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Photo by Airman 1st Class Amy Perry

Oktoberfest

Master Sgt. Wes Prillaman, 437th Services Squadron first sergeant, and Master Sgt. Gregory Brown, 437th Medical Group first sergeant, grill sausages for the troops during Oktoberfest Sept. 26 as Master Sgt. DeAnn Denzer, 1st Combat Camera Squadron first sergeant, watches on. Oktoberfest featured free food and drinks for E-6 and below. There was also a live band.

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MISSION POSSIBLE!

Charleston Departures	13,030
Maintenance reliability	93.6%
Cargo moved	104,113 t
Personnel deployed	670
Reservists activated	968

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Team Charleston: One family, one mission, one fight!

COMMENTARY

Commander's Comments

By Col. William Bender
437OG commander

Promotions

Congratulations to Team Charleston's newest lieutenant colonels — **Kevin Edenborough**, 15th Airlift Squadron; **Patrick Maes**, 437th Airlift Wing; **Keith Parnell**, 437th Operation Support Squadron; **Robert Poremski**, 16th Airlift Squadron; **Christopher Richardson**, 15th Airlift Squadron; **David Rowland**, 437th Contracting Squadron; **Christopher Kulas**, 17th Airlift Wing; **Carlos Jensen**, 17 AS; and **Andrea Rupp**, 437th Maintenance Operations Squadron.

I'd also like to congratulate everyone else who was promoted this month. It's very important for our enlisted members to take time to study for promotion tests. The promotion rates have dropped for E-5s through E-7s because more people are competing for the same number of slots, so competition is very keen.

For those of you pursuing your bachelor and master degrees, be sure to register through Oct. 10 at the Community Education Center. There are a variety of degrees you can earn from the five different colleges on base. Classes begin Oct. 13.

Communication

Communication is the key to our success! Whether you are working on a specific tasking or talking to your supervisor or to the troops, clear and concise passing of information is crucial to getting the job done right.

Make sure those you're speaking to truly understand what you're saying. Ask for feedback to ensure they've received the intended message. Communication is absolutely essential to doing the job right the first time.

Comptroller

A big thanks goes out to **Maj. Robert Blue** and his team of warriors in finance. They have been working very hard the past few weeks to close-out fiscal 2003 with a bang for Team Charleston. The effort they put forth on everyone's behalf will pay huge dividends for everyone stationed at Charleston AFB and for those who will follow in the months and years ahead.

Combined Federal Campaign

Col. Brooks Bash, 437 AW commander, has approved three Combined



Photo by Staff Sgt. Corey Clements

Col. William Bender, 437th Operations Group commander, serves the ball during the Colonels' vs. Chiefs' game at Oktoberfest Sept. 26. The Chiefs' won 2-1. Check out the action on Page 21.

Federal Campaign gifts of \$500 from quality of life funds for the squadron with the highest participation rate, the squadron with the highest per capita giving, and for the highest improvement since last year in giving. If you want to donate to this very worthwhile charity, contact your group or squadron CFC keyworker.

There is also a CFC bowling fund raiser taking place today from 1 to 3 p.m. The cost is \$10 and includes three games of bowling plus shoes. This is a fun and easy way to participate in the CFC.

Climate Survey

The Air Force Climate survey began Wednesday. I encourage everyone to take time to complete the anonymous survey and let senior leadership know your thoughts. The survey runs through Nov. 23 and can be completed online at <http://afclimatesurvey.af.mil>.

Safety

With a noticeable increase in fitness on base, everyone needs to pay attention to their surroundings while running and driving. If you are running during the dark hours, be sure to wear a reflective belt so drivers can see you easily. Also, youth soccer has started, and there is an increase in traffic in the vicinity of the base soccer fields. Always remain vigilant, and look for children while driving.

You're doing a great job ... keep charging!

Action line discusses fogging

Q. My concern is the bug spraying through base housing. One evening, I heard the spray truck come by at approximately 10:45 p.m. I then had to close all the windows in my house. Is the spray used healthy to breathe? Is there any kind of warning before the spraying so we could be ready?

A. Thank you for bringing this situation to our attention. The spread of the West Nile Virus across America has become a major health issue. Our base prevention and control efforts stress health protection of our most valuable military resource — our people and their families. When mosquito fogging started here back in the spring,

the fogging times were run for the first two weeks in the base paper and on the marquees to give folks, like yourself, advance notice. The Entomology Shop continues to fog Hunley Park and the main base for mosquitoes every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 p.m. to midnight. All chemicals used and application procedures comply with the Environmental Protection Agency guidelines for mosquito fogging. Because we were concerned with the health protection of our people and their families, risk assessments were accomplished by the EPA, and it was determined the dose and exposure rates we use are not harmful to humans. Additionally, our applicators are certified by the state of South Carolina and the Department of Defense ensuring your family's safety.

The Commander's Action Line is your direct link to me. It's your opportunity to make Charleston AFB a better place to live, work and play.

First, give the appropriate base agency a chance to solve the problem, but if you don't get a satisfactory answer, call me at **963-5581**, or send an e-mail to action@charleston.af.mil.

To ensure you receive a response to your concerns, please leave your name and the information needed to contact you.



