



Base Briefs

CHANGE OF COMMAND

Lt. Col. Robert Skinner assumes command of the 614th Space Communications Squadron from Lt. Col. Jackie Charsagua at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Pacific Coast Club ballroom. Call Tech. Sgt. Phillip Subkow at 605-0716 for more information.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

Lt. Col. Regis Baldauff assumes command of the 2nd Space Launch Squadron at 9:55 a.m. Thursday in Building 8401. A reception will immediately follow the ceremony. Call Bobbie Moore at 606-9725 no later than today to make reservations to attend the reception.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

Lt. Col. Catherine Perro assumes command of the 533rd Training Squadron from Lt. Col. Arthur Beisner II at 10 a.m. July 6 in the Pacific Coast Club. Call Staff Sgt. Angela Langhorne at 606-1541 ext. 3505 for more information.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

Maj. Richard Lindan assumes command of the 30th Mission Support Squadron from Maj. Karen Taylor at 10 a.m. July 9 in the Pacific Coast Club. Call Ruth Clark at 606-6200 for more information.

COMMANDER'S CALL

The 30th Space Wing will hold a commander's call July 6 in the base theater. Call Staff Sgt. Theresa McFarland at 606-1318 for more information.

COMMANDER'S CALL

The 30th Mission Support Group will hold a commander's call Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in Cocheo Park. There will be food, games and activities. 30th MSG dependants are invited. Call 2nd Lt. Brandon Wengert at 606-8700 for more information.

30TH SFS ADVISORY

Civilian contract security guards will now be armed while posted at installation gates and select gate sentries will also carry M-4 rifles. Call Senior Master Sgt. Ronald Draper at 605-0794 for more information.

SCHOOL PHYSICALS

Annual school and sports physicals will be offered at the family practice clinic by appointment only from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday and July 16 for children enrolled in TriCare Prime. Parents must bring the child's immunization record. To make an appointment, call 606-2273. Call Staff Sgt. Nora Lerner at 606-5695 for more information.

Minuteman launch successful

By TIMES STAFF
30th Space Wing Public Affairs

■ An unarmed Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile was successfully launched from North Vandenberg at 1:32 a.m. today.

The launch was a team effort by members of the 30th Space Wing and the 576th Flight Test Squadron here and the 341st Space Wing from Malmstrom AFB, Mont.

The spacelift commander for this mission was Col. Frank Gallegos. Lt. Col. Anthony Blaylock, 576th FLTS Commander, was the mission director.

Members of the 576th FLTS installed tracking, telemetry and command destruct systems on the missile to collect data and meet safety requirements.

The mission was part of the Force Development Evaluation Program, which tests the reliability and accuracy of the weapons system. Members of the 341st SW, led by 1st Lt. Scott Ryan, launched the missile under the direction of 576th FLTS test conductors.

The mission was the last for outgoing 595th Space Group Commander, Col. Michael Carey.

The missile's unarmed re-entry vehicle traveled approximately 4,200 miles in about 30 minutes, hitting a predetermined target at the Kwajalein Missile Range in the western chain of the Marshall Islands.



PHOTO BY STEPHEN CLINE

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AF selects new master, technical sergeants

By TIMES STAFF
30th Space Wing Public Affairs

■ Air Force officials selected 6,217 of 23,956 eligible technical sergeants for promotion to master sergeant, a 25.95-percent selection rate; and 9,114 of 42,248 eligible staff sergeants for promotion to technical sergeant, a 21.57-percent selection rate.

Team Vandenberg had 54 Airmen selected for promotion to master sergeant and 93 selected for promotion to technical sergeant.

Across Air Force Space Command 302 Technical sergeants were selected for promotion to master sergeant and 374 staff sergeants were selected for promotion to the next higher grade.

The final tally will increase as Air Force Personnel Center officials receive test scores for Airmen currently deployed.

The complete list of selectees is posted to the Air Force Personnel Center's Web page at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom/ by 6 p.m. CDT on today.

Vandenberg's promotees are as follows:

Technical Sergeant

Robert Gorman, 532nd Training Squadron
Brian Gregory, 532nd TRS
Matthew Holbrook, 532nd TRS
Anthony Hooker, 532nd TRS
Christopher McCabe, 532nd TRS
Geoffrey Owens, 532nd TRS
Randal Schroeder, 532nd TRS
Isaiah Whittaker, 532nd TRS
Justin Deisch, 532nd TRS
Jaime Lopez Jr, 381st Training Support Squadron
Eryn Mcconnell, 381st TRSS
Angel Riveraortiz, 533rd Training Squadron
James Franciere, 533rd TRS
John Grissam, 533rd TRS

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Eight Team V officers chosen to become squadron commanders

■ The Vigilant Eagle selection board meets each year to select Air Force Space Command operation squadron commanders from a group of eligible lieutenant colonels and lieutenant colonel selects. This year 171 officers were eligible and 77 were chosen to compete for 38 space command vacancies.

Congratulations to the following officers on their selection to become squadron commanders.

Lt. Col. Robert Graves, 30th Operations Support Squadron
Lt. Col. Donald Hale, 576th Flight Test Squadron
Lt. Col. Jeffrey Haymond, 1st Air and Space Test Squadron
Lt. Col. Anne Konnath, 614th Space Operations Squadron
Lt. Col. Michael Nutter, 533rd Training Squadron
Lt. Col. Thomas Steele, 2nd Space Launch Squadron
Maj. Eric Holstrom, 76th Space Control Squadron
Maj. Eric Kile

