The Whiteman Weekly Wire is published weekly in the Warrior and on www.facebook.com/WhitemanAirForceBase.
Items to be published should be submitted no later than noon on Wednesdays to: whiteman.warrior@us.af.mil with the subject "Weekly Wire Request." Your submission must be five lines or less, including contact information. Attachments cannot be included.
The status of the installation during inclement weather or other circumstances is updated on Facebook, www.whiteman.af.mil, and the Straight Talk line, which is 660-687-6397.

Closures / Downtime

- **The Fitness Center Track and Field** is closed for renovations. PT tests will be conducted at Knob Noster High School. All tests are run through the Fitness Assessment Cell (FAC); the FAC will transport testers to the high school to complete the walk/run portion of the test. The Knob Noster track is not available for squadron PT, but if you'd like to run and get a feel for the track, it is only available after school hours.

ADVISORIES

- **The base's Ike Skelton Park** remains closed despite safety fences being removed to allow contractors access to the playground areas. Please don't allow children to play on the open project site because of safety hazards. An announcement will be made when the play areas are re-opened.
- **The Whiteman AFB Tax Center** will not be stood up this year as a result of December's partial government shutdown. Options to assist you with filing your taxes, including free online software and tax consultants available via phone, are detailed at www.whiteman.af.mil/taxcenter/. Taxes are due to the IRS by Monday, April 15 (April 17 for residents of Maine and Massachusetts).

General information

- **Service members** are advised to be aware of what they consume as some states legalize recreational marijuana and THC. THC and CBD oils are illegal under federal law and Article 112a of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ). Products containing them, such as THC beer, can cause a positive urinalysis result in a drug test.
- **The Air Force Sergeants Association Member for Life** campaign is back from April 1 through April 30. Contact SrA Megan Moll at 660-687-2761 to receive your application to enroll. Member for life price is $200, all Ranks 3-year memberships are $75, and E1-E4 2-year memberships are $50.
- **TRICAREOnline (TOL)** offers online access for appointment management, prescription refills, health data, the nurse advice line, secure messages with your PCM and more. Go to www.TRICAREOnline.com.
- **Army & Air Force Exchange Service (BX)** shoppers can now buy items at ShopMyExchange.com and pick them up at their local BX for free. Visit https://www.shopmyexchange.com/#.
- **The base gym has a parking spot** reserved during all regular hours and days. The new space is near the front entrance and is reserved for any wing annual award winner or member of Honor Guard.
- **The Exceptional Family Member Program and Special Needs Support Group** meets at 10-11 a.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month at Whiteman AFB Youth Center. The group provides free information, speakers, children's activities and other events. Call 660-687-7132 for more information.
- **Keys, wallets, bicycles, jewelry and other items** have been turned in as found property to Security Forces. Visit Building 711, Room 305, or call 660-687-5342.
- **The Qualified Recycling Program** is open for drop-off 24/7 with reduced customer service staff. Cardboard, paper, newspaper, printer cartridges, lead acid batteries, scrap metal and aluminum cans are accepted. Materials left outside the Whiteman recycling center are base property; taking them is theft. Contact the recycling center with questions at 660-687-6253.
- **Are you interested in joining a vanpool or starting your own?** The Department of the Transportation (DoT) manages the vanpool program for the DoD at no out-of-pocket costs for you. This program is open to active duty, guard, reserve and civilians. Contact Maj. Keith Bratton at keith.bratton@us.af.mil.
- **Have you checked out the Whiteman Air Force Base smartphone app?** The app is frequently updated with new content and resources, including events, a base directory, medical information, and information for inbound and outbound personnel. A link to the download the app is available on the Whiteman website.
- **For the latest news, photos, and videos** please refer to the official Whiteman Facebook page at www.facebook.com/WhitemanAirForceBase.