Col. Brooks Bash
437 AW commander

SFS/CC says have a plan, stick with it

By Maj. Paul Stang
437SFScommander

Have you ever noticed how life seems to go in cycles? How many times is that the result of poor planning or no plan at all? With the near miss of a hurricane, that we all should have had a plan for, I can't pass up the opportunity to talk about planning.

My grandfather, Norman Grant, was courier for the 13th Aero Squadron fighting in France during World War I. In this duty, he had access to a good portion of the paperwork flowing through the unit to include after-action reports from some of the aerial engagements. In reading through one of these reports handed down to me a few years ago, I couldn't help but draw a connection between the planning challenges of today and ones faced by our Air Force forefathers in the skies over France and Belgium. One such report, written 85 years ago this week, serves not only as a reminder of a small piece of forgotten history, but also as a lesson for today.

"An Ideal Attack" by 1st Lt. Stephen Avery, Air Service, U.S.A. 13th Aero Squadron

"A surprise drive was started in the region between Verdun and the Argonne Forest, Sept. 26, 1918. The 13th Pursuit Squadron received orders to be over the lines as soon after day-break as possible and to clear the air of enemy aircraft to a depth of nine kilometers into the German lines.

After a tour of the sector, it became evident our formation was ahead of the Fokkers. Our squadron commander, leading the lower flight, sized up the

situation at a glance. We had a position that was strategically ideal. Our read was secure from attack by virtue of our altitude and the protecting flight of five Spads above. Our lower flight of six planes was in position to make a diving attack, best for any type of plane and most perfectly suited to the Spad. We could have well afforded to attack with three planes from such a position. Our plan was to dive upon the highest Fokker and pull up, never permitting the lowest Spad from getting below the highest Fokker. Altitude is everything in a combat between front planes.

One of the Fokkers went down in a dive immediately after our attack. Two more were soon sent down. The fight began to spread out. Most of us endeavored to limit our activity to an area beneath our protection. Two of our men became a little too impetuous and followed the Germans farther into their lines. One of them followed his antagonist too far down, permitting two of the Fokkers to get "on his tail." Our squadron commander was able to drive them off. The other man evidently had motor trouble. He sank below the Germans and was driven down. The combat had become so separated and so far into Germany that it was impossible to be of assistance to him. He was the only man we lost.

This combat might have been a greater success than it was. We should not have lost a single man, and we would not have lost a man, had the man himself obeyed the instruction and advice of the squadron commander..."

The lesson here is just as applicable in today's Air Force, and in life in general, as it was in World War I — have a plan and stick with it.

Change of Command

Maj. Doug Bugado assumed command of the 437th Logistics Readiness Squadron in a ceremony Wednesday.

Major Bugado, recent 437 LRS operations officer, replaced Lt. Col. Jeri Erginkara.

The Hilo, Hawaii, native was commissioned through the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1990 with a bachelor of science degree. He earned a master of business administration degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in 2001.

He began Undergraduate Pilot Training at Vance AFB, Okla., in October 1990. The following year, he was assigned to the 22nd Supply Squadron, March AFB, Calif.

In June 1995, he was assigned to the 374th Supply Squadron, Yokota AB, Japan. In January 1996, he was assigned as Sortie Support and Sortie Generation Flight commander in the 36th Airlift Squadron. In June 1999, Major Bugado was assigned to Headquarters Air Mobility Command at Scott AFB, Ill.

Major Bugado assumed command of the 437th Supply Squadron in June 2002 and became the operations officer of the 437th Logistics Readiness Squadron following the wing reorganization in October 2002.

Major Bugado's military decorations include the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak-leaf cluster, and Air Force Achievement Medal with one oak-leaf cluster.

Interesting Fact: My father was a B-52 Radar/Navigator dur-



Maj. Doug Bugado

ing Vietnam.

Favorite Movie: "Raiders of the Lost Ark"

Favorite Author: Tom Clancy and R.A. Salvatore

Favorite Quotes:

"My logisticians are a humorless lot ... they know if my campaign fails, they are the first ones I will slay." Alexander the Great

"Logistics must be simple — everyone thinks they're an expert." Anonymous

Pet Peeve: People who go through the motions ... if you're going to commit to something, do it.

Why did you join the Air Force: I initially joined because I couldn't make up my mind over what career path to take, but I have been quickly entranced with the Air Force lifestyle over the past years.

How would you describe your leadership style: Participative for the buy-in, and to make the best possible decision ... unless constrained by time.

Who is your role model and why: No single person ... I try to copy the good and file away the bad in all that I see.

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NEWS

373 TRS Det 5 gets upgrades to training devices

Story and photo by
Airman 1st Class Amy Perry
437 AW Public Affairs

The 373rd Training Squadron Detachment 5 recently got two new upgrades to the C-17 training devices.

They are currently testing the latest upgrade to the landing gear training device that went under a 13-month modification by the AAI Engineering Support Inc. C-17 company in Summerville. Also, the 373 TRS recently received its flight control trainer back after 13 months, which added many components that maintenance students originally had to change on an actual aircraft.

The improved training devices enhanced the flightline by reducing the amount of time spent on an actual C-17, said Tech. Sgt. Rick Malle, 373 TRS Det. 5 C-17 master instructor.

