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*Photo by Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Jason Bailey*

A 437<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron member keeps watch while Airmen from the convoy team help a “wounded” person during a simulated ambush attack June 3. The mock attack was designed to help Airmen from the 437 LRS prepare for an upcoming joint deployment where they will be assisting the Army with convoy operations in Iraq. For more on the deployment, see page 17.

## NEW FACES

Three squadrons get new commanders

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## CONGRATS!

ALS Class 04-E graduates; AMXS on top

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### MISSION POSSIBLE!

Charleston departures	8,059	Personnel deployed	700
Maintenance reliability	95.2 %	Reservists activated	737
Cargo moved (tons)	36,252	(Jan. 1 to June 14, 2004)	

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



## Memorial service

Thank you to everyone who attended the memorial ceremony for our 40<sup>th</sup> president, Ronald Reagan. Special thanks goes to **Master Sgt. Vanessa Smallsbryant**, Airman Leadership School flight chief, and the **437<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing Honor Guard** for adding their professional touch to the ceremony.

## Recognition

Please help me congratulate **Maj. Rodney Lewis**, 437 AW executive officer, for his nomination for the 2004 Tuskegee Airmen Incorporated Award. Congratulations are also in order for all 2004 Lance P. Sijan Award nominees; **Lt. Col. Vic Sowers**, 437<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Group, **Capt. Harmon Lewis**, 437<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron, **Senior Master Sgt. Theron Florence**, 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron, and **Tech. Sgt. Richard McHose**, 437<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineer Squadron.

Congratulations to all **SOLL II Air Medal and Air Force Commendation Medal recipients**. These awards are being given for outstanding accomplishments during OIF and a recent deployment. These remarkable feats included the first C-17 combat airfield assault, supporting Pfc. Jessica Lynch's rescue, maintaining a mission capable rate of 98 percent through a 45-day deployment and delivering almost 2,500 troops and more than 9 million pounds of cargo during the same deployment.

Congratulations also to **Capt. Margaret Martin**, 16<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron, for her nomination for the Stinson Award, which recognizes women for their outstanding and enduring contribution to the field of aviation. A final congratulations to our Gen. Lew Allen Trophy nominees; **Maj. Paul Brown**, 437<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, and **Senior Master Sgt. Jeffrey Baumgras**, 437 MXS. This award recognizes an outstanding officer and NCO directly involved



Graphic by 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Bryan Lewis

**Master Sgt. Vanessa Smallsbryant**, Airman Leadership School flight chief, narrates as **Col. Brooks Bash**, 437<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing commander, listens during the National Day of Mourning reveille ceremony honoring former President Ronald Reagan June 11.

in aircraft generation. Keep up the good work!

## Comings and goings

We would like to wish farewell to **Lt. Col. Tracy O'Grady-Walsh**, 437<sup>th</sup> Services Squadron commander, and welcome to **Capt. John Nowak** as he assumes command in her place. We must also say goodbye to **Lt. Col. Kevin Brewer**, 437<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron, and welcome to **Lt. Col. Chris Pike**. **Maj. Andrea Rupp**, 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Operation Squadron will also be leaving. **Maj. Roger Klaffka** will be assuming command of the 437 MOS. We will miss all of you who are leaving and extend a hearty welcome to our new commanders.

## Commander's shadow

**Senior Airman William Senecal**, 437 CES, had the opportunity to spend the day with me Tuesday. Airman Senecal is an explosive ordnance disposal apprentice here and has made many outstanding accomplishments over the course of his career.

## Coming up

The Spirit of America Tour presents **Mel Tillis** at the Charleston Club Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 7 p.m. and the performance is open to the military community free of charge. Come out and enjoy Mel's musical performance and bring the whole family.

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](mailto:action@charleston.af.mil).

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

## Safety emphasis item

The effects of heat stress may be as mild as a rash or as severe as death. Age, weight, fitness, alcohol, hydration, restrictive clothing, acclimatization, as well as a variety of medical conditions all affect a person's sensitivity to heat. Plan smartly on- and off-duty. Don't lose your cool, keep hydrated and use rest work cycles when summer heat is high. Anyone can suffer a heat illness, but by taking a few simple precautions, heat illnesses are easily prevented.

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# Security forces officer shares recent deployment; some Airmen 'never see the inside of a cockpit'

By **2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Jared Hoover**  
437 SFS section commander

This past month we saw a celebration remembering all those who fought and died on the beaches and fields of France during D-Day. We paid tribute to their sacrifices in the name of freedom. As the dominant Air Force in the world, we usually focus on the role the aircraft took in this fight and, ultimately, the impact the Air Force's air dominance has in present day conflicts throughout the world. I want to take this opportunity to highlight some of the accomplishments of those Airmen who never see the inside of a cockpit by recounting my recent deployment.

As a security forces officer, I and those serving beside me rarely work with aircraft. Despite not being directly involved in air operations, these Airmen are still doing what they can to shape history.

After returning from a 134-day deployment to Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq, I have truly gained an appreciation for all the hard work not only my fellow security forces troops accomplished, but also every troop who spent a tour in Iraq. Everyone did what it took to get the job done regardless of whether it was in his or her mission description. For security forces, this included providing services the general Air Force public does not see or hear about on a day-to-day basis. Typically base personnel see security forces fulfilling a police role, but what they do not see is the training security forces receive for a deployment to a combat environment. When deployed to a combat environment, security forces' priority is no longer to provide a police force for the installation, but instead to take on an air base defense role, defending personnel and equipment from enemy attack. This demanding deployment to a location with routine enemy attacks was a true test for security forces. For the first time in many years, the Air Force has established air bases in hostile locations where enemy fire is a routine occurrence. This new environment puts the Air Force's "air base defenders" to the test, and creates a challenging mission for security forces.

