



Fort Sam Houston News Leader



Vol. 37, No. 23

Fort Sam Houston – Home of Army Medicine

June 9, 2005

Briefs . . .

Flag Day preparations

To prepare for Flag Day, the Fort Sam Houston commander is asking all commands and activities, including housing residents, to replace worn flags displayed on buildings or homes before Tuesday.

Retreat, wreath laying ceremony

The NCO Academy will conduct a retreat and wreath laying ceremony to honor the memory of Sgt. Maj. of the Army Leon Van Autreve Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery (to the right of the Sam Houston Circle). The public is invited.

Induction ceremony

The Sergeant Audie Murphy Club Induction Ceremony will be held Friday at 4 p.m. at the Blesse Auditorium.

Overseas orientation

The Relocation Assistance Program will conduct an overseas orientation Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Roadrunner Community Center, Building 2797, Stanley Road. The orientation includes information on entitlements, reimbursements, household goods shipments, employments and sponsor tours. Orientations can also be scheduled on an individual basis. For reservations, call Army Community Service at 221-2418.

Army Soldier Show

The 2005 Army Soldier Show will present a 90-minute song and dance production, "Operation America Cares," July 7 at the Municipal Auditorium, 100 Auditorium Circle. The event is free and open to the public.

See BRIEFS on Page 3



Photo by Dave Waugh

Splash into summer

Debesh West, a Fort Sam Houston lifeguard, cools off with a quick trip down a water slide Wednesday at the Aquatic Center. The Aquatic Center, located at Building 3300, Williams Road, features a 50-meter Olympic-size swimming pool, three water slides, three full-time lap lanes, a kiddie pool, playground and locker rooms with showers. The center is open through Sept. 5 daily from noon to 8 p.m., including holidays. Swimming lessons are also offered throughout the summer during four two-week sessions. For more information, call 221-4887.

Army birthday, Flag Day concert Tuesday



Courtesy photo

Award winning bluegrass singer Rhonda Vincent will join Fort Sam Houston to celebrate the Army's 230th Birthday and the 228th Anniversary of "Old Glory" Tuesday at 7 p.m. at MacArthur Parade Field, corner of Harry Wurzbach and Stanley Roads. The ceremony will include Soldiers dressed in period uniforms who will add 174 campaign

streamers to the Army flag followed by a rifle salute in honor of the Soldiers who served during each of the campaigns. Vincent, 2004 Entertainer of the Year, will perform with her band the "Rage" following the ceremony. Her latest album is "One Step Ahead" on Rounder Records. The event is open to the public.

BAMC, Wilford Hall graduate 310 health care professionals

By Dewey Mitchell
Wilford Hall Medical Center Public Affairs

The San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium graduated 310 health care professionals in a ceremony Friday at the University of Texas Health Science Center.

SAUSHEC, one of the largest graduate medical education programs in the nation, is the sponsoring organization responsible for all military graduate medical education in San Antonio.

The consortium maintains a close partnership with San Antonio's University of Texas Health Science Center, Brooke Army Medical Center and Wilford Hall Medical Center at Lackland Air Force Base.

Guest speaker for the graduation was Air Force Surgeon General Lt. Gen. (Dr.) George Peach Taylor Jr. He described how today's military medicine was saving far more of our warriors' lives than in previous conflicts due to a much quicker transport to stateside hospitals and continuous joint medical care along the way. He also thanked everyone who wears the uniform today.

Turning to the new graduates, Taylor told them, "Welcome to the bottom rung. Prepare yourself for shellshock as you start your first real assignments, and keep your humility, well maybe not for the surgeons."

During the award portion of the ceremony, the Commander's Awards for original medical research were presented to 15 SAUSHEC graduates for research in various fields.

The Major John H. Gillespie Award went to two transitional year interns for excellence in medical knowledge, clinical judgment and medical ethics. Capt. Aaron Nelson and Air Force Capt. Lori Caloia received the award. The award is named in honor of Gillespie, a BAMC anesthesiologist, who was killed in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Storm.

The Major David S. Berry Award for outstanding resident went to Capt. Won Kim, ophthalmology, and Air Force Capt. Scott Barnacle, obstetrics-gynecology. This award goes to the graduating residents who best exemplify the spirit and

See BAMC on Page 4

Pledging allegiance to 'Old Glory'

By Shadi May
Fort Sam Houston Public Information Office

The U.S. flag, in its original or current form, has a long and distinguished history. It started out with 13 stars (for the original states) and over the years, it has reached its current number, 50, for each new state that joined the union.

Each of the three colors used in the flag has a unique significance: white for purity and innocence, red for valor and bravery, and blue for vigilance, perseverance and justice.

Betsy Ross, a seamstress from Philadelphia, is believed to have made the first U.S. flag, which is said to have been designed by New Jersey Congressman

and one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, Francis Hopkinson.

In 1885, BJ Cigrand, a school teacher in Wisconsin, initiated a flag celebration on June 14, the 108th anniversary of the official adoption of the "The Stars and Stripes." Other people and heads of states in different cities and states followed the tradition until Aug. 3, 1949, when President Harry Truman signed an Act of Congress designating June 14 of each year as National Flag Day.

Today, the U.S. flag continues to grace buildings, churches and homes. Whether it's on the moon or atop a mountain, displayed outside a window or covering the coffin of a hero, the flag still symbolizes American values – liberty, freedom and pride.



Fort Sam Houston News Leader

This Army newspaper is an authorized publication for members of the Department of Defense. Contents of the News Leader are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. government or Department of the Army. It is published weekly by the Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston Public Affairs Office, 1212 Stanley Road, Suite 4, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234-5004, telephone (210) 221-0615, DSN 471-0615. Printed circulation is 10,000. Everything advertised in this publication shall be made available for purchase, use or patronage without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, physical handicap, political affiliation, or any other nonmerit factor of the purchaser, user or patron. If a violation or rejection of this equal opportunity policy by an advertiser is confirmed, the printer shall refuse to print advertising from that source until the violation is corrected. The



editorial content of this publication is the responsibility of the director of public affairs. The News Leader is published by Prime Time, Inc., The Herald Newspaper Group, 17400 Judson Road, San Antonio, Texas 78247, telephone (210) 453-3300, a private firm in no way connected with the U.S. government, under exclusive written contract with the Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston public affairs office. The civilian printer is responsible for commercial advertising. The appearance of advertising in this publication, including inserts or supplements, does not constitute endorsement by the U.S. Army or Prime Time, Inc., The Herald Newspaper Group of the product or services advertised. Stories and photos for publication consideration may be e-mailed to news.leader@samhouston.army.mil or turned in on a floppy disc accompanied by hard copy, by noon Monday.

Army Medical Department
Center and School and
Fort Sam Houston Commander
Maj. Gen. George W. Weightman
Garrison Commander
Col. Garry Atkins
Public Affairs Officer
Phillip Reidingner
Public Information Officer
Yolanda Hagberg
Editor/Writer
Elaine Wilson
Staff Writer
Shadi May
Layout Artist
Lori Newman

Briefs cont. . . .

Accident avoidance training

A privately owned vehicle accident avoidance training classes will be June 23 from 8 a.m. to noon in Building 902. The course meets the requirement of Department of Defense Instruction 6055.4, E3.3.1, which requires military personnel under age 26 to take at least four hours of classroom instruction in traffic safety. Commanders and supervisors are encouraged to send employees who have been convicted of a serious moving traffic violation or have been determined to be at fault in a traffic accident. Future class dates are July 7, July 21, Aug. 11 and Aug. 25. To register, call Marty Dinivahi or Dwin Banner at 221-3824.

CSM farewell luncheon

A farewell luncheon will be held in honor of U.S. Army Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Johnny Gray June 22 at 11 a.m. at the Sam Houston Club. Cost is \$10. For reservations, contact a company representative or call Sgt. Rippstine at 842-2464 by Monday.

Resident mayors

Lincoln Military Housing seeks volunteers from each residential community for the Mayor Program. Mayors are the voice of their community and serve as a liaison between village residents and Lincoln Military Housing. They also help with community activities, attend monthly mayor and senior resident meetings, provide a welcome committee for new residents and serve as a contact for residents to voice their concerns or suggestions. For more information, call Emily Garcia, Lincoln Military Housing, at 270-7638 or Patricia Baker, Residential Communities Initiative, at 221-0891.

AKO training

Fort Sam Houston employees are invited to an Army Knowledge Online training June 27. The first part of training includes a 45-minute AKO overview presentation offered at 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. at the Brooke Army Medical Center auditorium. For the second part, AKO hands-on training will be offered at 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. in Building 1380 at the Learning Resource Center. Training includes using groups, expanded knowledge center security and opportunities to ask visiting "AKO experts" questions. For more information, call Julie Gueller at 221-2010.

Sexual harassment training

The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center will offer Prevention of Sexual Harassment training June 28 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Equal Opportunity Office, Building 142, in the basement. People should submit their nominations for attendance no later than June 17 via e-mail to TRNG.FSHCPAC@samhouston.army.mil. Phone nominations will not be accepted. For more information, call Lena M. Boutelle, human resources assistant, at 221-0639.

'Statues of Servicemen' immortalize fallen troops

By Steven Donald Smith
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A nationwide project is under way to pay lasting tribute to fallen service members in their hometowns.

The "Statues of Servicemen" campaign is an effort to immortalize every American service member killed in the war on terrorism by creating a bronze statue of their likeness.

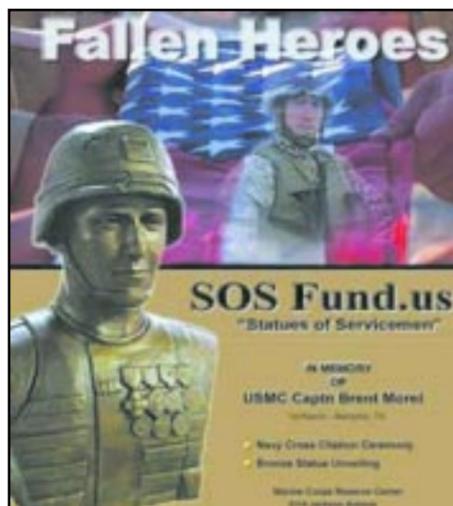
The statues will be placed in the hometowns of the fallen service members.

