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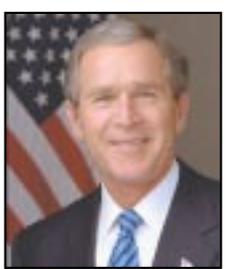
Bus basics

Whiteman Elementary School students board the bus at the end of the school day. Bus passengers are reminded to arrive at the bus stop on time, wait in designated areas, or away from traffic and not horseplay while waiting for the bus. While getting on or off the bus, wait for the bus to come to a complete stop, stay out of the danger zone — an area that's 10 feet around the bus, always walk in front of the bus and use the handrail.

President Bush announces global posture changes

By John Banusiewicz
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFP) — The United States will redistribute forces now stationed at overseas locations “where the wars of the last century ended,” President Bush announced in Cincinnati Monday. The president’s announcement came during an address to the national convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.



President George Bush

“The world has changed a great deal,” President Bush said, “and our posture must change with it for the sake of our military families, for the sake of our taxpayers, and so we can be more effective at projecting our strength and spreading freedom and peace.”

America’s current posture in Europe was designed to guard against Soviet aggression, the president said. “The threat no longer exists,” he said.

The decision to redistribute forces comes after three years of study and consultations, President Bush said. “We’ve consulted closely with our allies and with Congress,” he said. “We’ve examined the challenges posed by today’s threats and emerging threats.” The result, he

said, will be “a more agile and flexible force.”

As the new global posture takes shape during the next 10 years, more U.S. troops will be stationed at, and deployed from, home bases in the United States, President Bush said.

“We’ll move some of our troops and capabilities to new locations so they can surge quickly to deal with unexpected threats,” he said. “We’ll take advantage of 21st-century military technologies to rapidly deploy increased combat power.”

The new plan will strengthen U.S. alliances and build new partnerships worldwide, and it will reduce stress on military people and their families, the president said.

“Although we’ll still have a significant presence overseas, under the plan I’m announcing today, over the next 10 years, we will bring home about 60,000 to 70,000 uniformed personnel, and about 100,000 family members and civilian employees,” President Bush said.

This would give service members more time on the home front, as well as more predictability and fewer moves during a career, he said.

“Our military spouses will have fewer job changes, greater stability, more time for their kids and to spend time with their families at home,” he said.

Taxpayers will benefit from cost savings realized by closing obsolete overseas bases and facilities, the president said.

News in Brief

Fitness center announces closure

The base fitness center closes at 6 p.m. Saturday for renovations. It will re-open at 10 a.m. Sunday.

MedGp announces closure

The 509th Medical Group closes at noon Wednesday for training and noon Aug. 27 for a group function. In case of an emergency, call 911.

Free child care available

Military members who return from a 30-day or longer deployment in support of the Global War on Terrorism or who return for two weeks under the rest and recuperation program can get up to 16 hours of free child care per child under the Expanded Child Care Program.

Eligible users are active-duty, guard or reserve members assigned to or living on Whiteman. For more details, call the family child care office at 687-1180 or 687-5590.

Munitions conducts inventory

The munitions storage area staff will conduct an inventory Aug. 30-Sept. 3. Requests should be scheduled by Tuesday so the staff can prepare for the inventory. Only valid emergency issue requests will be processed during the inventory. For more details, call 687-4465.

Families Connected party set

Families of those serving on a remote assignment or who are deployed are invited to a special “Back-to-School” party 6-8 p.m. Aug. 27 at the family support center. Reservations are required. For more details, call the FSC at 687-7132.

Warrior run scheduled

A warrior run begins at 7:15 a.m. Aug 27 at the S-6 alert facility. Water and Gatorade will be provided.

New Airman’s Manual released

ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, Md. — Gen. John Jumper, Air Force Chief of Staff, announced the release of the revised Airman’s Manual Aug. 16 here. More than 675,000 copies of Air Force Manual 10-100 will be distributed to active-duty, Reserve and Guard Airmen. The new version is weather-proof, tear-resistant and fits in the battle dress uniform’s cargo pockets.

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Commander's Corner

By Col. Chris Miller
509th Bomb Wing Commander

GLOBAL CHANGES — A few days ago, President Bush announced the largest restructuring of U.S. military forces overseas since the 1950s.

Some units based overseas will return to the continental U.S.; others will move to different overseas locations.

