment and refreshments. Talent volunteers sign up in the community center by Monday. Sponsored in-part by Whiteman Enlisted Spouses' Club and First Command Financial Planning.*



Skills Development Center
687-5691

Stained glass class

A six-week beginners stained glass panel class is offered 6-9 p.m. Thursdays at the skills development center. The cost is \$45 plus supplies.

Etched-glass Christmas ornaments

Students will learn to etch glass and make Christmas ornaments 2-3 p.m. Nov. 15. The \$10 fee includes the class and supplies. Sign up by Nov. 14.

Knitting class

Learn to knit 5-7 p.m. Tuesday in the skills development center. The \$27.50 fee includes the class and supplies. Sign up by noon Monday.

Clay sculpting class

A clay sculpting class takes place 1-3 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12 and 19. The \$30 fee includes the class and supplies. Sign up by noon the day before the desired class.

Clay coiling class

Learn to create pottery using the coiling method and glazing noon-2 p.m. Nov. 8 and 15. The class costs \$30 and supplies are approximately \$2. Sign up by noon the day before the class desired.

Youth Center
687-5586

G.I.R.L.S. night

G.I.R.L.S. (Goal-seeking, Influential, Relationship-building, Leadership smart, Self-esteem) Night takes place 10 p.m.-7 a.m. Nov. 7 at the youth center. Door prizes, snacks, workshops and more are provided. This free event is limited to the first 25 girls in grades six-eight who sign up by Saturday. This event is co-sponsored by the family support center.

Turkey shoot

A turkey shoot takes place 1-4 p.m. Nov. 8 in the youth center. Children in kindergarten through 12th grade can compete for a frozen turkey by shooting baskets. This is a free event. Participants are asked to bring a canned food donation. Sign up before Thursday.

Family Child Care
687-5590/1180

Base residents

Quality child care for military families is an important concern. The Air Force has updated guidelines in Air Force Instruction 34-276, Family Child Care Programs, requiring anyone providing in-home child care for 10 hours or more a week on a regular basis be licensed. If you are currently unlicensed, you must cease care and apply for a family child care license. Call for more details.

Orientation class

Receive free training to become a family child care provider 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Nov. 7. Sign up by Thursday. Stop by the family child care office and pick up a registration package.

Outdoor Recreation
687-5565

Ice skating

A trip to the Shawnee, Kan., Ice Sports Arena takes place Nov. 15. The \$8 fee includes the bus ride and admission. Meet at outdoor recreation to leave at 10 a.m. and skate noon-2 p.m. Sign up by Nov. 13.

Wall Climbing Competition

Compete in the squadron wall climbing competition for \$10 Monday-April 1. Squadron members sign up and get certified to use the climbing wall. The total number of climbs by each participant and number of mile-high climbers will determine the awards.

Overtime rock climbing

Open climbing is available for certified climbers 5:30-9 p.m. Nov. 7 and 21. A certification course takes place 6-8 p.m.

Dutch oven cooking

Sample a Dutch oven breakfast, lunch, dinner and dessert at 10 a.m. Nov. 8. Sign up by Wednesday. The cost is \$5.

New NAF resale hours

Starting in November the new NAF resale store hours are noon-4:30 p.m. each Wednesday at outdoor recreation.

Whiteman Base Theater

Friday

The Order 7:00 p.m. PG

Starring — Heath Ledger & Shannyn Sossamon
Alex Bermier, a New York City priest, helps detective Lucy Sinclair investigate the cryptic murder of the French ambassador, whose body was found covered with mysterious religious symbols. The investigation leads Bermier to Rome where he discovers that the murder may have been the work of an ancient Christian order, the Sin Eaters.

Saturday

Secondhand Lions 7:00 p.m. PG

Starring — Michael Caine & Robert Duvall
Walter finds himself spending the summer with a pair of cranky, eccentric great-uncles. At first he's appalled by their gruff uncaring manner, over time he becomes enthralled with his uncles as the exotic tales and remembrances of their own youthful exploits introduce the boy to a world of imagination and wonder, and re-ignites the old men's spirits.

Sunday

Secondhand Lions 5:30 p.m. PG

Adults \$3.....Youth \$1.50

Movie recording line 687-5110

Movies are subject to change due to availability
For current and future movie listings log on to
<http://www.aafes.com/ems/conus/whiteman.htm>