"It minimizes time we need on the actual aircraft," said Sergeant Malle. "Our far-reaching goal is not to use an actual aircraft at all. There's more aircraft available for the mission that way."

"Every aircraft we don't use on the flightline can be used in a real mission," said Master Sgt. Paul Zimmerman, 373 TRS Det. 5 Specialist Flight chief. "We also have less chance of breaking an aircraft that way."

The 12 training devices, essentially cover all aspects of C-17s, have received upgrades since 1995. The devices enable the instructors to induce faults into the system for the students to correct.

"We can't break an actual aircraft to fix it, but we can 'break' the trainers and get (the students) to fix them," said Sergeant Zimmerman.

The local AAI ESIC-17 plant, which employs more than 250 personnel, was created because of the training detachment here. They employ 13 workers on base to repair the training devices whenever it's needed. All modifications are done on base by the technicians.

"We have a really good working environment (with AAI ESI C-17), and we work as a team to get the training devices up to date," said Tech. Sgt. Collin Papke, 373 TRS Det. 5 trainer development team assistant flight chief. "About every year and a half, the trainers go down for modifications."

That relationship with the local company has allowed Charleston AFB to house the best training devices in the Air Force, said Sergeant Malle.

Other agencies around the Air Force are benchmarking the devices here for their own weapons system training devices, said Sergeant Papke.



Airman Dennis Souza, 437th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron engine shop, learns to fix an engine on a training device at Det. 5.

"We have outside agencies training on them all the time," said Zimmerman. "Aircrews will do their annual austere airfield refueling training, and loadmasters train on the cargo, doors and ramp. Also, personnel enroute (to another location) come here for training because they won't have a C-17 at that location to be trained on. It would be difficult for them to get any training without coming here."

With the outdated training devices, instructors commonly had to say, "on the aircraft it's really like this," said Sergeant Zimmerman, and they hated saying that.

But with the updated training devices, the day is coming closer and closer when the training aircraft will match the actual aircraft, and maintainers can learn the aircraft they will be working on without actually working on it.

Family Advocacy warns about shaking babies

Editor's Note: October is the start of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. This year's theme is "Together We Can Stop Abuse." The following article gives advice on dealing with the stresses of parenthood.

By **Jim Hernandez**
Family Advocacy Outreach manager

Babies. Just the word suggests warm feelings, tender moments and innocent little people who depend on parents, grandparents, siblings and other caregivers to love and care for them. However, there is another side to caring for a baby or small child that isn't talked about much – the feelings of being frustrated, overwhelmed and alone.

These are normal feelings to have while taking care of a baby or toddler. After all, it is a big responsibility for anyone. Many times the stresses of day-to-day life – fatigue, family prob-

lems, financial strain and overworking – can make some reach a breaking point, especially if a baby is fussy and crying for a long period of time.

When a baby is vigorously shaken, the head moves back and forth. This sudden whiplash motion can cause bleeding inside the head and increased pressure on the brain, causing the brain to pull apart, resulting in injury to the baby. This is known as Shaken Baby Syndrome. Head trauma is the leading cause of disability among abused infants and children.

Often frustrated parents or other people responsible for a child's care feel shaking a baby is a harmless way to make a child stop crying. Other times, children become victims when a parent or caretaker throws a small child vigorously into the air, plays too rough or hits an infant too hard on the back.

Shaking a baby is not only dangerous, it is a crime. When frustration mounts, remember anyone who shakes a baby and causes an injury

or death may be prosecuted under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, or by the civilian authorities for crimes ranging from aggravated assault to murder.

If a baby will not stop crying, you can try the following:

- Make sure the baby's basic needs are met. For example, the baby is not hungry or does not need to be changed
- Check for signs of illness, like fever or swollen gums
- Take the child for a ride in a stroller or in a car seat in the car
- Swaddle the baby snugly in a blanket
- Hold the baby close against your body and breathe calmly and slowly
- Call a friend or relative for support or to take care of the baby while you take a break

For more information, or assistance, call the Charleston AFB Family Advocacy Program at 963-6972.