"These statues will be placed in city and town halls and government buildings throughout the United States to memorialize the brave men and women who have given their lives in the war on terror," said Sam Patterson, national SOS project director.

The organization began in March 2004 as "Survivors of Servicemen," with the goal of bringing attention to the trauma inflicted on the families of those killed, and to highlight the financial distress faced by many military families.

The group began selling "Wear Camo" wristbands to raise money for families who lost loved ones. The wristbands were so successful that they decided to use the proceeds to fund the statue campaign, Patterson said.

The first statue was unveiled in Shelbyville, Tenn., on April 22 with the bust of Marine Corps Pfc. Daniel McClenney. He was killed June 24, 2004, when his unit was ambushed while



Courtesy photo

patrolling Afghanistan's mountainous Konar province. The ceremony took place at the Shelbyville Court House, where the Nashville Marine Corps Reserve unit provided a 21-gun salute, and McClenney was posthumously awarded the Silver Star.

McClenney's commanding officer, Lt. Col. Julian D. Alford, presented the medal

to McClenney's father, Randy McClenney.

"His life was lived as an example of decency, and his death a costly price for freedom," Alford said. "His fellow Marines continue to feel his absence, and they will never be the same. But they are more committed to the causes of liberty."

"This medal means so much to me," Randy McClenney said. "It's something I can look at every day and think of my son."

Regarding the statue, Randy McClenney said, "I am sure my son would have been deeply touched by your gift to his family and the city of Shelbyville."

The second statue, this one depicting Marine Capt. Brent Morel, was unveiled in Memphis, Tenn., on May 21.

Morel was killed in Iraq on April 7, 2004, when insurgents ambushed his platoon while they escorted a convoy in the Anbar province. He was awarded the Navy Cross and is nominated for the Medal of Honor.

"I know that what he was doing was noble and right. It was what he had been trained to do and something he chose to do," said Brent's father, Mike Morel.

SOS is working with parents and spouses around the country to memorialize more troops.

"The human psyche is eased in times of deep sorrow by remembering and attempting to make tangible lives that are lost," Alford said. "Memorials serve this purpose. Memorials make our remembrance palpable."

VA chief sees opportunity to ensure care for all service members

By Samantha L. Quigley
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The secretary of Veterans Affairs said today that where some might see challenges for the department, he sees opportunities.

"One of the big opportunities we have - and it's a priority of ours - is to make sure that our service members coming out of the combat theater are well taken care of," R. James Nicholson said during an interview with the Pentagon Channel and American Forces Press Service. "That is one of our biggest opportunities."

With more than 200,000 guardsmen and reservists deployed in support of operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom, the VA has expanded some of the benefits offered to this group of service members, he said.

"VA has a very extensive, new program for our reserve components," Nicholson said. "The reserve component person who comes back, is redeployed back, is entitled to two years of full medical and dental care at any nearby VA facility. Then of course, if they have any other service-connected disablement, either physical or mental, as a result of their service, that care will continue on beyond the two years."

Education benefits also have been expanded for guardsmen and reservists so they may participate in the G.I. Bill. The amount of the benefit, however, depends on the time spent in an active duty capacity, Nicholson said. The life insurance and home loan programs also have improved for guardsmen and reservists, he said.

Eligibility requirements can be found on the Veterans Affairs Web site at <http://www.va.gov>.

Changes within VA affect active duty service members who come back from the combat theater and choose to leave the service, too, Nicholson said.

The Seamless Transition Program, he said, makes 158 medical centers and more than 850 clinics available for service members who separate from the military. A home loan program has 25 percent of the mortgage guaranteed by the VA, which allows most veterans to buy a home without down payment. "That used to be a one-time benefit," Nicholson said. "It now is a continuing benefit throughout the life of a veteran — any veteran."

Benefits also include vocational and rehabilitation training for those injured physically or mentally. The VA also is working to help disabled veterans adapt to their environment, including the adaptation of a home or a vehicle if needed.

The VA also works to help veterans find work. This is a top priority, Nicholson said, as about 20 percent of veterans between the ages of 20 and 24 are unemployed.

"We ... are working within the other agencies of government, encouraging them to hire our veterans. We're doing it ourselves at the VA," Nicholson said. "We have many disabled veterans working here ... especially in the (information technology) department."

Nicholson said he has worked with governors and heads of corporations and major trade associations to encourage them to reach out to veterans looking for employment. The program is promising, he said, but more needs to be done.

Readjustment counseling services are important as well, Nicholson said. The program is crucial to heading off any latent mental health problems. "It's important to (veterans) now, and it's important to them for the rest of their lives," Nicholson said.

The program was extended to families of veterans who also make a sacrifice. Injuries cause change for every family member, and every family member needs to adjust to that change, he said.

"We're responsible for veterans' affairs," Nicholson said. "And certainly part of a veteran's welfare is his family, his family life and his quality of life. Spouses and dependents have to endure a great deal of sacrifice at home when a service member is deployed, especially to a combat zone, and especially if they're injured."

"We need to educate the whole family about what's going on there so that they can accommodate to that and accept that and go on as a, hopefully, happy productive family unit," Nicholson said.

Benefit changes also have affected life insurance provisions. Congress has approved the increase in the death gratuity — a one-time payment to the family of a service member killed in action — from \$12,000 to \$100,000. The maximum life insurance benefit also has increased, from \$250,000 to \$400,000.

A new catastrophic insurance program covers the service member up to \$100,000 above the other programs in the event of a catastrophic injury like the loss of eyesight or hearing, Nicholson said. The premium for that coverage is about \$1 a month, he added.

It all boils down to veterans having the right benefits available to them, and service members need to know what their benefits are and how to access them, Nicholson said.

"It's an expression of the appreciation of the American people, the President and the Congress," the secretary said, "for the important work and the sacrifices that the reserve components are making in our operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom and for freedom for our country."

Soldiers conquer 91W transition training in Iraq

By Staff Sgt. Christopher Williams
27th Public Affairs Detachment

LOGISTICS SUPPORT AREA

ANACONDA, Iraq — Soldiers from various units throughout Iraq traveled to Logistics Support Area Anaconda to complete the 91W Transition Course offered by the Combat Medical Training Center.

The CMTC, 44th Medical Command, at LSA Anaconda is the only medical training center of its kind in theater. Frequent and longer deployments have made the center a valuable asset to the Army and the Soldiers it trains.

"We are the first to offer the transition training to medics while in theater," said Col. Dennis Driscoll, program director for CMTC. "In doing so, we've given Soldiers the opportunity to enhance their skills as well as continue to support their unit's mission while deployed."

The transition training is a requirement for certain medical specialties. In 2001, the Army Medical Department implemented a program to transition combat medics and practical nurses into a 91W Military Occupational Specialty to create more diversified medical professionals.

"There weren't enough medics to fill combat positions and there weren't enough nurses to fill the clinical positions," said Staff Sgt. Randall L. Scales, CMTC lead instructor. "AMEDD came up with a solution to create one MOS that encompasses

both the battlefield and clinical settings."

Combat medics and practical nurses must complete the 91W transition by the year 2007, said Driscoll.

The transition program is a long and comprehensive series of training blocks that gives medics and practical nurses the necessary skills to function on and off the battlefield. Some medical NCOs only have to complete certain portions of the 91W transition, while most have to go through the entire course.

The center's 23-day transition course includes grueling coursework and hands-on practical applications. Attendees take 15 examinations, to include modules in basic life support, the National Registry for Emergency Medical Technicians, pre-hospital trauma life support and Trauma AIMS, or advanced airway, intravenous therapy, medications and pharmacology and shock management.

"Back in the states, the training can take as long as six months to complete whereas here, we get the Soldiers through it in about three weeks," said Scales.

As impossible as it may seem, said Scales, the eight Soldiers who recently graduated had no trouble getting through the intense training. With little or no distractions due to work or personal issues, the Soldiers were able to focus on the training and the training alone, he added.

"This training is something that the medics must do in order to remain MOS



Courtesy photo

Staff Sgt. Randall L. Scales, Combat Medical Training Center lead instructor, addresses the graduates of the 91W Transition Course May 28 at the Logistics Support Area Anaconda Education Center.

qualified, and we appreciate the commanders for supporting this requirement," said Driscoll during the May 28 graduation ceremony.

Driscoll said that there's more to this program than just fulfilling professional development requirements.

"The real reason behind this program is to put the best medics in the Army out on the battlefield," he said. "With these eight Soldiers, I think we've started to do just that."

The graduates are Sgt. 1st Class Michael Priebe, 411th Civil Affairs Battalion; Sgt. Marquis Arnold, 1-13 Armor; Sgt. Eric Ashmore, 50th Medical Evacuation; Sgt. Karolina Loyewska, 443rd Civil Affairs Bn.; Sgt. Melissa Olson, Headquarters Support Company, 92nd Engineer Bn.; Spc. Frank Goodnight, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 29th Brigade Combat Team; Spc. Jasmine Ocampo, HHC, 29th BCT; Pfc. Thomas Else, 546th Area Support Medical Battalion.

Launch date changes for new civilian personnel system

By Donna Miles
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The first phase of the Defense Department's new National Security Personnel System has been adjusted slightly, to later in the fiscal year, NSPS officials told the American Forces Press Service Tuesday.

The Defense Department will work with the Office of Personnel Management to adjust the proposed NSPS regulation based on public comments and the meet-and-confer process with employee representatives, according to Mary Lacey, NSPS program executive officer.

These revisions will be published in the Federal Register later this summer, and implementation of NSPS could begin 30 days after the publication. However, officials stressed that the start date is "event driven" and

that implementing instructions must be in place and training must be under way before the system gets rolled out.

Officials had hoped to begin the first phase of the rollout, called Spiral One, July 1, but noted all along that the launch date could change. "That (implementation) date is flexible, because we are not going to implement it until we are ready," Charles S. Abell, principal deputy under secretary of defense for personnel and readiness, said during an interview last December.

NSPS officials said the labor relations part of the program is now expected to begin by September, followed by the performance management element of the human resources system early in fiscal 2006.

All civilian employees will receive the 2006 general pay increase before the pay-for-performance provisions of NSPS begin, officials said.

Spiral One, which will initially affect 60,000 employ-

ees, will eventually include about 300,000 U.S.-based Army, Navy, Air Force and DoD-agency civilian employees and managers.

