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Senior Airman Thomas Ard, 407th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, supervises the placement of a t-wall for one of the bunker barriers that was recently placed at the passenger terminal. Photo by Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

Highlighting Extraordinary Ali Warriors

By Col. David Orr

407th Air Expeditionary Group Commander

Please accept my thanks for once again making an extremely positive impression of the 407th AEG to our Air Force senior leaders, in this case our 'Boss' the 332d AEW Commander and Command Chief. I know the behindthe-scenes work was immense as you touched up Bedrock, your workplaces and readied for the visit. I was again impressed that you kept the combat mission at a peak while we added on a few extras to make the Wing CC's initial visit a big success. The overall effort and outcome was Ali standard... EXTRAORDINARY! I look forward to a longer visit from Brig. Gen. Rand and Chief Dearduff (in early Sep) to showcase our 'First Among Equals' 407th AEG.

A couple other observations:

- I never had the chance to thank the CES for setting a very high bar in its enthusiasm and fire exhibited at last week's promotion ceremony. The Chief told me they were the linchpins in getting the crowd revved up at the CC Call. Thank you for the CC Call reception for Brig. Gen. Rand and Command Chief Dearduff. The energy and power was incredible and I wish each of you could have been in my boots to hear and see it!
- Looking at the crowd while Brig. Gen. Rand was talking, I could see Ali Airmen of every rank make me realize how many superstars we have in the 407th AEG. I can honestly tell you (and I told the Commander and Command Chief), that I can identify Ali warriors of each rank that are absolutely the finest I have seen in my 21 years of service and some 15 assignments. We have it across the board, Commanders, Senior Enlisted leaders, NCO leaders, CGOs and First 4 airmen who are the best of our AF best. You are an awe-



Col. Dave Orr

some team to lead!

- Brig. Gen. Rand and Command Chief Dearduff were struck by your professional sharpness and, like Lt. Gen. North, were impressed by your workplace briefings and your questions and opinions at the CC Call. It all adds up to the professionalism Ali airmen exhibit daily among our sister service and coalition partners and for our visiting distinguished guests.

Your example makes a positive difference each day in combat and in its impact on your fellow Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines that you encounter. Your impact is far reaching—keep it going team Ali, for the Present and for the Future and as we grow together.

Postscript after the 9 August Attack

Ali Warriors, thanks for the superior efforts in responding to the recent multiple rocket attack. Please remain positive in all your actions, stay focused on the mission, vigilant in your actions and know that our superior professionalism as a team provides the best security against these enemies of freedom!

You've Got That Right

SMSgt Chuck "AS" Adams

Air Traffic Control, Chief Controller/ADD'L Duty First Sergeant

Just like the legendary words of the classic Southern Rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd, "You've Got That Right", Ali Base has got that right!

I've already done a tour of duty, at then Tallil Air Base, 7 Jan 05-18 May 05 (AEF 3/4) before my current AEF 1/2 assignment. In Jan 05, the Iraqi 23AS, a C-130 airlift unit, stood-up and the installation was re-dubbed Ali Base (the original name of the base). Since then Ali has been doing things right!

I look around and see countless changes to the base. Previous rotations have made their mark with enhancements of living and working conditions around the installation. It's our turn to make Ali Base a better place, because WE were here, and it's our turn to get it right. There's a lot of scuttlebutt on when the Air Force is going to pack up the camels and caravan out of here. Take it from me, I'm no expert, but history tells us we are here for the long haul. We need to focus on the mission and sustainment issues.

The mission?!? I've heard a lot of junior and senior NCOs as well as officers ask, what is our mission? My PFE says our mission is "to win our nation's wars". That's right, our mission is to win! Ali's mission statement is to pro-



Senior Master Sgt. Chuck "AS" Adams

vide aerial port operations, area airspace control, and airfield defense in support of US Central Command and Coalition requirements. In the purest form, we fly, we fight, and we win. In one month, Ali supports over 9,500 air operations with approximately 500,000 passengers (civil and military) flying through the southern third of Iraq. Ali Base alone, in one month, processed 1,406 cargo tons and moved 5,968 passengers—and we kick butt doing it! From Security Forces keepin' us safe to the Services gurus keeping us happy, every AFSC assigned is directly supporting Ali's mission. Look for opportunities to improve the processes in your sec-

Sustainment issues are paramount in taking care of our people. When our Airmen are happy, they can meet the mission needs. Each 407th Expeditionary Operation Support Squadron flight and crew took the challenge to make Ali a better place. Some crews have focused on their im-

mediate work areas and other larger flights focused on Quality of Mission projects around Bedrock and the airfield. I challenge every squadron/flight to think outside the box and see what you can do to make Ali a better place, because YOU were here.

I got hit with a short-notice tasking (72-hrs from tasking to boots in the dirt) and got to come back to Ali. I appreciate the efforts of those who were here before me and made my life a little better because they were here. Take a look around, make your mark and those who follow will say, you've got that right! Remember, I was here a year ago and just having new Cadillacs makes me say, "You've got that right". Thanks to whoever thought we needed 'em...AS



(left), Senior Airman Thomas Ard, Senior Airman Steven Greenleaf and Master Sgt. John Garabedian, 407th ECES, sit inside one of the bunker barries to illustrate taking cover in the shelter.