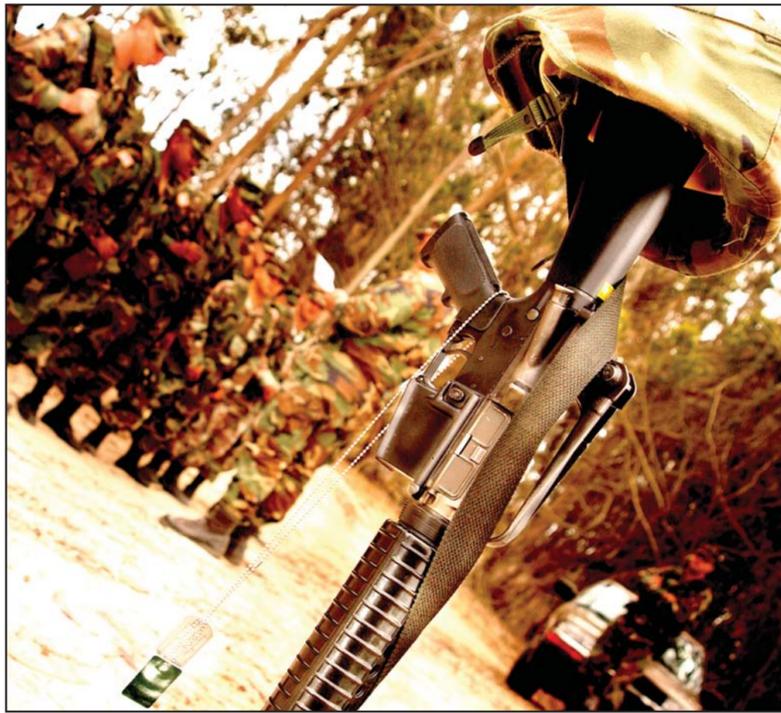


PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS MATTHEW REED

Soldiers pay last respects

Members of the Army's Bravo Company, 578 Combat Engineering Battalion gathered here Wednesday to pay their respects to Army 2nd Lt. Andre Tyson who was recently killed in Iraq. Members of Lieutenant Tyson's unit are currently attached to the 30th Security Forces Squadron. Lieutenant Tyson was a resident of Santa Maria.

Firefighters raise money to support burn victims

By AIRMAN 1ST CLASS BRYAN FRANKS
30th Space Wing Public Affairs

■ With sirens sounding and lights blazing, a procession of local and county emergency response vehicles entered Vandenberg June 21 to pick up \$30,000 for burn survivors.

The Vandenberg Professional Firefighters Local F-116 donated the money to the Firefighters Quest for Burn Survivors as a part of the annual Quest Burn Relay.

Quest was founded after six firefighters were burned during the 1996 Southern California Malibu Brush Fire, said Tom Propst, Glendale Fire Department. It's a nonprofit organization established and run by firefighters and civilians to help people who have burn injuries.

The organization collects money throughout the year and then funnels the money to local



PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS

Greg Leptich, Vandenberg Fire Department, embraces Bill Jensen, Glendale fire fighter who was seriously burned in the line of duty, at the Burn Relay fundraiser Monday.

burn centers as well as burn victims and their families.

The burn relay is the

culmination of the fund raising that's taken place over the past year, said Vandenberg Fire Capt.

Gregory Leptich. It's making people aware of the program.

More than 80 agencies took part in the relay this year, raising more than \$105,000. The Vandenberg Fire Department made the largest contribution.

The relay is a collection route the different agencies are setting up donations at the county fire department with a check, a fire truck to the next day and they headed to the northern part in Santa Maria they turned on and headed up 14 more

agencies converged in Santa Maria Fire Department symbolizing the community's support for raising, the program.

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Team V recognizes Joe Sesto for 46 years of service to the Vandenberg community. See Page A6.



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 Eric Hyler, 345th TRS Det 1
 Russel Tuttle, 345th TRS Det 1
 Charles Phillips, 14th Air Force
 Jeffrey Bertrand, 14th Information Warfare Flight
 Eric Hoffman, 14th IWF
 Sara Jones, 14th IWF
 Jason England, 30th Range Squadron
 Bethany Lopez, 30th Services Squadron
 Raul Molina, 30th Mission Support Group
 Darlene Harris, 30th Mission Support Squadron
 Casey Bond, 30th Logistics Readiness Squadron
 Earl Ragland, 30th LRS
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 Derek Holler, 30th CES
 David Nolen, 30th CES
 Andre Rendon, 30th CES
 Steven Thirkettle, 30th CES
 Raymond Wargel, 30th CES
 Shawn Crossman, 30th Security Forces Squadron
 Jeffrey Nuccetelli, 30th SFS
 Jason Rowe, 30th SFS
 Thomas Smelser, 30th SFS
 Danny Speaks, 30th SFS
 Jennifer Wallis, 30th Space Communications Squadron
 Matthew Smith, 30th SCS
 Otis Samuels, 30th SCS
 Jesus Flores, 30th SCS
 William Greer, 30th SCS
 Paul Hendrix, 30th SCS
 Alicia Ward, 30th SCS
 James Williams, 30th SCS
 Melvin Williams, 30th SCS
 Darren Yingling, 30th SCS
 Ryan Armes, 2nd Space Launch Squadron
 Jennifer Davis, 2nd SLS
 Brian Franks, 2nd SLS
 Floyd Stern, 2nd SLS

Michael Worden, 2nd SLS
 Tyler Baessler, 576th Flight Test Squadron
 Matthew Bianco, 576th FLTS
 Javier Cruz, 576th FLTS
 Kenneth Gates, 576th FLTS
 William Gonzalez, 576th FLTS
 Allan Haskell, 576th FLTS
 James Johnson, 576th FLTS
 Scott Johnson, 576th FLTS
 Hiram Kirkland, 576th FLTS
 David Reed, 576th FLTS
 Jason Schamel, 576th FLTS
 Jeffrey Solomich, 576th FLTS
 Matthew Villaruel, 576th FLTS
 Mark Tompkins, 576th FLTS
 Michael Valfre, 576th FLTS
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 Marek Solka, 30th MDOS
 Heather Agnew, 30th Medical Support Squadron
 Rachel Bacchetti, 30th MDSS
 Jason Conley, 30th MDSS
 Floyd Edwards, 595th Test And Evaluation Group
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 Reuben Huguley, 614th SIS
 David Lawrence, 614th SIS
 Duane Smith, 614th SIS
 Kenneth Trask, 614th SIS
 David Vasser, 614th SIS
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 Jaime Galan, 30th Comptroller Squadron
 Ezra Dack, 614th Space Operations Squadron
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 Beau Taylor, 614th SOPS
 Raymond Crichfield, 614th SOPS
 Garol Dyer, 614th SOPS
 Michelle Harris, 614th SOPS
 Harold Pettigrew, 614th SOPS
 David Lavertue, 614th SOPS