For those who may have been to Kirkuk or other bases in Iraq, they know it was commonplace to don their protective gear and run for a bunker. During my tenure in Kirkuk, we had 48 separate attacks on the installation that resulted in Alarm Red

## worth repeating

"During these rocket attacks, security forces did not have the option to run to the bunker; they had to stay vigilant in their defensive fight positions, observation towers and HMMWVs."



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437<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron section commander

conditions. Many of these attacks were rockets that impacted inside populated areas, nearly destroying medical facilities, supply hangers and occupied tents. Security forces were charged with defending the base to ensure these attacks did not injure base personnel, or degrade the mission of Kirkuk. During these rocket attacks, security forces did not have the option to run to the bunker, they had to stay vigilant in their defensive fight positions, observation towers and HMMWVs. Not only did they survive this indirect fire that impacted the installation, but they also directed small arms and rocket fire aimed at their positions. These troops had to make split-second life or death decisions as to whether it was necessary to open fire to defend themselves and the base. Numerous times these troops not only returned fire, but also deployed "outside the wire" as a quick-reaction force in order to go on the offensive to attack and destroy enemy launch sights.

One particular incident I recall is when two 107 mm rockets impacted inside tent-city. Only a few hundred meters from the impact of the first, the zipping sound of the rocket flying through the air was one I will never forget. This rocket flew overhead and impacted a few feet from the medical tent. Luckily it was discovered after the incident this was only a low-order detonation and all medical personnel and patients were uninjured and able to safely evacuate the tent and reach a bunker. As I was racing to the incident on foot to aid possible injured, the second rocket streaked overhead, detonating less than 100 meters from me and only feet from a bunker, peppering the sandbags surrounding the bunker with shrapnel.

The bunker did its job and protected those inside. The subsequent responding security forces and explosive ordinance disposal technicians expertly evacuated and cordoned the area preventing further injury. As I recall this story, I remember a dozen more just like it and must express this is just one account of one attack at one base in a country where hundreds of attacks are aimed at coalition forces. These types of attacks occurred almost daily at Kirkuk and every deployed troop has his or her own story to tell.

In addition to dodging enemy rocket fire, security forces troops stood at the installation perimeter and secured entry points. They ensured enemy explosives and weapons never entered the base and endangered base personnel. Without question, they did their duty discerning which pedestrian and vehicle traffic should be allowed on the installation. With the aid of military working dogs, they searched every vehicle and person for explosives and weapons, numerous times responding and evacuating personnel for possible vehicle-borne improvised explosive devices. This was done day and night, 24-hours-a-day regardless of the conditions. When the rainy season completely flooded Kirkuk, these troops continued to work. Despite the cold rain that came down sideways and muddy conditions that created impassable roadways, they stood in the elements and guarded the gate and searched vehicles. The operation simply could not be closed. The Army, operating in the areas outside the installation, needed a safe entry point, and contract workers needed to enter the base to continue their projects. It was the same for every other troop who was deployed at the time, it was just another obstacle that needed to be overcome to get the job done.

With the elevated possibility of injury and death and the difficult work conditions, it would seem almost certain the Air Force would be facing mounting casualties. I am proud to say we did not lose one security forces member or any other base personnel to enemy fire. This is a testament to all the hard work these Airmen did for 120-plus days. Surviving the hardships of the deployment, they persevered to ensure they accomplished their mission. We are seeing a new breed of defenders returning from the desert. These troops are gaining experience only their Army and Marine Corps brethren have gained in past deployments – direct ground combat experience.

## Changes of Command

Capt. John Nowak assumed command of the 437<sup>th</sup> Services Squadron during a ceremony Thursday.

Captain Nowak came to CAFB after serving as community support branch chief, Services Directorate, Headquarters Air Combat Command, and replaced Lt. Col. Tracy O'Grady-Walsh as she heads to the Pentagon.

Captain Nowak was born in Birmingham, Ala. He earned his bachelor's degree in history at the University of West Alabama in 1994 followed by a commission through Officer Training School at Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Fresh out of OTS, he was assigned to the 341<sup>st</sup> Services Squadron, Malmstrom AFB, Mont. as the commander of the Plans and Force Management Flight.

He has held vital leadership positions at

Edwards AFB, Calif.; Kunsan AB, Korea; and Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

He received a Master of Science in hotel, restaurant and tourism administration from the University of South Carolina under the Air Force Institute of Technology civilian institute program in 1999.

Captain Nowak's military decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with one oak-leaf cluster and the Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak-leaf cluster.

**Interesting Fact:** I ran with the Olympic torch for the Salt Lake City Winter Games in 2002.

**Favorite movie:** "A River Runs Through It"

**Major pet peeve:** Pointing the blame on others instead of lending a hand

**Favorite author:** Norman McClaine

**Favorite quote:** "The most important single ingredient for success is knowing how to get

along with people." -- Theodore Roosevelt

**Why did you join the Air Force?** My dad was a career Airman and I wanted to follow his footsteps.

**How would you describe your leadership style?**

Hands-on

**Who is your role model and why?** Retired Col. David LaFave because he took a non-traditional way of making colonel and he has been my mentor throughout my career.



Capt. John Nowak

Maj. Roger Klaffka assumed command of the 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Operations Squadron during a change of command today.

Major Klaffka, recently a graduate of Air Command and Staff College, replaced Maj. Andrea Rupp who will be going to the Pentagon.