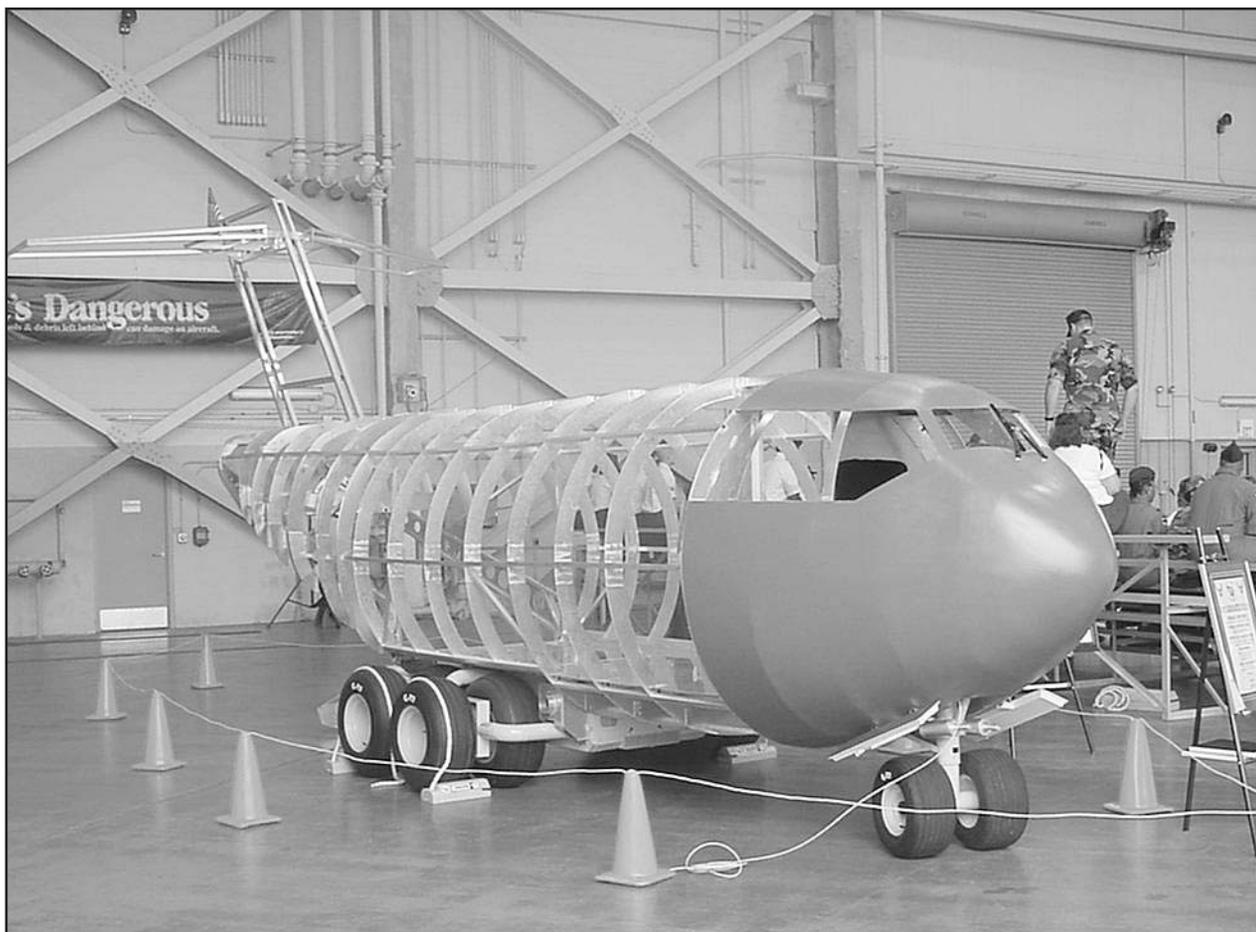


Photo by 315th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron VIPER support flight



The framework of the mini C-17 was displayed during Gen. Gerald Black's retirement ceremony and the 315th Airlift Wing change-of-command ceremony with Col. Gary Cook Sept. 7. The mini C-17 is approximately 30 percent completed and schedule to be completed by early fall 2004.

C-17 replica to play important role in Air Force recruiting, retention

By 2nd Lt. Kristy Miller
437 AW Public Affairs

What started as a tractor will soon be the first miniature replica of a C-17A Globemaster III.

Volunteers from the 315th Airlift Wing and 437th Airlift Wing, helped make Charleston AFB home to one of only three miniature replicas of Air Force planes ever built.

"We started the project because it will help transform Charleston into an Air Force town by becoming a symbol for our airpower," said Michael Petersen, 437 AW civilian Equal Employment Opportunity manager. "It will become a community symbol for our airpower."

Mr. Petersen, who also serves as the 315 AW command chief master sergeant, got the idea of creating a miniature C-17 after reading about the miniature C-130 built at Keesler AFB, Miss.

"After I talked about my idea, everyone was excited to take on the

challenge," he said.

The project officially began during December 2000 when Mr. Petersen and two members of the 315th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron traveled to Keesler AFB to gather information about the miniature C-130 there.

The project now has a team consisting of personnel from the 315 AW and 437 AW.

"We've put in about 150 days worth of time on this project so far," said Tech. Sgt. John Monical, 315 AMXS and project manager for the miniature C-17. Building a replica of an aircraft worth more than \$200 million is not easy.

"The mission comes first," said Master Sgt. Phil Weidman, assistant team chief of the project. "We don't work full-time on this. We work our regular jobs and when we have time, we work on this."

The miniature C-17 will be as close to an exact reproduction of the real C-17 as possible but will have

some modifications to enhance its recruiting capability. When completed, the replica will be 32-feet-long, 13-feet-tall and have a wingspan of more than 25 feet.

The base of the miniature C-17 is a multi-purpose vehicle which allows it to be very mobile. The replica will be used as an international recruiting tool at air shows, schools, parades and other community events.

"We're going to have a flat screen monitor on the inside that will play recruiting videos," Mr. Petersen said. "There will also be a stereo with a speaker in each engine that will sound exactly like a real C-17 start-up. The flight deck is also designed to look like the real thing."

Mr. Petersen says the overall project will end up costing about \$20,000. The 315 AW recruiting office purchased the tractor and the first round of paint. Alumni from the 315th Airlift Wing have been contributors as well.

"There are more than 600 alumni

of the 315th who have continued to be avid supporters of this project," Mr. Petersen said.