It will take several years to implement the restructuring, and the exact changes will depend on factors like Congressional action and military transformations among our friends and allies. These changes offer the potential to benefit us by keeping more military people "on the home front" and decreasing the number of moves likely over a career — a plus for family stability.

Our focus at Whiteman fits this new basing concept just fine — we're ready to fight from Missouri or to deploy and fight from forward locations.

Most importantly, the President's changes will give us the most capable, ready force possible for the 21st century.

Stay tuned.

GLOBAL WARRIORS — As Whiteman military members prepare to deploy soon, our thoughts and prayers are with them for mission success and a safe return.

Just as important, their families deserve the same support as spouses are suddenly thrust into "single parenthood," and have to transition to doing double duty, and kids must adjust to the absence of a parent. As a community, we need to step up to assist families of the deployed members of Team Whiteman, whether active or reserve Air Force, Army National Guard or Navy Reserve.

Our "non-uniformed" team members serve with honor, particularly when the uniformed side deploys — please thank those you know, and lend a hand when they need help.

SAFETY — Air Combat Command is on track to have one of the safest summers in several years. Safety starts with you — you've been thinking about it and I commend each of you for a safety focus — keep up the great work!



Courtesy Photo

SOUTHWEST ASIA — Capt. Robert Austin, and Master Sgts. Gary Schnur and Sheila Moses help feed members of the the 438th Expeditionary Group at a forward location. They are deployed from the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron. "Everyone here pitches in wherever we can," Sergeant Moses said.

Remember who you are and what you represent



Photo by Senior Airman Nick Martin

Airman Crystal Stuart, 509th Mission Support Squadron, looks at herself in a mirror.

By Lt. Col. Lindsey Borg
509th Mission Support Squadron Commander

I owe my father for valuable advice he repeatedly gave me from a young age. It was more of a directive than advice: "Remember who you are."

As a boy, I didn't fully understand the last words I always would hear from him as I went off to do something away from the family — sporting events, dates, college, anything that took me away from his direct oversight — "remember who you are."

Perhaps his message was simply a last plea to not do anything stupid that would embarrass the family. That's a distinct possibility; he was raising four boys at the time. Even so, as I get older, those four words gain depth and provide a useful tool for self examination, measurement and focus for the future.

To answer the demand, one must look at life from every available angle. To remember who you are, you must know yourself. I find I can divide my life into a number of areas, each demanding attention and development. Combined, these various facets form the framework of my personality. When I examine who I am, I see I'm a Christian, a husband, a father, a son, a brother, a friend, an Air Force officer, an American. The list goes on.

My father's advice goes beyond use for individuals. It also serves a useful purpose for us as members of Team Whiteman and the Air Force. Who are we? We are America's premier power projection wing. We deliver airpower anytime, anywhere with an amazing weapon system, but our most important

asset is our people. We are Airmen, living by core values that set us apart from the society we serve to protect. Our lifestyle is based on integrity, service before self and excellence in all we do.

Each time we leave the base, we are representatives of the Air Force and Whiteman to everyone outside the gates. Our uniforms, and even the stickers on our cars, identify us to the world as Air Force members. We must be aware of that identification and conduct ourselves to reflect positively on the team.

When we tailgate someone, or drive too fast, the base sticker reflects brightly from our windshields. Is that the image we want for Team Whiteman? The way we perform our jobs is a direct reflection on ourselves and our squadrons. When we deploy, we go as representatives of Team Whiteman. When we return to our hometowns and families, we do so as Air Force ambassadors. We must remember who we are.

As the Air Force changes to meet the challenges presented by this new century, I believe it is critically important for us to examine ourselves — as individuals and as a team.

We need to remind ourselves of the responsibilities and high standards that come with the privilege of serving our country.

We need to remind ourselves of our rich heritage, traditions, customs and incredible accomplishments. We need to remind ourselves that those we serve have high expectations of us.

In short, we must remember who we are.

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Pharmacy implements new formulary guidelines

By Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole
Public Affairs

As part of an Air Force-wide policy, the Whiteman pharmacy no longer distributes prescriptions for two high-use, but expensive medications. Celebrex, used for inflammation, and Allegra, used for allergies, were removed from the 509th Medical Group pharmacy, said Maj. Charlene Reith, 509th MedGp chief of pharmacy services.

New prescriptions for these two medications won't be accepted, but existing refills will be honored with up to a 30-day supply. "This should give patients sufficient time to discuss alternatives with their physician," she said.