Major Klaffka was born in Cheektowaga, N.Y. He graduated St. Mary's High School, Lancaster, N.Y., and entered the Air Force in July 1984. Following basic military training and aircraft electrical systems technical training, he was assigned to the Fighter Interceptor Squadron, Griffis AFB, N.Y. Major Klaffka was relocated to the 2954<sup>th</sup> Combat Logistics Support Squadron, Kelly AFB, Texas, where under the Airman Scholarship Commissioning Program, he entered the aerospace engineering program at Syracuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

cuse University, Syracuse, N.Y.

Major Klaffka was commissioned in May 1992. His first officer assignment was to the 93<sup>rd</sup> Air Refueling Squadron, Castle AFB, Calif., where he served as a flightline maintenance officer and the officer-in-charge of the Sortie Support Flight.

He has held leadership positions at Kadena AB, Japan, and the Royal Air Force Mildenhall, United Kingdom.

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

**Interesting fact:** My summer goal is to ride the 100-mile bike race in Wichita Falls, Texas.

**Favorite movie:** "Pulp Fiction"

**Major pet peeve:** "It's not my job."

**Favorite author:** Tom Wolf

**Favorite quote:** "Freedom is not free."

**Why did you join the Air Force?** I

thought it would be fun and adventurous.

**How would you describe your leadership style?** Focused on the mission, but caring about my people.

**Who is your role model and why?** My parents, because they are strong yet caring and compassionate.



Maj. Roger Klaffka

Lt. Col. Chris Pike assumed command of the 437<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron during a ceremony today.

Colonel Pike, a recent joint staff officer with the Logistics and Security Assistance Directorate for Headquarters United States European Command, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany, replaced Lt. Col. Kevin Brewer who was recently assigned to the Pentagon.

Colonel Pike is from Stratford, Conn. He earned his bachelor's degree in science from the Air Force Academy in 1988. Following his commission, he attended the Basic Transportation Officer Course before reporting as a vehicle management officer for terminal services in the 7<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron, McChord AFB, Wash.

Next, he was assigned as the chief for the airlift information systems in the 619<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron, Hickam AFB, Hawaii, and deployed as the passenger service officer in the Provisional Military Airlift Support Squadron,

Riyadh AB, Saudi Arabia, prior to attending Squadron Officer School.

Colonel Pike held key leadership positions at Naval Air Station Keflavik, Iceland, and Randolph AFB, Texas, before attending Advanced Studies of Air Mobility, Air Mobility Warfare Center, Fort Dix, N.J., followed by Air Command & Staff College.

After Air Command and Staff College he was assigned to Scott AFB, Ill., and Patch Barracks, Germany.

Colonel Pike's military decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with one oak-leaf cluster and the Air Force Commendation Medal with two oak-leaf clusters.

**Interesting Fact:** I am on a quest to see a baseball game in every major stadium in the United States.

**Favorite movie:** "Field of Dreams"

**Major pet peeve:** People who turn without signaling

**Favorite author:** Jeff Shaara

**Favorite quote:** "Never tell people how to do things; tell them what to do and let them surprise you with their ingenuity." Gen. Patton

**Why did you join the Air Force?** I went to the Air Force Academy to get an education and commission.

**How would you describe your leadership style?** Define the mission, milestone and end-state and let your people go.

**Who is your role model and why?** Gen. George Marshall because he was the ultimate professional soldier.



Lt. Col. Chris Pike

## Donation

## Team Charleston Airman gives stranger second shot at life

By 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Bryan Lewis  
437 AW Public Affairs

Imagine saving someone's life without knowing who or where the person is.

That is exactly what a Team Charleston Airman did recently through the Bill Young Marrow Donor Center.

Staff Sgt. Jonathan Mathe, 437<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing Chapel Resources NCOIC, recently returned from a 5.5-hour bone marrow extraction procedure at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

"It was June 3 when I donated my bone marrow," said Sergeant Mathe. "It was a long 5.5-hours, but nowhere as long as the recipient's battle with leukemia."

Though the procedure took hours, the entire process began years earlier.

"I first volunteered to go on to the National Bone Marrow registry when I was stationed at Offutt AFB, Neb., about four years ago," said Sergeant Mathe. "About 3.5-years later I received a preliminary match phone call a week before my daughter Kayley was born. I went and got blood drawn

the next week to see if the recipient would be able to match my bone marrow. It was nearly three months later when I received word I was a match."

It is fitting Sergeant Mathe uses his daughter's birthday as a reference, since his motivation for the donation was all about family.

"All I knew about the recipient is he is a 47-year old male," said Sergeant Mathe. "So, I pictured a family man and held that image through my donation process."

The first step in the donation process is registering with the BYMDC by having two small tubes of blood drawn. If a preliminary match for a specific patient is found, the center contacts the potential donor for more blood work ensuring a perfect match. If all goes well and the donor agrees to the process, the donor goes to Georgetown University to begin a week-long process

of extensive education sessions and the extraction operation.

Sergeant Mathe continues to believe people should look into being bone marrow donors.

"I would do it again and again if asked," he said. "This experience is what drives me to bring a bone

marrow drive to Charleston AFB, which is in the works right now. People should remember it could be them or a loved one who someday may be able to save a life."

For more information on the BYMDC, visit <http://www.dodmarrow.org>.



Courtesy photo

Staff Sgt. Jonathan Mathe, 437<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing Chapel resources NCOIC, with wife, Kimberley, and daughter, Kayley, lays in a hospital bed after donating bone marrow at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., June 3.