So far, the project has been a huge success. Even though the replica is far from completion, it has drawn numerous visitors and was recently used in the retirement ceremony for Brig. Gen. Gerald Black, former 315 AW commander. Members of the project team feel this project will continue to impact the Air Force and the community, long after they retire.

"People are just in awe when they see this thing," Sergeant Monical said. "We're going to give people something to see and touch — something that is truly Air Force."

According to Sergeant Monical, the miniature C-17 should be complete by August 2004, depending on mission requirements.

For continuous updates on the miniature C-17 project, visit <https://infusion.charleston.af.mil/area52/minic17/>.

AROUND THE AIR FORCE

New ribbon recognizes deployed airmen

RANDOLPH AFB, Texas – Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James Roche has approved award of the Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon to recognize servicemembers' support of air expeditionary force deployments.

The ribbon will be awarded to Air Force active-duty, Reserve and Guard members who completed a contingency deployment after Oct. 1, 1999, according to officials.

"Deployed status is defined as either deployment on contingency, exercise, deployment orders or members sourced in direct support, in theater or out, of expeditionary operations with an overnight (stay) away from home station," said Tech. Sgt. Jeffrey Simmons, the superintendent of the awards and decorations section at the Air Force Personnel Center.

To qualify for the award, individuals must have deployed for 45 consecutive or 90 nonconsecutive days.

"Any contingency deployment qualifies regardless of the duty, destination or location of the temporary duty, including those within the continental United States," Sergeant Simmons said.

There is also no time limit to accumulate the 90 nonconsecutive days.

Permanent-party people overseas are not eligible for the ribbon, unless they are forward-deployed on a contingency deployment, according to Sergeant Simmons. People deployed on an overseas short tour may receive both the expeditionary ribbon and the Overseas Short Tour Ribbon, providing they meet the requirements for both, he said.

To receive the award, people should report to their serving military personnel flight once they return from deployment to validate entitlement to the ribbon, Sergeant Simmons said. People must present a copy of their deployment orders and completed travel voucher; any citations or certificates received while deployed may also help prove entitlement. **(Air Force Personnel Center News Service)**

New rest and relaxation leave program set

WASHINGTON - Servicemembers

and Defense Department civilians on 12-month orders in Iraq supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom now have a rest and recuperation leave program. The program allows them to take up to 15 days, excluding travel time, to visit family or friends in the United States or Europe.

David S.C. Chu, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, approved a U.S. Central Command request for the program Sept. 23. Participants have the choice of traveling free from Iraq to gateway airports in Atlanta, Baltimore, Dallas, Los Angeles or Frankfurt, Germany, and return, according to Chu's approval memo. Travel beyond those points would be at the person's expense.

CENTCOM officials said the program's trial period, now under way, will accommodate up to 270 people a day, with hopes of expanding that number significantly as the program matures, perhaps to as many as 800 per day.

CENTCOM officials said R&R periods are limited to one per 12-month period. Because of the small scale of the initial part of the program and the fact that some units will return to their home bases before everyone is

able to participate, not everyone serving in Iraq will be able to take advantage of the program. **(Air Force Print News)**

Computer attacks, threats continue

SCOTT AFB, Ill. – Government computers and official information are subject to a wide range of threats and vulnerabilities that are a constant, invisible threat to penetrate military networks and degrade warfighting abilities.

New attacks against computer systems occur nearly as fast as software vendors can produce security patches. Computer hackers analyze each new generation of security patches to determine how previous security vulnerabilities were corrected.

By doing this, these computer hackers have frequently found new vulnerabilities to exploit. Once hackers identify new vulnerabilities, they use the Internet to spread the word to others on how to exploit these defense weaknesses. Hacker groups even distribute free software tools that could be highly effective in at-

tacks against operating systems.

To protect computers, users need to ensure they are running antivirus software with current virus-definition files. These files can be checked by "right-clicking" the computer mouse pointer on the antivirus program icon on the taskbar. That will open the antivirus program information page. If the date of the virus definition file is older than 10 days or if users must manually run "live update" to get new antivirus-definition files, contact the workgroup managers for assistance.

Workgroup managers can help configure computers to automatically keep virus-definition files current. Maintaining antivirus software and deleting suspicious e-mail attachments or Web links from unknown sources, greatly reduces the chance the computer might become a target or virus host.

Users need to pay close attention to the latest virus warnings and requests for system updates.

Information on computer-defensive postures is available from workgroup managers or wing information-assurance offices in the communications squadron. **(Air Mobility Command News Service)**

1st Combat Camera Photo of the Week



Photo by Master Sgt. James Bowman

School daze

U.S. soldiers from the 17th Artillery Brigade, Fort Sill, Okla., and local men from the Awad Al Hussein Village work together delivering desks to the Al-Dawaya School, Sept. 20 in preparation for classes that began Wednesday.

NEWS BRIEFS

Spotlight

Command section: The Wing Command Section is being renovated for the next month. They are temporarily relocated to the second floor of Bldg. 1600, Room 232. Phone numbers to reach the staff remains the same.

Community Support

Military appreciation: The Coastal Light Baptist Church is having a military appreciation night at 7 p.m. Oct. 24 behind the Citadel Mall.