1st. Lt. Christian Leighton

Photos by Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

407th AEG reinforces base safety ECES places bunkers and t-walls in key locations

By Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

407th Air Expeditionary Group Public Affairs

Measures to increase the safety of the Airmen assigned to the 407th AEG have been introduced as a result of recent rocket attacks to the base.

During the July 28 Commander's Call, Col. David Orr, 407th AEG commander, said that he was being proactive to increase the safety and security here.

"We immediately purchased bunker barriers and placed them in the Airmen living areas," Colonel Orr said. "Now when we get strategic warning, we have hardened shelters to protect our Airmen."

The 407th ECES and the 407th ECONS started making arrangements to purchase t-walls and bunker barriers to place around the Airman's living area, various work centers and high

traffic locations to increase safety during an attack.

"We made a plan to place the bunkers and t-walls by dividing Airmen living areas into quadrants and identifying areas where people traveled," 1st Lt. Christian Leighton said. "Once Colonel Orr approved the plan, we put these shelters in areas that were easily accessible. The recreation areas have also been fortified with t-walls and can provide shelter for a large amount of people. If we do come under attack, all of these areas can provide splinter protection."

These bunkers will provide splinter protection from the fragmentation of rockets and any shrapnel or flying debris. At each location, two bunkers were place together to provide protection for more than a dozen people.

While the placement plan

was being developed, Tech. Sgt. Michael Tusinger from the 407th ECONS said he modified an existing Blanket Purchase Agreement for concrete to add \$54,860 to purchase the bunker barriers and additional t-walls to fortify existing buildings and to provide the additional bunker shelters. It only took one day to get the bunker barriers and t-walls on their way.

Once the contract was awarded, Senior Airman Thomas Ard, 407th ECES, worked with local contractors to make sure the bunkers were placed properly in the correct locations.

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Bunkers

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In the near future, benches will be placed inside the bunkers, and the bunkers will be reinforced with sandbags.

This project happened extremely fast, said Lieutenant Leighton.

"The very next morning after the attack, we started putting them up," he said. "Captain Douglas Leedy and Tech Sgt. Tusinger from the 407th ECONS were very helpful in expediting the contracts. The 407th FP flight was also very accommodating by making last minute changes to their schedule to escort the additional local contractors who put the bunkers and t-walls into place."

"Everyone put this on the fast track," Lieutenant Leighton continued. "It was comforting to know that we are focused on defending the base and protecting the people."



Senior Airman Thomas Ard, 407th ECES, monitors the contractors who are placing a t-wall at one of the entrances to a bunker barrier at the passenger terminal, July 31.

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over and over and over and over and over and over ...

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August Promotions and Awards

Promoted to Technical Sergeant

Tech. Sqt. Mark Harmonosky, 407th ECES Tech. Sqt. Darren Frazier, 407th ECS

Promoted to Staff Sergeant

Staff Sqt. Steven Stewart, 407th ELRS Staff Sqt. Brandy Perez, 407thESFS Staff Sqt. Timothy Bolling, 407th ELRS

Promoted to Senior Airman

Senior Airman Phillip Flores, 407th ELRS Senior Airman Tyrone Bullocks, 407th ELRS Senior Airman Mark John Doan, 407th ESFS Senior Airman Issan Pierson, 407th ESFS Senior Airman Noah Lee Perry, 407th ESFS Senior Airman Mark Ott, 407th ECES Senior Airman Miceal Scott Bean, 407th ESFS

Airman of the Month

Senior Airman Edwin Jacobo. 407th ELRS

NCO of the Month

Tech. Sgt. William Nystrom, 407th ECS

Sr. NCO of the Month

Master Sgt. Jeffery Steagall, 407th ECS

Company Grade Officer of the Month

Capt. Brandon Donaldson, 407th EOSS

The Sharp Saber Team Award

407th EOSS. Ali Area Control Center Radar

332d Air Expeditionary Wing, **Red Tail Warrior Safety Award**

Tech. Sqt. Toshia Owens, 407th AEG

Individuals who scored 90 percent of high on their career development course:

407th ECES Tech. Sgt. Thomas McDonough—99% Staff Sgt. John Mitchell—91% Staff Sgt. Dennis Puckett—91% Staff Sgt. Edmund Stuart—93% Senior Airman Anthony Bocek—94% Senior Airman Marco Castro—95% Senior Airman Jurle Gaver—95% Senior Airman Kathrine Maglia—91%

Individual who scored 90 percent or higher in Airman Leadership school:

Senior Airman Loren Heldt, 407th ELRS

332d AEW CC and CCC visit 407th AEG

By Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

407th Air Expeditionary Group Public Affairs

Nothing is routine about combat. You must maintain the attitude that your job is important because the littlest thing you do can lead to the success of a mission and can save lives. Combat Airpower is right here, right now.

That was the message, Brig. Gen. Robin Rand, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing Commander, began his Commander's Call with at the 407th AEG Monday.

The General was touring Ali for the first time since taking command of the wing in July. His tour included the fire department, vehicle maintenance, communications compound and the Ali Tower.

A few minutes before the Commander's Call started, Command Chief Master Sgt. Scott Dearduff taught the 407th AEG, Airmen the wing's Warrior Cry, 'Tuskegee Airmen—the legend continues—right here—right now.'