## Two Charleston Airmen sentenced at courts-martial

By Capt. Bruce Page  
437AWLegal

An airman basic from the 437<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineer Squadron and an airman first class from the 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron were convicted at courts-martial held at Charleston AFB in recent weeks.

Airman Basic Bradley Frohne pled guilty at a summary court-martial to dereliction of duty May 26 for failing to report for duty as a firefighter; dereliction of duty for continuing to drive on base after his base driving privileges were suspended; and three instances of failure to go to his appointed place of duty on time.

Lt. Col. Darrell Mosley, 437<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Maintenance Squadron commander, was appointed as summary court officer to determine the appropriate punishment for Airman Frohne. The approved sentence was 20 days confinement, seven days hard labor without confinement and forfeiture of \$600 pay.

"Summary courts-martial are excellent tools

for commanders to address minor offenses that are too serious for Article 15 proceedings, but might not merit the federal conviction that a special court-martial can bring," said Lt. Col. Rupinder Gill, 437<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing staff judge advocate. "Oftentimes a commander has exhausted his administrative and nonjudicial punishment remedies and a member still refuses to comply with military standards. In these cases, summary courts can be the perfect tool to show the member that adherence to standards is not optional.

"Another benefit of summary courts is they usually go to trial much faster than special or general courts-martial, so the accused can be brought to justice expeditiously."

The maximum punishment that may be imposed by a summary court-martial is one month of confinement, forfeiture of two-thirds of one month's pay and reduction to the grade of airman basic. The court may also impose hard labor without confinement for 45 days, restriction for two months and a reprimand. E-5s and above may not be confined and may only

be reduced in rank by one grade in a summary court. Only enlisted personnel may be tried at a summary court.

At a June 3<sup>rd</sup> special court-martial, Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Loren Goins pled guilty to multiple cocaine uses and one use of ecstasy, all occurring more than 18 months ago. After hearing evidence, a military judge sentenced the accused to three months confinement, forfeiture of \$700 per month for three months, and reduction to the grade of airman basic.

Col. Brooks Bash, the special court-martial convening authority in this case, will determine what portion, if any, of this sentence to impose on the accused.

"Our mission requires a level of commitment and attention to detail that is absolutely incompatible with illegal drug use," said Lt. Col. Mike Pierce, 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron commander. "Military members at Charleston AFB should learn from this trial that use of these dangerous drugs will result in serious consequences that can have a lifelong negative impact."

# Articles 15s bring punishment to local Airmen

By Staff Sgt. Jessica Moore  
437 AW Legal

Members of Charleston AFB received the following nonjudicial punishments under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice from April 15 to May 31.

The maximum punishment for a particular Article 15 depends on the rank of the member being offered the Article 15 and the rank of the officer imposing it. If the commander finds a military member commits an offense, then during the punishment phase of the Article 15, the commander will consider the severity of the offense(s), the circumstances surrounding the offense(s), any mitigation or extenuation presented by the member as well as any previous misconduct.

**Officers** – Article 15s for officers are normally served by the 437<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing commander. The 18<sup>th</sup> Air Force commander then decides whether the officer committed any offense and if so, what the appropriate punishment will be. The maximum punishment is forfeiture of one-half month's pay for two months, 60 days restriction, 30 days arrest in quarters and a reprimand. Officers cannot be reduced in rank.

■ First Lieutenant – False official statement on two occasions; wrongful use of adderall (a prescription medication) – forfeiture of \$800

pay per month for two months; reprimand.

**Enlisted** – Article 15s for enlisted members are typically offered by the squadron commander. The maximum punishment depends on the rank of the offender and the rank of the commander but routinely is: forfeiture of one-half month's pay for two months, 60 days restriction, 45 days extra duty, 30 days correctional custody and a reprimand. Enlisted personnel may also be reduced in grade. For E-5 and above, a one-stripe reduction is the maximum. E-4 and below may be reduced to E-1.

■ Master Sgt. – Adultery – Suspended reduction to technical sergeant; suspended forfeiture of \$150 pay per month for two months; reprimand.

■ Staff Sgt. – 16<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron – Adultery – suspended reduction to senior airman.

■ Staff Sgt. – Drunken incapacitation for duty on two occasions – suspended reduction to senior airman; 10 days extra duty; reprimand.

■ Staff Sgt. – Drunk and disorderly – reduction to senior airman; reprimand.

■ Staff Sgt. – Failure to go to appointed place of duty – suspended reduction to senior airman; 14 days extra duty.

■ Staff Sgt. – Failure to obey a lawful order; government travel card abuse – suspended reduction to senior airman; suspended forfeiture of \$500 pay per month for two months; reprimand.

■ Senior airman – Use of marijuana – reduction to airman basic; suspended forfeiture of \$500 pay; reprimand.

■ Senior airman – False official statement – reduction to airman first class; suspended forfeiture of \$792 pay per month for two months; 20 days extra duty.

■ Senior airman – Failure to go to appointed place of duty – reduction to airman first class; suspended forfeiture of \$200 pay; 14 days extra duty.

■ Senior airman – Failure to go to appointed place of duty; Failure to wear proper uniform for mobility exercise – reduction to airman first class; suspended forfeiture of \$250 pay; 14 days extra duty.

■ Airman first class – Failure to go to appointed place of duty on two occasions – reduction to airman; suspended reduction to airman basic; 14 days extra duty; reprimand.

■ Airman first class – Underage drinking – suspended reduction to airman; forfeiture of \$250 pay; suspended 14 days extra duty.

■ Airman first class – Failure to go to appointed place of duty on two occasions – suspended reduction to Airman; suspended forfeiture of \$668 pay per month for two months; 30 days extra duty; reprimand.

