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Coast Guard establishes presence in Barrow

Coast Guard District 17 news release

Coast Guard Forward Operating Location Barrow, Alaska became officially operational July 16. FOL Barrow is part of the Coast Guard’s ongoing involvement on the Northern Slope, Arctic Shield 2012, which focuses on outreach, operations and an assessment of the Coast Guard’s capabilities north of the Arctic Circle.

Arctic Shield kicked off in February with outreach efforts to 27 tribal communities in northern Alaska. Outreach efforts included meetings, medical, dental and veterinary assistance as well as water safety, ice safety, boating safety and commercial fishing vessel safety training at local schools and with search and rescue organizations.

July begins the operational portion of the campaign.

Logistics for operations in the Arctic theater are complex. The FOL in Barrow consists of two Kodiak-based MH-60 Jayhawk helicopters with supporting air, ground and communications crews. While infrastructure for air and ground crews was already in place, the communication crews faced the unique challenge of establishing a secure and reliable line of communications in such a remote and harsh environment.

For long-range communications, planning officials called on Coast Guard Communications Area Master Station Pacific, located in Point Reyes, Calif., to provide communication support for the anticipated increase of maritime activity in the Arctic.

CAMSPAC delivers record message traffic and voice communications services to more than 13,000 Coast Guard men and women at 358 units from Alaska to the Middle East to the South Pacific. CAMSPAC crews also provide extensive weather warnings and safety information to thousands of commercial and recreational vessels, and act as a distress notification center when mariners encounter difficulty. CAMSPAC coordinated the deployment of one of their detachments to ensure communications in support of the operational phase.

Arriving in Barrow in early July, the seven-person crew spent five days setting up a remote communications post near Barrow Point. A mere 1,250 miles from the North Pole, they had their work cut out for them. Minimal infrastructure in the region required the transfer of a transportable commu-



ABOVE: Coast Guard communication crews load a mobile communication center in support of Forward Operating Location Barrow, Alaska onto a Coast Guard C-130 Hercules at Coast Guard Air Station Kodiak, July 2. Two helicopters with supporting air, ground and communications crews were moved 900-miles north from Kodiak to Barrow to support the summer operational phase of the Coast Guard’s Arctic Shield 2012. (U.S. Coast Guard photo/Petty Officer 1st Class Charlie Vice) **RIGHT:** Petty Officer 3rd Class Jonathan Gutierrez, an operations specialist with the Communications Area Master Station Pacific, adjusts a satellite antennae attached to the Transportable Communications Center deployed in Barrow July 18. Gutierrez and his fellow crew members have been deployed to Barrow in support of Coast Guard Arctic Shield 2012 operations, community outreach and capability assessment initiatives. (U.S. Coast Guard photo/Petty Officer 2nd Class Elizabeth H. Bordelon)



nica- tions center to the area to support the needs of the seasonal operation.

“It was incredibly difficult to get our TCC up here,” said Petty Officer 1st Class David Warfel, an operations specialist at the CAMSPAC Mobile Contingency Communication Detachment in Novato, Calif. “We drove the trailer from Novato to Sacramento and then loaded it onto a C-130 bound for Kodiak. We only had a quarter-of-an-inch of

space on each side once inside the aircraft, so it took quite a bit of maneuvering. The trailer was then transferred to a second aircraft for its final transit to Barrow.”

Once operational, the TCC was staffed by Coast Guard operations specialists from CAMSPAC, Communication Station Kodiak, the 17th Coast Guard District, Training Center Petaluma and Air Station Kodiak.

Through the coordination of these in-

dividuals from multiple units in this lonely tent at the northern most point of the United States, a vital link to critical resources is available to mariners in distress. Communication capability is crucial in time-sensitive situations like search and rescue missions.

“All of our communications—the HF, VHF, satellite communications, etc—are run out of this trailer,” said Petty Officer 3rd Class Jonathan Gutierrez. “We have the ability to relay long-range calls back to the local police department and medical personnel when search and rescue is necessary.”

Communication operations for Arctic Shield are dynamic. Arctic weather can change suddenly, and the crews must remain flexible in order to adapt. Flight times change, search and rescue cases pop up.

“Right now, we are only up and operating when our aircraft are airborne,” Warfel said. “We are working primarily as air-guard support for the helicopters. However, we are also monitoring the maritime frequencies, like Channel 16, which will be used by our cutters once they arrive.”

Warfel said an estimated arrival date of surface assets is difficult to pin down. Arctic ice is tricky to predict and only a small window exists in which the vessels can safely transit to the Arctic region.

“The ice changes every day,” Warfel said. “When we first arrived, there was no ice close to the shore. Now it’s everywhere. You can swim right out and touch it.”

And swim out they did.

Though radio and satellite communication may have been the job the CAMSPAC crew was deployed to Barrow to accomplish, the overarching goal of Arctic Shield is to initiate a much more important type of discussion – one between the local community and Coast Guard personnel.

Interactions between ground crews and residents are building a relationship based on trust and understanding.

Several of the CAMSPAC crew members are now official members of the local chapter of the Barrow Polar Bear Club. Initiation requires a dip in the icy waters of the Arctic Ocean and the crew was happy to comply.

“A bunch of the local children came out to the beach to watch us take the plunge,” Warfel said. “We were also invited to participate in the 4th of July festivities. We had a float in the city’s parade. Everyone here has been really nice and very welcoming.”

Future USS Anchorage completes acceptance trials at sea

Navy News Service news report

AVONDALE, La. — The future USS Anchorage (LPD 23) successfully completed acceptance trials last month, sailing from and returning to Huntington Ingalls Industries’ shipyard in Avondale, La.

Anchorage is the seventh ship of the San Antonio class of amphibious transport dock ships to be presented to the Navy’s Board of Inspection and Survey for acceptance.

“These trials are the final major milestone prior to delivering LPD 23 to the Navy,” said Jay Stefany, LPD 17 class program manager for the Navy’s Program Executive Office, Ships. “Ingalls continues to make strides since the success of USS San Diego’s (LPD 22) trials last fall in providing ships with vital amphibious capabilities to the fleet. LPD 23’s performance in these trials reflects the increasing maturity of the class.”

During the trials, the ship demonstrated a variety of systems including main propulsion engineering and ship control systems, combat and communications systems, damage control, various mission systems, food service and crew support and the shipboard wide area network – the electronic backbone of the ship.

Among the highlights of the at-sea trial portion, Anchorage completed a four-hour, full-power run, self defense detect-to-engage exercises, steering checks, a quick reversal, boat handling and anchoring. The at-sea rapid ballast and deballast demonstration is unique to amphibious ships and consists of rapidly flooding the ship’s well deck as if landing craft were to be launched or recovered. The ship is then deballasted to return to the normal operating draft. In the case of this acceptance trial, the results of the rapid ballast event beat the 15-minute time standard by almost 2 minutes, a



The future USS Anchorage (LPD 23) successfully completed builder’s trials in the Gulf of Mexico, marking a significant milestone as the ship progresses toward acceptance trials and eventual delivery to the Navy. Secretary of the Navy Ray Mabus approved the Port of Anchorage as the location for the ship’s commissioning ceremony, which is tentatively scheduled to take place in the fall of 2012. (Courtesy photo)

significant achievement.

In addition to the INSURV team, Navy experts from Naval Sea Systems Command, the LPD 17 class program office, and the Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Gulf Coast, participated in the trials.

“The government/industry team on the Gulf Coast is on track to deliver three LPDs within a year, a record for this ship class,” said Capt. Steve Mitchell, supervisor of Shipbuilding Gulf Coast. “Each team member contributed

to quality assurance, testing, and evaluation in the months preceding these trials and the successful completion of over 200 trial events this week.”

The future Anchorage is scheduled to be commissioned in 2013 in the ship’s namesake city of Anchorage, Alaska. This is the second ship to be named Anchorage after Alaska’s largest city and home to more than 40 percent of the state’s population.