After that, the system will be introduced incrementally over the next two or three years until all 700,000 DoD civilian employees eligible for NSPS are included, officials said. The system will be upgraded and improved as it goes forward, they said.

The National Security Personnel System is one of Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld's key initiatives designed to transform DoD operations to better meet 21st-century needs. It replaces an outmoded, 50-year-old civilian personnel management system that had rewarded employees for longevity.

Instead, the new system incorporates a performance-based pay system in tandem with a restructuring of the civilian workforce to better support department missions.

BAMC

Continued from Page 1

character of Maj. David Berry, a SAUSHEC pediatric faculty member who was murdered while assigned to Korea in 2000.

A newly created award for the Outstanding Program Coordinator went to Carmen Vargas of the BAMC internal medicine residency program.

"It was an honor to be the first to receive this award," Vargas said. "I am very happy and excited about it."

The SAUSHEC Outstanding Faculty Award went to Col. Karl Stajduhar, Cardiology, and Air Force Col. Michael Gordon, OB-Gyn.

The newly named John D. Roscelli Award for SAUSHEC's Outstanding Program Director was awarded to Lt. Col. Randal Robinson, OB-Gyn.

"This graduation represents the culmination of years of effort on the part of the trainees and tremendous sacrifice on the part of their families," said Col. John Roscelli, the outgoing Dean of Graduate Medical Education. "And the award winners at today's ceremony demonstrate the excellence that is SAUSHEC and assure us that the future of the Army and Air Force medical corps is in excellent hands."

Also at the ceremony, Roscelli transferred the SAUSHEC flag to the new dean, Air Force Col. Theodore Parsons, who was associate dean and director of graduate medical education at Wilford Hall. Col. William Flynn was selected to replace Parsons at the Wilford Hall post.

Finally, Roscelli was awarded a plaque from the Executive Committee and Staff of SAUSHEC for his four years as dean.

Change of command ceremonies

5th Medical Recruiting Battalion

The 5th Medical Recruiting Battalion change of command ceremony will be held at the Fifth U.S. Army Quadrangle June 24 at 10 a.m.

U.S. Army Dental Command

The U.S. Army Dental Command change of command ceremony will be June 23 at 8 a.m. MacArthur Parade Field. Col. Russell Czerw will assume command from Col. Sidney Brooks.

U.S. Army Veterinary Command

The U.S. Army Veterinary Command change of command ceremony will be June 24 at 8 a.m. at MacArthur Parade Field. Col. Charles Kelsey Jr. will relinquish command to Col. Clifford Walker.

Special Troops Battalion

The Special Troops Battalion change of command ceremony will be Friday at 7:45 a.m. at the MacArthur Parade Field. Lt. Col. Barbara Holcomb will assume command from Lt. Col. Steven Bolint.

314th Military Intelligence Bn.

The 314th Military Intelligence Battalion will sponsor a change of command ceremony Tuesday at 7 a.m. at the parade field west of the 37th Training Wing Headquarters building at Lackland Air Force Base. For more information, call Sgt. Deborah Herman,

314th MI Bn. Public Affairs Office, at 671-0989.

Camp Bullis

The Camp Bullis installation change of command will be June 16 at 9 a.m. at the Camp Bullis Parade Field. Lt. Col. Jimmie O. Keenan will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Dennis LeMaster.

232nd Medical Brigade

The 232nd Medical Brigade will have a change of command ceremony June 17 at 8 a.m. at the MacArthur Parade Field. Lt. Col. Bruce W. McVeigh will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Brian J. Kueter.

Great Plains Region

The Great Plains Regional Medical Command change of command will be June 22 at 8 a.m. at the MacArthur Parade Field. Brig. Gen. C. William Fox Jr. will relinquish command to Col. James K. Gilman.

MEDLOG, 591st and 418th

The 591st and 418th Medical Logistics Companies will conduct their changes of command ceremonies June 23 at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. respectively at the post flag pole.

Regimental farewell, welcome

The Army Medical Department Regiment commander and sergeant major farewell and welcome ceremony will be June 23 at 2:30 p.m. at the Dustoff Memorial Plaza.



Leroy "Duke" Hendershot, senior vice commander for Department of Texas Disabled American Veterans, and a Vietnam War disabled veteran, presents a golf cart to William Trower, Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery director.

DAV donates golf cart to military cemetery

Story and photo by Shadi May
Fort Sam Houston Public Information Office

The local chapter of Disabled American Veterans presented a golf cart to the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery June 3.

"The eight-passenger golf cart is given to us to help the disabled and the elderly get to the gravesites without having to walk too much," said Paula Haley, cemetery's assistant director.

The \$10,000 cart was the DAV's second donation to the San Antonio Region. The chapter recently gave a 15-passenger vehicle, valued at \$41,000, to the Texas Veterans Home in Floresville, Texas.

"It's a heartwarming gesture that the veterans themselves are helping other veterans, rather than sitting and saying 'take care of us,'" said Leroy "Duke" Hendershot, senior vice commander for Department of Texas DAV, and a Vietnam War disabled veteran.

It took the chapter 18 months to raise funds for both projects. All the money supporting such projects comes from public donation. The "Forget Me Not" flower, a blue flower resembling the bluebonnet, symbolizes the DAV and is given to people who donate money. The chapter is at local commissaries and exchanges during Veterans' Day weekend to raise funds.

"Every penny we solicit in San Antonio stays in San Antonio," added Hendershot. "We are all about helping the vets and their families."

Ethics Training

Ethics training for U.S. Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston Garrison units are June 21 and July 29 at 9 a.m. in Blesse Auditorium, Building 2841. The training takes about one hour.

The Secretary of the Army requires every Soldier and civil service employee to attend ethics training annually. The staff judge advocate and officials from the AMEDDC&S and post will present the training and maintain sign-in rosters for commanders and supervisors to verify attendance of their employees. People can access the sign-in rosters by opening the Adobe Acrobat Reader and the SJA ethics roster folder on the G drive. For more information, call Gerald Krimbill, Shelby Tanner or Capt. Brian Underdahl at 221-2373 or 221-0485.

CAREER CLIPS

Clinical Nutrition Manager, San Antonio. Plan, coordinate and manage all patient and resident nutrition care activities; develop and implement cost effective, profit-generating nutrition programs; function as a member of the multidisciplinary health care team to implement nutrition care plans.

Alzheimers Program Coordinator, San Antonio. Responsible for planning and coordinating programs and activities that provide life-enriching activities for Arbors' residents; provide training and coaching to associates in all aspects of the memory enhancement and life enrichment program.

MW - Credit and Collections Representative, San Antonio. Perform heavy volume of both inbound and outbound calls with the intent to reconcile accounts to a current status; collection of accounts conducted within established credit and collection guidelines, policies and procedures; maintain monthly performance audits within set percentage of the department cumulative averages.

The Army Career and Alumni Program office provides numerous services to eligible people in transition including job assistance. Information on these and other positions is available to ACAP customers in the ACAP Office, Building 2264, or call 221-1213.

Fort Sam Houston clarifies water conservation plan

The Edwards and Glen Rose aquifers are the primary sources of water for Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis. Because of anticipated increases in the withdrawal of water from the aquifers and the potentially devastating effects of droughts, Fort Sam Houston has implemented aggressive measures to reduce, recycle and reuse water resources.

The post's mandatory water conservation program establishes guidelines for water use based on aquifer water levels. There are five stages of the conservation plan. Each stage triggers a different level of water conservation and, as a result, different water use restrictions.

Currently, city aquifer levels are higher than the 650 feet that would call for implementation of Stage 1.

"Aquifer water levels are high at the moment; however, water conservation is an ongoing priority here at Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis," said David Walker, chief of the Environmental Office Base Operations.

Walker encourages the community to be aware of standard water conservation measures, which include:

- Water waste is prohibited. People should not allow water to run off onto a gutter, ditch or drain, or fail to repair a controllable leak.
- Organizations should reduce water consumption by any means available.
- Outdoor pools must be at least 25 percent covered when not in use.
- Residents are permitted to water with an irrigation system or sprinkler from 12 to 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.
- Washing parking lots, driveways, streets or sidewalks is prohibited.
- Non-commercial washing of vehicles and mobile equipment, such as washing vehicles at a residence, is permitted only during the assigned watering time, using a hose with an automatic shut-off nozzle or bucket of 5 gallons or less.
- Aesthetic fountains and waterfalls, both outdoor and indoor, are prohibited.

For more information, call the Environmental and Natural Resources Office at 221-4842.

(Source: Environmental and Natural Resources Office)

BOSS supermodels strut their stuff for Army competition

By Ben Paniagua
Hacienda Recreation Center

Strutting the runway is not an easy thing to do when you've been wearing Army boots all day. But 11 Soldiers, both male and female, braved the runway June 2 for the Soldier Supermodel Search competition at the Hacienda Recreation Center.

The competition was Fort Sam Houston's entry in the 2005 U.S. Army Festival of the Performing Arts Competition, which takes place annually April through August. During the competition, Community and Family Support Center judges from Washington D.C. travel to installations to judge post entries, which can include Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers' programs and adult and children's theater productions.

While programs can vary among posts, Fort Sam Houston BOSS members decided on a supermodel search.

The new Fort Sam Houston BOSS supermodels include:

Male category

First place - Staff Sgt. Edward A. Castro, C Company, Academy Battalion
Second place - Spc. Paul Washington, 591st Medical Logistics Company
Third place - Spc. David Provost, Military Honors, Special Troops Battalion

Female category

First place - Staff Sgt. Rhonda Nimblette, C Company, Academy Battalion
Second place - Pfc. Jennifer Bennett, A Company, Brooke Army Medical Center
Third place - Spc. Renee Villegas, A Company, BAMC

First place winners received \$150; second place received \$100; and third place received \$50.

"As a member of the Fort Sam Houston BOSS Program, I entered because I thought it would be fun," Nimblette said. "I have never modeled before and never dreamed I would win."

The event was organized by the Fort Sam Houston BOSS Program and sponsored by Keefer and Associates of Madison National Life.

Entertainment was provided by vocalists Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Vanderlin, C Company, Academy Battalion; Staff Sgt. Robin Farland, Executive Operations, Army Medical Department Center and School; and Pfc. Eric Miller, C Company, Brooke Army Medical Center. Pianist Spc. Timothy Balke, C Company, 187th Medical Battalion, and Yari Santiago's Puerto Rican dance company rounded out the show.