■ Airman – Providing alcohol to minors – reduction to airman basic; reprimand.

## Base personnel prove backing up is dangerous

The following are some of the responses by 437<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron from June 7 through Sunday and are printed to raise awareness of resource protection and safety.

Anyone with information regarding these, or any other incidents, call security forces at 963-3600.

### Vehicle accidents

■ An Airman backed his vehicle into a parked vehicle in the wing headquarters parking lot. Both vehicles sustained damage. The driver

was cited for inattentive driving.

■ An Airman backed her vehicle into another vehicle in the dormitory parking lot. The driver was cited for inattentive driving.

■ A civilian driver misjudged the distance between the barriers in the outbound lane at Rivers Avenue gate and damaged his vehicle. The driver was cited for inattentive driving.

### Traffic

■ Security forces cited 21 drivers for speeding, 11 for failure to stop at a posted stop sign or traffic light,

one for an illegal left turn, one for expired tags and one for improper passing.

■ Security forces stopped a civilian for making an illegal left turn near Burger King. The driver had an open container of alcohol in his vehicle. Charleston County Sheriff's Office responded and issued a \$257 summons for illegal possession of legal liquor and scheduled a court date.

■ Security forces stopped a driver for operating a vehicle with a beginner's permit and not being accompanied by a licensed driver over age 21. CCSO responded and issued a \$232 summons for violation of beginner's permit and driving without a seatbelt and scheduled a court date. The driver's base driving privileges were suspended.

■ Security forces stopped a civilian driver on the Arthur Drive extension for improper display of vehicle tags while operating a vehicle. A license check revealed the driver's license was suspended. CCSO responded, issued a \$648 ticket for

driving under suspension, a \$440 ticket for no proof of insurance and a \$232 ticket for falsifying a vehicle tag. The driver's base driving privileges were suspended.

### Crime watch

■ Three family members reported their vehicles sustained water damage due to flooding in the commissary parking lot.

■ A juvenile family member was detained for shoplifting a 95 cent tube of fingernail polish from the base exchange. CCSO responded and scheduled a court date. The member, whose exchange privileges were revoked, was released to her parents' custody.

■ An Airman reported \$600,000 damage to the C-17 flight simulator. The door to the aircraft engine cowl trainer wouldn't line up properly in the front of the thrust reverser door, so the entire right rear thrust reverser door needs replacing.

■ A civilian reported his personal motorcycle was damaged in the parking lot near the 437<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron terminal.

## DUI/DWI Statistics

**Last incident: 16 days**

**2004 total: 9**

**2003 total: 18**

*Members receiving a Driving Under the Influence or must report to the wing commander the following duty day in full service dress accompanied by their supervisor, first sergeant and squadron commander.*

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**963-0437**

**Charleston AFB's Airman  
Against Drunk Driving offers  
free, confidential rides home.**

**37 saves  
this year**

**\* NOTE: Never include units with Article 15s. Rank is allowed.**

## Spotlight

**Chemical exchange program:** Military family housing residents can turn in their unused household products for reissue to incoming members of the MFH community to include cleaners and disinfectants, polishes and waxes, paint, aerosols and pesticides and herbicides. Turn them in to Bldg. 626 Wednesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. For more information, call Lena Spangler at 963-4929.

## Around the base

**Medical training:** The Red Cross Medical Assistant Training Program will start its next class Monday. Students receive classroom training and on-the-job training in healthcare. Students also receive cardiopulmonary resuscitation certification, a course completion certificate and letters of recommendation. For more information, call 963-6743.

**Troops to teachers:** The Family Support Center hosts this workshop for anyone interested in becoming a teacher at 10 to 11 a.m. Monday at the Family Support Center. For more information, call 963-4006.

**Family readiness training:** The Family Support Center will hold family readiness training from 1 to 2 p.m. Monday at the Family Support Center. The training provides additional program information to ensure families are prepared if and when a military member deploys. For more information, call 963-4006.

**Tobacco class:** The Health and Wellness Center will start a new tobacco cessation class at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the HAWC. The class meets for one hour for five weeks. To sign up, call the HAWC at 963-4007.

**AAH:** The African American Heritage Council will hold its monthly meetings at 11 a.m. Friday at the Charleston Club. For more information call, Senior Airman Alicia Mildren at 963-3405.

**Eagle hall of fame ceremony:** The 15<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron will hold a eagle hall of fame ceremony at 6 p.m. June 26 at the Charleston Club. Tickets are \$20 for club members E-5 and below, and \$25 for E-6 and above. Non club

# Charleston Warrior of the Week

## Airman Jacklyn Pacheco 437<sup>th</sup> Comptroller Squadron

Airman Jacklyn Pacheco is a customer support technician in the 437<sup>th</sup> Comptroller Squadron. She processes travel vouchers for active duty, Reserve and civilian personnel on Charleston AFB. She also process military pay documents and permanent change of station vouchers for active duty.

"The best part about my job is the high squadron morale and the people I work for. It feels great to come to work every day," said Airman Pacheco.

The Falmouth, Mass., native joined the Air Force more than a year ago to be a part of the best team in the world, receive a great education and the many other benefits the Air Force offers. She has been at Charleston for almost one year.

Airman Pacheco plans to make the Air Force a career and obtain chief master sergeant during her career. In her spare time she enjoys being an active member of her squadron booster club, dorm council and volunteers on base and in and in the local community.

"Airman Pacheco's 'Go get 'em' attitude, maturity and dependability is what you hope for in every airman," said Staff Sgt. Christi Skiles, 437 CPTS entitlement process technician. She is a superstar, definitely a step above the rest."