LPD 23 will join USS New

Orleans (LPD 18), USS Green Bay (LPD 20), and USS San Diego (LPD 22) as the fourth ship of the class to be homeported in San Diego, Calif.

USS San Antonio (LPD 17), USS Mesa Verde (LPD 19), and USS New York (LPD 21) operate out of Norfolk, Va. Three additional LPD 17-class ships are currently under construction at HII facilities on the Gulf Coast including the future Arlington (LPD 24), Somerset (LPD 25), and John P.

Murtha (LPD 26).

As one of the Defense Department’s largest acquisition organizations, PEO Ships is responsible for executing the development and procurement of all destroyers, amphibious ships, special mission and support ships, and special warfare craft. Currently, the majority of shipbuilding programs managed by PEO Ships are benefiting from serial production efficiencies, which are critical to delivering ships on cost and schedule.

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Fort Wainwright Soldier dies in Fairbanks

USARAK news release

A Fort Wainwright Soldier died early Sunday morning in Fairbanks in the apartment of a fellow Soldier.

Pvt. Jawuan D. Collins, 19, was apparently killed from a gunshot wound to the head shortly after midnight. The other Soldier and his wife immediately called the Fairbanks Police Department who responded to the scene within two minutes.

Collins entered the Army in January, completed basic and advanced individual training at Fort Benning, Ga. and arrived at Fort Wainwright in June where he was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 24th Infantry Regiment, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division.

The incident is under investigation by the Fairbanks Police Department. The Army's Criminal Investigation Detachment at Fort Wainwright is supporting the investigation.

The next of kin have been notified.

Flying Dragons receive new Chinook helicopters

By Staff Sgt. Trish McMurphy
U.S. Army Alaska Public Affairs

FORT WAINWRIGHT — Fort Wainwright's 1st Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regiment, 16th Combat Aviation Brigade, known as the "Flying Dragons," received nine new CH-47F Chinook helicopters in April to upgrade the unit's capabilities.

The unit will train on the new aircraft during the course of several months.

"The CH-47F Chinook is the world's premier heavy-lift cargo helicopter and continues to evolve through the use of newly-updated, state-of-the-art technology," 1-52nd Aviation commander, Army Lt. Col. John Knightstep said.

"This will ensure that the United States military will have the most capable aircraft of this type to meet the needs of the war fighter today and well into the future," Knightstep said. "The improvements to the CH-47F increase our pilots' ability to effectively support the ground commander in the most demanding and dangerous of conditions."

Commander of B Company, 1st Battalion, 52nd Aviation Regi-



Soldiers of 1st Battalion, 52d Aviation Regiment, Fort Wainwright, Alaska receives its first new Chinook CH-47F helicopters. (U.S. Army photo/Staff Sgt. Trish McMurphy)

ment, Capt. Jason McCoy, said with their new technology and integrated computer systems, the Chinooks can do such things as self adjust and maintain a hover in a one-foot radius.

"They have a moving map; it's almost like a GPS system. You

can zoom in and it will show you exactly where you want to go," McCoy said. "And in hover mode it can take into account winds and adjust to hold in that spot.

"This really helps with high altitudes, flying in the mountains," the captain continued. "You can

see where guys are at on the ground, circle around, put them in the GPS and come right back to them. With the hover of the one-foot radius it's easy for us to lower the hoist and pick them up – good to go."

The new model's major changes are visible in the cockpit area, where many of the older model's gauges have been replaced with digital displays.

"The improvements allow for more situational awareness while flying, it's all digital up front, all computerized and the pilots can focus more on what's outside the cockpit and what is around them and not worry about what's going on inside," said McCoy. "It's almost like auto pilot."

McCoy is one of the first pilots in Alaska that has completed the training and is fully certified to fly the new models. After a few more months of training, his fellow Chinook pilots and crews will also be taking to the air in their new helicopters.

Editor's note: Soldiers of the 16th CAB routinely fly missions in support of U.S. Army Alaska units stationed at JBER.

Defense secretary lifts F-22 Raptor flight restrictions

By Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta is satisfied the Air Force has identified the cause of hypoxia-like symptoms 12 F-22 pilots suffered, and restrictions he placed on use of the fifth-generation fighter will be lifted gradually.

Air Force Secretary Michael B. Donley, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton A. Schwartz and other Air Force leaders told Panetta July 20 they are confident the root cause of the symptoms is the supply of oxygen to pilots and not the quality of oxygen, Pentagon Press Secretary George Little said today at a news conference.

Reporters asked why these shortcomings weren't picked up earlier.

"I can't go back in time and conduct technical archeology on this type of aircraft," Little said. "I would say the Air Force has taken very prudent measures ... over the past year and a half or so with respect to the F-22. And they have come to the conclusion as to what is causing these hypoxia events.

"With any aircraft – be it the F-22 or the F-16, [or] with a helicopter or a ground vehicle – we can never take the risk to zero," he said. "But we have an obligation to our troops and our Airmen to make whatever equipment they are using as safe as possible, and that's what we think we're doing here."

In May, Panetta directed the Air Force to limit all F-22 flights to remain near potential landing locations to enable quick recovery and landing should a pilot encounter oxygen deprivation. The secretary also directed the



Air Force Lt. Col. Paul Moga, 525th Fighter Squadron, opens the hatch of his F-22 Raptor wearing full flight equipment May 5. The Department of Defense lifted flight restrictions on F-22s Tuesday. (U.S. Air Force photo/David Bedard)

Air Force to expedite the installation of an automatic backup oxygen system in all of the planes, and he asked for monthly progress reports as the service continued the search for the root cause of the problem.

These actions were in addition to steps the Air Force already was taking to determine the root causes of the hypoxia-like symptoms pilots experienced. Panetta made this decision, in part, due to the reluctance of some pilots to fly the aircraft, Little said at the time.

The Air Force has made two changes that appear to have solved the hypoxia problem.

The first was to order pilots not to wear the pressure garment vest during high-altitude missions. Pilots use the vest to combat G-forces generated flying a high-performance aircraft. The vest inflates to stop blood from pooling, which would cause pilots to black out during high-speed turns.

The Air Force found that a faulty valve "caused the vest to inflate and remain inflated under conditions where it was not designed to inflate, thereby causing breathing problems for some pilots," Little said. "The garment has been suspended from flight since June."

This problem was not identified during initial F-22 testing.

Second, the Air Force removed a canister filter from the oxygen delivery system, and that has increased the volume of air flowing to pilots. The service also is looking at improving the oxygen delivery hose and its connections.

Following the Air Force briefing last week, Panetta decided to lift restrictions on the aircraft gradually. Begun Tuesday, F-22s resumed long-duration flights for deployments, aircraft deliveries and repositioning of aircraft.

"Secretary Panetta has authorized deployment of a squadron of F-22 aircraft to Kadena Air Base, Japan," Little said. "The aircraft will fly to Japan under altitude restrictions using the northern Pacific transit route."

Following completion of the flight to Japan, the Air Force likely will approve most long-duration flights, officials said.

Still, initial long-duration flight routes will be designed to pass near airfields. The Air Force also has imposed an altitude restriction on the aircraft so pilots will not need to wear the pressure vest.

Training sorties will remain near runways until completion of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board-recommended corrective actions. This is expected by the end of the summer.

The Air Force will notify Panetta when fixes are finished with the pressure vest and related cockpit life support components. Pending successful completion of associated testing and NASA's independent analysis, Panetta can decide to return the F-22 fleet status to normal operations.

JPAC team completes Colony Glacier investigation and recovery

By Air Force Staff Sgt. Zachary Wolf
JBER Public Affairs

On June 10, debris was discovered on Colony Glacier by Alaska Army National Guardsmen, who were flying a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter.

In response, a specialized team from the Joint Prisoner Of War/Missing In Action Accounting Command touched down on the glacier and began the recovery effort on June 18.

The JPAC team recovered material evidence, such as life support equipment from the wreckage, and also possible osseous material from the glacier. The team completed their investigation and recovery operation June 26 and the collected evidence was transported to JPAC's Central Identification Laboratory in Hawaii for further analysis.