The entertainers were also judged during the event and are eligible for

individual awards in the festival. Any award monies will go into Fort Sam Houston's BOSS Program to further improve the quality of life of single Soldiers living on the installation.



Staff Sgt. Rhonda Nimblette, first place winner in the female category, models during the formal wear competition. Nimblette received \$150 and a trophy.



Staff Sgt. Edward A. Castro, first place winner in the male category, models during the formal wear competition. Eleven models competed for the title of Fort Sam Houston BOSS Soldier Supermodel.



(Above) Yari Santiago and her Puerto Rican dance company perform a salsa dance for the audience during the BOSS Soldier Supermodel Search.

(Right) Staff Sgt. Robin Farland sings at the Hacienda Recreation Center. Farland is eligible for an individual award for her performance in Fort Sam Houston's entry into the U.S. Army Festival of the Performing Arts Competition.



Photos by Alexandra Nordeck

Rainbow Kids score a hit at Army competition

By Ron Joy
Southwest Region Installation Management
Agency Public Affairs Office

The Rainbow Kids presented their show, "What Dreams Are Made Of," Saturday at the Hacienda Recreation Center to a very appreciative crowd.

The show incorporated the routines the "kids" do on their road tour to include songs from the 20s, 40s, 60s, 80s and country.

The group's performance was a part of the 2005 United States Army Festival of the Performing Arts competition, and the results will be announced later this fall.

The Rainbow Kids are a nonprofit group, which falls under the umbrella of Youth Services at Fort Sam Houston. The group is available for scheduling, at no charge, for organizations and special events, and is supported by the kids' parents, its director, Ron Joy, and Youth Services. They will perform at the Alamo in October.

For more information, call Betsy Dvorak at 833-0063 or e-mail dvorak724@earthlink.net.



Photos by Debbie Pederson

(Above) (From left) Katie McHargue, Raven Harden, Alana Dvorak and Natalie Palmer get into their characters from the 1960s to sing "Leader of the Pack."

(Left) Eleven-year-old Raven Harden performs the country hit, "Why Haven't I Heard From You?"

Vet Corps anniversary



Photo by Ed Dixon

The Veterinary Corps celebrated its 89th anniversary during a ceremony Friday at the Army Medical Museum. Capt. Nic Cabano, the youngest Veterinary Corps officer cut the anniversary cake with retired Col. Paul Barrows and Col. Charles Kelsey Jr., Veterinary Command commander.

Retirees represent 371 years of service



Photos by Ed Dixon

(From left) Col. Laura Kostner, Maj. Michael Hurtardo, Maj. Steven Osborn, Chief Warrant Officer Rogelio Garcia, Master Sgt. Cathy Briggs, Sgt. 1st Class Barrington Malcolm and Sgt. 1st Class Victor Troupe, received awards for their contributions to the nation at the retirement ceremony May 26 at MacArthur Parade Field.



(From left) Lt. Col. Raymond Rembish, Command Sgt. Maj. James Clifford, Sgt. 1st Class Roland Wilson, 1st Sgt. Jaime Bonilla, Command Sgt. Maj. Earl Ware, Lt. Col. Robert King, Sgt. 1st Class Sheila Wade, and Sgt. Maj. Judith Battey, were among the 15 retirees recognized by Maj. Gen. George W. Weightman, Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston commander at the retirement ceremony May 26 at MacArthur Parade Field.



Spotlight your unit

The Public Information Office welcomes articles, photos or story idea submissions for the Fort Sam Houston News Leader.

To submit a story or idea or for more information, call 221-0615, e-mail news.leader@samhouston.army.mil or stop by the office in Building 124 (second floor).

TROOP SALUTE



232nd Medical Battalion



Soldier of the Week

Name: Pfc. Amanda Stewart
MOS: 91W, health care specialist
Hometown: Fulton, Mo.
Time in service: Six months
Future goals: Basic NCO Course, drill sergeant
Reason for joining: "I joined to serve my country."
Latest Accomplishment: Starting IVs



Junior Leader of the Week

Name: Pvt. Steven Koontz
MOS: 91W, health care specialist
Hometown: Simi Valley, Calif.
Time in service: Five months
Future goals: Finish my degree
Reason for joining: "I joined to help bring Soldiers home safely."
Latest Accomplishment: Junior Leader of the Week

187th Medical Battalion



Officer of the Week

Name: 1st Lt. Timothy L Ford
Unit: A Company
AOC: nurse anesthesia
Hometown: Belleville, Ill.
Time in service: 15 years
Future goals: To become a certified registered nurse anesthetist
Reason for joining: "I joined to serve my country."
Latest accomplishment: Completed phase I of the U.S. Army's graduate program in nurse anesthesia



Soldier of the Week

Name: Rontrae Abbott
Unit: 4th Platoon
MOS: 91D, operating room specialist
Hometown: Rome, Ga.
Time in service: Six years
Future goals: To complete a bachelor's degree in engineering, complete Air Assault School
Why did you volunteer for the service: "I felt my life needed a change for the better."
Latest accomplishment: Finished A Plus certification for computer repair

Top Girl Scout honors



Courtesy photo

Lisa Ibarra, daughter of Dr. Randolph Ibarra, Budge Dental Clinic, and Adrienne Leach, sister of Sgt. Stephen Michael Leach, received the Gold Award May 19 at the San Antonio College McAllister Auditorium. The Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting, is given to teenage girls who develop, organize and carry out a large-scale project that provides a service to the community. The project takes about two years to complete. Thirty-eight other senior Girl Scouts were also recognized for their projects, which ranged from making neck coolers for deployed troops to assisting with music education in area schools. "Our Gold Award girls are the leaders of tomorrow," said Aimee Sharp, Girl Scouts teen manager.

Need an ID Card?

The ID Card Office, located in Building 367, accepts appointments from 12:45 to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Walk-in hours are from 7:15 to 10:30 a.m. and 12:45 to 2:30 p.m., daily. To schedule an appointment, call 221-2278 or 221-0415. You can also obtain an ID card by appointment only at the Brooke Army Medical Center ID Card Office, located in the lower floor within the TRICARE Office. To schedule an appointment, call 916-0838.



SPORTS

'The Iceman' cometh



Photo by Kelly Schaefer

NBA legend George "The Iceman" Gervin, formerly of the San Antonio Spurs, visits with Sgt. Maverick Tuufuli at Brooke Army Medical Center. Tuufuli is recuperating from injuries sustained during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Gervin and two other NBA greats, Clyde Drexler and Artis Gilmore, visited Soldiers at BAMC as part of the 2005 NBA Legends Tour. For the tour, NBA greats showcase the Larry O'Brien NBA Championship trophy in NBA playoff cities and some non-NBA cities for fan autograph and photo sessions, community projects and events and a series of NBA playoff viewing parties.

Race for a cause



Courtesy photo

Soldiers from E Company, 187th Medical Battalion, participated in the Jon's Run 5K to raise money for the Center for Infant and Child Loss, a foundation that supports Sudden Infant Death Syndrome research. Drill Sgt. Matthew Heatherly organized the Soldiers' participation in the race. Heatherly has sponsored three races since January, raising more than \$2,500 for causes such as cancer research and children's shelters.

SPORTS BRIEFS . . .

MEDCOM #1 shoots hole-in-one

Lt. Col. James Starcher shot a hole-in-one May 31 during an intramural golf game. The hole-in-one was at Hole # 16 Laloma of the Fort Sam Houston Golf Course with a 9 iron. Starcher's hole-in-one was the first for intramural golfers this season. He has a 16 handicap.

'For the Soldier' Golf Tournament

The Alamo Chapter of the Association of the United States Army will sponsor its eighth annual "For the Soldier" Golf Tournament June 27 at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Course. Cost is \$75 for non-club members and \$55 for members. Soft spikes are required. All proceeds will be used to benefit Soldiers and their families. For more information, call (830) 228-5482 or e-mail director@alamochapter-ausa.org or go to www.alamochapterausa.org.

SPORTS

Combat Medic 5K



Combat medic run

The 25th annual Combat Medic Run will be July 23 starting at 7:15 a.m. at MacArthur Field. Events include 10K and 5K individual runs, a five-Soldier guidon team event, a 2-mile fitness walk and a 5K Soldier formation run. Numerous awards will be present at the conclusion of the race. Anniversary T-shirts will be presented to all registered runners. Information on road or gate closures will be released at a later date. For more information, go to www.fortsamhoustonmwr.com.

Intramural Golf standings as of June 2

Team	Total Points
Garrison #1	296
Garrison #2	286
USARSO Dawgpound	283
GPRMC	281
DENTAC	278.5
BAMC #1	272.5
SWRO Duffers	270
Academy Bn. #1	246.5
USAISR	246.5
MEDCOM #1	242.5
MISFITS	238
5th Recruiting Bde.	231.5
MEDCOM #2	228.5
BAMC Troop command	225
Bunker Busters	214.5
DENCOM Extractors	132.5
Academy Bn. #2	125.5
SWRO Scramblers	115.5
Enforcers	24
SWRO Woodhackers	0

Health Promotions June classes

Class	Date	Time
Breastfeeding Support Group	Friday	1 to 2:30 p.m.
Pediatric Asthma	Friday	2 to 3:30 p.m.
Diabetes Education	Monday	12:45 to 4:30 p.m.
Diabetes Foot Care	Monday	1 to 2:30 p.m.
Colonoscopy	Tuesday	10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Diabetes Education	Tuesday	12:45 to 4:30 p.m.
Stress Management	Tuesday	1 to 2:30 p.m.
High Blood Pressure	Wednesday	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Office Yoga	Wednesday	12 to 1 p.m.
Weigh to Stay	Wednesday	3 to 4 p.m.
Breast and GYN Cancer Support Group	16	1:30 to 3 p.m.
Body Fat Testing	17	8 to 11 a.m.
Weigh for Health	17	12 to 1:30 p.m.
Breastfeeding Support Group	17	1 to 2:30 p.m.
Adult Asthma	17	2 to 3:30 p.m.
Cholesterol	20	9 to 11:30 a.m.
Diabetes Education	20	12:45 to 4:30 p.m.