When the General arrived at the Big Top, he was greeted with a hearty Warrior Cry from the 407th AEG Airmen. The General thanked the Ali Airmen for their service. He told them that it was an honor for him to lead America's sons and daughter into combat.

During his Commander's Call he also fielded questions from the Airmen. After the question and answer session, he left the Airmen with some advice, "Wake up every day with a commitment to do one thing to make the wing, group, squadron, your section better," General Rand advised. "Commit to doing one thing everyday to improve yourself professionally, physically, spiritually and emotionally. Be a good combat wingman by adhering to and



Photos by Staff Sgt. Rasheen Douglas

Brig. Gen. Robin Rand, recognized several Airmen at the Airman's memorial during his visit to the 407th AEG, Aug 6.



Brig. Gen. Robin Rand spoke to Airmen during his first Commander's Call at Ali Base Monday. He reminded Airmen to uphold standards and explained to them how violating standards, violates trust.

enforcing Air Force standards."

"By following standards we instill trust that we will do the right thing without being told," he added.

He ended his commander's call by reiterating that it was a pleasure to serve with the Airmen from the 407th AEG and reassured them that they are making a difference.

After the commander's call, the General recognized some of Ali's Professional Performers at the Airman's Memorial in Bedrock. The recognized Airmen were: Senior Airman Amy Contreras, 407th ELRS, Staff Sgt. Ken Edgerton, 407th ECS, Senior Airman Dennis Sherrill, 407th ESFS, Tech. Sgt. Daniel Ahaesy, 407th ECES, Staff Sgt. Venise Penny, 407th ESVS and Staff Sgt. Andre Warren, 407th EOSS.

After recognizing these outstanding Airmen, he departed Ali Base and returned to Balad with no doubt that the Ali Base Airmen are 'First Among Equals.'



Photo by Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

Senior Airman Philip Pamer, 407th ESFS military police, talks to a driver he has pulled over during a seatbelt inspection.

MPs protect and serve at Ali Base

By Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

407th Air Expeditionary Group Public Affairs

"To protect and serve," quickly sums up the mission of the security forces here. That mission, however, is divided into three groups: flight line security, military police and force protection. The military police are tasked with the law and order of the base by enforcing the uniform code of military justices, general order one and keeping the peace. They also provide traffic enforcement and criminal investigations.

These Airmen are assigned to an "in-lieu-of" position and work for the Army's Provost Marshall, Maj. David Munson, 1/34 Brigade Combat Team. The MP units are made up of mostly Airmen with some Soldiers.

According to Capt. Robert Byrom, 407th ESFS military police operations officer, although they work for the Provost Marshall, their mission here is the same as it would be for a security forces Airman at

home station, except here they have a defined mission for an attack on the base. They also have specialized police-dog handlers and a custom's officer. They use the dogs to detect drugs and bombs at entry and exit points and in the base living areas during random or probable cause inspections. Airmen and Soldiers work together to enforce the laws on the base.

"It's good to work with other services and to learn their ways of handling situations," Captain Byrom said. "The Airman came here ready to work. We have increased traffic law enforcement to improve the safety of the base."

The military police spend a lot of time enforcing traffic laws. In just one week, they sighted Ali drivers with 97 traffic citations.

According to the Provost Marshall Traffic Management office, Ali base has about 200-300 citations a month. When a traffic citation is issued it goes to the Reports and Analysis section of the Provost Marshall's office to be entered into the Centralized Operations Police Suite database. The violators' First Sergeant is notified of the citation and is charged with taking the appropriate action with the individual. These traffic citations also alert the commanders of traffic safety problems, and help the Provost Marshall determine random traffic enforcement selectives.

"A selective could be any one of the following: random seat belt checks, speed enforcement, random vehicle inspections or sign enforcements," said Staff Sgt. Bonnielynn Manglona, Provost Marshall Office traffic accident investigator. "Every day our law enforcement desk receives a list of random traffic enforcement selectives determined by the Provost Marshall. Police units will be designated to a random location at Ali Base or Camp Adder for a certain amount of time to enforce them along with any violation they see."

Whether an MP issues a traffic citation during random traffic enforcement selective or during a routine patrol, all of the citations are completely avoidable.

"Many Soldiers drive 75 mph and do not stop at stop signs off base because they are trying to stay safe," Capt. Byrom said. "That is totally understandable because they need to do whatever it takes to survive out there.

"But when they come back to the base, it's a totally different situation," he said. "You're living in a relatively secure environment, so there is no need

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Photo by Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

At dawn, Airman 1st Class Michelle McElroy, 407th ESFS military police, covers her partner while he talks to a driver, July 25. The MPs work 12-hours shifts around the clock and deploy for six months at a time.

Happy Birthday

Master Sgt. Daniel Lambert, 407th ESFS—11 August

Airman 1st Class Haida Boyd, 407th AEG—12 August

Tech. Sgt. Dan Ahaesy, 407th ECES—14 August

Senior Airman Christopher Izydoreck, 407th ECES-15 August

Airman 1st Class Jeremiah Toney, 407th ECS-15 August

Staff Sgt. Cidelia Hagan, 407th ECS—16 August

Airman 1st Class Aaron Werley, 407th ECS-16 August

Master Sgt. Brian Kirby, 407th ECES—17 August

Happy Anniversary Aug. 11, 2006 to Master Sgt. James Butts and his wife Lorri.