Master Sergeant

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 Jeffrey Bollinger, 30th LRS
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 Rick Brown, 532nd TRS

Joseph Richard, 532nd TRS
 Nicki Jones, 533rd TRS
 Joseph Stratil, 533rd TRS
 Timothy Gray, 345th TRS Det. 1
 Keith Vivian, 345th TRS Det 1
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 David Velho, 14th IWF
 Robert Unish, 14th IWF
 Derek Lemon, 614th SOPS
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 Brian Huggins, 614th SOPS
 Tammy Brown, 614th SOPS
 Roslyn Lee, 614th SCS
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 Robert Armstrong, 30th CES
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 Darryl Revier, 30th Operations Support Squadron
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 Steven Corey, 576th FLTS
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 Jackie Hatfield, 576th FLTS
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 Corey Johnson, 595th TEG
 Gary Garver Jr., 4th SLS
 Jeffrey McConnell, 1stASTS
 Gregory Murray, 30th CPTS
 Juan Castro Jr., 76th HF

RELAY:

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Leptich said.
 “We drive down the coast with sirens and lights blazing for publicity and as a reminder to the citizens, so when we start coming around fund raising, they know where the money is going,” Leptich said.
 Quest does not decide where the money goes, rather the agencies donating the money do.
 Once Quest receives all of the donations, they begin cutting checks to the recipients specified by the agencies.
 “We tell Quest who gets our donation. It only makes sense that the money raised should go to the area where it was raised,” Leptich said. “The money that we raised will go to Grossman’s Burn Center, Fresno Burn Hospital, the International Association of Firefighters Burn Research and the Alisa Ann Ruch Champ Camp.”
 The Vandenberg Fire Department has been Quest’s top

contributor for the past five years, due mainly to the great success of the Central Coast Firefighters’ Charity Golf Tournament, which Leptich spearheads, said Vandenberg Fire Chief Mark Farias.
 “I work real hard to make it a fun event. I think that’s why it’s so successful,” Leptich said. “Before we started the golf tournament, we would donate around \$250 a year. But the first year of the tournament, we wrote a check for \$11,000. That number has been growing ever since.”
 After five years of the annual golf tournament the Vandenberg Fire Department has surpassed the \$100,000 mark in donations.
 Mr. Leptich said that even though the Vandenberg Fire Department puts on the tournament, it wouldn’t be so successful without the participation of the local fire fighting agencies. Leptich said he spends half of a year planning the one-day tournament, but all that work pays off when he gets to write a check to a good cause.

ALCON: Bravo
 A DUI or alcohol related incident has occurred without injuries.
 AADD saves: **150** Days since last DUI: **1**
 DUI totals for the year: **13**

30th OG	2	30th SW	1	614th SOPG	0
30th MSG	4	14th AF	0	381st TRG	4
30th MDG	1	30th LCG	0	576th FLTS	1

Retirement Ceremonies

Col. David Thompson, retires at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Pacific Coast Club ballroom. All base members are invited. Contact Tech. Sgt. Stephen McMillian at 606-4885 for more information.

Chief Master Sergeant Archie Mitchell retires at 10:30 a.m. July 10 in the Vandenberg Center. All base personnel are invited. Call Tech. Sgt. Tom Baker at 605-4484 for more information.

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Grass is greener on this side of fence

By CAPT. SHANNON SMITH
14th Security Forces Squadron commander

I got a call recently from the security forces deployment manager at Air Education and Training Command, a person I've become well acquainted with during my brief tenure as a squadron commander.

He asked me if my unit could "step up to the plate" and support yet another out-of-cycle deployment tasking.

Such is life in today's operational Air Force. Many Airmen in my unit have deployed four or five times, and that is just during their first term of enlistment.

These deployments take their toll on individuals, their families and the people at home station who work twice the hours just to keep things going in their absence.

All these factors beg the question we all ask ourselves at one point or another: Is the grass greener on the other side?

Three years ago, I received a flier from a very reputable recruiting firm. The company specializes in placing military officers with four to 10 years of service into top-tier corporate jobs across the country. I had received these fliers before and always tossed them in the trash, but this time I hung onto one because I was starting to get burned out.

I had recently returned from a remote assignment only to be rewarded with a 14-hour-a-day, six-day-a-week job with no relief in sight. My wife and I were expecting our first child and were entertaining thoughts of

permanently moving closer to home. With all this in mind, I called the number on the flier.

After attending the company's initial presentation, I interviewed and was accepted as a candidate for the corporate placement program. Shortly thereafter, I informed my commander of my intention to separate from active duty.

My military background significantly enhanced my value to corporate America. I'll never forget what one potential employer said to me during an interview. He asked me, "Do you know why we like to hire military people?" In my infinite wisdom, I rattled off several impressive, detailed responses.

None were what he was looking for. He simply stated, "Because they show up for work on time." Never before or since has anyone so completely encapsulated the high caliber of military people with such a brief, yet powerful comment.

Soon after the interview, I accepted a great offer to work for one of America's largest companies. The base salary was significantly higher than my military pay, the medical plan and stock options were first rate, and the location was just a couple hours from home.

After a month or so, I realized I was doing a lot less work than I ever did in the military. The job was everything I dreamed of. But surprisingly, I dreaded going to work every day.

Why, you ask? I found I missed the camaraderie. I missed the smell of jet fuel. I

missed the Air Force song.