To sign up for classes or for more information, call Health Promotions at 916-3352.

Army Community Service

Family Advocacy Program June Class Schedule

Class Title	Dates	Class Time
Anger Management Awareness	Monday	11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Basics of Breastfeeding	Wednesday	10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Boys Only!		
Ages 9-10	22	9 to 10 a.m.
Building Effective Anger Management Skills Series (5-6)	today	11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
New Series	23 and 30	11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Child Safety	Monday	1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Coping with Difficult People	20	1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Getting Ready for Childbirth 1 and 2	23 and 30	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Girl Talk!		
Ages 6-8	29	9 to 10 a.m.
Ages 9-10	Wednesday	9 to 10 a.m.
Healthy Pregnancy	20	9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Helping Us Grow Securely (H.U.G.S.) Playgroup	Tuesday, 21 and 28	9 to 11 a.m.
S.T.E.P. Program for Parents of School Age Children	Friday, 17 and 24	1 to 3:30 p.m.
S.T.E.P. Program for Parents of Teens	Tuesday	11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Stress Management I and II	Tuesday	1 to 2:30 p.m.
Truth or Consequences?	Tuesday and 21	4:30 to 5:30 p.m.
You and Your Baby	22	8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Class space is limited. To register for classes or for more information, call Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program at 221-0349 or 221-2418.

DoD study to investigate Soldiers' health

In response to health events surrounding the 1990-1991 Gulf War, a need was identified to conduct a long-term study of the health effects of military service and deployment. Health experts from the Department of Defense and Veterans Administration cooperated to design the Millennium Cohort Study, perhaps the largest DoD health study to date.

Enrollment began in the fall of 2001, and has already reached 100,000 active duty, Guard and Reserve service members, of which more than 43,000 are Soldiers. About 140,000 service members are expected to join the cohort by 2008.

Only people invited to participate are eligible. Invited participants are scientifically selected, and will be asked to complete a survey every three years through 2022. To make participation as effortless as possible, respondents have the option of completing either online surveys or paper surveys that arrive in the mail.

The increased operations tempo related to operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom has made reaching active duty and reserve Soldiers more difficult. Therefore, it is extremely important that any Soldier invited to participate carefully consider doing so. Early results from the study have already led to a better understanding of the general health of U.S. service members, while future studies will aim to look at more specific diseases and multisymptom illnesses.

The study is led by Dr. Margaret Ryan, a commander in the U.S. Navy, from the DoD Center for Deployment Health Research, San Diego, Calif. The Army investigator for the study is Col. Dr. Paul J. Amoroso, from the U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine in Natick, Mass.

For more information, go to <http://www.milenniumcohort.org>.

(Source: U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine)

Akeroyd Blood Center urges donors to give '5 in '05'

The Akeroyd Blood Center challenges eligible blood donors to give five donations during 2005 during its "5 in '05" campaign.

Participating donors will receive a "5 in '05" card and be recognized at a special ceremony at the end of the year.

To donate, call the Akeroyd Blood Center at 295-4655 or 295-4989 or stop by the center at 1240 Harney Road between 7:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. weekdays.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIQUIDATE YOUR CREDIT CARD DEBT?

IT CAN HAPPEN.

The Financial Readiness Program

at Army Community

Service offers this new service. For more information, call 221-1612.



MWR

Recreation and fitness

Summer hours for catfish pond

The catfish pond at Camp Bullis is open Saturdays and Sundays from 4 to 8 p.m. The pond is pay-as-you-go. Catfish are \$1.75 per pound, live weight. Catch and release is not authorized. A fishing license is not required, and there is no daily fee. For more information, call 295-7577.

Missions military appreciation night

Free ticket vouchers are available for the Missions military appreciation night Wednesday. The game is at 7:05 p.m. Military members and their families are invited to participate in the pregame party starting at 4 p.m. Pregame activities include live music, games for kids and giveaways. Vouchers can be picked up at the following Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities: Bowling Center, Jimmy Brought Fitness Center, Library, Army Community Services and Youth Center. For more information, call 221-2307 or 221-2926.

MWR seeks civilians for survey

Fort Sam Houston Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation seeks civilian employees to complete the 2005 Leisure Needs Survey. Civilian employees, non-appropriated funds and contractors who complete the survey by June 17 will have a chance to win a free oil change and lube from Caliber Collision Center. For more information, call Alexandra Nordeck at 221-2926 or 221-2307, or e-mail alexandra.nordeck@samhouston.army.mil.

Aerobics classes

The Jimmy Brought Fitness Center offers a variety of aerobics classes Monday through Friday. Visit the fitness center for a schedule including yoga, water aerobics, step and cycling classes.

MWR car wash

Stop by the Fort Sam Houston Morale, Welfare and Recreation Auto Craft Shop in Building 2410, on the corner of Funston and Schofield Roads, to use one of the two car wash bays. The center also features an automobile vacuum. The hours of operation are Wednesday through Friday from 1 to 9 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 221-3962.

AC service at the Auto Craft Shop

Get ready for summer with air conditioning service at the Auto Craft Shop. All AC services are \$30 plus the cost of Freon and a \$2 environmental fee. Visit the MWR Web site at www.fortsamhoustonmwr.com for a \$5 off coupon. For more information, call 221-3962.

Archery lessons

The Outdoor Equipment Center offers individual and group archery lessons. Instruction is given at the level of experience. Children are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult if under the age of 18. Participants should wear full-covered shoes and not wear oversized shirts or pants. For more information, call the Archery Shop at 221-5225.

Aquatic Center

The Aquatic Center is now open. The 50-meter Olympic size swimming pool is open daily from noon to 8 p.m. The center has three amusement park-style water slides, a kiddie pool and locker rooms with showers. For more information, call the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center at 295-8861.

Swimming lessons

Swimming lessons are available at the Aquatic Center through June 17, June 20 to July 1, July 11 to 22 and July 25 to Aug. 5. For more information, call the Jimmy Brought Fitness Center at 295-8861 or visit www.fortsamhoustonmwr.com under the recreation link.

Dining and Entertainment

Sam Houston Club, 224-2721

Seafood Buffet

The club will offer a seafood buffet June 17

from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$11.95 for members, \$13.95 for nonmembers and \$6.95 for children between the ages 7 to 11. Children 6 and under will eat free.

Sunday brunch

The next brunch will be June 19 from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$11.95 for members and \$13.95 for nonmembers and will include a complimentary glass of champagne.

Lunch buffet

The Sam Houston Club features an "All You Can Eat" lunch buffet which includes beverage, deluxe salad bar, soup and dessert Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Bowling Center, 221-3683

Rock n' Bowl

Rock n' Bowl is Saturday from 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person which includes shoes, hot-dog and a soda. This summer's kick-off event features black light bowling and live music by San Antonio's hottest DJ.

San Antonio military double tournament

This tournament is scheduled for July 23 and 24. Registration is \$30 per doubles team and open to all Department of Defense ID cardholders. A \$400 first prize will be awarded.

Unit bowling

Special unit rates are available.

Family bowling day

Every Sunday, adults and children 12 and up pay \$1.75 per game (children under 12 bowl free). Shoe rental is \$1.

Soldier appreciation

Soldier appreciation day is Saturdays from noon to 6:45 p.m. The center offers free shoe rental and medium soda with purchase of game.

Cyber Bowl

Cyber Bowl is Saturdays from 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$10 per person 12 and up and \$5 per person under 12.

Golf Club, 221-4388

"Putt for Dough" contest at the golf course

Win a \$10,000 prize in the "Putt for Dough" contest at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Course Wednesday at 5 p.m. on the putting green. To win, players must make a 10-foot, 25-foot and 50-foot putt. To sign up, visit the Pro Shop by 9:45 a.m. Friday. Fifty players will be selected to participate. A drawing will be held in the Pro Shop Friday at 10 a.m. No purchase is necessary. For more information, call 221-4388.

Summer Junior Camp at Golf Club

Instruction on putting, chipping, etiquette, safety, irons, driver, fairway and woods is available at the Golf Club. The cost is \$110 and includes a new set of clubs.

Golf lessons

Private customized and personalized instruction are offered at the golf course.

Pro Shop sale

A Father's Day sale will feature 10 percent off all iron sets, bags, wood, wedges, and Dexter and Etonic shoes. A Wilson Jack pack, which includes two DZ balls and hat, is \$20.

Around the Corner frame shop

Visit the post frame shop located at the lower level of the former Officers' Club, 407 Dickman Road, for engraving, plaques, medals and trophies as well as combat medic statues, military coin racks and flag cases.

Harlequin Dinner Theatre

The theater presents "Crimes of the Heart" featuring Beth Henley Wednesday through Saturday evenings through July 2. Discounts are available for military and students. For show times and tickets, call the box office at 222-9694.

MWR Ticket Office

The ticket office has discount tickets available for various events. Through August, ticket office hours are Tuesdays through Fridays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and closed Sundays and Mondays. For more information, call 226-1663 or visit www.fortsamhoustonmwr.com.

RELIGIOUS HAPPENINGS . . .

Wives of warriors

Deployed spouses support group in affiliation with Protestant Women of the Chapel meet the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the Dodd Field Chapel at noon for worship, fellowship and support. For more information, call Wendy at 559-3497 or e-mail whfeagler@yahoo.com.

PWOC Bible study

The Protestant Women of the Chapel offers a summer Bible study every Wednesday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Dodd Field Chapel. The summer session will study the book "Becoming a Contagious Christian" by Mark Mittelberg, Lee Strobel and Bill Hybel. Free child care will be provided. For more information, call Jenifer Sones, PWOC publicity, at 271-3174.

OCF Bible study

The Officers' Christian Fellowship will study Colossians. The group will meet for dinner at 6 p.m. followed by Bible study at 7 p.m. Friday and June 17; July 1, 8, 15 and 29; and Aug. 19 and 26 at 6 p.m. at 1008 Gorgas Circle (near the old Brooke Army Medical Center). For more information, call Lt. Col. Bob Griffith at 226-1295 or e-mail rgriffith3@satx.rr.com.

Men of the Chapel meeting

Men of the Chapel's quarterly meeting will be June 18 at 8:30 a.m. in the activity room at Dodd Field Chapel. The hot topics will be the calendar for the year and the Repair and Modification Program project. For more information, call Robb Wood at 221-5428 or visit www.samhouston.army.mil/chaplain/moc.aspx.