Photo by 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Shaloma McGovern

members are \$22 for Staff Sgt. and below and \$27 for Tech Sgt. and above. For more information, or to reserve your ticket before Monday, call Joyce Paist at 963-2153.

**Base blood drive:** The DoD blood drive is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 30 at the Fitness and Sports Center. Collections directly support our troops and military families overseas and at home. For more information, contact Capt. Ryan White at 963-6100.

**Volunteers for Armed Forces Inaugural Committee:** The Air Force is seeking 32 high-caliber individuals to support the 55<sup>th</sup> Presidential Inauguration from Jan 15-24. This is a unit funded temporary duty. The available positions correspond with individuals Air Force Speciality Codes for jobs needed in the inaugural committee. To vol-

unteer and find out more information, check out the Web Site at: <https://www.mil.bolling.af.mil/orgs/Wing/CC/CCI/2005%20AFIC%20Website/Index.CCI.htm>. Applications must be faxed to AFPC/DPAPP1 (DSN 665-4323 or commercial 210-565-4323) no later than July 12.

**Educational opportunity:** The Family Support Center, in partnership with Trident Technical College, offers free classes to 10 spouses of active duty or activated Reserve and members to learn basic computer skills including theory and software applications such as word processing, spreadsheets, Internet, databases and operating systems; business etiquette; professional imaging; and financial management. Classes are Aug 26 through Sept. 25. Deadline to register is Saturday. For more information, call 963-4406.

**CAFB Mileage Club:** Sign up today for the Fitness Mileage Club and track your fitness participation on the Cooper's E-Log Program. Earn fitness incentive prizes after reaching 300, 600, 900 and 1,200 point goals. For more information, call the Fitness and Sports Center at 963-3347.

**Volunteers needed:** Volunteers are needed for the Family Support Center's Airman's Attic, Loan Closet & Food Pantry. Training is provided and volunteers will receive up to 20 hours of free child care. For more information, call 963-4406.

**Physicals:** School and sports physicals are available now with a scheduled appointment. For more information call 963-6880.

## E-8 promotion testing cycle window changes

**RANDOLPH AFB, Texas**—All master sergeants competing for promotion to senior master sergeant will now take the Air Force Supervisory Examination test between Dec. 6 and 17. The testing cycle will no longer be in January.

Air Force officials said ongoing air and space expeditionary force deployments supporting the war on terror have dramatically reduced the number of eligible Airmen available to test during the current testing window.

For more information, contact local military personnel flight's promotion and testing office. **(Air Force Personnel Center News Service)**

## Online civilian resume writer to be unavailable

**AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER** - People will be unable to complete or update online resumes for Air Force civilian employment today through June 26 due to a computer system upgrade.

New job vacancies will not be posted during this time and deadlines for those already posted will be extended. People will not be able to self-nominate for jobs during this period.

For more information, people can call the Air Force Customer Service Center toll-free at (800) 616-3775 and press 3 for employment opportunities and verification. **(Air Force Print News)**

## Reimbursement health insurance available

**AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER** - Department of Defense employees called to active duty can now claim retroactive reimbursement of health insurance premiums paid while on active duty in support of a contingency operation on or after Dec. 8, 1995.

To be eligible for reimbursement of Federal Employees Health Benefits premiums, the employee or former employee must meet the following requirements: a civilian employee of the DoD at the time called to perform active duty, enrolled in FEHB and paid the em-

ployee share of the premiums, either by payroll deduction after returning from active duty or by direct payments to the payroll office during the period of active duty, been a member of a Reserve component of the armed forces and served on active duty for a period of more than 30 consecutive days for each period for which reimbursement is claimed.

For more information and procedures for filing a claim for retroactive reimbursement of FEHB premiums, visit the Benefits and Entitlements Service Team Web site or call the Air Force Contact Center at (800) 616-3775. **(Air Force Print News)**

## Web site explains Security Personnel System

**WASHINGTON** -Department of

Defense officials launched a Web site to educate civilian employees about the new National Security Personnel System. NSPS will make changes in the way the department hires, pays, promotes, disciplines and fires civilian employees.

For more information, visit the NSPS Web site at <http://www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps/>. **(Air Force Print News)**

## Air Force Marathon set for Sept. 18

**WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, Ohio** — Air Force officials will hold the 8th annual Air Force Marathon here Sept. 18. The marathon will include a half-marathon, wheelchair race, four-person relay and 5K race.

The deadline for early registration is July 1, and all entries must

be in by Sept. 7. The race is open to the public.

Besides traditional awards for top finishers of each race, marathon committee officials will present awards to the top finishers from each major command, as well as to the command with greatest participation.

"The Air Force Marathon is open to the public, but being a military marathon, we felt that we needed to increase the military base competition," said Bob Brodess, Air Force Marathon director.

The medals will be imprinted with the F-117 Nighthawk, this year's featured aircraft.

The course is unchanged from the past, marathon officials said.

For more information about marathon events, visit the Air Force Marathon Web site at <http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil>. **(Air Force Print News)**



Photo by Staff Sgt. Michelle Michaud

## Rodeo style

**Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class David Hadley, 65<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineer Squadron fire protection apprentice, uses the Jaws of Life to break the "A" post of a vehicle to remove the roof in order to rescue a victim trapped inside during the emergency medical services rodeo at Lajes Field, Azores.**



# Team Charleston Airmen answer call

**By 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Bryan Lewis**  
437 AW Public Affairs

“And so, my fellow Americans: ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country.”