However, patients can still obtain the two medications through the Tricare Mail-Order Pharmacy or through network pharmacies.

At Whiteman, Allegra can be automatically substituted with Loratadine 10mg tablets. This option is only available for those with prescriptions written by a 509th MedGp provider and for patients not on the Personnel Reliability Program.

"Celebrex and Allegra are excellent products. Their deletion from Air Force pharmacy formularies is designed to keep us fiscally viable during tough budgetary times," Major Reith said.

Both agents have clinically sound alternatives avail-

able that are significantly less expensive. For example, under government contract prices, Loratadine costs 87 cents per tablet less than Allegra. At Whiteman, more than \$324,000 was spent in fiscal 2004 to purchase Celebrex and Allegra.

The average monthly expenditures in FY04 were approximately \$331,000. Major Reith said nearly an entire month's budget was spent buying Celebrex and Allegra.

"This has an extraordinary impact on our ability to remain within the allotted budget," she said.

Overall, the MedGp's pharmaceutical costs are up 26 percent compared to FY03.

Factors contributing to the increase include inflation, an increased workload and an increase in basic core formulary prices.

Major Reith said the Department of Defense requires every military pharmacy to carry the basic core formulary medications, and these agent costs have risen significantly.

"As these costs rise, little leeway is left for locally driven formulary decisions. Celebrex wasn't a mandatory item and Allegra was recently removed from the basic core list.

"Therefore, the decision to cut these medications, while difficult, was actually one of the few ways the Air Force could induce a significant budget reduction," the major said.



Photo by Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole

Staff Sgt. Jessica Hill, 509th Medical Group Pharmacy, counts out Celebrex for a refill prescription. Celebrex and Allegra, two high-cost medications, are no longer available for new prescriptions at the pharmacy. However, patients can get a 30-day refill before switching to comparable medications.



Photo by 2nd Lt. Mary Olsen

NORE

A B-2 taxis into position, preparing to take off. Four B-2s flew Thursday morning as a conclusion to the weeklong Nuclear Operational Readiness Exercise. Several other aircraft taxied and participated in maintenance recovery operations. The NORE tested the 509th Bomb Wing's ability to support missions for U.S. Strategic Command and was one of several events in preparation for an Operational Readiness Inspection in October.

Inspection team evaluates base security programs

By 2nd Lt. Mary Olsen
Public Affairs

The 509th Bomb Wing's security programs were evaluated for compliance recently.

A combined team of six inspectors from the Air Combat Command Advance Programs Office conducted a Special Access Program inspection Aug. 9-12.

Inspectors reviewed how well the wing complies with national policy directives to protect SAP information, said Master Sgt. Pete Mere, 509th BW Program Security Management office.

With an overall base rating of satisfactory, the wing received this rating in every function of the inspection.

"More than 500 checklist items were reviewed by the team and only three findings were noted. That's a dominating performance by the wing security team," Sergeant Mere said.

The five-person PSM staff ensures security oversight and daily security management of SAP activity within the wing. These functions were evaluated during the inspection:

- ✓ Security management
- ✓ Security planning
- ✓ Personnel security
- ✓ Accountability
- ✓ Reproduction
- ✓ Destruction
- ✓ Physical security
- ✓ Access control
- ✓ Transmission security
- ✓ Computer security
- ✓ Security education
- ✓ Guard force
- ✓ Contracting

To prepare for these inspections, units perform self-inspections based on current security guidance and policy. The PSM office then follows up with scheduled annual program reviews of SAP activities to ensure compliance.

"We ensure the wing is in compliance with national policy to protect sensitive technologies for the B-2," Sergeant Mere said. "This protection provides the lead-time needed to maintain technological advances over our adversaries."

The normal review cycle takes place every 18-24 months.



Photo by 2nd Lt. Mary Olsen

Tech. Sgt. Dennis Angier and Master Sgt. Pete Mere, 509th Bomb Wing Program Security Management office, review facility documents.



Photo by Melissa Klinkner

Fruition

Representative Ike Skelton, Missouri's 4th District, and Col. Chris Miller, 509th Bomb Wing commander, presented Congressional Awards Monday to Chris Buck, Corey and Brandon Wielert. The non-competitive award offers young people the chance to set personally challenging goals and achieve them. Chris and Corey earned silver awards. Brandon was earned a bronze award. The local students earned the awards by setting goals in four categories: voluntary community service, personal development, fitness and expedition activity. Chris Buck is the son of Chief Master Sgt. Arthur and Vinai Buck, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron. Corey and Brandon Wielert are the sons of retired Master Sgt. James and Teresa Wielert.