Gospel concert

Bill Gaither, the Grammy Award-winning gospel artist, will launch his 10th anniversary homecoming tour this fall. He will be at the SBC Center Sept. 17. For more information, call (888) 217-0301 or visit www.gaithernet.com.

INTERFAITH CALENDAR . . .

Today - Ascension - Orthodox Christian recognition of the departure of Jesus from Earth after the resurrection, perhaps the earliest observed celebration in Christianity. It is observed with worship, to include prayers and music.

Monday and

Tuesday - Shavuot * - Jewish celebration of Moses' descent from Mount Sinai with the 10 Commandments. Plants and flowers are used in decorations.

June 16 -

Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib - Sikh time of remembering those who have suffered for the faith. Observed by reading the Guru Granth Sahib.

June 16 - Ganga

Dussehra ** - Hindu honoring of the sacred river Ganga, which flows from the Himalayas to the Bay of Bengal.

June 19 - Pentecost

- Orthodox Christian observation of the day when God the Holy Spirit came to the disciples in the forms of tongues of fire and rushing wind. It is a traditional day for baptism and confirmation of new Christians.

June 21 - Litha * -

Wicca celebration of the sacred marriage in which energy of the gods is poured into the service of life.

June 24 - Birth of

John the Baptist - Christian celebration of the role of John in baptizing Jesus. It continues a pre-Christian Midsummer's Day celebration.

* Usually begins at sundown the day before this date.

** Local customs may vary on this date.

POST WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Main Post Chapel, Building 2200, 221-2754

Catholic Services:
4:45 to 5:15 p.m. - Confessions - Saturdays
5:30 p.m. - Mass - Saturdays
9:30 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
11 a.m. - Mass - Weekdays
Protestant Services - Sundays:
8 a.m. - Traditional Protestant
11 a.m. - Traditional Protestant
Jewish Services: phone numbers:
379-8666 or 493-6660
Fridays: 8 p.m. - Worship and 8:30 p.m. - Oneg Shabbat

Sundays: 11 a.m. - 32nd Med. Bde. Soldiers
Troop Protestant Service:
Sundays: 9 a.m. - 32nd Med. Bde. Soldiers
Samoan Protestant Service:
Sundays: 12:30 p.m.

FSH Mosque, Building 607A, 221-5005 or 221-5007

1:30 p.m. - Jumma - Fridays
10:30 a.m. - Children's Religious Education - Sundays
7:30 p.m. - Adult Religious Education - Thursdays

Dodd Field Chapel, Building 1721, 221-5010 or 221-5432

Catholic Services - Sundays:
12:30 p.m. - discontinues after June 19
Protestant Services:
10:30 a.m. - Collective Gospel Protestant - Sundays
9:30 to 11:30 a.m. - Women's Bible Study (PWOC) - Wednesdays, child care is provided.

Brooke Army Medical Center Chapel, Building 3600, 916-1105

Catholic Services:
8:30 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
11 a.m. - Mass - Sundays
11 a.m. - Mass - Weekdays
Protestant Services:
10 a.m. - Worship Service - Sundays
Noon - Worship - Wednesdays

Evans Auditorium, 221-5005 or 221-5007

Mormon Services: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. - Sundays

AMEDD Regimental Chapel, Building 1398, 221-4362

Troop Catholic Mass: Sundays:
10 a.m. - 32nd Med. Bde. Soldiers
Troop Protestant Gospel Services:

Web site:
www.samhouston.army.mil/chaplain

Rodeo teaches safety to Fort S



Story and photos by Shadi
Fort Sam Houston Public Info

The installation safety o
annual bicycle rodeo Friday
give them tips for a safe su

Statistics show that mos
injuries. Helmets, worn pro

“We do this rodeo every
them properly,” said Katy I
“It’s a day for kids to get ir
kickoff.”

Parents should treat bicy
them as dangerous as cars o
brain may never heal and c
It is, therefore, important fo

“Your head should not n
Fort Sam Houston Safety C
helmet, and we encourage
bicycles or scooters, or are

Helmets should sit level
rim just above the eyebrow
the buckle securely fastene
plastic strap guide sitting ju
close up under the chin.

The annual rodeo spons
dren to experience while l
of the activities included e
presentation from City Pul
the provost marshal office.
their picture and personal i
ents can have the informat

Sgt. Andrea Brockington, B Comany, Special Troops Batallion, and a bicycle rodeo volunteer, allows a rodeo participant to chase her in and around the obstacle course cones.



Young riders await their turn to participate in the bicycle rodeo obstacle course.



Guadalupe Gomez, safety manager, drops an egg out of its protect
foam cup, simulating what might happen to a head without a helme



Alyssa Schuyler, a rodeo participant, is about to receive a firefighter hat from a fire
department representative.

am Houston children

lay
ation Office

ce and the School Age Program held their
o educate children on bicycle safety and
mer.
fatalities among cyclists are due to head
rly, can prevent head injuries.
ear to ensure all kids have a helmet that fits
tley, School Age Services program manager.
ormation about safety before the summer

es and tricycles as vehicles and consider
motorcycles. Injuries such as bruises to the
ld cause permanent brain damage or death.
parents to insist that children wear helmets.
ve inside the helmet," said Julia Anders,
ñice. "A proper fit is crucial when wearing a
ildren to wear them whether they are riding
1 roller blades or skateboards."

n the head, covering the forehead, with the
The straps should be correctly adjusted and
The straps should form a 'V' shape with the
under the ear lobe. The buckle should be

s fun and challenging activities for chil-
rning about the importance of safety. Some
ication on dangers of electricity, with a
c Service, and fingerprinting sponsored by
hildren can get fingerprinted and have
ormation registered on a form so the par-
n in case of an emergency.

"The purpose of this training is to promote safety for children and give them something fun to do while promoting it," said Sgt. 1st Class Corrine Garza, B Company, Academy Battalion, and a rodeo obstacle course volunteer. "We want children to know that being safe can be fun."

"I like this training because you can learn about safety for when you get to ride your bike," said 8-year-old Jaquad Davis, a rodeo participant.

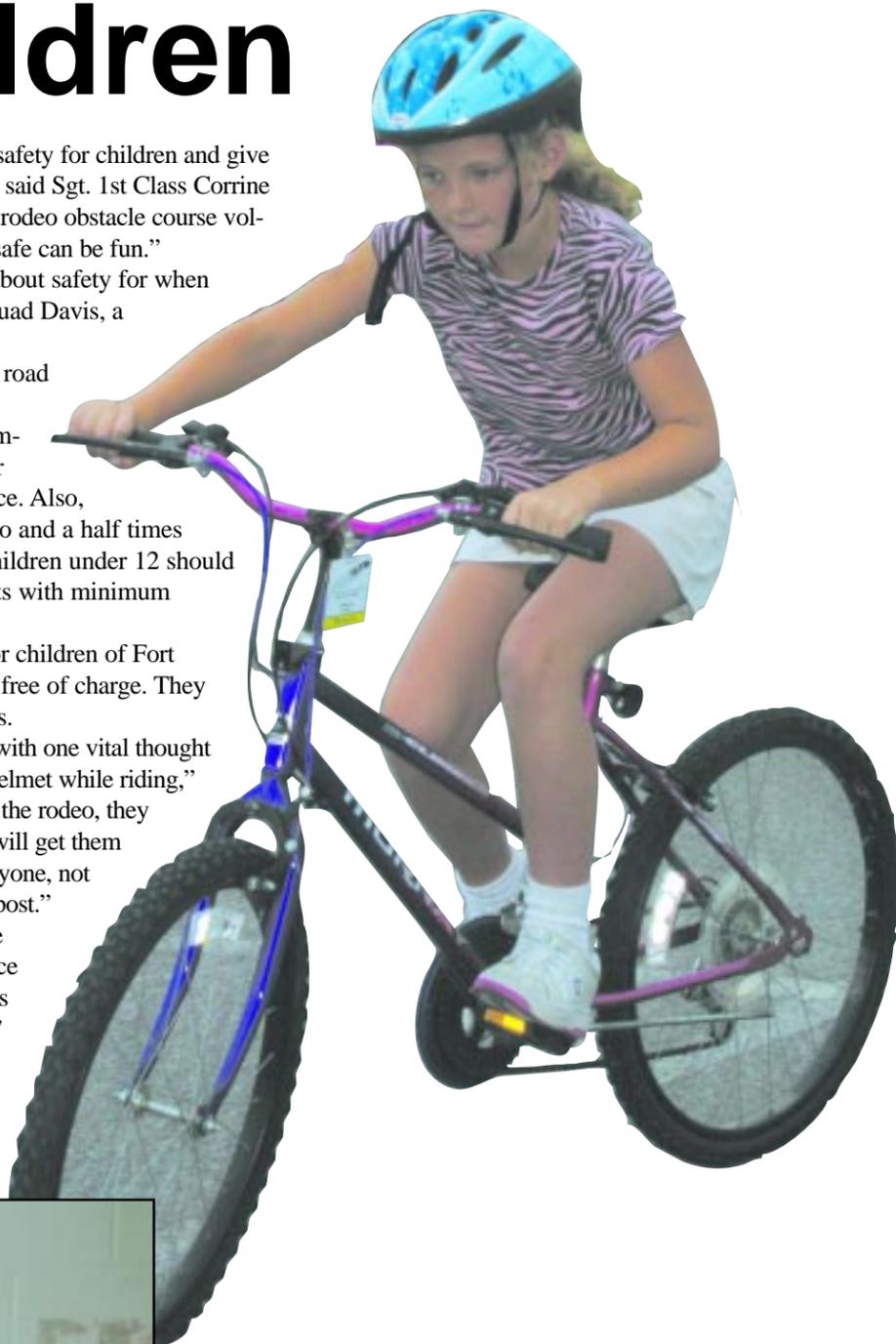
Another area of concern when bicycling is road safety. Children shouldn't be riding in traffic until they are old enough to handle such a complex task. Experts believe children 12 or older are more capable of judging speed and distance. Also, studies show that riding on the sidewalk is two and a half times more dangerous than riding on the road, so children under 12 should be supervised while riding on quiet side streets with minimum amount of traffic.

The installation safety office fits helmets for children of Fort Sam Houston military and civilian employees free of charge. They fitted 98 rodeo participants with safety helmets.

