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ing Oct. 21, 11:30 a.m. at the Charleston Club. All Chiefs (active duty, Reserve, retired) are invited and encouraged to attend.

Arts and crafts show: The Charleston AFB Officer Spouses Association is having an arts and crafts show in the Charleston Club Oct. 23 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Spaces for interested crafters are still available.

In conjunction with the craft fair, there will be a bake sale and hamburgers, hot dogs and refreshments for sale. The arts and craft show will be open to the public. For information, call Christine Memi at 871-8604.

Medical claims: Charleston AFB's TRICARE contractor, HUMANA Military Health Services, will assume responsibility for processing and paying all civilian medical care claims starting today.

Military Treatment Facilities will determine eligibility, medical necessity of referrals and scheduling appointments. Active duty members are still required to contact their Primary Care Manager before receiving civilian health care (with the exception of emergencies). Unauthorized care may result in the individual having to pay the bill.

For more information, call the Health Benefits Advisor at 963-6706.

After hours medical care: The Navy Hospital TRICARE Prime Clinic has relocated to the Naval Weapons Station Branch

Clinic. The hours of operation are 4-8 p.m. weekdays and 8 a.m.-8 p.m. weekends and holidays. TRICARE Prime enrollees must be referred by their Primary Care Manager prior to being seen by calling 963-6750. For driving directions and additional information, contact the 437th Medical Group Managed Care Flight at 963-6706.

Talent Show: Attention Team Charleston: Do you have a hidden talent? The African American Heritage Council invites you to show off your talents. Auditions are Oct. 18, 7-9 p.m. at the Charleston Club (Salons A& B). All acts must audition - absolutely no exceptions. Respond no later than Oct. 15.

For information, call 2nd Lt. Clifford Colley at 963-3178 or Senior Airman Bernadette Campbell at 963-2134.

Homebuyer's seminar: Heritage Trust Federal Credit Union would like to do to help make buying or refinancing your home a pleasant experience. In an effort to accomplish this goal, the First Mortgage Department Staff of Heritage Trust will host a free homebuyer's seminar Oct. 26 from 6:30-8 p.m. in their main office, 6943 Dorchester Road, North Charleston.

The seminar will offer lots of valuable information, especially for those who are first time homebuyers. Guest speakers will include a real estate agent, a homeowners insurance agent, and a residential home appraiser. They will cover a variety of topics such as pre-qualification, types of mortgages and what you may qualify for,

what to do first, what is affordable and when to see a realtor.

Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be given. Please RSVP to Pat Wyndham, mortgage coordinator for Heritage Trust at 207-3173.

Study skills: A study skills seminar will be conducted Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon at the Community Education Center. This course will help you learn good study skills and help ensure success in future college courses and/or College Level Examination Program testing. For information, call 963-4575.

Fall registration: Webster University will hold fall registration now through Oct. 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Community Education Center. Students can also sign up at the Webster Metro Center on Northside Drive beginning Monday. Students using tuition assistance must have a completed TA form with them when registering. Fall classes begin Oct. 18. For information, call Damond Dawson at 744-8488.

Family Support Center

Pre-Deployment Briefings, 8 a.m., Monday, Oct. 18 and 25; or at 4 p.m., Thursday, Oct 21 and 28.

Educational Opportunities Specialist, 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Tuesday.

TAP 3-Day Workshop, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday-Thursday.

How to Develop A Spending Plan

Workshop, 9-11 a.m., Wednesday.

Checkbook Management, 1-2:30 p.m., Wednesday and Oct. 27.

Mini Job Fair, 3-5 p.m., Thursday.

All workshops are held at the FSC unless otherwise noted. For information, or to register, call 963-4406.

Air Force Community needs assessment: Randomly selected active duty members and spouses from Charleston AFB will receive survey packets for the 1999-2000 Air Force Community Needs Assessment. The surveys will be sent, within the next two weeks, to the work address of the service members, and spouses will receive theirs in the mail.

The information collected will be used to identify community needs and help improve current services to better meet the requests of service members and their families.

Remember -- your feedback is valuable because it helps all base helping agencies see how solid their programs are, where they have gaps and where they need to focus energy. Your comments can influence family services and related support activities at Charleston AFB and throughout the Air Force!

Classified ads: Anyone interested in placing a classified ad in the Airlift Dispatch should call Diggle Publishing, Inc. at 849-1778.