Joint Task Force-Alaska also put a team together to collect any remaining debris left behind on the glacier. The team consisted of 10 crash recovery specialists from the 3rd Wing; one Explosive Ordnance Disposal technician and one Mortuary Affairs Specialist from the 673rd Air Base Wing; two Northern Warfare Training Center specialists from Fort Wainwright; and helicopter crews from the Alaska Army National Guard.

"The team was a true coalition of the willing," said Army Lt. Col. Chris Nall, Alaskan Command Future Operations chief. "All units involved were asked to bring their respective expertise and capabilities to the planning and execution effort. To overcome potential issues, all players were brought into the planning effort from the very beginning. This allowed everyone to assist in the planning and development of requirements."

Army Capt. Daniel Perpich, U.S. Army Northern Warfare Training Center training officer, the lead for the team on the glacier, expressed that their main goal was safety, especially with the recovery being done on an active glacier.

"Our biggest goal here is to do this recovery without any injuries at all and I think we have more than enough capabilities to accomplish that," said Perpich.



With no injuries incurred, that goal was met and the glacier will be watched over the next year.

"It was a great honor and opportunity for our team to be involved," said Roy Ad-

kins, 3rd Maintenance Squadron Crash Recovery Wheel and Tire shop foreman. "Our team takes great pride in being able to utilize the training we have to handle each unique situation. Every time we perform a

recovery operation we learn something new that benefits our team in the future. We hope that the families can finally have some type of closure and knowledge that we have done everything possible."

ABOVE: Army Capt. Daniel Perpich and Army Staff Sgt. Joshua Richardson, of U.S. Army Northern Warfare Training Center, search Colony Glacier for debris July 10. The Joint Prisoner Of War/Missing In Action Accounting Command-led recovery team responded to a sighting by the Alaska Army National Guard that appeared to be an aircraft wreckage. LEFT: A UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter from the Alaska Army National Guard prepares to drop off members of the 3rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron's Crash Recovery team on Colony Glacier July 10. The recovery team responded to a sighting by the National Guard that appeared to be aircraft wreckage. (U.S. Army photo/Staff Sgt. Brehl Garza)



An F-15C Eagle fighter climbs under afterburners during a Turkey Shoot aircraft-production competition at JBER July 19. (U.S. Air Force photo/Justin Connaher)



Senior Airman Chris Thiel, 90th Aircraft Maintenance Unit, signals July 19 during a JBER turkey shoot competition. (U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Cynthia Spalding)

Reserve, active duty, Guard compete in turkey shoot

By Tech. Sgt. Dana Rosso
477th Fighter Group Public Affairs

Pilots and maintainers assigned to the 477th Fighter Group competed alongside their active duty and Air National Guard counterparts in the 3rd Wing’s turkey shoot competition July 17 to 19 at JBER.

A turkey shoot is an Air Force tradition going back to the early days of tactical aviation.

“Throughout the three-day competition, operators and maintenance personnel were graded on their ability to produce aircraft and accomplish a tactical mission that represents something the 3rd Wing assets would do in actual combat,” said Maj. Christopher Miller, a member of the 302nd Fighter Squadron and one of the turkey shoot coordinators.

A vast array of squadrons from active duty Air Force, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve participated in the training exercise, including the 302nd, 159th, 90th and 525th fighter squadrons, the 3rd Operations Support Squadron, the 517th and 176th airlift squadrons, the 477th, 703rd, 176th and 3rd aircraft maintenance squadrons and the 18th Aggressor Squadron.

The competition started as aircraft maintenance units produced fully mission capable aircraft. Weapons load crews were evaluated on their ability to load as quickly and safely as possible, with no technical order viola-

tions. While those maintenance personnel were generating combat-ready aircraft, the C-17 Globemaster III, F-15C Eagle and F-22 Raptor pilots along with their intel personnel were mission planning and briefing in preparation for the training scenario.

Once the jets were determined to be “combat” ready, four Reserve F-22 pilots from the 302nd FS and four Air Guard F-15C pilots from 159th FS from Jacksonville, Fla., took off from JBER and escorted a C-17 from the 517th Airlift Squadron to a drop zone located within the Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex to deliver the simulated load.

Throughout the mission, the pilots faced simulated surface-to-air missiles and engaged with F-16s from the 18th Aggressor Squadron from Eielson Air Force Base, located 250 miles north of JBER.

This was the first time that a four-ship of Reserve pilots from the 302nd FS has competed in the 3rd Wing’s turkey shoot. Miller said the Reserve and the Air Guard’s participation in this training is an example of JBER’s commitment to Total Force Integration.

“The turkey shoot fosters a competitive spirit and improves camaraderie between participating units,” Miller said. “It gives an increased knowledge about 3rd Wing assets and a fighting “team” spirit with all operations and maintenance participants.”



A purple lupine flower serves as floral foreground for an F-22 Raptor taxiing during a turkey shoot competition July 19 at JBER. (U.S. Air Force photo/Justin Connaher)



ABOVE: Lt. Col. Chad Feucht, a Reserve F-22 pilot assigned to the 477th Fighter Group, conducts final checks on his flight equipment July 18. (U.S. Air Force Photo/Tech. Sgt. Dana Rosso)
LEFT: A load crew lifts an AIM-9 Sidewinder missile July 19. (U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Cynthia Spalding)



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Briefs and Announcements

Open House information

During the Arctic Thunder Open House, gate hours and traffic patterns will change to ensure maximum traffic flow during the event.

Friday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Those attending the JBER Open House Special Needs Day should enter JBER through the Post Road Gate.

Saturday and Sunday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

1. Richardson Gate will open for all visitors. Vehicles larger than three-quarter ton must use the Richardson Gate. Buses will take attendees from parking lots to the Open House.

2. Boniface Gate is open for all Open House visitors in vehicles three quarter ton or smaller. Travel to other areas on JBER will not be possible from Boniface gate.

3. Department of Defense I.D. cardholders should use the Muldoon gate for access to the Hospital, Joint Military Mall, Commissary and base housing.

4. Post Road Gate is open to DoD CAC card holders; VIP/distinguished visitors, media, vendors and Open House staff will be able to access Open House parking from Post Road gate.

5. The Government Hill gate is open to all DoD CAC card holders. Parking and busing will be provided at Hangar 5.

6. Arctic Warrior drive will be closed at Sijan drive.

7. JBER-Elmendorf residents traveling to the Commissary/mall area must exit Government Hill or Post Road gate and access via Muldoon Gate.

8. On Saturday and Sunday, Davis Highway will be open for one-way travel to JBER-E.

9. Vehicles traveling to JBER-Richardson from Open House parking must exit Boniface gate and re-enter the Richardson Gate.

10. JBER-E housing residents are encouraged to walk to the Open House to avoid traffic delays.

11. All visitors are encouraged to carpool to avoid traffic congestion and decrease wait times.

12. All drivers must have driver's license, proof of insurance and registration readily available while on JBER.

13. Vehicles remaining in Open House parking lots after Open House hours will be towed at the owner's expense.

14. Vehicles with trailers will not be allowed into Open House parking lots.

15. Camping, loitering or grilling out in Open House parking lots is prohibited.

Disposition of effects

Army 2nd Lt. Zachary Schultz, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 501st Infantry Regiment, is authorized to make disposition of personal effects of Staff Sgt. Carl Hammar, 1-501st Inf., as stated in Army Regulation 638-2.

Any person or persons having claims for or against the estate of the deceased should contact Schultz at (321) 258-0981.

Library closure

The JBER Library will be closed from Aug. 4 through Sept. 3 for upgrades.

Patrons who are clearing the installation can go to Room 112 of the Education Center (Library Building) between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Materials can be returned in the drop box outside the building.

For more information, call 384-1640.

Arctic Watch

The JBER Antiterrorism Office encourages all personnel to be vigilant against threats and report suspicious activities to iWatchArmy at 384-0824 or Eagle Eyes at 552-2256.

