

NEWS BRIEFS

Spotlight

Picnic: In celebration of May as Fitness Month, the 437th Services Squadron hosts a Fitness Month Picnic today beginning at 11 a.m. at the base picnic grounds. A tug of war will begin at 11 a.m., and free hamburgers and hot dogs will be served. The band Mike and the Mixers will perform from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Around the base

Car wash: The 437th Dental Squadron is sponsoring a car wash today from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the parking lot of Bldg. 346 (on Arthur Drive, across from the golf course).

Dining out: The Wing Top 3 is coordinating an Enlisted Dining-Out Sept. 16. Volunteers of all enlisted ranks are needed for many preparation activities. The next planning meeting will be May 24 at 10 a.m. in the Charleston Club. Volunteers are also needed for mixer and madam vice, with selection based on an interview process to be held in mid-July.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Tracy Brewster at 963-6318 or Master Sgt. James Scanlan at 963-2798.

Star Spangled salute: The Charleston AFB Aero Club will be transformed into an old fashioned USO show for veterans and friends with music and light hors d'oeuvres May 19 from 2-4 p.m. The event is free and tickets are available at the

Retiree Activities Office at 963-4409. Veterans are encouraged to wear vintage uniforms. A Moonlight Hangar Dance begins at the Aero Club at 8 p.m. and will feature the Andrew Thielen Big Band. Tickets are \$10 and are available at the Outdoor Recreation Center (963-5271), the Aero Club (963-5152) and the Charleston Club (963-3914).

Education office: A scholarship opportunity is available for personnel pursuing a non-technical master's degree. The Aerospace Education Foundation, through the Air Force Association, is accepting applications for the Jodi Callahan Memorial Graduate Scholarship. Applications must be postmarked no later than June 30. This \$1,000 scholarship is being offered to active duty, full-time Air National Guard, or Reserve Air Force personnel (officer and enlisted) who are pursuing a non-technical master's degree. Applicants must have been an AFA member in good standing for at least 12 months prior to Aug. 1, 2000 to be eligible.

Contact Master Sgt. Laurence Brooks at 963-4575 for an application and/or details.

TTC enrollment: The last day for Trident Technical College summer school enrollment without late fees is May 22. Inclusive dates for the summer semester is May 25 through Aug. 9. Application deadline is Monday.

Students in a program of study

with TTC will need to see their faculty advisor. Non-Degree seeking students will not be assigned an advisor and may enroll on base. For information call 963-4581.

New Intranet site: The 437th Transportation Squadron has established an Intranet site (137.4.192.100/csweb), which enables customers to access information about everything from requesting vehicle support to vehicle forms.

Annual leave donations: Harold Singletary, Sr., 437th Civil Engineer Squadron, needs an undetermined amount of leave due to a recent medical emergency.

Anyone wishing to donate annual leave can call the 437th Mission Support Squadron Civilian Personnel office at 963-4476.

Volunteers needed

Models wanted: The African American Heritage Council needs models for the Juneteenth Fashion Extravaganza June 23. Practices will be held each Sunday, at 4 p.m. at the Charleston Club. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. Anyone interested should call Staff Sgt. Oretina Howell at 963-4110/4119.

RAO position open: The director position for the Retirees Activities Office is open.

For more information on the duties for the volunteer, unpaid position, call the Retirees Activities Office at 963-4409.

Base commissary can help make Mother's Day memorable

By Herb Greene

Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. - Mother's Day is Sunday. It's Mom's special day, and goodness knows she deserves it. Although Anna Jarvis, the founder of Mother's Day in the U.S., may not have had it in mind, your commissary can help you honor your mother and make her day memorable.

Moms love special gifts, and here are some suggestions from the friendly people who run the commissary:

Flowers - Charleston AFB's commissary will offer special prices on flowers and plants for Mother's Day. Certainly, oodles of fresh flowers will brighten Mom's day. Flowers have the founder's approval, too. President Woodrow Wilson designated the second Sunday of May as Mother's Day in 1914 after Anna Jarvis waged a nationwide letter writing campaign to create a special day to honor mothers. Ms. Jarvis thought flowers were the perfect Mother's Day tribute. With flowers, how can you lose?

Candy - Traditional, but very appropriate, plus, she may even share it with you! The base commissary will have specials on candy as well.

Fruit baskets - the CAFB commissary has a fruit basket that Mom will adore as well as eat.

Cakes - The commissary has a large selection of cakes for Mother's Day. A cake is very traditional going all the way back to England when workers, especially servants, were given a Sunday off and encouraged to visit their mothers.

Personal care items - Mothers love fragrant hand lotions and moisturizers, make-up and other beauty enhancers. The commissary has a large assortment, all very affordable.

Food items -- Are you planning a cookout for Mother's Day? The commissary will have a special on babyback ribs.

All mothers work, and if they also work outside the home, they especially need some "down time." Consider doing some of the following things for Mom on her special day:

Breakfast in bed - Surprise Mom by cooking breakfast for her and serving it to her in bed.

Dinner -- Prepare dinner with all the fixings - It's the *piece de resistance* of Mom's special day. If you are at a loss, stop by your commissary and pick up some cubed steaks, a can of carrots, fresh or canned green beans and plump potatoes for baking.

Whether your Mother's Day celebration is big or whether it is small, don't forget to do one very important thing. Tell your mother how very much you love her.

Charleston Profile

Airman 1st Class Beth Frase 437th Supply Squadron

Frase is a mobile equipment operator in the fuels management flight. She drives fuel trucks and refuels a variety of aircraft, including the C-17, C-141, C-130s and different kinds of training aircraft.

Originally from Akron, Ohio, Frase joined the Air Force in December 1998. Several of her family members served in the military and a friend who had served 20 years in the Air Force encouraged her to join. She also joined because she wanted training in a different career field than her job as a civilian and she wanted the structure and discipline in her life.

Frase has been assigned at Charleston AFB since March 1999.

"My main goal is to stay in the Air Force - I want to make a career out of it," she said. "I want to stay in fuels."

She would also like to take advantage of the educational opportunities offered by the Air Force. "I'd like to take some job-related classes, like mechanics, and I'd like to throw in a foreign language, too, because I studied French back home."

She recently completed a mobility class in Florida and in August will attend a month-long laboratory school related to her job. "I'm looking forward to it," Frase said. "Any training they can give me, I'll take."

In her spare time, she enjoys rollerblading, mountain biking and going to concerts.

One of her favorite things about Charleston is the history of the area and its proximity to other interesting places. "It's a good location if you want to travel around a little bit," she said. "I also like being on an AMC base. I work in a really good shop and I was fortunate to get this as my first base."



Staff Sgt. Michael Duhe