"Happy Anniversary. Thank you for 22 years. I look forward to spending a lifetime with you. I love you very much. I am very proud of you for serving your country. Lorri.

to run stop signs or speed through the base. It would be a real shame for these guys to go out in a convoy and live through driving by improvised explosive devices and getting shot at, only to then come back to the base and get run over by a speeding humvee while walking to the dining facility. We are enforcing the traffic laws here to save people's lives."

The number of traffic citations issued depends entirely on the Ali drivers.

"Remember to always wear your seat belts, stop at designated stop signs and stay within the base speed limits," Sergeant Manglona said. "The MPs are simply here to enforce law and order, reduce the amount of traffic accidents and ensure the safety of the people at Ali Base.

"We need the Ali residents to assist us and obey all traffic laws," she added. "Ensure you have a spotter when backing up, reduce your speed when pedestrians are present and take all necessary safety precautions when operating a vehicle."

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Night at Apollo "Raises the Roof"

By Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

407th Air Expeditionary Group Public Affairs

The Big Top was packed Saturday night when Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and civilians performed during the Ali Base Apollo Talent Show. During the two-hour extravaganza the contestants sang, played guitar, danced and performed martial arts. The talent on stage was so exceptional that the Sandman, who was waiting in the wings to sweep the bad acts off the stage, never got to sweep anyone off.

The Sandman, Staff Sgt. Donnell Tucker, 407th ECES, entertained the crowd with his comical antics during the intermission Dating Game show and throughout the night.

Being in the audience felt like being transported to a theater back home. It was professionally composed and the Masters of Ceremony, Tech. Sgt. Danny McDaniel and Senior Airman Troy Hoover gave the show a VH1 flair as they skillfully guided the audience through the acts.

The contestants who performed competed for first, second the third place. The audience chose the winners who received \$300 for first place, \$200 for second place, and \$100 for third.

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Kach, 407th ELRS, was the audience's favorite after he had them singing along to his rendition of Billy Joel's "Piano Man". Second place winner was Staff Sgt. Robert Isarrarza, 407th ESFS. He showcased his strength and style as he preformed a freestyle hip-hop break dance to "Touch It" by Busta Rhymes. Third place winner were a group called "Jared and the Subway Dancers", who performed a dance choreographed by Airman



Photo by Staff Sgt. Rasheen Douglas

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Kach, 407th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron, ran away with the show Aug 5 when he sang Billy Joel's "Piano Man". He won the first place prize a \$300 gift certificate at the Ali Apollo Talent Show.

Edlord Posada to "Are you that somebody" by Aaliyah. The group members were 2d Lt. Joseph Harris, 407th AEG, Staff Sgt. Mark Manalili, 407th ESFS, Airman 1st Class Kelly Ito, 407th ESFS, and Airman Edlord Posadas, 407th ESVS.

From the explosion of cheers, laughter and applause from the audience, every act on stage was a winner.

"There may have been other events highlighting the talents of our deployed Airmen under the Ali Idol moniker," Capt. Timothy Smith said. "But none that encompassed the range of talent from our sister services or coalition partners like this one did."

This was an outstanding turn out for this type of event," he continued. "The crowd was made up with every segment of our population. The Italians, Brits, Aussies, civilians, Army, Navy and of course the Air Force were all

there for the show. It was spectacular!"

Like most great things, they don't just happen without superb leadership. This shows driving force was the Staff Sgt. Lasandra Crockett 407th ESVS.

"She is truly awesome," Captain Smith remarked. "She displayed what is great about the Air Force in that we stress network building. Her ability to tap into several areas of the greater Ali Base and Camp Adder community was evident in the size and energy displayed by the crowd."

Staff Sergeant Crockett said she pitched the idea of a talent show to her network of friends Staff Sergeant Tucker, Tech. Sgt. McDaniel, and from the 407th ESVS Staff Sgt. Venise Penny,

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Staff Sgt. Michelle Stocker, Staff. Sgt. John Joseph and Senior Airman Hoover, and they stepped right up to help. Sergeant Crockett put up signs everywhere, and talked to people searching for talent for the show. She said her best source of talent came from the people who sang during Karaoke at the Big Top on Saturday nights.

After she found her talent for the show, it took almost six weeks of hard work to prepare.

"The contestants are so wonderful," Sergeant Crockett said. "They have so much talent. I saw them different times during the day and night working on their routines and acts. Just to get up in front of all those people takes a lot of effort itself."



Photos by Master Sgt. Ruby Zarzyczny

Wow!! the crowd cheered while Staff Sgt. Robert Isarraraz performed a free-style hip hop break dance to "Touch It" by Busta Rhymes. He won 2nd place at the show.

"I had a lot of help from people who wanted to see this happen," she added. "Col. [Dave] Orr [407th AEG commander] and Chief Master Sgt. [Walt] Lilly really promoted this event by encouraging people to get involved."

It took a lot of work the day of the show too.