Road closures

Richardson Drive and 1st Street is closed from August 5 through Sept. 8 for the installation of a new storm sewer. Access will be maintained to the gas station and credit union parking areas.

Public Health closures

Public Health closes the first Thursday of the month from 1 to 4:30 p.m. and the third Thursday of the month from noon to 4:30 p.m. every month. For more information, call 580-4014.

Air Force ROTC instructors wanted

Eligible first lieutenants, captains and majors interested in teaching future Air Force officers must indicate that interest on their statement of intent, via the Airman Development Plan.

Fully-coordinated, approved application packages are due to Air Education and Training Command by Aug. 10.

Lieutenants must have at least a year in grade and three years

of commissioned service. All applicants must have four years on station by June 2013, or be in a mandatory move status during summer 2013 or have a Jan.-May 2013 date eligible for return from overseas.

Applicants must also have superior performance records, and some universities require a master's degree, so applicants should note that before listing their duty preferences. Before applicants can submit their packages to AETC, they must be released from their career field.

For full application package instructions, visit <https://mypers.af.mil>.

School physicals

The 673d Medical Group is offering physicals by appointment only for school and sports. Physicals are valid for one year. To schedule an appointment, call 580-2778.

U-Fix-It Store

The U-Fix-it Store is located in Building 706 and is open to all Aurora Military Housing tenants.

Assorted items for maintaining your home may be issued from the U-Fix-It Store.

The items available are subject to change and limits and some may have a cost. There are also American flag kits, and fire extinguishers available. U-Fix-It work includes all home maintenance activities.

Its purpose is to allow the occupant to make minor improvements and repairs to their home and cut down on the amount of service orders at maintenance.

This allows tenants to do work in their homes themselves, thus improving the appearance of the interior as well as the exterior of the home. There are two stores located on base.

The JBER-Elmendorf location is 6350 Arctic Warrior Drive and it is open 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. (closed for lunch noon to 1 p.m.).

The JBER-Richardson location is Building 706 1st St., open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

A window blind cleaning machine is currently located at the JBER-Elmendorf location.

A "reservation required to use" policy is in place with the priority going to military members PCS-

ing. For more information, call 375-5540.

MiCare registration

MiCare, the online personal health record and secure messaging application, has been available to patients and medical group staff at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson since December.

More than 2,400 patients have already signed up to take advantage of the ability to communicate with their primary care clinicians online.

Registered patients also have access to electronic records, allowing them to view and maintain their health records.

The 673d Medical Group is the first Air Force site to test this system.

Once registered, patients have the ability to participate in the study by completing a short series of surveys during the course of the next year.

This provides an opportunity for all active-duty, retired and dependent patients to have an impact on shaping the future of Air Force health services.

To register, visit the Military Treatment Facility, where enrollment specialists are available in each primary care clinic.

All beneficiaries who are enrolled in the family health, pediatrics, flight medicine and internal medicine clinics are eligible to participate. Patients need to show a military identification card and provide information, including name, social security number, birthday and email address.

The enrollment specialist will enter the information and patients will receive an email which contains a link and instructions for completing the process.

Find housing

Visit the Automated Housing Referral Network at www.ahrn.com to find housing before packing up.

Sponsored by the Department of Defense, the website listings include available community rentals, military housing, shared rentals, temporary lodging and military for sale by owner listings.

Listings include property descriptions, pictures, maps, links to local schools, and contact information.

Service members who would like to rent their homes, sell their homes, or are looking for another

service member as a roommate in their current homes, may post an ad free of charge on the site. For more information, call 552-4439.

Rental Partnership

The Rental Partnership Program at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson is available to all eligible active-duty members and consists of two options.

The first option, RPP Plus, includes utilities and sometimes cable costs providing an easier budget with a set rental payment year round.

The other option, RPP 5 Percent Below Market, saves the member five percent off the rental fee that other tenants pay however utilities are paid for by the tenant.

Both options are made available with no deposits or fees to the member with the exclusion of pet fees as it may apply.

This program is designed to provide active-duty military personnel, enlisted and officers, accompanied and unaccompanied with affordable off-base housing.

An allotment must be executed under either option of the RPP for the rental payments which is made directly to the landlord resulting in a more trouble free transactions.

JBER-Elmendorf can see RPP officials at the Capital Asset Management Office, Building 6346, Arctic Warrior Drive, or call at 552-4328 or 552-4374 for further information and assistance regarding this program.

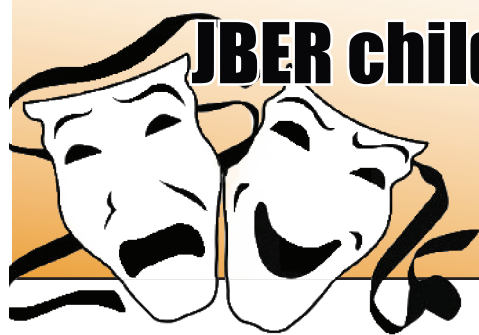
At JBER-Richardson, visit the Housing Management Office, Building 600, Richardson Drive, or call at 384-3088 or 384-7632.

Mortgage relief

Policies are in effect to provide significant housing relief to thousands of service members and veterans who have faced wrongful foreclosure or been denied a lower interest rate on their mortgages.

Service members and their dependents who believe that their Service Member Civil Relief Act rights have been violated should contact their servicing legal assistance office – 552-3046 at JBER-Elmendorf office, and 284-0371 for the JBER-Richardson office.

Additionally, information and referral services regarding the mortgage relief plan can be obtained at the JBER Military and Family Readiness Center, 552-4943.



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SCOUTS CAMP OUT

By Senior Airman Ross A. Whitley
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“Scouting teaches boys responsibility and basic skills on adulthood, it gives them a head start to growing up to be independent young men who can be self reliant and self responsible” said Boy Scout Troop 190 Scoutmaster Wes Raley.

JBER Boy Scout Troop 190 and Troop 504 traveled to Gorsuch Boy Scout Summer Camp July 15 for a weeklong trip in the woods to help Scouts become, as Raley says, “independent young men.” While the scouts won’t be completely independent by the end of the week, they will be a little closer to reaching that goal.

The Scouts gathered outside the commissary parking lot on a dreary Sunday morning before loading up in vehicles and heading to Gorsuch summer camp, where they checked in for their week of fun and excitement. When they arrived at camp the Scouts set up their tents and found out where their merit badge classes would be.

The Scouts had a variety of activities and events planned throughout the week.

“A lot of the activities go towards a particular skill set,” Raley said. “First aid teaches the Scouts what to do in an emergency situation like for bee stings, burns, broken bones, stuff like that; how to do CPR. It teaches self reliance and general everyday skills.”

Each department at camp has a different focus and the Scouts chose what they are most interested in. The waterfront of Mirror Lake is where the scouts learn about water-related merit badges like canoeing, kayaking, lifesaving, and swimming.

Scoutcraft is where Scouts learn about different scouting skills like map reading and lashings – for example, making tripods and towel racks.

The climbing and the Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience areas give Scouts the chance to climb a rock face or face their fears and learn to work together in a group on the COPE course.

“I think that they do it to learn



the skill, but they learn it in a very hands-on and very direct environment,” Raley said. “It appeals to a lot of young men who are very kinetic learners.”

By Friday, the Scouts had

learned new camp songs and earned merit badges they can sew on their sashes, and the summer camp was well worth it, Raley said.

“Boys can go to achieve personal goals and also to do new

and exciting things,” Raley said. “Going with Troop 190, it was an awesome experience to watch them develop, watch them make decisions, and watch them lead themselves where they wanted to go.”



ABOVE: MacKenzie Wooden, a Boy Scout with JBER’s Troop 190 practices flipping a kayak at the Mirror Lake waterfront at Camp Gorsuch during the second week of camp. Mackenzie took the kayaking merit badge at summer camp this year. Boy Scouts go to camp every year to learn scouting skills that they will use later in life. RIGHT: Grady Desaussure, a scout of JBER’s Boy Scout Troop 190, aims a .22 rifle at a target at the Camp Gorsuch Rifle Range during the second week of camp. One of the requirements for rifle merit badge is for Scouts to place five shots that will fit under a quarter from 50 feet. (U.S. Air Force photos/Senior Airman Ross Whitley)



TOP: Bradley Street, a Boy Scout with JBER’s Troop 504, ties a figure eight in his belay line before climbing Tazlina rock face at Camp Gorsuch, near Chugiak, Alaska. Boy Scouts go to camp each summer to learn scouting skills as well as critical thinking and teamwork, which can offer dividends throughout life.

