

# NEWS BRIEFS

## Spotlight

**Retirement:** The Air Force Office of Special Investigation, Det. 310 is hosting a retirement ceremony for Maj. (Special Agent) Donald Colby today at 10 a.m. today at the Charleston Club.

## Around the base

**CGOC meeting:** The Company Grade Officers Council will meet today at 4 p.m. in the Daedalion Room of the Charleston Club.

**Induction ceremony:** The non-commissioned officer induction ceremony is Tuesday at 3 p.m. at the Charleston Club.

**Parking lot changes:** Access to the north parking lot next to Bldg. 460 (through Davis Drive) is open. The south parking lot next to Bldg. 479 (through Davis Drive) will partially close Monday and will completely close July 21. Vehicles not removed from this are prior to that day will be towed.

For more information, call Thomas Kicklighter, Jr. at 963-4963.

**Closure:** All offices in the Military Personnel Flight, to include Customer Service, will close at 10 a.m., July 14 for a squadron function. The Reserve personnel office will be available to accomplish ID cards from 6-11:30 a.m. and 12:30-5 p.m., in Bldg. 51, room 129. The telephone num-

ber is 963-2055.

For information, call Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Angela Hawkins at 963-4521.

**Education Center closed:** The community education center will close at 11 a.m. July 14 for a squadron function.

**Common Sense Parenting Class:** The 437<sup>th</sup> Medical Group is offering a six-session parenting class that meets once a week for six consecutive weeks. The daytime class begins Monday from 10 a.m. to noon. The evening class begins Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

To register, call Jim Hernandez at 963-6504.

**Live band:** Big Black Building will perform at the Charleston Club today from 5-9 p.m.

**Addressing school issues:** A committee is being formed to address issues relating to schools that support Charleston AFB family members. Parents with children in the following schools are invited to be part of the committee: Lambs and Hunley Park Elementary Schools,

Morningside Middle School and North Charleston High School.

The committee will focus on issues that will benefit the community at large that can be taken to the Charleston County School Board.

Anyone interested in joining can call Senior Master Sgt. Terrie Powell at 963-2202 for information.

**Induction ceremony:** The senior non-commissioned officer induction ceremony is July 27 at the Charleston Club. The social begins at 6 p.m. and dinner is at 7 p.m.

Tickets are available at the Community Education Center, Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to noon. Cost is \$18 member/\$21 non-member. Dress for the ceremony is semi-formal or mess dress.

**Scholarship:** The 2001 Olmstead Scholar Program provides an opportunity for three Air Force Academy, Officer Training School or Reserve Officer Training Corp graduates to study at a university abroad. The length of study is two years and the purpose is to provide the officers with an in-depth understanding of a foreign culture.

Applications are due to the Headquarters AFPC by Oct. 1. For information, call Airman Maria Green at 963-4515 or 963-4516.

**PCS preparations:** The peak season for moving personal property is here. During this busy time, the 437<sup>th</sup> Traffic Management Office is asking for help. Members are asked to stop by Bldg. 330 to set up your move as soon as you have orders. TMO will make every effort to accommodate requests, if given enough time. Because of volume, it takes anywhere from three to four weeks to confirm the requested dates. For more information, call 963-2255.



Staff Sgt. Michael Duhe

### Best value

**Christy Kasch was one of many Commissary shoppers who came out for the kickoff of the Best Value Item promotion Saturday. BVI offers big savings on a variety of items marked with a BVI tag.**

## Charleston Profile

### Airman Melissa McMurray 437<sup>th</sup> Medical Group

Airman Melissa McMurray is a records technician with the 437<sup>th</sup> Medical Group Outpatient Records section. Her everyday responsibilities include retrieving and storing medical records and handling customer challenges. Due to the accountability and sensitive nature of medical records, McMurray says she deals with numerous customer concerns throughout her day.

"I see a lot of people with problems. We are usually able to work it out on the spot and when they leave satisfied, then I've done my job," she said.



Senior Airman Jason Smith

One of McMurray's most satisfying job moments involved an airman who was trying to PCS, but was held up by missing records. She was able to research the problem and found the airman had two separate records from his previous assignment. She combined the two records into one and helped him get to his next assignment on time.

"He was so thankful that I was able to help him. I felt real good about it and because he was so happy, I felt like I really accomplished something," said McMurray, a Harrogate, Tenn. native. "Thankful customers are all the job satisfaction I need."

McMurray's has been in the Air Force a year and Charleston is her first assignment. She enlisted for the education benefits, experience and most importantly, to be a part of the Air Force team.

McMurray likes to participate in sports and work out in her free time. She was a member of both the 437 MG basketball and soccer regular season intramural championship teams.

McMurray said she enjoys being a part of the medical group here, and she hopes to eventually obtain some type of medical degree with her Air Force education benefits.