Exceptional performers

Air Combat Command Advance Programs Office evaluation team named five exceptional performers during an Aug. 9-12 inspection here. They were:

✓ **Tech. Sgt. Patrick Moore**, 509th Operations Support Squadron, for developing a grid naming system that provides quick and accurate system accountability.

✓ **Staff Sgt. Dennis Closson**, 509th Bomb Wing Program Security Management Office, for personnel security.

✓ **Staff Sgt. Michael Lukesh**, Det. 6, 372nd Training Squadron, for error free Automated Information System management.

✓ **Billie Dunn**, 394th Combat Training Squadron, for meticulous account management.

✓ **Steve Lengfeller**, 325th Bomb Squadron, for outstanding management of one of the largest Special Access Required AIS and Top Secret accounts.

Spotlight on justice

In July, six people received an Article 15, seven people were discharged and one person received a court martial.

Articles 15

An airman first class from the 509th Security Forces Squadron received an Article 15 for dereliction of duty and sleeping on post. Punishment was 20 days extra duty, restriction to base for 45 days, reduction to airman, suspended forfeiture of \$300 per month for two months and a reprimand.

An airman first class from the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron received an Article 15 for dereliction of duty. Punishment was 15 days extra duty, reduction to airman and forfeiture of \$200 pay per month for two months.

An airman first class from the 509th Operation Support Squadron received an Article 15 for failure to go. Punishment was 30 days extra duty, reduction to airman, suspended forfeiture of \$250 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

A senior airman from the 509th SFS received an Article 15 for government computer violation. Punishment was 30 days extra duty, and forfeiture of \$250 pay per month for two months.

An airman first class from the 509th Communications Squadron received an Article 15 for dereliction of duty. Punishment was 15 days extra duty, restriction to base for 15 days, suspended reduction to airman and forfeiture of \$200 pay.

An airman from 509th Maintenance Squadron received an Article 15 for failure to go. Punishment was seven days extra duty, restriction to base for seven days and reduction to airman basic.

Discharges

An airman from the 509th LRS received a general discharge for drug abuse.

An airman from the 509th LRS received an honorable discharge for mental disorder.

An airman first class from the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron received a general discharge for ADAPT failure and minor disciplinary infractions.

An airman first class from the 509th OSS received a general discharge for minor disciplinary infractions.

An airman from the 509th MXS received a general discharge for minor disciplinary infractions.

A senior airman from the 509th CES received an honorable discharge for an ADAPT failure.

An airman from the 509th SFS received a general discharge for pattern of misconduct.

Courts-Martial

Staff Sgt. Adam M. McAliley, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was tried and convicted by general court-martial for indecent acts or liberties with a child under the age of 16. He was sentenced to reduction to airman basic, a bad conduct discharge, confinement for 10 years, and total forfeiture of pay and allowances.

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Whiteman Spirit Award**Melissa Klinkner**

509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Melissa Klinkner, 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs, received the Whiteman Spirit Award from Col. Chris Miller, 509th BW commander, Monday.

Public affairs members Maj. Rob Palmer, 2nd Lt. Mary Olsen and Senior Airman Nick Martin nominated Miss Klinkner for the award.

Miss Klinkner began working in the public affairs office as a summer hire in June. Her stories and photos frequently appear in the base paper.

"Her contributions to the base paper rise above and beyond what is expected from her," Major Palmer said. "Miss Klinkner had little writing or photography training before she began work in the office, but doesn't hesitate to jump into any assignment."

Miss Klinkner recently wrote an article on retired Master Sgt. Ben McClellan. "She spent hours making sure the story was just right because it recognized his presence and legacy at Whiteman and it purposely appeared on the day of his retirement," Airman Martin said.

"She gets personally involved in the stories she writes because she truly cares about the people she interviews," Lieutenant Olsen said.

Personally Speaking

Duty title: *Whiteman Spirit* staff writer

Time on station: Three months

Hometown: Warrensburg, Mo.

Hobbies: Painting, drawing, playing the piano, outdoor activities and spending time with my boyfriend, friends and family.

Goals: To come back to Whiteman next summer, complete my graphic design degree at Central Missouri State University and become a successful graphic designer.