"Saturday morning, a crew of about 10 members of the 407th ELRS night shift, led by Staff Sgt. Revius Norris, helped me set things up," Staff Sergeant Crockett said. Since we didn't have decorations, Staff Sgt. Alec Ferguson, 407th EOSS helped me out using little things we found around lodging and the hot spot."

"I also had my usual help," she added.

Staff Sergeant Crockett was pleased to see her and her friend's hard work pay out during the show on Saturday night.

"I couldn't be happier with the way the show turned out," Staff Sergeant Crockett said. "But the real thing that touched me was how members of different services approached me and said thank you for letting us be a part of the show. They said it was a real morale booster for them."



Senior Airman Christopher Izydorek preformed a Tae Kwon Do demonstration during the show.

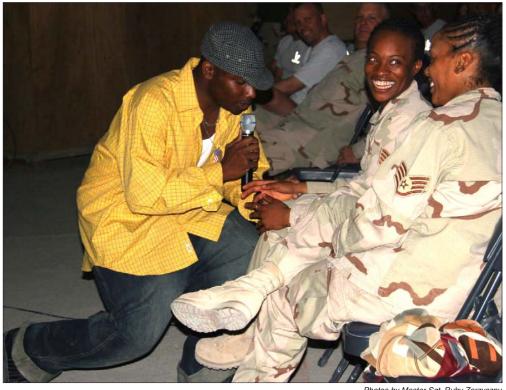


Photo by Staff Sgt. Rasheen Douglas

"Jared and the Subway Dancers", Airman Edlord Posadas, Airman 1st Class Kelly Ito, 2d Lt. Joseph Harris and Staff Sgt. Mark Manalili performed a dance choreographed by Airman Edlord Posadas. They took 3rd place at the Ali Apollo Talent Show, Aug 5.

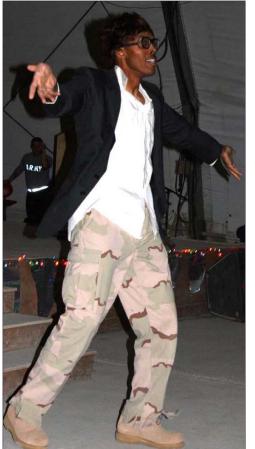
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Naval Apprentice Larry Campbell serenaded the crowd with "Ribbon in the Sky" by Stevie Wonder and passed out teddy bears to several young ladies during the show.



(Left) The Sandman, a character in the original Apollo Theater Talent Show, was played by Staff Sgt. Donnell Tucker. The typically quiet man had the audience roaring with laughter.



Army Specialist Kenneth Slade, the happiest man at Ali Base, led the audience in a group song "You've really got a hold on me" by Smokey Robinson.



During the intermission, three volunteers from the audience were selected to participate in "The Dating Game Show." The three contestants were Master Sgt. John Isbell, Master Sgt. Devon Stainrod and Senior Airman Edwin Jacobo. Little did they know that the winner of this contest would not be getting a date with contestant, Senior Airman Jacqueline Marshall, but instead the winner would get a date with the Sandman.

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Army Sergeant Kendrick Pratt sang a song he wrote called "Soldiers in Iraq".



Civilian Mr. Nate Joseph sang "My Girl" by The Temptations.



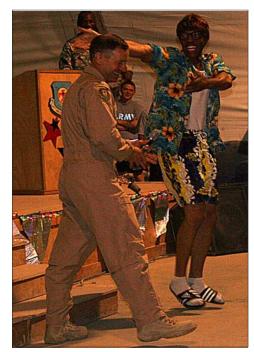
Staff Sgt. Martha Ridgeway, sang "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" a song written for the movie "The Wizard of OZ."



Senior Aiman Kenneth Case and Airman 1st Class Brian Yetter perform "Tiny Salmon".



Army Specialists Kenneth Slade and Rod Harris performed a Rap song by Master Rage.



The Sandman, Staff Sergeant Donnell Tucker, presents Col. David Orr, 407th AEG commander to the audience for his closing comments.



Airman 1st Class Kelly Ito performed a Hawaiian hula dance to a song called "Ipu Lei Momi" by Keali'i Reichel.



Airman 1st Class Haida Boyd (background) and Airman 1st Class Alexandro Ramos performed a Techno Light Show with a choreographed battle.



Ali Sports

Watch as teams battle out in the regular season for playoff position.

Basketball Standings

Army	6-0
ESFS	6-2
ECES	3-4
ELRS	2-3
EOSS	1-4
ECS	0-5

Dodgeball Standings

ECES	9-1
AEG	7-1
ESVS	6-1
AUS	6-2
EOSS	5-5
ELRS#2	4-4
ESFS	4-5
ECS	4-6
ECEF	3-5
FP#1	2-4
ELRS #1	2-6

Volleyball STANDINGS

PERSCO	7-1
ECS	6-2
ELRS	5-2
ECEF	5-3
AEG	3-4
ECES#2	3-5
ECES	3-5
AUS	2-6
EOSS	1-7

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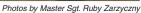
Competitions

Strongest Man in the AOR, Aug 22, Muscle Beach. For more information call 445-2136.

Ali Olympics, Aug 17-21 For more information call Capt. Christopher Watson at 445-2133.



Chief Master Sgt. Bob Henson, (left) 407th ESFS team. drives to the hoop while Staff Sgt. Andre Warren, 407th EOSS team. defends the court during an intramural basketball tournament game.