Around the base

Medical survey: The 437th Medical Group is participating in a telephone survey to get feedback from patients about their clinic visit. A contractor, selected by the Air Force Surgeon General, will be contacting selected patients who are enrolled at the clinic to ask questions about their recent clinic appointment. The contractor will be asking six opinion questions and contacting patients Mondays through Fridays, 5:30-8 p.m., except holidays. The contractor does not have access to any personal medical information nor will patients be requested to provide that information. This six-month program will begin in October. For more information, call Phillip Cooper, 437 MDG Quality Services chief, at 963-6913.

Trespassing: The base firing ranges are located adjacent to the Rivers Gate, between the Explosive Ordnance Disposal ranges, munitions storage site and the Cross County Road gravel pit. Trespassing is not illegal, but is dangerous due to weapons training conducted daily, including weekends. Ranges are not allowed for personal use. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Mark Keck at 963-5292.

Lions Club: Charleston Lions

Charleston Warrior of the Week



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephanie Hammer

Airman Jillian Tyler 437th Medical Group

Airman Jillian Tyler is a medical service apprentice with the 437th Medical Group Family Practice Clinic. She is responsible for screening patients as they come in.

"We find out what ailments or concerns they have and find out more about the patients' concerns," she said. "We take their blood pressure and provide whatever the doctor needs for each patient."

The Bolivar, N.Y., native said she wanted to be in the military ever since she was little.

"As time went on, the thought of the military stayed in my mind," said Airman Tyler. "I did research on all the branches and decided the Air Force would be best for me."

Airman Tyler has been in the Air Force for about one year and at Charleston for six months.

"I really like the base," she said. "The surrounding area is beautiful, and there's definitely a lot to do."

At this point in her career, Airman Tyler said she plans on going to nursing school. She would also like to minor in performance music and try to get into the Air Force band.

In her spare time, she plays the clarinet and watches movies.

Club members are handing out candy at the commissary today and tomorrow.

Contracting squadron closure: The 437th Contracting Squadron will close for an official function at noon Thursday. For emergencies, call 963-5155.

Marriage: A Marriage Enrichment Seminar is 7 p.m. Thursday at the Base Chapel. For more information, call Senior Airman Erin Brock at 963-2536.

Shoppette: Beginning Saturday, the shoppette is extending its hours to midnight for 60 days. Due to a

power outage, the Shoppette will also be closed from 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Commissary: The commissary will be open seven days a week starting Monday. The new hours are:

- **Monday:** 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- **Tuesday-Wednesday:** 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- **Thursday:** 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.
- **Friday-Saturday:** 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- **Sunday:** 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

MFH Recycler of the Month: The wing is recognizing residents in military family housing who participate in the curbside recycling program. The Military Family Housing Recycler of the Month will be randomly selected from base families who are recycling. The next curbside recycling dates are Oct. 16 and Oct. 30. For more information, call the pollution prevention manager at 963-2690.

Suicide prevention: Family Advocacy is having a suicide prevention workshop Oct. 16-17 for active

duty members, civilians and their families. For more information or to register, call Jim Hernandez at 963-6504.

CGOC golf tournament: The first Company Grade Officer Council Golf Tournament is Oct. 23, 8:30 a.m. The fee is \$20, which includes lunch and drinks. Green and cart fees are not included. For more information or to register, call 2nd Lt. Sean Lewis at 963-2652, or 2nd Lt. Nick Okamura at 963-4636 by Oct. 19.

Chapel: Protestant Sunday School is held in Bldg. 245 Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Classes are available for adults and children age 3 and up. For more information, call Mary Davis at 963-0303.

Supply: The 437th Logistics Readiness Squadron Customer Service Center is the point of contact for unit supply needs. The center researches national stock numbers, issues SATS cards and checks the status of particular items. For more information, call the center at 963-4826.

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WELLNESS TIP**Vitamin**

▶ In 1970, Nobel Prize winner Dr. Linus Pauling proposed that high levels of Vitamin C could help prevent and shorten the duration of the common cold. Research shows Vitamin C reduces severity and duration of upper respiratory infections.

▶ **Vitamin C:**

Is critical for a healthy immune system
Helps the body absorb iron from plant sources
Keeps capillary walls and blood vessels firm

▶ **Best Sources of Vitamin C:**

Citrus fruit
Melons and berries
Green peppers, sweet and hot peppers
Potatoes, spinach, parsley, cabbage, and broccoli



Graphic by Sean Erbe

Chapel schedule

107 Arthur Drive
Office: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Phone: 963-2536.

After duty hours, call the command post at 963-2531 for emergencies only.

Catholic Services: *Saturday* - 4:15 p.m. Reconciliation, 5 p.m. Mass. *Sunday* - 9:30 a.m. Mass, 9:30 a.m. Children's Church. Sacrament of Baptism pre-baptismal classes are held the first Sunday of each month at 11 a.m. in the Chapel Annex. Daily Mass will be canceled until April 2004.

Protestant Services: *Sunday* - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, Bldg. 245, 11 a.m. Traditional Worship Service and 11 a.m. Children's Church. *Sunday* - 5 p.m. Contemporary Worship Service.

For information on other faith groups, call the Base Chapel at 963-2536.

Movie schedule

Admission: 99 cents for adults and children.