ABOVE: Jordan Wooden, a Boy Scout with JBER’s Troop 190 aims his arrow at a target at the Camp Gorsuch Archery Range during the second week of camp. To earn the archery merit badge, Scouts must shoot targets at a distance of 15 yards and accrue a score of at least 170.

Protestant education opportunities abound across JBER chapels

Commentary by Bascom Gordon
JBER Chapel Center

When Jesus gave his apostles their final orders in Matthew 28:18-20, he didn’t tell them to make converts who would dedicate an hour of their lives on Sunday mornings to him, provided they liked the style of music being sung.

He commanded them to “... make disciples of all nations... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”

A disciple is a student or learner whose purpose is to become like his teacher by absorbing all of his teaching and making it his rule of life.

Discipleship is the heart of Christian education, taking the word of God and instilling it in the hearts and minds of believers.

Scripture is the primary means God has given to cause Christians to grow in Christ-likeness.

Second Timothy 3:16-17 says, “All scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching,

for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work.”

This fall, JBER’s Protestant congregations will have a number of Christian education opportunities available to help build a strong scriptural foundation in our lives.

The most exciting news is the announcement of JBER’s first Bible Conference.

This will be called “Bible Boot Camp” and will take place at the Arctic Warrior Event Center on Friday, Sept. 7 from 6:30 p.m. until 9 and Sept. 8 from 9 a.m. until noon.

Doors will open 30 minutes early and there is no charge. The speaker is Michael Patton, of Credo House Ministries in Edmond, Okla. Michael has a Master’s of Theology from Dallas Theological Seminary, and before starting Credo House, served as associate pastor at Stonebriar Bible Church in Dallas, working with Pastor Chuck Swindoll.

The purpose of Credo House is to provide quality theological education to everyone in the Church.

This conference will focus on four essential, historic truths of the Christian faith: the trinity – a God who is one being yet three persons; the incarnation, the significance of God becoming a man in the person of Jesus; the reliability of the scriptures and the biblical view of mankind.

Next, our primary religious education program, Discovery, begins on Sept. 5.

Meeting at Soldiers’ Chapel at 5:45 p.m. on Wednesdays during the school year, the five Protestant congregations on JBER meet together for a free fellowship dinner, and then attend classes from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30. A nursery ministry is provided.

This fall, there will be four challenging, thought-provoking, and growth-stimulating adult classes.

First, “The Art Of Marriage” is coming back by popular demand.

It is a course that challenges preconceptions and teaches the biblical view of marriage.

Second, Air Force Chaplain (Capt.) Todd Dickman will be leading an in-depth study of the New Testament book of Hebrews.

Third, “How Shall We Then Live,” by Dr. Francis Schaeffer looks at how a Christian worldview has affected history, culture and art, and challenges us to live with a Christian worldview in a world which is growing increasingly hostile toward Christianity.

The fourth course will begin Sept. 12, called “The Discipleship Program.”

This is a course that examines what every Christian should believe, and how these beliefs should affect how we live.

Children will be continuing in the “Generations of Grace” curriculum, which takes the kids through the Bible in three years.

This year the course will focus on the Old Testament from Deuteronomy to Daniel.

There are classes planned for Pre-K, Kindergarten, first and second grades, third and fourth grades, and fifth and sixth grades.

The classes will cover the same sections of the Bible each week, with lesson plans adapted to each grade level.

Handouts will be given to parents to keep them apprised of what their kids have studied.

The JBER Protestant Chapel program has invited Child Evangelism Fellowship to come and start Good News Clubs in the elementary schools on base.

This is an after school program which will take place Tuesdays starting this fall.

Every week, trained teachers will present an exciting Bible lesson, music, games, Scripture memory, and a missionary story.

Parents must sign a permission slip in order for their children to attend.

For more information on any of these events, please contact the Chapel Center, 552-4422.

Integrity is one of the core values for a very good reason

Commentary by Air Force
Lt. Col. Michael Wulfestieg
Air Force News Service

A lot has been written throughout the years about Air Force core values, and the importance of not only knowing, but living them.

This is a popular topic of professional military education graduations, special events and commentary articles.

However, continuous discussion of some foundational topics is important, especially when such repetition helps to highlight the many positive aspects of a value like “integrity,” as opposed to being lulled into thinking the all-too-frequencegative examples in daily life or widely reported in the media are the only “reality.”

George Washington highlighted his perspective in the comment, “I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man.”

Author Douglas Adams once said, “To give real service you must add something, which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity.”

That is precisely what we do, whether in uniform or civilian clothes, when we commit to supporting the Department of Defense we serve.

How important is having integrity as a part of that service?

Some would argue it makes all the difference, between being interested and committed.

Therefore, it is of little surprise that in the Air Force, we emphasize it as our core value, integrity, upon which all else is built.

So where do we look for role models and examples of this key trait?

Hopefully, not too far.

In my experience, I have seen it when Airmen step up and admit they may have made a poor decision, and now they need help in mitigating the damage or dealing with the consequences, instead of pretending it didn’t happen.

Other times, it has been a supervisor who laid all the available facts out on the table, to include all the knowns and unknowns, and didn’t try to cover up any gaps in the information or didn’t share partial information to make the message more palatable.

I personally like the anonymous quote, “It is far better to be trusted and respected than it is to be liked.”

Don’t limit your search for examples to your supervisors or fellow Airmen in your workplace.

Take note of that Little League parent who stands up to an unruly fan and reminds

them to stop being rude to the officials and players.

It might not be easy to confront that individual, especially one being loud and boisterous, but it is the right thing to do, for the rest of the fans and obviously for the players.

Or how about that grocery clerk at the express lane who asks a customer to pick a different cashier because they have too many items?

That definitely isn’t the simple choice, it probably isn’t the fastest choice, and it very likely leads to at least a couple of raised voices of frustration, but it is the right choice.

World War II veteran Peter Scotese said, “Integrity is not a 90 percent thing, not a 95 percent thing; either you have it or you don’t.”

Based on his experience, along with a Bronze Star and two Purple Hearts, I think he’s figured it out.

As for other instances in the work environment, daily situations are all around us.

As a self-inspection program manager, your commander is relying on you to thoroughly understand your governing instructions and to openly report all discrepancies, even if that means more work for you to fix any problems you find.

Don’t forget that person who was too distracted this morning to render proper

customs and courtesies during reveille.

If you notice the mistake, then regardless of your rank, you need to respectfully remind them it isn’t optional.

It is obvious the right first step is to hold yourself accountable, to the best of your ability, but you also need to take advantage of opportunities to help others.

Recognizing the difference between integrity and duplicity is a must.

I ask that you not take this as a soap-box speech, and understand that by no means am I saying (or even implying) that any one of us is above reproach – we are, after all, all human.

However, there is an attitude and perspective each of us needs to instill daily in ourselves and those around us; even the simple jobs need to be done right, regardless of how monotonous they might be.

Of course, there may actually be more than one right way, or there may be a need to follow the accepted change process to make a “new” right way, but don’t let yourself think for a moment the wrong way is acceptable, even just once.

There is a Japanese proverb that sums it up perfectly.

“The reputation of a thousand years may be determined by the conduct of one hour.”