Chief Master Sgt. Bob Henson, 407th ESFS (left) watches Staff Sgt. Andre Warren shoot the ball while Senior Airman Tyler Eldred, 407th ESFS, tries to block the shot.





Senior Airman Tyrone Edwards brings the ball up court.



Staff Sgt. Kevin Hill (center), 407th EOSS, lines up his free throw as (from the left in green) Senior Airman Tyron Bullocks, Chief Master Sqt. Bob Henson, and Senior Airman Tyler Eldred stand on the side ready to rebound.



From the CPIC: Briefs off the wire from the CENTCOM Combined Press Information Center

Iraqi and coalition forces search Al Anbar University in response to insurgent activity

RAMADI, Iraq – August 2, Iraqi Security Forces, with support from Coalition forces, began searching Al Anbar University in southwestern Ramadi, which is being used as a center for insurgent activity.

Iraqi and Coalition forces have received sniper fire from the university on multiple occasions, and credible intelligence reports indicated the university is being used as an insurgent safe haven and command center. Iraqi and Coalition forces are securing the university to provide a safe and secure educational environment.

Soldiers from 1st Brigade, 7th Iraqi Army Division, with support from soldiers assigned to the U.S. Army 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division, will conduct the search of the university. The 7th Division Military Police Company will assist in providing security.

Military personnel will leave the university as soon as possible, turning over security to Iraqi Police. Operations were planned to coincide with a recess from summer classes. No classes were in session.

Extensive planning has been conducted to ensure the operation does not interrupt the new school year and to ensure the university continues to provide academic services.

Iraqi Forces target death squad activities in four Baghdad Operations

BALAD - Iraqi army and security forces conducted four earlymorning raids in Baghdad on August 1, capturing three primary suspects associated with 'death squads' in an ongoing effort to stem activities of these organizations. The precision operations, conducted by Iraqi forces accompanied by coalition force observers, occurred in three areas, all in the western part of Baghdad. In the Ashulla area of northwest Baghdad, Iraqi army forces captured two individuals, including one known high-level insurgent leader. This 'leader' controls several smaller cells that allegedly conduct improvised explosive device attacks against coalition forces, traffic weapons, and kidnap, torture, and murder Iraqi citizens and Iraqi soldiers. It is believed that one of his 'punishment cells' kidnapped and murdered 14 Iraqi soldiers in May as he looked on. In the al Rasheed area of southwest Baghdad, Iraqi security forces conducted two separate raids and captured two primary targets. One individual is an insurgent informant alleged to be an active participant in targeting and killing Iraqi citizens. A second individual allegedly conducted a mortar attack against Baghdad International Airport, transported weapons and IEDs, and participated in the murder of Iraqi citizens. During the fourth and final operation, an insurgent cell leader and two others were captured by Iraqi Army scouts in the Ghazaliya area of western Baghdad. This cell leader is believed to have conducted IED and rocket propelled grenade attacks against Iraqi and coalition forces; he also is believed to be involved in killing Iraqi citizens. Each operation occurred without incident; no Iraqi or coalition forces were injured.

All Airmen must out process before they can leave Ali

Your Unit Redeployment Manager is your point of contact for outprocessing actions. Stay in close contact with your URM the last 2 weeks

prior to leaving Ali Base. PERSCO 445-2132 After hours:(tent F16) 445-2137 Call Sign: PERSCO1 Command Post

445-2000

PERSCO Re-Deployment/OutProcessing Actions:

-Completed Outprocessing checklist - AF 245 (stamped from billeting once you turn in linens)

- Copy of Right Exit

certificate

- PERSCO Verifies Completed Checklist Signs AF 245
- Member takes signed AF 245 to PAX Terminal for flight.

AOR Travel:

Did you know according to the 407 AEGI 10-403: 3.3.2.2 in order to leave Ali Base you **Must** out process PERSCO. You must also provide to ELRS/Passenger Ter-

minal (PAX Terminal) one of these documents signed by PERSCO along with your CED orders:

- 1. AF Form 245
- 2. Transient Letter
- 3. Emergency Leave Form
- 4. AOR Travel Authorization Memorandum

Don't wait until the last minute and delay your flight out!



Identify This

Do you know what this is?



If you can identify the object, e-mail the paper at Ali.Times@tlab.centaf.af.mil with "Identify This" in the subject block **by noon Monday**. Be specific! The winner will receive their choice of a prize from the 407th AEG/PA prize box.



407th AEG Warrior of the Week



Tech. Sgt. Paul Jacques

Deployed Unit: 407th ECES/CEF 407th Fire

Department

Home Station: 102d FW OTIS Air National Guard Base Cape Cod, Mass.

Job Title at Ali: Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technician - Crew Chief on Rescue 10

Why did you join the Air Force? I joined the Air Force to serve my country, as every American should, and to gain experience and education while traveling the globe. What inspires you? As I was growing up, every TV episode of Superman had an introduction that described our hero as a defender of "Truth, Justice and the American Way". The pledge of allegiance talks about "Freedom and Justice for all". Thomas Jefferson, in the Declaration of Independence declared, "We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal". I grew up taking the values America stands for very seriously. I always thought of this country as special. I believe in and am inspired by what America stands for.