I missed putting on the uniform. I missed being around people who come together when their backs are against the wall and make extraordinary things happen.

But most important, I missed being a part of something larger than myself. I missed being part of the world's greatest air and space force and prayed desperately for the opportunity to return.

As an improving economy enhances the job market and the war on terror gets tougher, you, like me, might find yourself contemplating the merits of life outside the Air Force.

When you do, remember this: You'll never be associated with a finer group of people, nor will you answer a more noble calling than the one to serve your country and protect our way of life.

The intense job satisfaction that comes from such an honorable pursuit is something I didn't truly appreciate until I stepped away from the military. Fortunately, the Air Force welcomed me back with open arms.

Just five months after separating, I returned to active duty with a renewed passion for my profession that the bigger paycheck, great location and fantastic benefits could never spark during my brief stint in corporate America.

For me, the grass is definitely greener on this side of the fence, and this is where I intend to stay for a very long time.

Commander's Action Line

Call 606-7850
or
E-mail your message to
actionline@
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Col. Frank Gallegos
commander

By performing Vandenberg's mission safely and effectively, Team V provides proof of its commitment to do the right thing.

Two-way communication is paramount to continued mission success. The 30th Space Wing Commander's Action Line is your direct link to me.

Through the action line you can congratulate your teammates on a job well done, affect change and express productive points of view.

I want your input and I am personally involved in every response.

The action line is always available and it's an excellent tool, but remember to

use your chain of command. Talk to your supervisors, first sergeants, services officials and other base professionals and give them a chance to solve your problem first.

Working together, we will enrich the 30th SW mission performance and the quality of life of our Airmen.

When calling the action line, leave your name and phone number in case more information is needed.

Proud to serve — my view of military

By 1ST LT. STEVEN JAMES
745th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron

Duty, honor, integrity, commitment and sacrifice. Our deployed units across the world are constantly reminded of these five simple, yet significant words.

Recent images of our fight against terrorism have invoked strong emotions in the hearts and minds of our Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines.

In front of the world; newspapers, magazines and televisions show our struggle to bring peace and stability to the Middle East.

We see and read about

ambushes of coalition convoys, roadside bombs, civilian contractors being tortured and killed, and flag draped coffins carrying the remains of our fallen heroes.

While family and friends are left with these images, a seemingly heavy blow to our nation's morale, let there be no question of our will and determination to protect America, its allies and interests.

Our resolve remains steadfast in the face of international terrorism.

Those who have paid the ultimate price wouldn't want it any other way. The commitment to protect our way of life and to

stop the spread of terror is as strong now as it was on Sept. 11. Let there be no doubt. Our sacrifices are too great.

The brave men and women of our coalition forces and civilian counterparts are extraordinary people who commit their lives on a daily basis to preserve and protect our greatest asset: freedom.

While the media tends to focus on the "gloom and doom" of the war on terror, we must remain on our course.

America is proud of us and of the sacrifices we make to protect our values.

I want you to be proud of yourself as well. You have made

the choice to fight for what you believe in and to take a stand when others may not have done the same.

We aren't in our profession for money or prestige, but simply to make a difference in the world and in the lives of oppressed people.

The words duty, honor, integrity, commitment and sacrifice are not just words to us, they are reality.

My heart fills with pride knowing that our nation still produces men and women who are asked to lay their lives on the line every day and yet do it without question, for we already know the answer.

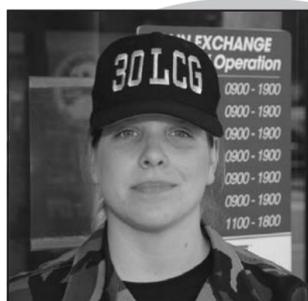
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experience you want to
share with Team V?

Write about it and
E-mail it to
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or call 606-3595.

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Point of View

"What movies are you
looking forward to seeing
this summer?"



"Hmm... well
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and Alien vs.
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Staff Sgt. Erin
Stewart, 30th
Launch Group



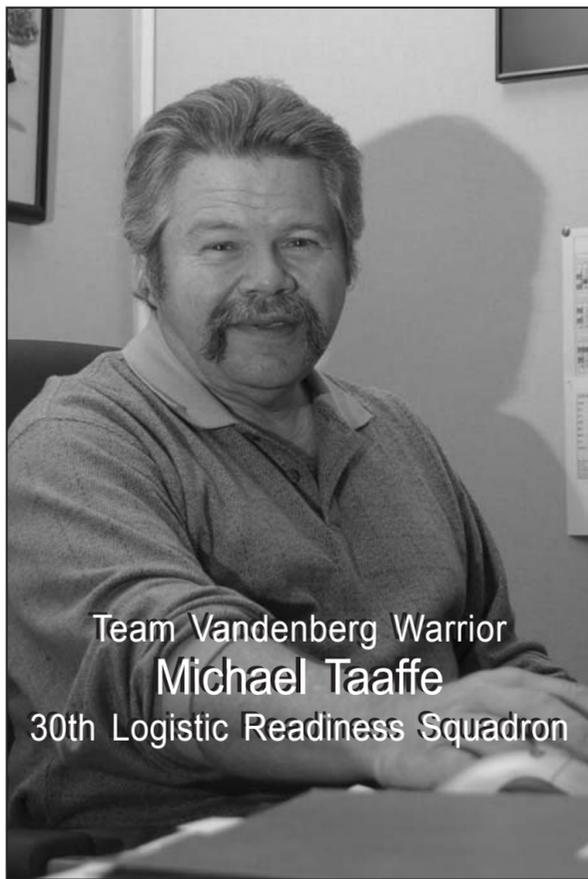
"I guess I'll go
see Hero
again."—
Kenric Lau,
30th Space
Communications
Squadron



"I really want to
see Hero and
Alien vs.
Predator."—
Airman 1st
Class Jared
Gonzalez,
30th Space
Wing Chapel



"Harry Potter
of course."—
Airman 1st
Class Laura
McFarlane,
30th SCS



Team Vandenberg Warrior
Michael Taaffe
30th Logistic Readiness Squadron

PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS MATTHEW REED

Hometown: San Francisco, Calif.