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Community happenings

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Dog Jog
The 18th annual Dog Jog starts at East High School. Bring your leashed and vaccinated dog to a 5k or 1-mile walk or run, also featuring games, contests, and much more. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m.; the fair starts at 9 a.m. and the run/walk kicks off at 10 a.m.
For information call 562-7446 or visit www.friendsofpets.org.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
Arctic Thunder Open House and Airshow
Join JBER for this joint-base extravaganza all weekend.
The Air Force’s Thunderbirds demonstration team, the F-22 Raptor Demo Team and the Army’s Golden Knights parachute team headline, with many other air acts and static displays including Army vehicles and demonstrations.
This open house is a great time to explore the military’s presence in Alaska, with vendors, activities and fun for all.
For more information, visit www.jber.af.mil/arcticthunder/.

THURSDAY
Miranda Lambert concert
The Sullivan Arena hosts star Miranda Lambert, time to be announced. Tickets are still available.
For more information, visit mirandalambert.com.

AUGUST 11 AND 12
Alyeska blueberry festival
Celebrate the lush blueberry season with this family-oriented outdoors event.
With more than two dozen booths in the Hotel Alyeska Pond courtyard, live music, and all the blueberry concoctions you can try, this festival is a yearly hit.
Find your own stash of berries to pick.
For information, visit www.alyeskaresort.com or call (800) 880-3880.

AUGUST 13 THROUGH 16
Oil painting class
Learn to create compelling and vibrant landscape art in oil paints with this class on color-mixing to achieve depth, distance and atmosphere.
Hosted at the Anchorage Mu-

seum from 6:30 to 9 p.m.
For information, call 929-9280 or visit www.anchagemuseum.org.
AUGUST 17
Greek Festival
Celebrate the best of Greek culture in Alaska at the 18th Annual Greek Festival.
Traditional foods including lamb and vegan offerings and pastries meet up with Greek folk music and dance lessons.
Greek books, jewelry and more are available, and plenty of activities for the younger crowd are hosted by the Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox church on O’Malley Road.
For information visit www.akgreekfestival.com.

AUGUST 18
Autumn Wings festival
Join Bird TLC for a celebration of birds, wildlife, the outdoors, and Alaska’s autumn.
A live bird program featuring eagles, owls, falcons, hawks, corvids and songbirds, a bird-calling contest, and the release of a rehabilitated eagle are just a few of the activities planned.
For more information, visit birdtlc.net or call 562-4852.

AUG. 23 THROUGH SEPT. 3
Alaska State Fair
Visit the Palmer Fairgrounds for the 76th annual state fair. As usual, agriculture, produce, food, friends and family take center stage.
Live music is also a hit; this year’s lineup includes Styx. For information visit alaskastatefair.org.

AUG. 31 THROUGH SEPT. 2
Girdwood Fungus Fair
This celebration of edible fungus features scientists from around the Pacific Northwest as well as instructors who specialize in mushroom dyes, naturalists and mushroom cultivation. Learn to identify which mushroom are edible and which are dangerous at the Alyeska Resort.
For information visit www.fungusfair.com or call 754-2348.

SEPT. 7
Mardi Gras Downtown
Re-creating Bourbon Street

on Fourth Avenue, this block party features local celebrity chefs with authentic Cajun cuisine, live music, street performers and much more from 5 p.m. until 10 between K and L streets on 4th Ave. in downtown Anchorage.
SEPT. 8
Vertical Challenge
The 5th Annual Climb-A-Thon is an endurance event in which contestants walk, hike and run up the steep North Face Trail of Mount Alyeska and ride the tram down as many times as possible from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m.
Top competitors have climbed more than 20,000 vertical feet – equal to climbing Mount McKinley, but with only 10 hours in which to do it.
For information, visit www.alyeskaresort.com.

Glenn Beck
Talk radio and television star appears at the Dena’ina Civic and Convention Center with his unique brand of political and historical discourse.
For more information call 263-2850 or visit ticketmaster.com.

ONGOING
Sing-along at the zoo
Pre-school-aged children can explore the world of animals through music with musician Annie Reeves.
Children can sing along with the guitar, or play with the musical instruments for kids. Sing-alongs are at 10:30 a.m. Mondays at the coffee shop greenhouse.
For information email klarson@alaskazoo.org.

Wired Cafe for Airmen
The Wired Cafe is located at 7076 Fighter Dr., between Polaris and Yukla dormitories. The cafe has wireless Internet and programs throughout the week for single Airmen living in the dorms.
There are free homestyle meals Fridays at 6 p.m. at the cafe.
For information, call 552-4422.

Model railroading
The Military Society of Model Railroad Engineers meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays and 1 p.m. Saturdays in basement Room 35 of Matanuska Hall, 7153 Fighter Drive.

Anyone interested in model railroading is invited.
For information about meetings, work days, and shows, call 552-5234, visit their site at www.trainweb.org/msmrre or email bjorgan@alaska.net.
Motorcycle training
The Basic Rider Course, Basic Rider Course 2 and Military Sport-bike Rider Course are now accepting applications.
All military personnel and those civilians who use motorcycles as a duty requirement need to be certified.
To register, visit www.militarysafepmv.com and select Elmendorf-Richardson, or contact the safety office at 552-5092 or 552-6850.

Experience the Aurora
It’s the next best thing to the Alaska winter sky – and a lot more comfortable than standing around in a parka.
The Anchorage Museum’s planetarium provides an immersive show that explains the science behind the Aurora Borealis or Northern Lights.
The show projects time-lapse footage of the lights in the Arctic Circle.
For more information, call 929-9200 or visit anchagemuseum.org.

Spenard Farmer’s Market
Under the windmill between 25th and 26th avenues, you can find everything made, caught or grown in Alaska.
Fresh oysters, organic bread, vegetables, flowers and reindeer sausage are just a few of the offerings on tap every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Sept. 29.
For information call 563-6273 or visit www.spenardfarmersmarket.org.

Anchorage Market
More than 300 booths offer a host of items weekends from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the 3rd Avenue and E Street parking lot.
With free lively entertainment and food vendors, the Anchorage market is a family-friendly outing every weekend through the end of September.
For information, visit www.anchagemarkets.com.

Chapel services

Catholic Mass
Sunday
9 a.m. – Soldiers’ Chapel
10:30 a.m. – Elmendorf Chapel 1

Monday through Friday
11:40 a.m. – Soldiers’ Chapel
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
11:30 a.m. – Elmendorf Chapel Center
Thursday
11:30 a.m. – Hospital Chapel

Confession
Saturday
6 p.m. – Soldiers’ Chapel
Monday though Friday
Before/after 11:40 Mass – Soldiers’ Chapel

Protestant Sunday Services
Joint Liturgical Service
9 a.m. – Elmendorf Chapel 2
Traditional Service
9 a.m. – Elmendorf Chapel 1
Contemporary Protestant Service
11 a.m. – Soldiers’ Chapel
Gospel Service
Noon – Elmendorf Chapel 1
Contemporary Protestant Service
5 p.m. – Elmendorf Chapel 1

Buddhist
Soka Gakkai Goshu
7 p.m., first Friday of the month – Chapel Center (10427 Kuter Ave.)

Road Warriors running
Military, family members and civilians alike are welcome to train and get involved with running, biking and swimming events.
For events and more information, check the Road Warriors (Alaska) Facebook page or call 384-7733 or 552-1361.