Best thing about Whiteman: All the friendly people.

Pet peeves: People with negative attitudes.

What motivates your winning spirit? God, those I love, and the satisfaction of knowing how many people I have the opportunity to meet and encourage through my job.

If you could change one thing at Whiteman, what would it be? Not a thing.

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.

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Tier 2 on 23

Members of Whiteman's Tier 2 organization clean up a stretch of Highway 23 as part of the Missouri Adopt-A-Highway program. WT2 helps staff and technical sergeants focus on networking, leadership, development and first-term Airmen retention. For more details on WT2, call Tech. Sgt. David Hodges at 687-6391.

ALS graduates 24 future NCOs

Airman leadership school Class 04-F graduated two staff sergeants and 22 senior airmen in a ceremony Aug. 12 at Mission's End.

The award winners were:

Senior Airman Brad Calahan, 509th Maintenance Squadron, John Levitt Award.

Senior Airman Dustin Finamore, 509th Communications Squadron, Distinguished Graduate Award.

Senior Airman James Anderson, 509th Medical Operations Squadron, Academic Achievement Award.

The other graduates were:

Staff Sgts. Travis Patterson and **Senior Airman John Bushong**, 509th Security Forces Squadron.

Senior Airman Nathan McGee, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron.

Senior Airmen Rudel Freeman, **Ryan Strankowski** and **Jason Vitela**, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron.

Senior Airman Junior Pierre-Louis, 509th Services Squadron.

Senior Airman Christopher Clohessy, 509th Comptroller Squadron.

Senior Airman Khaalis Hall, 509th Operations Support Squadron.

Senior Airmen Jose Gutierrez, **Jeremiah Madsen** and **Dean Sehm**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

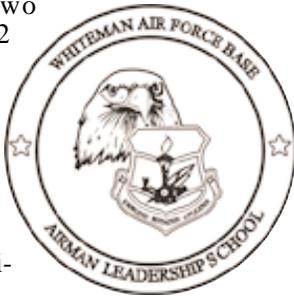
Senior Airman Christopher Wagoner, 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron.

Senior Airmen Brad Calahan, **Jerry Moffitt**, **Christopher Smeltzer** and **Kris Wylie**, 509th MXS.

Senior Airman Ryan Hyland, 509th Munitions Squadron.

Senior Airmen Margaret Blodget and **Joseph Gaddis**, 509th MDOS.

Senior Airman Charvis Mills, 442nd SFS.



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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, proper military decorum and hot topics. Each week, a different first sergeant will share their view.)

By Master Sgt. David Verran

394th Combat Training Squadron First Sergeant

As summer draws down, I'd like to take a look back at how we took care of our family members in base housing. Even though you may not think of the military family housing area as part of the base, it still is.

We must adhere to the instructions that govern how we go about our day-to-day military lives. Over this past school break, I observed many things happening in housing that have me concerned for the safety of our children. The safety of children should be first and foremost on everyone's minds.

The first thing I'd like to bring to your attention is the way we let our children ride bicycles, skateboards and scooters without the proper safety gear. I've seen many children riding their bikes without helmets or with their helmets hanging on their handlebars.

Department of Defense Instruction 6055.4, DOD Traffic Safety Program dated July 20, 1999, Paragraph E3.9.2 states: "Bicycle safety shall be emphasized in the overall traffic safety program. Programs shall emphasize the mandatory use of bicycle helmets approved by the American National Standards Institute or Snell Memorial Foundation. This applies to all personnel including dependents who ride bicycles on DOD installations."

With that said, we must enforce the wearing of safety equipment with our family and the friends they ride with. Remember, protecting your children starts with you.

Also, I'd like to bring to your attention the speed limit in the housing area. The first sign you see when entering the housing area is the posted speed limit. The sign clearly states that the speed limit is 15 miles per hour.

Although the majority of drivers pay attention to the speed limit, many of those drivers fail to pay attention to the sign directly below, which states that the speed limit is reduced to 5 mph when children are present. This isn't intended to inconvenience anyone; this is to protect our most valuable possessions, our children.

Many children get so involved in playing that they fail to look for vehicles coming down the street. For the most part, there's not a lot of room to park more than one vehicle in the driveways.

Most families own more than one vehicle and it requires them to park on the side of the street. With vehicles parked so close together it can make it difficult to see a child playing.