What is your most memorable Air Force experience? Besides the most recent memorable attacks giving me a new found sense of maturity, I have had many, many great experiences during my military service. They include great friendships, good times, and countless learning experiences; all of which could

Hobbies: Family, friends, music, movies, politics, physical fitness

not be summed up in one memorable event.

Married: Yes, and I have a son named Brodie who just turned 3 on July 21.



Serenity in the sand faith-based services schedule

Orship is at the 407th Air Expeditionary Group Oasis of Peace chapel, and at the Army Post Chapel. The Oasis is open 24 hours a day for prayer and reflection.

For details on worship opportunities, or directions to worship locations, please call 445-2006.

Oasis = Air Force Chapel/Bedrock

OA = Oasis Annex

ARAC = Army Religious Activity Center

APC = Army Post Chapel

TCN = Third Country Nationals living area by DFAC

FRIDAY

11 a.m., Catholic Confessions: Oasis 1 p.m., Muslim prayer/ service: (TCN)

6 p.m., Roman Catholic Mass: Oasis

6:30 p.m., Jewish Service: ARAC

7:30 p.m., Gospel Choir Rehearsal: APC

8 p.m. (first Friday of the month), Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary:

Oasis

SATURDAY

5 p.m., Catholic Confessions: Oasis 6 p.m., Roman Catholic Mass: Oasis

SUNDAY

8 a.m., Roman Catholic

Mass: Oasis

9:30 a.m., Traditional Protestant Service: Oasis

10 a.m., Protestant Service:

10 a.m., Latter Day Saints Service: ARAC

11 a.m., Church of Christ:

3:30 p.m., Church of Christ: APC

7 p.m., Contemporary Worship Service:

Oasis **MONDAY**

6 p.m., Roman Catholic Mass: Oasis

7:30 p.m., Back to the Basics Bible Study: Oasis 8 p.m., Band of Brothers: Wild at Heart Men's Study: OA

7:30 p.m., Gospel Choir Rehearsal: APC

TUESDAY

6 p.m., Roman Catholic Mass: Oasis 7 p.m., Catholic Choir Practice: Oasis 7:30 p.m., Word of Faith Bible Study: APC 8 p.m., Purpose Driven Life Book Study: OA

WEDNESDAY

6 p.m., Roman Catholic Mass: Oasis

7 p.m., Spanish Bible Study:

7 p.m., Women's Bible

Study: Army Hospital 7:30 p.m., Protestant

Worship Service/Bible

Study: APC 8 p.m., Catholics

Seeking Christ Adult Faith Study: OA

THURSDAY

6 p.m., Roman Catholic Mass: Oasis 6:30 p.m., Ladies Bible Study: ARAC 7:30 p.m., Men's Bible Study: APC

8 p.m., Marriage on the Rock (Jesus) Video series: OA

CRICKET MOYIE THEATER

Today's times and movie descriptions for the week

Candyman (1992), 1 a.m., Virginia Madsen, Tony Todd, suspense, horror, thriller, **The Waterboy** (1998), 3 a.m., Adam Sandler, Kathy Bates, comedy, Hide and Seek (2005), 5 a.m., Robert De Niro, Dakota Fanning, suspense, horror. Aeon Flux (2005), 7 a.m., Charlize Theron, Frances McDormand, action, science fiction, Fantastic Four (2005), 9 a.m., Loan Gruffudd, Jessica Alba, action, comedy, science fiction, crime, Pootie Tang (2001), 11 a.m., Lance Crouther, Jennifer Coolidge, comedy, The Grudge (2004), 1 p.m., Sarah Michelle Gellar, Jason Behr, suspense, horror, Sweet Home Alabama (2002), 3 p.m., Reese Witherspoon, Josh Lucas, comedy, romance, The Queens of Comedy (2001), 5 p.m., Adele Givens, Miss Laura Hayes, comedy, Cold Creek Manor (2003), 7 p.m., Dennis Quaid, Sharon Stone, drama, thriller, 13 Going on 30 (2004), 9 p.m., Jennifer Garner, Mark Ruffalo, comedy, drama, romance, science fiction, XXX: State of the Union (2005), 11 p.m., Ice Cube, Samuel L. Jackson, action, sequel

Saturday

Catalady
The In-Laws 1 a.m.
Miss Congeniality 3 a.m.
New Jack City 5 a.m.
Candyman 7 a.m.
13 Going on 30 9 a.m.
Hide and Seek 11 a.m.
XXX: State of 1 p.m.
The Waterboy 3 p.m.
Fantastic Four 5 p.m. The Grudge 7 p.m.
The Grudge 7 p.m.
Aeon Flux 9 p.m.
Pootie Tang 11 p.m.
Sunday
Sweet Home Alabama 1 a.m.
Cold Creek Manor3 a.m.
The In-Laws 5 a.m.
Hide and Seek 7 a.m.
Queens of Comedy 9 a.m.
Miss Congeniality11 a.m.
Aeon Flux 1 p.m.
Pootie Tang 3 p.m.
Candyman 5 p.m.
13 Going on 30 7 p.m.
New Jack City 9 p.m.
Fantastic Four 11 p.m.
Monday
Aeon Flux 1 a.m.
The Grudge 3 a.m.
XXX: State of 5 a.m.
Pootie Tang 7 a.m.
Sweet Home Alabama 9 a.m.
Fantastic Four 11 a.m.
Cold Creek Manor 1 p.m.
The Waterboy 3 p.m.
The In-Laws 5 p.m.
Miss Congeniality7 p.m
Hide and Seek 9 p.m.
13 Going on 30 11 p.m.