Time in service: 20 years military, 9 years civil service

Time on station: 4 years with the Air Force, 9 years with civil service

Role in mission: base working capital fund manager

How do you contribute to the wing mission? I provide those mo

What do you like best about the Air Force? I like the camaraderie and the sense of purpose.

If you could change one thing about the Air Force what would it be? Better pay and higher promotion rates.

How do you fulfill the Air Force core values? I keep a positive attitude and pass on high standards to my troops.

What's the most exciting experience you've had so far in the Air Force? Seeing firsthand how other cultures meet the challenges of life.

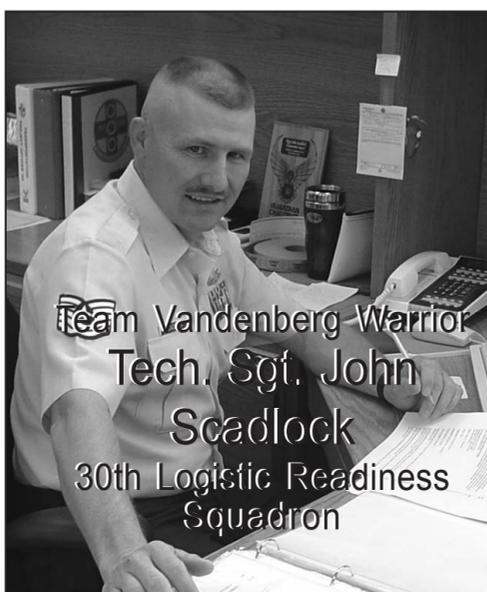
How would you improve life at Vandenberg? Open the base cinema every day with extended performances.

Who is your role model and why? Lenny Bruce; he possessed a great deal of social insight and wasn't afraid to speak the truth.

Who is your favorite leader in history and why? Theodore Roosevelt for his extraordinary efforts and accomplishments in the arena of nation-wide conservation of our natural resources.

Favorite movie: Dr. Strangelove, Pulp Fiction and Memento

Hobbies: I solve Sunday New York Times and Merl Reagle crossword puzzles. I also attend Cal Poly Arts concerts, PCPA musicals and dramas. I enjoy viewing independent films and watching formula one auto racing.



Team Vandenberg Warrior
Tech. Sgt. John
Scadlock
30th Logistic Readiness
Squadron

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Hometown: Morgan

Time in service: 17

Time on station: 7

Role in mission: NO

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How do you contribute to the wing mission? E

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What do you like best about the Air Force? Traveling to exotic countries, meeting all types of people, and learning their cultures.

If you could change one thing about the Air Force what would it be? Better pay and higher promotion rates.

How do you fulfill the Air Force core values? I keep a positive attitude and pass on high standards to my troops.

What's the most exciting

experience you've had so far in the Air Force? Visiting over 20

different countries and experiencing

their cultures.

How would you improve life at Vandenberg? Provide more

morale events for the Airmen.

Provide a Club environment for 18-

year olds to dance and gather.

Who is your role model and why? John Wayne is my role model -

throughout the three

America's patriot - Never backed

down from a fight.

Who is your favorite leader in history and why? My favorite is

General George S. Patton. I liked his

leadership style - leading from the

front. Wouldn't ask his men to do

something he wasn't willing to do

first.

Favorite movie or book: Old war movies and Classics

Hobbies: Hunting, Fishing, Sporting Clays, Softball, and SCUBA Diving

Crimebeat...

SENIOR AIRMAN HARRIS JOHNSON
30th Security Force Squadron

June 14
Thank goodness for seatbelts
– 5:54 a.m.

An on duty security forces patrolman reported witnessing a major vehicle accident on Arguiello Rd. He stated while traveling north on Arguiello behind a gold van, the van appeared to lose control and travel off the road. The vehicle spiraled uncontrollably down an embankment finally coming to a rest after over turning several times. The patrolman immediately requested emergency fire and medical response as he descended on the vehicle. The driver suffered minor injuries and was transported to Lompoc Emergency Room.

Clipper's tailgate party –
2:50 p.m.

A civilian employee reported a minor vehicle accident at Building 8290. While making a left turn into the parking lot, his vehicle clipped the open tailgate of a parked vehicle. The accident caused minor damage and no injuries.

No shame – 6:10 p.m.

An Airman reported damage to

the Vandenberg Prisoner of War Memorial. He stated while giving his family a tour of the site, he discovered it had been vandalized. SFS investigations and AFOSI were notified and are investigating the incident.

June 15

The Verminator – 8:58 a.m.
An on-duty SFS patrolman reported hearing loud explosions coming from East Housing. Patrols responded to the area of Vandenberg Middle School where they discovered a school district employee conducting rodent extermination.

June 17

Get a life – 11:27 a.m.
A non-base affiliated civilian reported receiving threatening phone calls from a base civilian employee. She stated the individual and his brother have called her numerous times and threatened her life. AFOSI was notified and is currently investigating the incident.

Out of luck – 1:04 a.m.

A patrolman stopped a vehicle on Hwy 1 and Firefighter Road for a minor traffic violation. While identifying the driver, a



warrant for his arrest was discovered. Santa Barbara County Sheriff's responded to the scene and took custody of the driver.

June 18

Migratory bird violation –
9:10 a.m.

A wildlife employee reported a migratory bird violation at SLC-4. He stated a hawk accidentally fell into a tub of Hydroxyacetic acid and died from exposure. The safety environmental office was notified and the incident is under investigation.

Don't just stand there, spot
me – 2:13 p.m.

An Airman reported witnessing a minor vehicle accident at Building 10711. The driver of the single car incident stated he misjudged the amount of clearance while backing his GOV out of a garage. The vehicle sustained minor damage and neither the driver or the two witnesses were injured.

This week in history...