Any person under 17 years of age requires a parent or adult guardian (a minimum of 21 years old) to purchase an admission ticket for the minor to view R-rated movies. The ticket office opens 30 minutes prior to the start of the movie, unless otherwise noted.

Movie schedules are provided by AAFES.



Patrons should call 963-3333 to verify movie titles, running times and start times, which are subject to change.

Today, 7:30 p.m.

"Freddy versus Jason" – Robert Englund

Freddy Kruger is in hell – literally. While there, he resurrects Jason. Jason is the perfect means for Freddy to once again instill fear on Elm Street, creating a window of opportunity for him to emerge from his purgatory. Recognizing how easily manipulated Jason is, Freddy tricks Jason into journeying to Springwood to start a new reign of terror. **(R) 98 minutes**

Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

"S.W.A.T." – Samuel L. Jackson

After weeks of rigorous physical training, the new team is quickly thrown into action when a notorious drug lord offers a \$100 million reward to anyone who can free him from police custody. While accompanying the drug lord out of Los Angeles into the hands of the FEDS, the S.W.A.T. team is pursued by a ruthless and well-armed band of reward seekers. **(PG-13) 111 minutes**

Oct. 10, 7:30 p.m.

"Open Range" – Kevin Costner

This movie follows the day-to-day encounters with four cattle herders who rode the countryside without owning a particular piece of land, or "freegrazers," living in the final years of the Wild West. **(R) 139 minutes**

SPORTS & FITNESS



Photo by Staff Sgt. Corey Clements

Aimee Foster, daughter of Coach Michelle and Master Sgt. Steve Foster, 437th Mission Support Squadron Family Support Center, kicks the ball at a recent youth soccer game.

New Youth Sports Advisory Council gives parents a voice

By 2nd Lt. Bryan Lewis
437 AW Public Affairs

Base parents now have the power to improve on-base sports programs for children with the new Youth Sports Advisory Council.

Every other Tuesday at 5 p.m., the YSAC will meet to improve youth sports at Charleston AFB.

"The council meetings are a way for parents to present ideas and concerns to the organization," said Staff Sgt. Wayne Pugh, 437th Security Forces Squadron and YSAC parent representative. "This is their chance to make good things happen now instead of tomorrow."

At the meetings the parents hear about decisions before they are implemented.

"When we want to make changes, we can put them out in front of the members of the YSAC for their opinion before we ever make a decision," said Allen Fleming, Youth Sports Program director.

The main goal of the new council is to improve

the sports programs for Team Charleston's children.

"The YSAC will improve our sports program in more ways than people can imagine," said Mr. Fleming. "With the integration of two new sports programs, cheerleading (winter 2003) and flag football (fall 2004), the council can help in recruiting volunteers and just get the word out on upcoming sports registrations."

Along with improving the youth sports programs and providing a venue for parents, the YSAC is a way to disseminate information, said Sergeant Pugh.

"We get information out during the meetings," he said. "This allows us to pass on information quicker by word of mouth. Simply put, we want to be competitive with those in the surrounding community. Our children deserve that."

The next meeting will be Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the Youth Center. For more information, call Mr. Fleming at 963-TEAM (8326).

Gridiron picks

Glover beats all to come up big in Week 4

By the Gridiron Guru

'Greatest' pigskin prognosticator

Kenneth Glover entered Monday night locked in a three-way tie with Lawrence "Skyking" Strother and Vincent "Dow" Jones, but prevailed in the Monday Night Football point's tiebreaker to stand alone as the winner. Be sure to stop by Public Affairs to claim your prizes.

All three finished with an impressive 12-2 record. Strother was in the driver's seat but made the crucial mistake of picking the Bears spoiling his chance to go 13-1.

Speaking of the Bears, they share this week's "stink out loud" award with the Jets and Jaguars. All three teams have yet to earn their first victory. The Guru thinks the musical "Chicago" is more entertaining than the football team.

Rumor has it Summerville High School coach John McKissick is trying to schedule all three teams in 2012 to guarantee his 600th victory!

There is some interesting news to report concerning the Dallas Cowboys. Apparently a woman accidentally left her 11 children behind after recently attending a game. Dallas owner Jerry Jones and coach Bill Parcells called and pleaded with the woman to come and pick them up because they were beating the Cowboys 21-0!

This week's hall of shame includes Oscar "O Train" Thompson, Brian Jones, Gary Palmiter, Denny Hopkins and Keith Miley. All five finished the week with sorry records of 7-7. They all get cellar dweller dunce caps this week.

As promised, here is a look at the top 10 after four weeks of action:

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| 1. Shannon Johnson | .714 |
| 2. George Thompson | .704 |
| 3. Gridiron Guru | .700 |
| 4. Scott Bartley | .700 |
| 5. Danny Swain | .700 |
| 6. Kenneth Glover | .682 |
| 7. Daniel Ray | .682 |
| 8. James Blakey | .674 |
| 9. Karen Wenner | .667 |
| 10. Dave Linquist | .667 |

Gridiron Guru's Week 6 picks

Sunday, Oct. 5

- Arizona @ **Dallas**
- Denver @ **Kansas City**
- Minnesota** @ Atlanta
- Oakland** @ Chicago
- Tennessee** @ New England
- Detroit @ **San Francisco**
- Cleveland @ **Pittsburgh**