I've had to stop more than once because a child ran out from in between two parked vehicles. We must stress to our children they need to look before they enter the street. However, vehicle drivers must pay attention to the posted speed limits and obey them. By doing so we are able to stop if a child should appear from between two vehicles or run into the road without looking.

As military members, we're responsible for our actions and the actions of our dependents while they're on any military installation.

Whether it's in housing or any other part of base, we must ensure proper safety gear is worn while riding bicycles and obey speed limits.

I make sure my children are properly equipped while riding their bikes, and my wife and I obey the speed limit. Think about how you'd feel if you hit someone's child or a driver not obeying the speed limit hit your child.



Courtesy Photo

Cheyenne Verran, 5, rides her bicycle in base housing. Bicycle helmets approved by the American National Standards Institute or Snell Memorial Foundation are mandatory for all personnel including dependents who ride bicycles on DOD installations.

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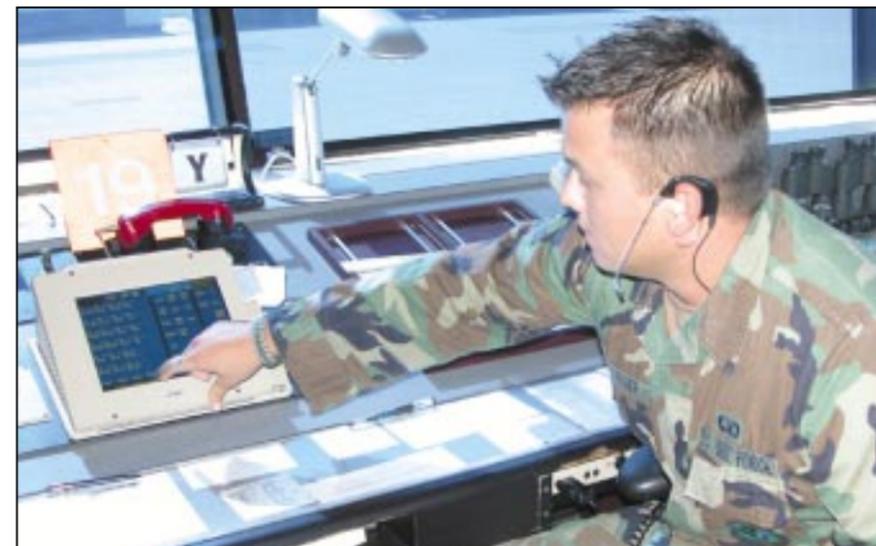
Stewards of sky safety



Staff Sgt. Kristy Crespo and Airman 1st Class Josette Rowe work together to direct a vehicle driving on the runway. Sergeant Crespo visually scans the runway from 149 feet above the flightline while Airman Rowe communicates with the vehicle driver. As a trainee, Airman Rowe helps Sergeant Crespo, the watch supervisor in charge of the overall facility, with ground control and surveillance. They are members of the 509th Operations Support Squadron.



In a dark, windowless room in the radar approach control facility, Staff Sgt. Fabrice Bazilme performs intra-facility coordination while 1st Lt. Jimmy West, approach controller, and Airman 1st Class Christina Rider, assistant approach controller, work as a team to monitor approaching aircraft on their radar screen. RAPCON controllers coordinate with six other sectors going as far as Springfield and Kansas City International airports, and nine satellite airports within or next to Whiteman's airspace. "RAPCON is what air traffic control is all about," said Master Sgt. Robert Breshears, 509th Operations Support Squadron, RAPCON chief controller.



Senior Airman Richard Kuriger, 509th Operations Support Squadron, keys a frequency on the Enhanced Terminal Voice Switch. Airman Kuriger uses the ETVS to ensure he has the correct frequency to talk to aircraft. He also activates the crash phone, updates weather, takes care of land lines and secures the environment — ensuring it's safe for flying. Radar approach and air traffic controllers work hand in hand to safely direct air traffic.

Photos by Melissa Klinkner



In the Front Load Training room, 509th Operations Support Squadron trainees Airmen 1st Class Jason Degraff and Vilmar Colon, and Airman Basic Jenna Davey get a summary of general air traffic rules and knowledge from Senior Airman Brett Tillman, 509th OSS. After six weeks classroom training, students begin practical application and traffic simulations. Students are then able to work live traffic.



Staff Sgt. Monica Pubillonnes, 509th Operations Support Squadron, Radar Approach Control watch supervisor, looks at the terminal forecast and checks the map for clouds and precipitation. She also monitors aircraft positions and speaks with pilots when they call.