Tuesday

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Queen of Comedy1 a.m.
XXX: State of 3 a.m.
Candyman 5 a.m.
The Waterboy 7 a.m.
The Grudge 9 a.m.
Cold Creek Manor 11 a.m.
Aeon Flux 1 p.m.
The In-Laws 3 p.m.
Pootie Tang 5 p.m.
Fantastic Four 7 p.m.
Hide and Seek 9 p.m.
Sweet Home Alabama11 p.m.

Wednesday

3
Aeon Flux 3 a.m.
The Grudge 5 a.m.
13 Going on 30 7 a.m.
Cold Creek Manor 9 a.m.
XXX: State of 11 a.m.
The Waterboy 1 p.m.
Fantastic Four 3 p.m.
Sweet Home Alabama.5 p.m.
Queens of Comedy 7 p.m.
Date Movie 9 p.m.
Brown Sugar 11 p.m.

Pootie Tang 1 a.m.

Thursday

Bedrock and beyond... activities to keep you fit, happy and hungry for more

Today

8 a.m. Morning Bingo: Big Top 5 p.m. Abs Class: Muscle Beach (I)

7 p.m. Toning: HOP

7:30 p.m. Intramural Volleyball: Volleyball courts 7:30 p.m. Bingo and Variety Music Night: Big Top

7 p.m. Spinning: Muscle Beach (I) 8 p.m. **Spinning**: Muscle Beach (I) 8 p.m. Step Aerobics: HOP

Saturday

6 a.m. Excel Class: Muscle Beach (I) 8 a.m. Abs Class: Muscle Beach (I)

6 p.m. Squat Competition: Muscle Beach (I)

6:30 p.m. Spinning: HOP

7 p.m. Apollo Talent Show: Big Top

7:30 p.m. Intramural Basketball: B-ball courts 7:30 p.m. Table Tennis doubles: Hot Spot

7:30 p.m. **Hip Hop**: ACC 9 p.m. Karaoke: Big Top

9 a.m. Around the World Basketball: B-ball courts

10 a.m. **Spinning**: HOP

2 p.m. Big Top Movie: Silent Hill

2 p.m. Dealer's Choice Poker: Hot Spot

4 p.m. **Big Top Movie**: RV

6 p.m. Big Top Movie: Benchwarmers

7 p.m. **Doubles horseshoes**: Horseshoe pits

7 p.m. **Spinning**: HOP

7 p.m. **Tae Kwon Do**: Muscle Beach (I)

7 p.m. Darts: ACC

7:30 p.m. Intramural Basketball: B-ball courts

Monday

5 p.m. Abs Class: Muscle Beach (I) 7 p.m. Spinning: Muscle Beach (I)

7 p.m. **Dodgeball**: Big Top

7 p.m. Toning: HOP

7 p.m. Ping Pong: ACC

8 p.m. Chess 2000: Hot Spot

8 p.m. Spinning: Muscle Beach (I)

8 p.m. Step Aerobics: HOP

Tuesday

7 a.m. Spinning: Muscle Beach (I) 8 a.m. Body Blast: Muscle Beach (I)

6 p.m. Quarterback Challenge: Muscle Beach

7 p.m. Abs Class: Muscle Beach (I) 7:30 p.m. Tae Kwon Do: HOP

8 p.m. Tae Kwon Do: Muscle Beach (I) 8 p.m. Texas Hold'em WOSP #10: Big Top

8:30 p.m. Salsa: ACC

Wednesday

5 p.m. Abs Class: Muscle Beach (I) 7 p.m. **Spinning:** Muscle Beach (I)

7 p.m. **Toning**: HOP 7 p.m. Spades: ACC

7:30 p.m. **Push-up Competition:** Muscle Beach 7:30 p.m. Intramural Volleyball: Volleyball courts

8 p.m. Step Aerobics: HOP

8 p.m. **Spinning**: Muscle Beach (I)

8 p.m. 8-ball: Hot Spot

Thursday

7 a.m. Spinning: Muscle Beach (I)

5 p.m. Combat Aerobics: Muscle Beach (I) 7 p.m. Three point shoot out: B-ball courts

7 p.m. Abs Class: Muscle Beach (I)

7 p.m. 8/9-Ball: ACC

7:30 p.m. Tae Kwon Do: HOP

8 p.m. WSOP Tournament of Champions: Big Top

8 p.m. Tae Kwon Do: Muscle Beach (I)

8:30 p.m. **Salsa**: HOP

(I)—Instructor (DVD)—DVD

TNY—Tournament

HOP—House of Pain, Army Fitness Center

ACC—Army Community Center

Call the 407th Expeditionary Services Squadron with ideas for activities at 445-2696; for information about the House of Pain, Army fitness center call 833-1709. For information about Army morale, welfare and recreation activities call 833-1745. The 407th ESVS also offers Ziggurat tours Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Check with the Hot Spot staff for details.