"We want the kids to leave the rodeo today with one vital thought — to remember how important it is to have a helmet while riding," said Anders. "If some children don't make it to the rodeo, they can stop by the safety office any time, and we will get them fitted for a free helmet. It is mandatory for everyone, not just children, to wear a helmet while riding on post."

"Ride your bikes wearing helmets and knee pads," said 10-year-old Kyle Swords, first-place rodeo winner in the age 9 to 10 category, to his peers. "Be alert and don't do anything stupid."

For more information on helmets and safety tips, call the installation safety office at 221-3823.



Roger Hopkins, nurse educator at Brooke Army Medical Center, fits a helmet for Danya Howell, a rodeo participant.



Linda Furlow, Fort Sam Houston Provost Marshal Office, fingerprints Mason Hale, a rodeo participant.



A young rodeo participant welcomes Sparky, the fire department's safety mascot.

e styro-

CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES

Youth Happenings

Summer camp registration

The middle school and teen summer camp registration is ongoing for sixth through 10th graders at the Youth Center Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. There will be a variety of camps offered this year to include sports camp, culinary arts and computer camp. Camp will run from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. followed by open recreation at the YC. The cost will range from \$65 to \$80 per week. Camp price includes breakfast, lunch, snack and activities during the week. Some camps have limited spaces. For more information, call Youth Services at 221-3502.

Youth horsemanship camp

Students ages 7 through 18 can learn proper riding forms as well as a variety of horse care techniques during any of the eight five-day sessions available through August. The cost is \$175. For registration information, call 224-7207.

YS shuttle unavailable

Youth Services no longer has a shuttle to pick up or take children home. Parents of school age children will need to bring them to the Youth Center and sign them in and will need to pick them up and sign them out before 8 p.m. every Saturday. YS will continue to pick up youth from school Monday through Friday.

Youth Services volunteers

YS is always looking for volunteers to

assist with youth programs such as golf, roller hockey and tennis. They also need sports coaches, computer skilled people, craft experts and clerical experts. For more information, call the Youth Center at 221-3502.

Cooking classes

Cooking classes are held every Friday afternoon from 4 to 5 p.m. This Friday, youth will make strawberry and banana split cake.

Free after school program

Youth Services offers a free after school program for sixth to ninth graders Monday through Friday until 6 p.m. YS will pick up children from the school (either the elementary or the high school). At the Youth Center, they have a snack, work on homework, participate in clubs and do fun, innovative projects at the 4-H club, photography club and the computer tech club. Youth must be registered with Child and Youth Services for an \$18 annual fee, but there is no cost for the program. For more information, call 221-3502.

Youth sports registration

There are still openings for the baseball, softball and T-ball season. Youth Services will be open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. for those interested in playing this season. The cost will be \$45 for the first child, \$40 for the second and \$35 for the third child of the same family. Children must be registered with Child and Youth

Services
and bring
a birth

certificate and proof of a physical. The cost for 3- and 4-year-olds first step T-ball is \$30 per child. For more information, call 221-3502 or 221-5513.

Youth cheer clinic

Youth Services will hold a weekly cheer clinic at the Youth Center. There will be two different age groups: 5- to 8-year-olds who will meet Wednesdays from 6 to 7 p.m. and 8- to 12-year-olds who will meet Mondays from 6 to 7 p.m. The cost will be \$30 per month per child. All participants must be registered with Child and Youth Services. For more information, call 221-3502 or 221-5513.

Parent News

ArmyFCC.com

Fort Sam Houston Family Child Care Program is now on ArmyFCC.com, a Web-based information and referral tool for parents interested in FCC. The Web site includes both a public and a private section describing each installation's program and more information on providers. Soldiers and qualified civilians must be registered through Child and Youth Services to benefit from any CYS programs to include FCC. For more information, call CYS Central Registration at 221-4871 or 221-1723.

FCC providers

Family Child Care is looking for family members interested in becoming certified FCC providers. There is a no-cost start-up plan. For more information, call 221-3820 or 221-3828.

Home-based child care

Family Child Care offers home-based child care for ages 4 weeks to 12 years on and off post with certified providers. FCC offers full day, part day, before and after school care, hourly care, extended hourly care and long term care. For referral information or child registration, call Child and Youth Services Central Registration at 221-4871 or 221-1723.

CDC preschool program

The Child Development Center is conducting a survey for interest in the fall 2005 part day preschool program. Part day options would be three- and five-day preschool from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and would run through the school year. Lunch would be provided. To put your child's name on the preschool list, call Central Registration at 221-4871 or 221-1723.

PAC meeting

The Child and Youth Services Parent Advisory Council meeting will be June 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Child Development Center, 2530 Funston. Lunch will be provided. This is CYS parents' opportunity to learn about upcoming events, meet staff and address concerns.

Check wait list

Patrons on the full-time day care wait list at the Child Development Center should check their status on the wait list to avoid losing status. To check status, call Central Registration at 221-4871 or 221-1723.

Post Pulse: What are your plans for summer vacation?



"I plan to swim, have fun, be good and watch Jerry Springer."

Terrell Walker, 6



"I'm going to take my grandkids swimming, eat at McDonalds and visit Toys 'R' Us. They love it there."

Belinda Brooks



"I'm going to my grandma's house in Michigan."

Kelly Ahearne, 7



"My husband is TDY (temporary duty), so I'll try to stay busy by going to see some of the summer blockbuster movies."

Shasta Bell

SCHOOL NEWS

Fort Sam ISD summer work schedule begins

The Fort Sam Houston Independent School District Administrative Office summer work schedule starts Monday. The district's Administrative Office will be open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; closed on Fridays. Regular hours will resume July 25.

Fort Sam Houston Elementary School will observe summer work hours Monday through June 23. The school hours will be Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed on Fridays. The school office will be closed June 24 through July 22, reopening July 25.

Robert G. Cole Jr./Sr. High School will observe summer work hours Monday through June 23. The school hours will be Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed on Fridays. The school office will be closed from July 1 through July 22, reopening July 25.

The Military Coop, which provides special education services for Lackland, Randolph and Fort Sam Houston school districts, will be open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until June 29. The office will be closed June 30 through July 22.

School start dates

The first day of school for Fort Sam Houston students will be Aug. 15. Registration for students in pre-kindergarten through sixth grade will be at Fort Sam Houston Elementary School July 28 and 29 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. Elementary students may meet their teachers during an open house Aug. 12 from 3 to 4 p.m.

Registration for Robert G. Cole Jr./Sr. High School students will be Aug. 4 for seventh and 10th graders, Aug. 5 for eighth and 11th graders and Aug. 8 for ninth and 12th graders. Orientation for seventh and eighth graders and new high school students will be Aug. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

(Source: Fort Sam Houston ISD)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Fort Sam Houston Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 11:00am June 22, 2005 in the Professional Development Center 1908 Winans Road San Antonio, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates					
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Proposed Rate	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay these bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence		
	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$	\$
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$	\$
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$	\$
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$	\$
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$	\$

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence here instead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

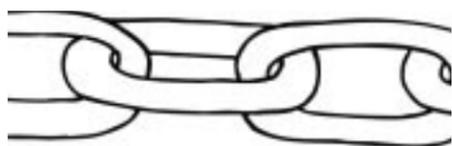
Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is _____. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of _____.

Fund Balances	
Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 7,000,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ -0-

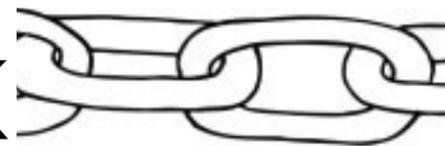
Note: The Texas Education Code requires school districts to give notice to patrons and taxpayers by publishing the "Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate" before adopting a budget and setting a tax rate. However, Fort Sam Houston Independent School District is located on federal property and thus has no power to levy and collect school taxes. The district receives federal impact aid in lieu of property taxes for school funding.

Fort Sam Houston ISD Board of Trustees meeting

The Fort Sam Houston ISD Board of Trustees will meet June 22 for a regular board meeting at 12:30 p.m. in the Professional Development Center, 1908 Winans Road.



COMMUNITY LINK



Happenings

Annual Texas Folklife Festival

The four-day festival will start today in downtown San Antonio at the Institute of Texan Cultures' campus located at the corner of Bowie Street and Durango Boulevard in HemisFair Park. It is a fun-filled cultural celebration showcasing Texas' rich heritage. Visitors enjoy choosing from more than 150 authentic foods created by over 40 ethnic groups, 10 outdoor stages featuring various entertainers, 50 arts and craft vendors, along with artisan demonstrations, carnival rides, competitions and more. For more information, visit their official Web site at www.texas-folklifestival.org.

MSC birthday celebration

The Fort Sam Houston Silver Caduceus Society, an independent organization established to provide camaraderie, mentorship and Corps information, will celebrate the Medical Service Corps' 88th birthday June 30 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Army Medical Department Museum. The cost is \$5, payable at the event. For more information, call Maj. Steve Owens at 221-9942 or e-mail steve.owens2@amedd.army.mil.

Poster contest

The Fiesta 2006 poster contest is under way. The commission will accept entries through Aug. 5 by noon. The winner will receive \$5,000. For more information, visit www.fiesta-sa.org.

Early on Bright Ideas Café

KLRN will sponsor a series of free classes for parents, child care providers and children during summer. Each session will provide families with hands-on learning activities, which prepare preschool children for success. For more information, call 270-9000, extension 2246.

VFW seeks to retire flags

Veterans of Foreign Wars needs the public's assistance to help them retire used or worn American flags, "Ole Glory," in its rightful, proper and honorable ceremony. The ceremony is scheduled for Flag Day, Tuesday at 7 p.m. on the VFW grounds located at 2219 Frio City Road. For more information, call Robert De La Vega at 833-8563.

Audition, talent show

Time Warner Cable and San Antonio Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor an audition and talent show June 27 at 7 p.m. at the Bob Hope Theater at Lackland Air Force Base. Contestants must reside on a military institution, base or post, and be 18 years or older. Open auditions will be June 18 from 9:30 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 207-3115.