Weather

FRIDAY
Partly Sunny
Hi 37 – Lo 15

SATURDAY
Sunny
Hi 39 – Lo 29

SUNDAY
Partly Sunny
Hi 45 – Lo 28

MONDAY
Chance Rain/Snow
Hi 38 – Lo 22

Volunteer Opportunities

- **The Whiteman PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)** needs volunteers for its chili cook-off and family bingo night April 12 at the Whiteman Elementary School cafeteria. Volunteer hours are 4-8:30 p.m. Volunteers eat free and can be provided an EPR letter.
- **ChildSafe,** a child advocacy center, needs volunteers for the Adult Egg Hunt on April 13 at the Elm Hills Golf Course in Sedalia, Missouri. Volunteers will needed for setting up, serving food, helping with the hunt and games, handing out prizes, cleaning up and more. Email hheimsoth@childsafehouse.org.
- **Ten volunteers are need for the Old Day Drum Festival,** which is 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on April 13; set up is 7 a.m. Contact Kristie Brinkley at kbrinkley@ucmo.edu or Suzanne Taylor at staylor@warrensburg.org.
- **Volunteers are needed for the 2019 Whiteman Easter Egg Hunt** from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on April 13 at the Whiteman Youth Center. Call A1C Rojas at the Community Programs office at 660-687-5754
- **The Airman & Family Readiness Center** is looking for volunteers for Operation Spirit 2019 on April 27 at the base's Deployment Center. Volunteers help children with their mock deployment: in-processing, applying make-up, serving as chalk leaders and escorts through the obstacle course, setting up and tearing down, and assisting the USO serve food. Call 660-687-7132.
- **Powell Gardens is looking for volunteers** for the Best of Missouri Life Market Fair 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. on April 27 and 28 and also the annual Plant Sale on May 3 - 5. Volunteers will assist in setup and item exchanges. Contact Bobi Hallak at 816-697-2600 ext. 304 or bhallak@powellgardens.org.
- **Powell Gardens is looking for volunteers** ages 16 and older for numerous positions. Volunteers are given free admission year round, along with discounts and other benefits. Call 816-697-2600 ext. 304 or email bhallak@powellgardens.org.
- **The base's Medical Group** is seeking volunteers for its Patient and Family Advisory Council. Volunteers are part of an effort to improve clinic services and patient care. Contact Lt. Sarah Trachte at sarah.e.trachte2.mil@mail.mil or at 660-687-6826 by April 12.
- **To volunteer for Team Whiteman's Airman Against Drunk Driving** (AADD) program, contact Senior Airman Tyler Anderson at tyler.anderson.14@us.af.mil.
- **Whiteman Elementary School** is looking for adult volunteers to help with the school building improvement projects. Contact Principal Jessica Stewart at jstewart@knobnoster.k12.mo.us.

Upcoming Events

- **The Whiteman PTO** (Parent Teacher Organization) is hosting a chili cook-off and family bingo night from 5:30-8 p.m. April 12 at the Whiteman Elementary School cafeteria. The event is open to everyone on base. The cost is $8 in advance and $10 at the door; PTO members and their families are $5. For additional information, email whitemanpantherspto@gmail.com.
- **The monthly Financial Focus class** is 9-11 a.m. on April 12. The topic is home buying process and includes guest speakers from UMB, Homes for Heroes and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). To register, call the Airman & Family Readiness Center at 660-687-7132.
- **The 509th Medical Group** is hosting the 3rd Annual Baby Shower from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on April 13. This event is for expecting mothers and fathers and parents with children up to 36 months of age. There will be refreshments, giveaways and car seat checks; guest speakers will begin at noon.
- **The 509th Medical Group** is offering a nicotine cessation class in the B-2 conference room at the clinic. Attending all four sessions is recommended. Session 1, Session 2, and Session 3 are complete; Session 4 is 3-4:30, April 19. Call Health Promotion at 660-687-1199 to enroll.
- **The Education Fair** is 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on April 24 at Mission's End. Approximately 30 colleges and universities from the local area will be in attendance. Base personnel, family members, civil service members and community members are invited.
- **The University of Central Missouri** is hosting a military appreciation baseball game at 6 p.m. on April 26. Admission and meal vouchers are free for active and retired military and families' please bring your military ID.
- **A pre-diabetes class** is 2:30-4:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the 509th Medical Group Education and Training room in the basement. Call 660-687-1199 to enroll.
- **EFMP/special needs or deployment/remote status military family** are invited to Coffee & Chat 10-11 a.m. every third Wednesday of the month at Coffee SKNOBS in Knob Noster. Complimentary coffee with refreshments are offered. Children are welcome with adult supervision. For more information, call 660-687-7132.
- **The Airman & Family Readiness Center** offers financial classes every month. Individual appointments are available. Call 660-687-7132 or 660-619-2735 for more information.