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30th Space Wing Public Affairs

June 20

1923 – The CO-1, the Army's first all-metal airplane, makes its first flight.

1951 – The Bell X-5 makes its first flight.

1977 – With a flip of a switch in Prudhoe Bay, crude oil from the nation's largest oil field begins flowing south down the trans-Alaska pipeline to the ice-free port of Valdez, Alaska.

June 21

1930 – Randolph Field at San Antonio, Texas dedicated.

1964 – In Neshoba County in central Mississippi, three civil rights field workers disappear after investigating the burning of an African American church by the Ku Klux Klan. Michael Schwerner and Andrew Goodman, both white New Yorkers, had traveled to heavily segregated Mississippi to help organize civil rights efforts. The third man, James Chaney, was a local African American man who had joined CORE in 1963. The disappearance of the three young men garnered national attention and led to a massive FBI investigation that was code-named MIBURN,

for "Mississippi Burning."

June 22

1946 – Two Army P-80s make the first jet airmail delivery.

June 23

1937 – The U.S. Army Air Corps accepts the Lockheed design for what was to become the P-38.

June 25

1950 – Armed forces from Communist North Korea smash into South Korea, setting off the Korean War. The United States, acting under the auspices of the United Nations, quickly sprang to the defense of South Korea and fought a bloody and frustrating war for the next three years.

June 26

1948 – The Berlin Airlift is initiated in response to the Russian blockade.

1993 – President Bill Clinton orders U.S. warships to fire Tomahawk cruise missiles at Iraqi intelligence headquarters in downtown Baghdad in retaliation for an Iraqi plot to assassinate former U.S. President George Bush during his April visit to Kuwait.

Catchin' Air



PHOTO BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS MATTHEW REED

Chris Ozuna, 11, son of Tech. Sgt. Gerardo Ozuna, 576th Flight Test Squadron, jumps one of the ramps at the Youth Center Skate Park. Ozuna was part of a weeklong seminar where lifetime skaters taught proper skateboard techniques to Vandenberg skateboards. The two instructors were Zach Koss, a college student from Wisconsin, and Jesse Reed who works at a school for autistic children. The two were hired by a company called "Premise," who was contracted by the Air Force to conduct specialty camps at nine different bases.



Around the Air Force

Airmen work to open own club

By AIRMAN MICHAEL HESS
48th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

■ **ROYAL AF LAKENHEATH, England** — A dozen Airmen here sacrificed a couple rare sunny days off to help renovate a facility geared toward young enlisted Airmen.

The volunteers are working on a self-help project at the old community center, which will be the home of the new Airmen's Club. The Airmen spent several hours June 19 and 20 stripping wallpaper.

A renovation committee organized the project as the first in a series of self-help projects designed to save money and offer Airmen a chance to help in the overhaul, said Senior Airman Oniusuru Awobo, an airmen's club committee member.

In the past months, much work was done by the 48th Civil Engineer Squadron people, contractors and through self-help projects. Several walls were torn down, and the courtyard was prepared for a brick patio.

During the next few months, the facility will continue to undergo further renovations through self-help projects including bricklaying, installing sound and video equipment, and arranging new furniture.

Lakenheath's club was allocated \$475,000 to purchase equipment and supplies to transform an existing building into the club. When Airmen volunteer to work on the facility, it allows more money to go back into the club instead of to contractors for labor, Airman Awobo said.

The reason people are helping is because they want to give back to the organization, said Senior Airman Kevin Soucy, another committee member.

"It helps them to say 'Thanks,' because this club is for them," he said.

All aspects of the club were

chosen by Airmen here through committee meetings and from surveys, Airman Soucy said.

"Everything from the location of the club to color of the walls came from Airmen's input," he said.

When completed later this year, the club will take on the combined roles of a community center and nightclub. There will be big-screen televisions, lounge chairs, video games, advanced sound and lighting equipment, wireless Internet access and an enclosed brick patio.

"The Airmen needed something a little more on base than the (enlisted club). ... They needed a place to call their own," Airman Soucy said.

"It (will be) nice to have our own little hangout," Airman Awobo said. (Courtesy of USAFE News Service)

Manpower, personnel functions merging

By 1ST LT. ELAINE M. LARSON
Air Education and Training Command Public Affairs

■ Manpower, personnel, and education and training functions will merge and realign under mission support squadrons at installations throughout the Air Force beginning July 1.

"Manpower and personnel have been separate disciplines throughout the Air Force's history," said Col. Douglas V. Bell, Air Education and Training Command's manpower and organization chief. "Merging them will provide cradle-to-grave processes for human resource management."

As part of the realignment, mission support squadrons will now be responsible for both manpower and personnel actions, Colonel Bell said.

"The new organization will better align both military and civilian resources with manpower requirements for mission accomplishment," he said.

"The increased emphasis on force development demands a better

linkage between manpower requirement determination and resource development and employment," according to the Program Action Directive signed by Gen. John P. Jumper, Air Force chief of staff.

Currently, people in separate Air Force specialties manage the three functions.

"Unfortunately, actions often happen within the separate stovepipes that hinder their overall efficiency," according to the directive.

The merger may involve a physical move to mission support squadron locations, but should otherwise be invisible to the customer, said Bill Friday, the deputy chief AETC's manpower and organization. (Courtesy of AETC News Service)

ARPC call center improves customer service

By TECH. SGT. ROB MIMS
Air Reserve Personnel Center Public Affairs

■ Beginning Monday, all toll-free calls to the Air Reserve Personnel Center here will be channeled through the customer call center, officials announced Monday.

ARPC officials said the new step continues efforts to provide one-stop shopping to the more than 950,000 customers that they service.

Currently, when customers call (800) 525-0102, they are given the option of their call going through the call center or entering a five-digit number for a specific directorate. The change will eliminate the five-digit numbers.

The call center is expanding its role to provide better customer service, and staffers will verify all callers' mailing and e-mail addresses, officials said. This will help ARPC officials keep in touch with mission-ready reserve-component Airmen.