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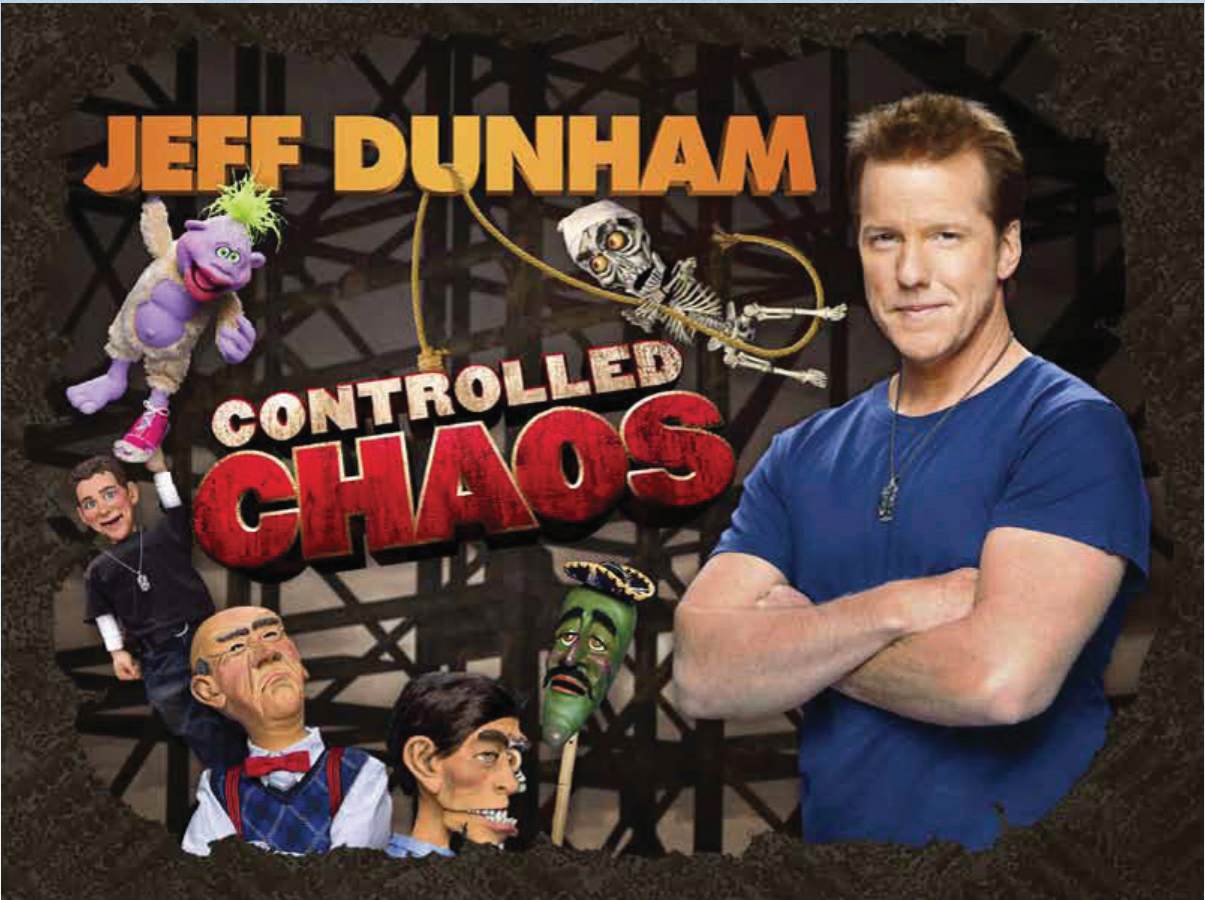
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Children’s Theatre comes to JBER

Children create “Beauty Lou” on JBER

By Air Force Staff Sgt. Robert Barnett
JBER Public Affairs

Missoula Children’s Theatre visited JBER to provide children the opportunity to perform for their friends and family.

The performances were hosted July 13 at the JBER-Richardson theater and July 20 at the JBER-Elmendorf theater.

“I heard about (MCT) while going to college in Montana and I started volunteering,” said Jennifer Wills, one of two tour director/actors and native of Missoula, Mont. “It’s a great program, so I said, ‘hey, I want to be a part of that.’ It wasn’t planned; it just happened.”

The Children’s Theatre isn’t new to the military; they have visited numerous bases around the world to give children the opportunity to perform.

“We’ve been to a lot of different Army and Air Force bases,” Wills said. “We’re going to our first Navy base this summer, so we’ve been to a lot of bases. We go to lots of school districts, both civilian and on military bases; they bring us in as an after school program during the school year and theatre companies will bring us in during the summer, like a day camp program similar to what we’re doing here.

“The military is a really big supporter; we have a good relationship with them,” she said.

While Wills has no military experience, she and her colleague, Jeremy Cunningham, have military in the family.

Wills has many servicemembers in her family, as does Cunningham.

“We have a very large number of weeks in which we go to the military,” Cunningham said. “All of our overseas and fly tours are

almost exclusively on bases overseas.”

The play they chose for the children to perform is “Beauty Lou and the Country Beast.”

“We’re doing Beauty Lou and the Country Beast, it’s sort of a country twist on the original story, and it’s very unique,” said Wills. “There are about 30 original shows based on a classic fairytales or class stories, written by staff at our home office in Missoula. All of these stories are written for up to 60 children to perform.”

The plays provide unique perspectives on many original fairy tales.

“All of our plays are twists on original fairy tales,” Cunningham said. “They are quite a bit different from the original story. Even if somebody is familiar with the original material already, it’s definitely not going to be the same story.

“One of the stories is the Princess and the Pea, and that original story is about three quarters of a page long; our script is about 50 pages long. A story can take 50 to 60 kids, depending on what the age break-down is and who shows up. We can always adjust numbers; for instance this week we have 10 kids and last week on the Fort Richardson side we had 24.

“There were two different shows, two different casts, so none of the kids from last week are participating this week. The first show had about 50 people in the audience, the second tended to be smaller.”

“It’s mainly marketed towards friends and family, that’s who usually comes to the shows. But I’ve been to places where there have been 200 to 300 people in the audience. Sometimes, we perform for schools where there’s 600 elementary school kids coming to the show, so it varies,” he said.



JBER children and members of the Missoula Children’s Theatre perform during a “Beauty Lou and the Country Beast” rehearsal at the JBER-Elmendorf theater July 20. The MCT tours the world providing children with opportunities to perform.

Among the children performing were sisters Delany and Darby Glenn.

“Theater is my passion; it’s really fun,” said Delany, a 12 year old student at Central Middle School in Anchorage and daughter of Tech. Sgt. Jason Glenn, 732nd Aircraft Maintenance Unit.

“I am playing older Bobby Joe and a country folk; we play random people doing fun dances. I’ve done it two other times before this at Moody Air Force Base with the Missoula theatre. We’ve also done ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’ and ‘King Arthur’s Quest,’ he said.

“I like to be able to work with cast mates and make new friends. We get to be constructive working together. It’s just a lot of fun, we do a lot of scenes and dances and stuff.

“There are lots of jokes in the plays, it’s really fun. I would love to continue on in theatre. We get funny people providing these plays for us, all these cool costumes and sets and stuff, it’s really enjoyable,” she said.

If able, Delany said she’d love to get more involved.

“I’d love to do a summer camp pro-

gram,” she said. “I love to do anything to get out of my house and enjoy myself. I know everyone else around here enjoys it a lot, and we’ve been having tons of fun. My parents catch every show; they are really supportive of it.”

It isn’t unusual for children to find a love for acting through these programs.

“We’ve noticed a lot of kids finding a lot for theater doing this,” Wills said. “We’ve got one that’s going to school for opera that’s from a military family. We met them in Portugal; she’s hooked and is going to college now for opera and vocal performance.”

The Missoula Children’s Theatre accepts children of ages ranging from 5 to 18. The child must have been through a full year of schooling in an organized, structured environment, Wills said.

In the fall, children in kindergarten through twelfth grade are welcome.

“It definitely opens the doors [to a future career] that they can do this,” the director and actor said. “If they want to go to a camp or a new next step prep program, there’s an audition and they just have to ask.”



Children working with members of the Missoula Children’s Theatre perform on stage during a “Beauty Lou and the Country Beast” rehearsal at the JBER-Elmendorf theater July 20. The theatre provides performances including comical twists on original fairy tales and other popular stories. (U.S. Air Force photos/Staff Sgt. Robert Barnett)

Births

July 9
A son, Bentley Ray McCubbin, was born 19 inches long and weighing 6 pounds, 4 ounces at 5:52 p.m. to Chelsea Rae McCubbin and Air Force Staff Sgt. David Nelson McCubbin of the 773rd Logistics Readiness Squadron.

July 10
A daughter, Jaida Nikohl Dazell Brownlee, was born 20.5 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce at 11:11 a.m. to Joylyn Dunn Brownlee and Pfc. Antonio Rashad Brownlee of the 725th Brigade Support Battalion.

