

## NEWS BRIEFS

### Spotlight

**Retirements:** A retirement ceremony for Senior Master Sgt. William Ridler is today at 10 a.m. at the Charleston Club.

A retirement ceremony for Master Sgt. James May is Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Yonkie Auditorium.

### Around the base

**Sale:** The Consignment Shop is having a 50 percent off sale in June in both the Dollar Room and Thrift Room. The shop will be closed during July, but will re-open Aug. 1.

**Moving:** The peak season for moving personal property is now. During this busy time, TMO Personal Property section is asking for your help. As soon as you have orders, come by Bldg. 330 and set up your move. The office will make every effort to accommodate your wishes, if given enough time. Currently, because of volume, it takes anywhere from three to four weeks to actually confirm the requested dates. For more information, call 963-2255.

**Dining out:** An Enlisted Dining-Out is scheduled for Sept. 16 for all Charleston AFB active and Reserve enlisted members. Volunteers of all enlisted ranks are welcome to participate in all preparation efforts. The next planning meeting is June 7 at 10 a.m. in the Charleston Club. Volunteers are needed for mister and madam vice with selection based on an interview process to be held in mid-July. For more information, call Master Sgt. Tracy Brewster at 963-6318 or Master Sgt. James Scanlan at 963-2798.

**Fashion show:** The African American Heritage Council's Second Annual Juneteenth Fashion Show is June 23 at 8 p.m. at Charleston Club. Tickets for the event are \$10 and can now be purchased from any AAHC member. For more information contact Staff Sgt. Oretina Howell at 963-4110 or 963-4119.

**Seminar:** The 437<sup>th</sup> Medical Group is offering a marriage enrichment class meeting for five consecutive Tuesdays from 6-8:30 p.m. There is no cost for base personnel and their spouses. For information, call Jim Hernandez at 963-6504.

### Volunteer opportunities

**Speakers:** The 437<sup>th</sup> Public Affairs office is looking for people who are interested in giving base tours and speaking at off-base engagements. Volunteers can contact Tech. Sgt. Brian Jones at 963-5657.

**Pharmacy:** The 437<sup>th</sup> Medical Group Pharmacy is seeking volunteers who can devote at least one-half day per week. Anyone interested should call 963-6809.

**Family Support Center:** Volunteers are needed to work in Family Services. Volunteering your time in Family Services is rewarding because you'll make new friends, assist others with a smooth move, and you'll experience military community involvement. You can volunteer either a few hours per week or an entire day. If interested, call the Family Support Center at 963-4408.

**Milestone:** The end of an era ar-

ives July 15 when a ceremony is held at 9 a.m. on the flight line to commemorate the farewell of the C-141 presence and to close the 16th Airlift Squadron, the sole remaining C-141 flying squadron here. Events planned July 14 include a C-141 farewell golf tournament, a social event at the Charleston Club, and a special flag retreat ceremony with a flyover of C-141s. On July 15, C-141 and C-17 aircraft will be on static display. All former C-141 aircrew and maintainers or anyone else associated with the C-141s are invited to the squadron's closing ceremonies. Anyone interested in attending either of these events should contact 1st Lt. Robby Hanovich at (843) 963-2129 or by email at [robbyhanovich@charleston.afmilitary](mailto:robbyhanovich@charleston.afmilitary) by Friday, 30 June.

**No shot, no school:** All students who attend school in South Carolina must have received the following shots for the 2000-2001 school year:

■ Three polio vaccines (OPV or IPV): one dose must be given on or after the fourth birthday.

■ Three tetanus shots (DPT, DtaP, DT, Td): one dose must be given on or after the fourth birthday.

■ Two measles, mumps and rubella shots (MMR): all students attending kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade must have two MMRs with both doses on or after the first birthday and separated by at least one month.

■ Three hepatitis B shots: for students attending kindergarten, first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth grades.

A current South Carolina Certificate of Immunization is required one day of school.

Will your child be registered for day care? Effective August 2000, children attending day care must have a chickenpox (chickenpox) vaccination on or after their first birthday if they were born on or after January 1, 1999. A current Certificate of Immunization is required for registration in daycare.

### Family Support Center

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

Pre-Deployment Briefings, 8 a.m., Monday, June 12, June 19 and June 26; 4 p.m., Thursday and June 15, June 22 and June 29.

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

Sponsorship Training, 8:30-9:30

a.m. and 3:30-4:30 p.m., Wednesday

Women, Deployment & Homecoming, 10 a.m. to noon, Wednesday.

Employment Opportunities Through the Internet, 1-3 p.m., Thursday. This workshop will show you how to surf the net to find a job.

TAP 3-Day Workshop, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., June 13-15.

### Education

**Scholarship:** A scholarship opportunity is available for personnel pursuing a non-technical master's degree. The Aerospace Education Foundation, through the Air Force Association, is accepting applications for the Jodi Callahan Memorial Graduate Scholarship. Applications must be postmarked no later than June 30. This \$1,000 scholarship is being offered to active duty, full-time Air National Guard, or Reserve Air Force personnel (officer and enlisted) pursuing a non-technical master's degree. Applicants must have been an AFA member in good standing for at least 12 months prior to Aug. 1, 2000 to be eligible. Call 963-4575 for an application and/or details.

**RAO position open:** The director position for the Retirees Activities Office is open. Duties for the volunteer, unpaid position, include providing interaction between active duty members and the retiree community, maintaining statistics pertaining to the number of military retirees residing in the local area and gathering and maintaining information pertaining to retiree issues. For a full listing of the duties, call the Retirees Activities Office at 963-2228.

## Charleston Profile

### Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Timothy Lavoie 437<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron

Lavoie is an air transportation specialist in the Charleston AFB passenger terminal. His job involves processing passengers and luggage, transporting passengers to and from aircraft, dispatching vehicles in support of passenger terminal operations, and servicing systems on aircraft.

Lavoie is originally from Allentown, N.H. He joined the Air Force in June 1997.

"I wanted more direction in my life, and more discipline," he said. "I wanted the experience."

Lavoie has been assigned to Charleston AFB since October 1997. Prior to joining the Air Force, he began working on an associate's degree in fire investigation. He said he would like to complete that program and eventually earn a master's degree in the fire investigation career field.

Lavoie has two children - Brian, three years old; and Ethan, two years old. Lavoie said his goal is to give his two sons the best life possible.

In his spare time, Lavoie enjoys hockey - he played on the hockey team at New Hampshire Community Technical College prior to joining the Air Force. He's also a guitarist and plays a wide variety of music. Another favorite past time is drawing.

The best thing about Charleston is its interesting history, he said. "To go downtown and see houses that are several hundred years old is really cool. Charleston is very historic. I also like the weather, even though it's so humid."



Staff Sgt. Michael Duhe