People with questions that can only be answered by a particular

directorate will be transferred to the proper extension. (Courtesy of ARPC News Service)

EOD is making Afghanistan safe for future

By MASTER SGT. ANDREW GATES
455th Expeditionary Operations Group Public Affairs

■ **BAGRAM AB, Afghanistan** — Today, there are literally tons of explosive materials hidden throughout Afghanistan. Some, like land mines the former Soviet Union liberally scattered around the countryside, lie deceptively under a thin veneer of dirt. Others lie hidden away in caches of weapons carefully hoarded and preserved.

Whenever any of these items is uncovered around here, it is the explosive ordnance disposal team's job to help.

"We have a lot of missions every day," said Tech. Sgt. Perry, 455th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Flight. (For security reasons, only first names are used.) "We usually get six or seven calls."

No matter what the call, safety is the primary priority for explosive demolition experts.

"We wear as much safety gear as we can, based on the situation, and we stay away from the explosive as long as we possibly can," he said. "Moreover, if we can send in a remote unit — one of our robots — to respond to the situation, we use it."

Most calls are for situations on the airfield which could be some discovered ordnance, or more likely, an in-flight emergency with an armed aircraft, said Staff Sgt. Thomas.

"We respond to every in-flight emergency where there is a problem with munitions [such as] a hung flare or rocket, a stuck gun or the like," he said. "Usually the maintainers are able to take care of it, so we don't have to do anything. But, if they can't fix it, we're there."

Joint operations on the airfield are commonplace as evidenced by Army Pfc. Matthew, who recently joined Sergeant Thomas in-flight emergency response training.

"So far my experiences with joint operations have been good," Private Matthew said. "I don't often get the opportunity to work on an airfield and see how the Air Force EOD team responds. Once I know their procedures, I can respond to emergencies on the airfield, if

needed."

Normally, though, the Air Force takes care of the airfield, Sergeant Thomas said.

"If we can take care of the base, the Army can use their EOD experts to respond to their forward-operating bases; it's a smart use of resources."

The airfield team's mission in a combat zone is much like their mission at home.

"We respond to unexploded ordnance calls the same way, although there is an increased threat here," Sergeant Thomas said. "We do see some different aircraft. For example, we responded to an in-flight emergency on a Marine Corps Harrier a few days ago."

They also get routinely called out when someone finds something they cannot identify.

Sergeant Perry recently investigated a spent flare which looks like a miniature rocket.

"I would rather get called out 20 times a day for something like that than to have someone pick up something that will hurt them," he said.

"When you leave the base, you get thronged with children," Sergeant Perry said. "After we finish, if we do our job right, none of them will ever get hurt here again. These kids are out playing and living in a dangerous area. I saw a child the other day who lived 20 feet from a piece of ordnance I wouldn't want to pick up without protective gear."

GI Bill important 60 years later

By RUDI WILLIAMS
American Forces Press Service

■ Times were tough. The nation was slowly emerging from the Great Depression when World War II flared up in 1941.

Before the war, the unemployment rate hovered at 15 percent, more than 11 million homes did not have running water or electricity, and fewer than 50,000 taxpayers earned more than \$2,500 a year, according to Census Bureau statistics.

After the war, thousands of Americans were flocking to colleges and vocational schools, buying homes, farms and businesses — all thanks to the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 known simply as the GI Bill. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the bill into law 60 years ago

Tuesday.

Passing the GI Bill brought more than 16 million veterans into a peacetime economy. Since it provided education and home-ownership opportunities to millions, some dubbed the bill the "magic carpet to the middle class."

Historians say the GI Bill contributed more than any other program in history to the welfare of veterans and their families, and to the growth of the nation's economy. The bill is credited with preventing a postwar relapse into the prewar Depression.

Its social impact is still felt today, said retired Navy Vice Adm. Daniel Cooper, undersecretary of Veterans Affairs for benefits.

"Several bills were proposed between 1942 and 1944 that were debated and held up," Admiral Cooper said. "But finally, the American Legion jumped in, sat down and wrote the first draft in a hotel room. The American Legion pushed very hard to ensure that a bill did get written and passed. After going through a lot of debate, it passed with a large majority."

One primary reason for the bill was to help millions of young veterans readjust to civilian life, Admiral Cooper said.

"Another reason was to ensure that the entire nation's economy wasn't hurt by the large influx of kids coming back from overseas," he said, "and to ensure that veterans were not held back because of their military service, and that they were recognized for the (service) they'd given to the country."

Today's GI Bill benefits are built upon what was done in 1944 — and improved and increased over the years, the admiral said.

"The benefits then had to do with education and home and business loans, as well as unemployment payments for the first year they came back," Admiral Cooper said. "Today, we cover a wider range of benefits for the same purposes."

During the past 60 years, the GI Bill has made possible the investment of billions of dollars in education and training for millions of veterans. The nation has earned, in return, many times the investment in increased taxes and a dramatically changed society, Admiral Cooper said.

He also said the bill made possible the loan of billions of dollars to purchases homes for millions of veterans and helped transform America from a nation of renters to a nation of homeowners.

Laughter, community service, loyal military support

One man's legacy still going strong after 46 years of service to Vandenberg

By AIRMAN 1ST CLASS BRYAN FRANKS
30th Space Wing Public Affairs

For more than 50 years a constant force has kept Vandenberg and the local community together and moving towards the future.

Joe Sesto, Mr. Santa Maria, has been a long time friend of Vandenberg. The 92-year young community leader believes it is important to do things that don't self-serve. Due to his years of community service, the base named an auditorium after him and dedicated the Warrior Room in the Pacific Coast Club to him.

"Joe has been an ardent supporter of Vandenberg since its infancy," said Col. Frank Gallegos, 30th Space Wing commander. "His partnership with the

base has been vital to Vandenberg's success for nearly five decades. Nobody has been a greater friend to Vandenberg."

Mr. Sesto was born in Omaha, Neb. April 7, 1912.