Staff Sgt. Adam Kilgore, 509th Operations Support Squadron, explains the air traffic control tower simulator. The voice-activated simulator uses all the equipment included in the air traffic control tower. Six 64-inch-wide screens show students a 360-degree rotation of the base. Trainees can watch various views of incoming aircraft on the screens to gain experience in directing the aircraft to a safe landing. After classroom training, students learn the correct responses to many different

scenarios using the simulator before working live air traffic in the tower. After training in the tower, students still make use of the simulator to gain experience and knowledge of different situations. It takes two years of training before one is ready to handle situations alone. Approximately 33 percent of trainees are withdrawn during the rigorous training process.

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By Master Sgt. John Cline
509th Bomb Wing Ground Safety

There has been a dramatic increase in vehicle rollovers within the past several weeks.

Whiteman has been very fortunate — there have been no fatal injuries. These are some steps members of the 509th Bomb Wing Ground Safety Office encourage everyone to take to reduce the possibility of being involved in a vehicle rollover:

Slow Down – If you're an aggressive driver or routinely exceed the posted or recommended speed limit, it's just a matter of time before you'll be involved in an accident.

Don't risk your life to arrive a few seconds sooner. Give yourself extra time when going to work.

Drive according to road and weather conditions – Posted and recommend speed limits are for optimum road conditions. If roads are wet you should adjust your speed accordingly.

Slow down even more while on curves; it just takes a split second for your tires to lose traction which can result in a rollover.

Avoid hydroplaning by adjusting your speed and never use cruise control in inclement weather.

Check your vehicle – Ensure your tires have adequate tread and air pressure.

Also be aware, over- and under-inflated tires can affect the way your vehicle handles and safely stops.

Brakes should also be in good working order.

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ALOHA!!!

Are you interested in playing ice hockey?

A base team is forming to play in a C/D division in Overland Park, Kan.

The cost will be between \$275 to \$350 per player
Team jerseys will cost about \$30 each.

Members are required to provide their own equipment.

The schedule guarantees 26 games minimum.

Games are played Sunday afternoon and evenings.

The season starts Sept. 12 and ends in April.

For more details or to register by Aug. 20,

call Tech. Sgt. Mike Schmutz at 687-5041

or Tech. Sgt. Tony Witak at 687-1011



Space available

The base marquee at the Spirit Gate is available for messages. To schedule a message, call Airman 1st Class Leila Hemenway at 687-6123 or e-mail 509bwpa@whiteman.af.mil. Be sure to include the date and time you want the message to be posted. Use these boxes to determine the length of your message per screen:

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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

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



Additional worship opportunities are offered through various organizations and activities. For more details, call 687-3652.

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Airmen Against Drunk Driving
Call 687-RIDE or 877-518-6802

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Community

Discount tickets for military

People who have a valid military ID card can get discount concert tickets for Y'allapalooza. This military appreciation event begins at 4:30 p.m. Saturday at Verizon Wireless Amphitheater in Bonner Springs, Kan. People can show their military ID or uniform at the Verizon Wireless Amphitheater Box Office and purchase their first Y'alla lawn ticket for \$12.50. People can buy additional lawn tickets for \$5 with no limit and no service charge.

WOSC meets Aug. 26

The Whiteman Officers' Spouses' Club meets at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Mission's End. Attendees can meet advisory council members Rhonda Miller, honorary president, and Paula Erichsen, honorary vice president.

Attendees can also meet WOSC executive board members Brooke Hepler, president; Diane Scherr, first vice president; Wendy Bankson, second vice president; Angie Basham, charitable treasurer; Kristen Brechwald, operational treasurer; Kristi Wagner, recording secretary; Donna Doering, corresponding secretary; and Christine Bartholomew, parliamentarian.

AWANA registration details set

Approved Workers Are Not Ashamed is a non-denominational, Bible-centered group that welcomes children age 3-17 years. In this weekly club, kids learn God's word and have fun doing it.

To register, pick up forms at the chapel.

For more details or to volunteer, call Lisa Brandau at 563-5975.

Family Support

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

Pre-deployment briefing set

A mandatory pre-deployment briefing for people who are deploying or going on a temporary duty assignment for more than 30 days begins at 1 p.m. Wednesday. Spouses are encouraged to attend. This briefing covers information about preparing for deployment and programs available to family members who are left behind.