- Cincinnati @ **Buffalo**
- Miami @ **NY Giants**
- New Orleans @ **Carolina**
- Seattle @ **Green Bay**
- San Diego** @ Jacksonville
- Washington** @ Philadelphia
- Monday, Oct. 6**
- Indianapolis @ **Tampa Bay**

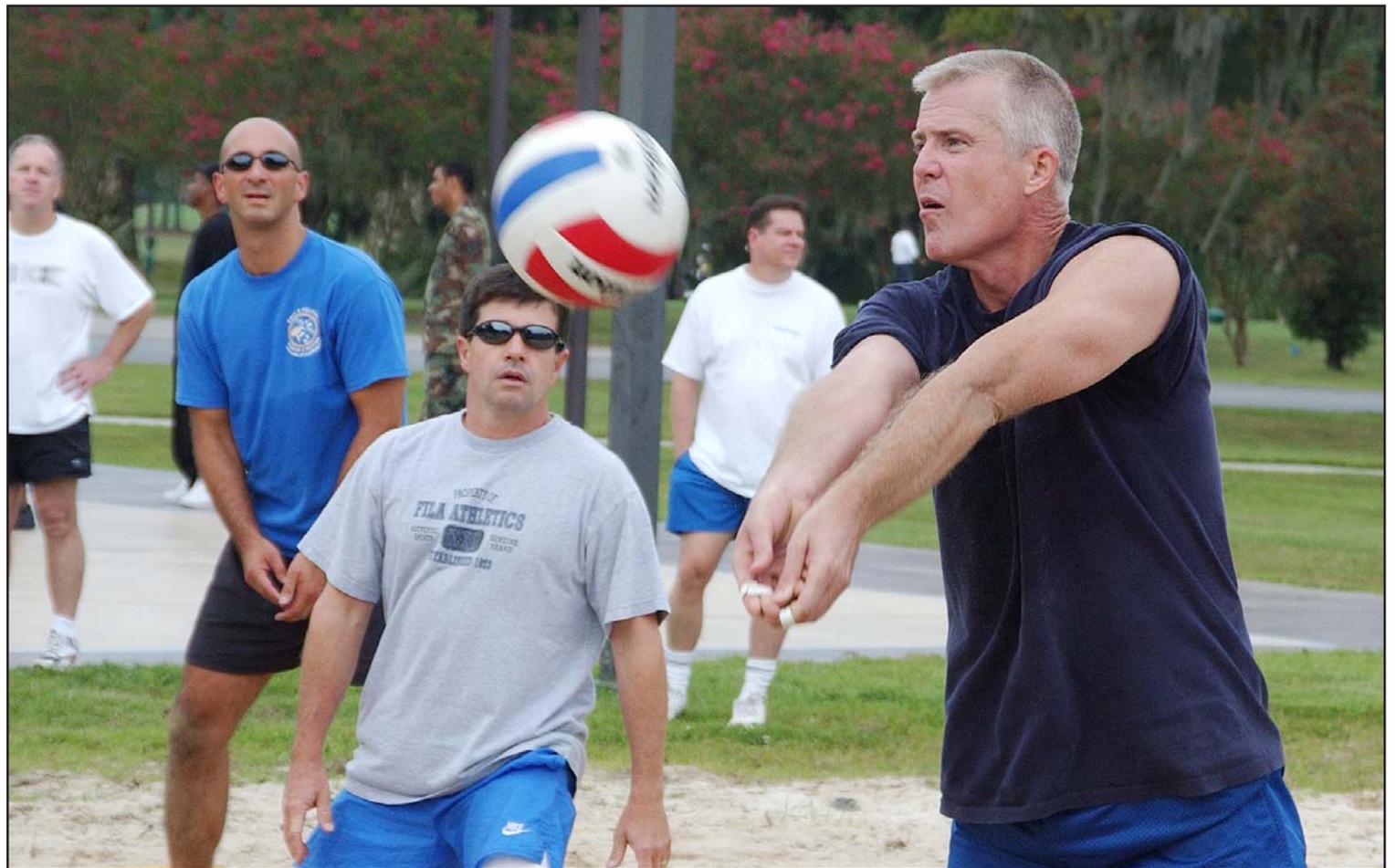
Monday Night total points: _____
Guru's Monday night points: **40**

*The Gridiron Guru's picks are in bold and italics.
Send your picks to swami@charleston.af.mil only.
Include your name, phone number, and any comments in the e-mail.
Picks can no longer be dropped off at the Public Affairs Office.
Picks must be submitted by Friday, Oct. 10, 4 p.m.*

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Col. Michael Riddle, 437th Maintenance Group commander, receives a volley as other teammates watch on, during the chiefs' versus colonels' volleyball game at Oktoberfest last Friday. The chiefs won the match 2-1.



Chief Master Sgt. Tommie Taylor, 437th Operations Group Standardizations and Evaluations, jumps to block a spike at the colonels' vs. chiefs' game Sept. 26.



Chief Master Sgt. Melvin Willis, 437th Comptroller Squadron superintendent, defends a volley from the colonels during the game.



Lt. Col. Steven Groenhein, 14th Airlift Squadron commander, sets the ball for a return by Col. William Bender, 437th Operations Group commander, as another teammate defends the back court at the game.

Photos by Staff Sgt. Corey Clements