July 12
A daughter, Alayna Marie Bohlin, was born 19.5 inches long and weighing 6 pounds, 14 ounces at 9:41 p.m. to Bridgette Ann Bohlin and Pvt. James Peter Bohlin of the 3rd Battalion (Airborne), 509th Infantry Regiment.

A daughter, Genevieve Marie Brossard, was born 20.5 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 14 ounces at 1:42 a.m. to Leandra Kristine Brossard and Tech. Sgt. Dana Eric Brossard of the 611th Civil Engineer Squadron.

July 13
A son, Leon Malko Borja, was born 20 inches long and weighing 6 pounds, 6 ounces at 4:51 p.m. to Jeana D. Borja and Sgt. Simon Borja of the 425th Brigade Special Troops Battalion.

A son, Jeremiah Stockton Gettler Jr. was born 21 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 4 ounces at 9:04 a.m. to Kathleen Rosalind Gettler and Army Staff Sgt. Jeremiah Stockton Gettler of the 2nd Battalion, 377th Parachute Field Artillery Regiment.

A son, Ezekiel Lewis Miller was born 19.5 inches long and weighing 7 pounds, 5 ounces at 7:30 p.m. to Air Force Staff Sgt. CJ Miller of the 3rd Operations Support Squadron and Air Force 1st Lt. Tyler James Miller of the 517th Airlift Squadron.

A daughter, Alyssa Chebet Miller, was born 23 inches long and weighing 8 pounds at 10:07 a.m. to Spc. Maureen Cheptoo of the 725th Brigade Support Battalion.



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June 14
A daughter, Janie Marie Davison, was born 19.5 inches long and weighing 7 pounds, 6 ounces at 3:25 p.m. to Jessica Lynn Davison of the 176th Wing and Tech. Sgt. John Todd Davis of the 176th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

A son, Kade Allen Sawyer, was born 21.5 inches long and weighing 9 pounds, 14 ounces at 1:55 p.m. to Cynthia Lee Sawyer and Cpl. Gary Robert Sawyer of the 3rd Battalion (Airborne), 509th Infantry Regiment.

A son, Xavier Lee Sadolsky, was born 20 inches long and weighing 6 pounds, 10 ounces at 12:23 p.m. to Giraly Marie Sadolsky and Pvt. Daniel Lee Sadolsky of the 1st Squadron (Airborne), 40th Cavalry Regiment.

July 15
A son, Kolten Andrew Kieffer was born 20.25 inches long and weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces at 8:07 p.m. to Air Force Capt. Brook Nikole Kieffer of the 673d Inpatient Squadron and Chad Ryan Kieffer.

A son, Masyn Jacoda Lynn Taylor, was born 21.75 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 6 ounces at 12:09 a.m. to Spc. Megan Melissa Taylor of Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, U.S. Army Alaska, and Spc. John Wayne Taylor Jr. of the 2nd Battalion, 377th Parachute Field Artillery Regiment.

July 16
A son, Evan Robert Cabaniss, was born 21.5 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 7 ounces at 10:07 a.m. to Autumn Grace Cabaniss and Tech Sgt. Morgan L. Cabaniss of the 673d Security Forces Squadron.

A daughter, Jaysine Marcie Lobato, was born 20 inches long and weighing 7 pounds, 9 ounces at 6:07 a.m. to Karen Raelene Lobato and Spc. Roger Albert Lobato II of the Warrior Transition Unit.

A daughter, Chloe Ann Rocz, was born 19.5 inches long and weighing 6 pounds, 11 ounces at 8:17 a.m. to Marian Evelyn Rocz and Sgt. Michael Steven Rocz of the 425th Brigade Special Troops Battalion.

July 18
A son, Owen Cash Jackson, was born 21.35 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 2 ounces at 12:39 a.m. to Ashley Allison Jackson and Sgt. Jason Ray Jackson of the 3rd Battalion (Airborne), 509th Infantry Regiment.

A daughter, Carlee Elizabeth Miller, was born 19.75 inches long and weighing 7 pounds, 1 ounce at 4:51 p.m. to Rosa Lavelle Miller and Senior Airman Charles Jack Miller of the 673d Civil Engineer Squadron.

A daughter, Bailee Adalis Naragon, was born 21 inches long and weighing 9 pounds, 12 ounces at 11:12 a.m. to Christine Lynn Naragon and Senior Airman Ian Caleb Naragon of the 381st Intelligence Squadron.

July 19
A son, Julian Michael Bowen was born 21 inches long and weighing 8 pounds, 9 ounces at 2:28 p.m. to Helia Gonzalez Bowen and Spc. Thomas Frederick Bowen of the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 501st Infantry Regiment.

Prepare in advance so PCS moves don’t leave you damaged

JBER Legal Assistance Office

Last summer was a very busy moving season and this upcoming season promises to be the same for Soldiers and Airmen making a permanent change-of-station move.

You can help alleviate any potential loss or damage to your household goods by learning the rules under which your household goods are moved and by preparing yourself for a potential moving claim.

Take stock of what you own and its condition prior to your Transportation Service Provider setting foot in your home. Take digital photos or a video of high-value items, family heirlooms and consider keeping such items in your possession during your move.

Having a professional appraisal done on any antique furniture is also a good idea, not just for potential moving claims, but because they can come in handy should you suffer a home fire or theft.

A professional appraisal establishes the value of the item and can be used in the claims process to help establish any loss in value should the item arrive damaged from the move.

When your goods are packed up by the TSP, some of your high-value items may be

placed on the high value/high risk inventory.

This special inventory supplements your household goods inventory, and is used by the TSP to protect high-value items such as currency, coins, jewelry, silverware and silver sets, crystal, figurines, furs and objects of art.

There are very specific rules regarding the use of this special inventory, and you should inquire with your TSP or the claims service center regarding these rules.

Finally, although members are not prohibited from shipping currency and jewelry, claims centers discourage this and recommend members move these items.

Unfortunately, damage does occur. If you do suffer damage, you should be aware your property is covered under the provisions of the full replacement value legislation enacted in 2006.

This means TSPs are required to pay the full replacement value on any items missing or destroyed during your move or replace the item.

TSPs are also required to repair any item that can be repaired.

They are also responsible for contacting a repair firm, unlike pre-FRV moves when the member was responsible for tracking

down a repair firm.

The FRV program is an important benefit for service members and comes with some changes to the process you may not be aware of.

First, most service members will be required to use the Defense Personal Property System for the claims process. DPS can be accessed online at www.move.mil.

Also, the FRV program requires service members to deal more directly with the TSP. For example, loss and damage reports, which list damages and losses discovered after the TSP has completed delivery, goes directly to the TSP through DPS.

Filing a loss or damage report is not the same as filing a claim; it simply puts the carrier on notice that a service member has discovered additional damage or loss.

The report must be received by the carrier within 75 days of delivery. Failure to meet the 75-day deadline could result in no reimbursement for loss or damage to those items not noted at the time of delivery.

Under the FRV program, you are required to file your claim directly against your TSP.

This claim must be made within nine months of delivery of your household goods

in order for you to receive FRV.

If you miss the nine-month deadline, you can still file a claim up to two years from the delivery date, but you would receive only depreciated valuation.

If you are not happy with how your claim processing is proceeding, you can transfer your claim to a service-specific claims center 30 days after filing against your TSP.

Additionally, if you are negotiating and would like someone to assist you, you can contact the claims center for support.

Finally, if you receive an offer from your TSP that you believe is unfair, you can transfer the claim to a claims center.

The center can only pay depreciated valuation in most situations. However, after paying your claim, the Air Force or Army will file an FRV claim against the responsible TSP and may be able to pay you an additional award recovered from the TSP. The Air Force Claims Service Center, for example, currently has a 98 percent recovery rate against TSPs.

To contact the AFCSC, call (877) 754-1212 and press 1, or visit <https://claims.jag.af.mil>.

To contact the Army Claims Center, visit <https://www.jagcnet.army.mil/USARCS>.