Forty-three years later, President John F. Kennedy’s challenge is echoed through the duties of 21 Team Charleston Airmen.

These Airmen from the 437<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron will deploy to Iraq to assist the Army in convoy operations.

“With convoy operations being so numerous lately, the Air Force volunteered to help the Army with these missions,” said 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Rob Pearce, 437 LRS vehicle operations officer. “Currently, the Air Force is slotted to help for one year.”

The Airmen will be attached to different Army units during their deployment and many see this joint effort as a serious aspect of training.

“The specialized training my fellow Airmen and I have received has been outstanding so far,” said a 437 LRS convoy team leader whose name is undisclosed for security reasons. “We will be receiving additional training en-route to our respective locations. Army and Air Force personnel have dedicated a tremendous amount of time on our training.”

Training for the deployment consists of five weeks at the Basic Combat Convoy Course at Camp Bullis, Texas. The seven-days-a-week, team-oriented course



Photos by Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Jason Bailey

**Above: Members of the 437<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron help a wounded Airman during a mock convoy attack in preparation for an upcoming deployment.**

**Right: An Airman exits a bus to set up a defensive perimeter in support of a convoy during a simulated ambush.**



is designed to teach Airmen basic combat skills involving convoys and their security and the skills needed to communicate and work with Army units. Upon completion of the course, Airmen will have an additional week of training in Kuwait before heading to their area of responsibility.

Though these Team Charleston Airmen have yet to receive this

specialized training, they have not waited until their time at Camp Bullis to prepare.

“Each Thursday we set aside time to train,” said Lieutenant Pearce. “To date, the Airmen have trained in self-aid and buddy care, improvised explosive devices, weapon care and hand-to-hand combat. Additionally, they sit through all their training in full combat gear.”

Training has also included a simulated convoy attack where mock wounds and varying situations occur, said Lieutenant Pearce.

Though their job will be stressful and dangerous, these warriors are ready to do what they can for their country.

“I feel pretty good about going to Iraq,” said a 437 LRS special purpose vehicle mechanic.

“I think it will be a very good experience for young Airmen to prove we can handle ourselves.”

“Personally, I am looking forward to the opportunity to make a difference,” said an unnamed 437 LRS convoy team leader. “I truly believe the little things count. When there are a lot of people doing the little things, the outcome has to be great.”

Despite intense training, these Airmen have continued to demonstrate teamwork in their daily actions.

“It’s difficult duty, but we are very proud of our troops and their service,” said Capt. Jason Nulton, 437 LRS operations officer. “They are ready, and we know they’ll represent the Air Force and Team Charleston well.”



Graphic by 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Bryan Lewis

**Personnel from the 437<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron prepare to escort a “wounded” Airman from danger during a simulated convoy ambush attack June 3. The exercise was designed to help the Airmen prepare for an upcoming joint deployment where the Airmen will be helping the Army with convoy operations.**

# ALS Class 04-E graduates

Thirty-five Airmen graduated from Airman Leadership School Class 04-E June 10 in a ceremony at the Charleston Club.

First Lt. Patrick Cleburne "Clebe" McClary, Marine Corps decorated war veteran and motivational speaker, was the guest speaker.

Senior Airman Zackery Groover, 437<sup>th</sup> Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, claimed the highest ALS honor, the Sgt. John L. Levitow Award.

Senior Airman Jarod Rump, 437<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineer Squadron, earned the Academic Achievement Award and a Distinguished Graduate Award.

Senior Airman Francis Kurth, 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron achieved the Leadership Award.

Senior Airman Kristin Blouin, 437<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Dental Squadron, and Senior Airman Christina Macham, 315<sup>th</sup> Aerospace Medicine Squadron, were recognized as distinguished graduates.

Graduates from the five-week course also include the following:

- 14<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron: Senior Airman Paul Knarreborg
- 15<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron: Senior Airman Dustin Chieppa
- 16<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron: Senior Airman Robert Coleman
- 53<sup>rd</sup> Aerial Port Squadron: Senior Airman Keary Hudgens

- 315<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineer Squadron: Senior Airman Sarah Mears
- 437<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron: Senior Airmen Bradley Byrd and Ricky Govin
- 437<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing: Senior Airman Maria Mroczek
- 437 AMXS: Senior Airmen Justin Allgood, Christopher Clinton, Marques Myrick, Chad Roberts and Justin Treibley
- 437 CES: Senior Airmen Lynwood Croxton, Joel Laureano and Van Smith
- 437<sup>th</sup> Communication Squadron: Senior Airman Luis Cintron
- 437<sup>th</sup> Logistics Readiness Squadron: Senior Airmen Jeremiah Sarreal and Desiree Yago
- 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Operations Squadron: Senior Airman Jeffrey Dean
- 437<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Squadron: Senior Airman Kimberly Langley
- 437<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron: Senior Airmen Kurt Law, Elliot Lilienthal and Airman Derrick Sochor
- 437<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron: Senior Airman Jennifer Jones
- 437<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron: Staff Sgt. Travis Simmons, and Senior Airmen Jonathan Howard, Darnell Sharp and Brent Tatum
- 437<sup>th</sup> Services Squadron: Senior Airman Christian Elfante

## 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 is from 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays through Fridays.