Pre-separation briefing set

A pre-separation briefing for people separating from the military begins at 9 a.m. Monday. Representatives from the military personnel flight, family support center, Air Force Reserve and finance will provide information. The MPF separations and retirements office schedules members for this briefing. For more details, call 687-1500 or 687-6720.

Menus

Knob Noster Elementary School

Monday:	Hot dog, baked beans, apple and jello
Tuesday:	Fish sticks, salad, beets and fruit chew
Wednesday:	Goulash, green beans, pineapple chunks, graham cracker and roll
Thursday:	Pork patty, cole slaw, carrots and fruit
Friday:	Egg roll, rice, Oriental vegetables and peaches

Whiteman Elementary School

Monday:	Hot dog, lettuce salad, French fries and fruit
Tuesday:	Chili crispito, salad, beans and jello with fruit
Wednesday:	Chicken patty, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots, fruit and roll
Thursday:	Taco salad, lettuce salad, peas and cookie
Friday:	Chicken and noodles, carrots, fruit and brownie



Photo by 2nd Lt. Mary Olsen

Yea, that's the ticket

Senior Airman Joe Marsala, 393rd Bomb Squadron, gets his Kansas City Chiefs tickets from Karen Ocamb, Mission's End employee. Airman Marsala was one of 129 people, selected from a raffle held Tuesday, given the opportunity to purchase Chiefs tickets.



Photo by Melissa Klinkner

They're going the distance!

First Lt. Todd Cook, Senior Airman Richard Roane, and 1st Lts. Nathan Hogan and Andy Heo practice for the upcoming Air Force Marathon. Ten members of the 509th Communications Squadron are participating in the marathon Sept. 18 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. They practice individually six days a week and train together Thursdays.

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FREE Classified Advertising in the *Whiteman Spirit*

READ ALL RULES BEFORE PLACING AN AD

1. Advertising is free to all active-duty, guard and reserve military members and civil servants who work on base or at the MoARNG in Warrensburg only. Military or civil service rank must be included in the space for "rank." We do offer free advertising to retired military members.
2. Ads of a commercial nature such as baby-sitting, lawn maintenance, house cleaning, product sales, apartments or houses for rent, work-at-home opportunities or any other service in which the person makes a profit must be prepaid. Paid ads must be placed directly through the *Sedalia Democrat* at 1-800-892-7856, dropped off at 700 S. Massachusetts Ave., Sedalia, Mo., 65301 or e-mailed to the-classifieds@sedaliademocrat.com. They accept VISA, Mastercard, cash, personal check or money order.
3. Free ads are for one-time sale of personal items only. Free ads can't be placed for churches, groups, clubs, organizations or friends not affiliated with the military. Items must be sold for \$150 or less.
4. Only one free ad*, maximum 30 words, will be allowed to run at any given time by the same household, for a maximum of eight weeks. Ads over the 30-word maximum will be edited at the publisher's discretion. *People who are PCSing may place more than one ad and sell the items at any price.
5. Include your home phone in the ad so people can contact you. USE OF DUTY PHONES IN ADS IS AGAINST AIR FORCE REGULATIONS.
6. Print legibly, and place punctuation and spaces where necessary. Use only one word per line.
7. Free ads aren't taken over the phone. They must be dropped off at or mailed to the 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs Office, 509th Spirit Blvd, Ste 111, Whiteman AFB, Mo., 65305. Ads may also be faxed to 660-687-7948.
8. Many offices on base are using old forms**. If you would like a copy of the new ad form to keep in your office, call 687-6133 and we'll fax a new form for your use.
9. Homes for sale that are listed with a realtor must be paid for. Only people who are PCSing and selling homes FSBO (for sale by owner) qualify as a free ad.
10. Free yard sale ads are for active-duty, guard, reserve and retired military members living on or off base. People who live on base must have their yard sale approved by the housing office first.
11. The deadline for placing new ads, canceling or making changes to ads is 10 a.m. ^{RNLT}Friday, ~~one~~ one week before desired publication.
12. Ads that don't meet these guidelines will not run. Free advertising is a privilege extended to you by the publisher, and your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Submitter's name & address:

Please specify Military/Civil Service Rank:

Home Phone:

Circle number of weeks to run: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

I swear the above ad is true and correct, and I am the owner of the described property.

Signature **Date**

**All other versions of free classified advertising forms are invalid.