Build-a-greenhouse class

Master gardener, Dr. Tom Harris, will teach a class on building an affordable 12 feet by 12 feet, double-walled greenhouse using plastic walls and a wood frame Saturday at San Antonio Botanical Garden. Harris will discuss how to set a foundation, erect walls and bring in water and electricity, among other things. The cost is \$30. For more information or to

register, call North East Community Education at 657-8866 or visit the Web site at www.neisd.net.

Annual Juneteenth celebration

A celebration of freedom, enlightenment, education and pride of African Americans, these series of events will take place June 16 to 17. For more information, call 289-7683 or 227-7311.

Book signing, lecture

Bob Welch, author of "American Nightingale," will be at the Army Medical Department Museum Gift Shop June 23 at noon to sign copies of his book followed by a lecture and reception at 5 p.m. For more information, call 226-0265 or e-mail amf@satx.rr.com.

Fredericksburg walk and swim

The Volkssportverein Friedrichsburg Volksmarch club will sponsor a 10-kilometer (6.2 miles) and 5-kilometer walk and 300-meter swim in Fredericksburg, Texas Saturday. The start point is at the Golden Hub Community Center located at 1009 North Lincoln between 7 a.m. and noon, to finish by 3 p.m. The swim will start at the Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park and Swimming Pool two miles south of downtown Fredericksburg on State Highway 16 (Adams Street) between 8:30 a.m. and noon, to finish by 1 p.m. For more information, call Elizabeth Crenwelge at (830) 997-2533 or view the walk brochure at <http://www.walktexas.org>.

Kraft youth essay contest

Kraft Foods, under its "Salute to Military Families" program, will sponsor a youth essay awarding three \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bonds. To enter the contest, military children should write an essay, not to exceed 1,000 words, on "The Person I Admire." The essay should be postmarked before Aug. 1 and mailed to San Antonio Missions Baseball Club, Post Cereal Youth Essay Contest, 5757 Highway 90 West, San Antonio, TX, 78277. For more information, call 221-2307.

Bat boy (girl) opportunity

Kraft Foods will honor military children with its bat boy program. The honorary bat boys (or girls) will receive a Missions cap and special T-shirt, tickets for the family to attend the game, and participate on the field for the opening ceremonies at home games Friday, Saturday or Sunday. To register for bat boy, send a post card to the San Antonio Missions Baseball Club at Kraft Singles Honorary Bat boy, 5757 Highway 90 West, San Antonio, TX, 78277. For more information, call 221-2307.

Free SeaWorld admissions

Anheuser-Busch adventure parks will salute the men and women of the armed forces and their families throughout 2005 under its "Here's to the Heroes" special. Military members and as many as three direct dependents may enter any one of Anheuser-Busch's SeaWorld, Busch Gardens or Sesame Place parks with a single-day complimentary admission. Eligible members can either register

online at www.herosalute.com or in the entrance plaza of participating parks, and must show a Department of Defense photo ID. For more information, visit www.herosalute.com.

Volunteer

UFE procedure available

The department of interventional radiology at Wilford Hall Medical Center is accepting patients for nonsurgical treatment of symptomatic uterine fibroids. Uterine artery embolization is a minimally invasive, safe and effective procedure that can be performed for most patients with symptomatic uterine fibroids. People who desire an evaluation should call 292-5262 and ask for Maj. George Leon, Lt. Col. David Condie or Lt. Col. Thomas Seay.

WHMC periodontics seeks patients

The Wilford Hall Medical Center Department of Periodontics at Lackland Air Force Base seeks patients with specific needs for treatment in the Periodontics Residency program. Applicants must be a military retiree, family member of a retiree or family member of an active duty member and have been recently determined by a dentist to have an existing periodontal condition. Eligible patients must have a written consult from their referring dentist and can either bring it to MacKown Dental Clinic or fax it to 292-5193. For more information, call 292-7273.

BAMC needs volunteers

Brooke Army Medical Center seeks volunteer drivers for its caremobiles, which transport patients from the BAMC parking lot to the clinic entrance. The hospital also needs volunteers for its patient library to distribute materials to clinics and patients. For more information, call Laura Hansbrough at 916-5083 or Jessica Veilluex at 916-3862.

Professional Development

AFTB instructor trainer course

Army Family Team Building will offer an instructor trainer course Wednesday and June 16 from 6 to 9 p.m. and June 18 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The class topics include "Speaking on Your Feet," "Methods of Instruction," and "Instruction Aids." The training is a required course for AFTB instructor trainers and the pre-requisite for master trainer. For more information, call the AFTB staff at 221-0275.

St. Mary's offers teaching degree

St. Mary's University is taking applications for the Master of Arts in Educational Leadership for fall 2005. Qualified candidates may become teacher certified in Texas with 18 hours of graduate work while pursuing the master's program. Classes are held on Fort Sam Houston and campus. Active duty and retired military, Department of Defense employees and spouses of these groups can receive 50 percent off tuition per three-hour course. For more information, call Judy Olivier, 226-3360 or visit their office in Building 2248, room 206.

Free computer training

Family members of active duty military personnel may receive computer training to prepare for the job market through the family employment readiness program. Automated, self-paced training is available on all Microsoft Office software (Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint), Windows, Outlook, QuickBooks (accounting), customer service, clerical and typing skills. Typing instruction is also available in Spanish. For more information, call Katja Lunsford at 221-0427.

Meetings

Comptrollers luncheon

The Alamo Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers will host its June luncheon at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Club June 23 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This month's luncheon will be the annual hail and farewell to ASMC officers. Reservations need to be made by June 19. For more information, call Wayne Wanner, Headquarters U.S. Army Medical Command, at 221-7029.

Annual communication exposition

Lackland Air Force Base's 37th Communications Squadron will host its 11th annual communication and information exposition June 22 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Mitchell Hall. The event is free and open to all Department of Defense government and contractor personnel. For more information, call 925-1157.

SMA seeks new members

The Fort Sam Houston Sergeants Major Association meets every third Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. in the Sam Houston Club. Command Sgt. Maj. Timothy W. Burke, president of the association, invites active duty and retired command sergeants major, sergeants major and master sergeants on the promotion list from all service branches to the meetings. For more information, call Sgt. Maj. Danielle Lewis at 916-4114 or Sgt. Maj. Kyong In Nichols at 221-1266.

BOSS seeks single Soldiers

The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers meets the first and third Wednesday of every month at 1:30 p.m. at the Hacienda Recreation Center. The BOSS committee was established to provide Soldiers input to the commander, who uses the committee's recommendations to improve single Soldiers' Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Edward Castro at 221-8760.

USAWOA Lone Star Chapter

The Lone Star Chapter of the United States Army Warrant Officers Association will meet at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at VFW Post #8541, 2222 Austin Highway (between Rittiman and Eisenhower). All active duty, retired, Reserve, National Guard and family members of current or former warrant officers are invited to attend. For more information, call Randy Blackburn at 295-2143 or e-mail randy.blackburn@samhouston.army.mil.

FORT FREEBIES



Freebies are published on a first-come, first-served basis. Commercial advertisements are prohibited. The deadline is noon Monday. Freebies are intended for personal household goods and privately owned property, and may only be submitted by active, retired or reserve component military members and civilian employees working on Fort Sam Houston. Real estate ads will not be published. To submit paid classified ads or commercial advertising, call Prime Time at 453-3300. To submit a Fort Freebie, e-mail to news.leader@samhouston.army.mil or fax to 221-1198. Ensure your military and Fort Sam Houston civil service status, phone number and name appear on request. Freebies run for one week unless submitter calls to renew. There is a two-week maximum and a limit of five items per entry. For more information, call 221-1031.

For Sale: Girls white bedroom set, hand painted headboard, includes mattress and box spring, desk, dresser, night stand and French mirror, \$350. Call Cynthia Spencer at 822-7728.

For Sale: Antique Korean 12-drawer step chest with three large compartments, \$450; Korean chest, \$175; brown bookcase, six shelves, \$30. Call Celeste at 471-1462.

For Sale: Honda Civic bra, fits 1996 to 2000 models, \$25. Call 659-0714 after 6 p.m.

For Sale: Pier One Imports dining room table with four chairs, retails for \$400, will sell for \$125 obo. Call 262-2099.

For Sale: American Kennel Club Miniature Pinscher puppies, one chocolate male, one black and tan male, two black and

tan females, born April 11, tails and dew-claws removed, \$350 to \$450. Call Kimberly at 590-2985 or 789-5883 and leave a message.

For Sale: 1991 Fleetwood Flair motor home, self contained, looks new, 27 feet, basement model, sleeps six, \$13,000; 2000 Ford Ranger XLT, four-door, V-6, automatic, \$6,000. Call 673-9649.

For Sale: Two complete single beds with frames, \$50 each; Compaq A1000 all-in-one printer, \$15; color console 24-inch TV, \$45; glazed pottery water dispenser with stand, \$30; computer with keyboard and monitor, \$75. Call 221-9862 or 226-9568.

For Sale: Chain link fence, 4 and 1/2 feet high, two gates, many additional poles and fencing sections included, currently set

up at 728 Patch Road, \$175. Call 224-2981.

For Sale: Zenith 25-inch color TV with remote, \$100; large mirrored curio cabinet, \$175; bookshelf, 28-inch by 72-inch, five adjustable shelves, \$40. Call 599-0506.

For Sale: Black four-piece luggage set, includes tote bag, \$35; Folklorico dance outfit, girls, medium, skirt, blouse, belt, \$50; Flamenco skirt (child's, medium), hat and scarf \$30; video chair \$10; dress blues, 40-inch jacket, trousers 30-inch or 32-inch by 31-inch (has about 2-inch hem), \$100. Call Victor Ortiz at 697-9261.

Wanted: Free moving boxes, call 662-7092.

For Sale: Ethan Allen dining set, \$195; floral loveseat, \$275. Call (830) 980-4649.

For Sale: Cast aluminum dining set with beveled glass tabletop, includes four chairs with cloth padding, \$125. Call 527-9368 and a leave a message.

For Sale: Food dehydrator, \$30; Dirt Devil vacuum cleaner, \$25; TV, 13-inch with VCR that needs work, \$40. Call 826-7675.

For Sale: Nice, solid wood entertainment center with adjustable shelves for component stereo, two storage cabinets beneath, videocassette holder and space for a 25-inch TV, includes beveled glass doors for stereo equipment, paid \$600, asking \$100 obo. Call Maj. Ross at 295-0468.