**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. *Wednesday* - noon Protestant Bible Study.

**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.**

**"13 Going on 30" – Jennifer Garner**

Thirteen-year-old Jenna makes a wish: if only she could be all grown up, she'd have the life she's always wanted. Miraculously, her wishes come true. The next day, she's 30 years old. Jenna soon learns having it all is not enough. **(PG-13) 97 minutes**

**Saturday, 7:30 p.m.**

**"Man on Fire" – Denzel Washington**

A former government operative, Creasy, takes a job in Mexico City as the bodyguard of the 10-year old daughter of a wealthy family who are threatened by a wave of kidnappings. He becomes close to the child and when she is abducted, he sets out to hunt the bad guys and will not allow anything to stop him **(R) 147 minutes**

**June 25, 7:30 p.m.**

**"Mean Girls" – Tina Fey**

Raised in Africa, Cady think she knows about "survival of the fittest." But the law of the jungle takes a whole new meaning when the home-schooled 15-year old enters public high school for the first time. **(R) 137 minutes**

# SAFETY SENSE

## Stay Hydrated



Heat Category	Temperature	Easy Work		Moderate Work		Hard Work	
		Work/Rest	Water Per Hour	Work/Rest	Water Per Hour	Work/Rest	Water Per Hour
1	78-81.9	No Limit	1/2 qt	No Limit	1/4 qt	40/20 min	3/4 qt
2	82-84.9	No Limit	1/2 qt	50/10 min	3/4 qt	30/30 min	1 qt
3	85-87.9	No Limit	3/4 qt	40/20 min	3/4 qt	30/30 min	1 qt
4	88-89.9	No Limit	3/4 qt	30/30 min	3/4 qt	20/40 min	1 qt
5	>90	50/10 min	1 qt	20/40 min	1 qt	10/50 min	1 qt

Rest means minimal physical activity (sitting or standing) and should be in the shade when possible



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Info Graphic by Master Sgt. Paul Fazzini

# MDG beats AMXS for base championship, remaining undefeated for second season

By Tech. Sgt. Mark Kleber  
437 AW Public Affairs

In a sudden death shootout, the Medical Group defeated the Aircraft Maintenance Squadron to win the base intramural soccer championship June 9 at Hurricane Field.

MDG finished the season with a perfect 13-0 record and have remained undefeated for the second straight year while winning 26 games in a row.

The intense physical championship game was tied at the end of regulation at 1-1 and still tied after a scoreless 10-minute overtime. Then in the first round of the shootout, each team selected five players to take penalty kicks.

Juan Flores and Chase Edmunds converted their penalty kicks to put AMXS ahead 2-0. Then MDG's Monti Cutlip and Steve Olbino both of MDG converted their penalty kicks to tie the shootout at 2-2.

AMXS goalie Jim Mertz had the last kick in the first round, but MDG goalie Tim Tarrant blocked a hard shot to the right corner.

In the second round of the shootout, Jana Rose of MDG and Bob Waterman of AMXS made their kicks. Jason Ham of MDG nailed a goal in the left corner, and when Andy Brown of AMXS sailed his kick over the goal, the MDG celebration began. AMXS, with a record of 12-3, has lost to MDG in the championship for the second year in a row.

"When Andy (Brown of AMXS) missed the last penalty kick, the whole team was ecstatic," said Coach Tim Tarrant. "Who would have thought we would come back

to win the game after missing our first three penalty kicks."

"Both teams played really well, the kind of game you expect between the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in the league," said AMXS Coach Bob Waterman.

In the first half of regulation, AMXS scored first as Flores blasted a shot from 30 yards out that found the left corner of the net.

"I came out of the box to clear the ball and got beat with a great shot from Juan," said Tarrant, goalie and assistant coach for MDG. "I don't know if I could have stopped it even if I would have stayed in the box area. He has a strong leg."

MDG trailed AMXS 1-0 at half-time despite outshooting them 14-5 in goal attempts. But the AMXS defense led by Mertz repeatedly withstood their offensive pressure.

During half-time, Coach Tarrant said "We knew we needed to do a better job of controlling the ball. We were getting flustered at the end of the first half."

MDG tied the game 1-1 in the second half as forward Olbino converted a penalty kick after being tripped in the penalty box area. His pen-

alty kick past Mertz found the right corner of the net.

"The turning point was when Steve Olbino scored the penalty kick," said Coach Tarrant. "Without that goal, I don't know if we would have been able to make it to the overtime phase or the penalty kicks, because we might not have been able to convert another shot on goal."

This is the fifth time MDG and AMXS have met in the championship game and it has always been up for grabs, Coach Tarrant said.

"AMXS has a great team and we play each other with a lot of respect. During the regular season when we played, it was a little easier of a game. AMXS had not played with each other very much because players kept dropping out.

"This is the second season we have gone undefeated in the regu-

lar season and won the championship. Two years with zero losses. The entire team is holding their head high and is very proud."



Photos by Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Jason Bailey

**Above:** MDG forward Vieira Adilson attempts to head the ball past AMXS goalkeeper Jim Mertz during the intramural base soccer championship game June 9. MDG won the game in a sudden death shootout.



**Left:** Luis Noriega of AMXS and MDG's Steve Olbino sprint for the ball during the championship game. With the win, MDG has gone two years without a loss.

## Sports shorts

**Fitness and Sports Center** – The new hours are Mondays through Fridays, 4:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays 6:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and holidays 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Base pool** – The base pool, located at the Fitness and Sports Center, is closed Mondays, open Tuesdays through Fridays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information, call the Outdoor Recreation Center at 963-5271.

**Intramural softball** – Games are held at the base softball fields Mondays through Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**Racquetball:** A racquetball tournament will be held on base from July 5 to July 9. The tournament is open to all active duty military members and their family members, reservists, guardsman and DoD employees. Entry fee is \$5. Interested participants may sign up at the Fitness and Sports Center or contact Senior Airman Eric Bryan at 963-3347.