He was living in Fort Wayne, Ind. when a friend told him about a 9,000 strong community in California that he thought Mr. Sesto would like living in.

After visiting Santa Maria, he returned to Fort Wayne, Ind.

where he worked in the insurance industry, quit his job, sold his home and moved his family to California on Jan. 2, 1950.

He opened an insurance business near the post office in Santa Maria and introduced himself to the community. In 1954, he was appointed President of the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce.

He was here in 1957 when Camp Cooke was renamed Vandenberg Air Force Base.

"I was the one who greeted General (Bernard) Schriever when he got off



PHOTOS BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS MATTHEW REED

Joe Sesto has been a friend of Vandenberg for more than 40 years. The community leader made it a point to speak to all the players at the Hi Neighbor Golf Tournament June 18 here. He was instrumental in establishing the annual tournament in 1960. At the last tournament, he had the lowest net score of the one-day tournament.

the plane to announce that the Air Force was taking over Camp Cooke," Mr. Sesto said.

From that point, Mr. Sesto spearheaded the Military Affairs Committee and served as liaison to the base.

Although he never served in the military he believes in the mission and the people that serve.

"I believe in the military," Mr. Sesto said. "They're the best group of people I've ever worked with. I'm so proud of the 'blue suiters.'"

In Vandenberg's early years, entertainment and dining options were slim to none and the base was still bare. Mr. Sesto helped establish a

shuttle service to Santa Maria for Airmen.

During the wildfire of 1977 that burned more than 10,000 acres and killed the base commander and three others, he kept the hardware stores in Santa Maria, Lompoc and the surrounding area open for 72 hours so the base personnel had access to any supplies they needed.

"I think it's important to serve the community," he said. "My wife and I are just glad that we've had the health to continue."

Mr. Sesto's continuous positive attitude and "service before self" has earned him many awards and honors in the community as well as the military.



The Sesto Auditorium is the only building on Vandenberg named after a person.

He was awarded the Exceptional Service Award, the highest award given to a civilian by the Air Force for meritorious service. In 1990, he was made an honorary missileer by retired Lt. Gen. Donald Aldridge, Strategic Air Command vice commander at the time. This put him in the same category as former president Ronald Reagan, also a recipient of the honor.

As liaison to the base, Mr. Sesto has had the unique opportunity of meeting and interacting with every installation commander from Vandenberg. Most notable is Gen. Lance Lord, Air Force Space Command commander, who spent three tours here, once as wing commander.

"He's a great man. He and his wife are both wonderful," Mr. Sesto said. "It's been great to see him become the person he is today."

Mr. Sesto attributes his longevity to his positive attitude, humor and to exercise. He doesn't plan on stopping.

"Until they hit me on the head with a spade, I'm going to continue to serve both the military and local communities," he said. "Air Force members are the finest group of people, from the top command to the one striper, I've ever had the privilege of associating with."

"Joe has been such a part of this base for so long that it is hard to imagine Vandenberg without him. He is the bridge between the base and the community," Colonel Gallegos said. "He truly is 'Mr. Vandenberg.'"

"Air Force members are the finest group of people, from the top command to the one striper, I've ever had the privilege of associating with."

JOE SESTO

Destinations

CENTRAL COAST

SPACE & MISSILE TIMES

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Hollywood Blvd. offers star searching, fun, entertainment

BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS JUANIKA GLOVER
30th Space Wing Public Affairs

A little less than a year and a half ago, my mother and I made the long commute from the East to the West Coast. With a couple of extra days on our hands before I had to report to Vandenberg, we decided to do a bit of sight seeing in Los Angeles.

Of course like most tourists, we were drawn to the one place that every movie watcher is curious about – Hollywood. So for our first stop in Los Angeles, we decided to go to Hollywood Blvd.

My mother was sure she would run into Denzel Washington who would just happen to be strolling along waiting to give us an autograph. I was sure that I'd see the entire cast of 'Friends' having brunch at a local café.

I would go up to them and tell them how much I loved their show and they would of course invite me to sit and eat with them. But as most tourists have found out, Hollywood is nothing like that. Because in reality, Hollywood is where stars work,

not live. Instead of wallowing in our disappointment, my mother and I decided to make the best of it and as most Hollywood tourists do, we searched for our favorite actor's star on Hollywood Blvd.

Needless to say Denzel Washington's star was like finding a needle in a haystack that we never found. So when my mom and stepfather came back to visit me recently, I took them back to Hollywood to finish what my mom and I started more than a year ago.

Although most people are initially unhappy with the reality of Hollywood, there is actually plenty to do on Hollywood Boulevard besides star hunting.

Like most tourist traps, there will always be interesting and unusual things to catch the eye. Hollywood Blvd. has more than it's fair share of unusual.

Besides the people dressed up in familiar and unusual costumes, there are three unusual museums.

The Hollywood Wax Museum, Ripley's Believe It or Not Odditorium and the Hollywood Entertainment Museum. The most unusual of the three would



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(Left), Kaleema Tawwab searches for a photo of Denzel Washington at a local souvenir shop on Hollywood Boulevard. There are numerous souvenir shops, theaters, and retail stores along the famous street. (Below), Mike Davis, dresses as Gandalf from the movie 'Lord of the Rings' to entertain the crowds. Hollywood Blvd. is famous for it's interesting array of street entertainers, odd museums, the 'Walk of Fame' and much more.

probably be Ripley's Believe It or Not, with it's mechanical gorilla's, gigantic faucet water fall and freakish photos of odd animals and people.

If you're in for seeing a movie, then the Grauman's Chinese Theater is the place to be, with it's famous forecourt of stars' footprints.

The Disney El Capitan Theater is one of the few theaters left over with an old style balcony in it. The Kodak Theater is just

around the corner and then there's the theater with a bit of history to it, the historic Egyptian Theater. It's the scene of the world's first grand movie premier and it was recently restored to it's original glory.

For people who've got shopping on the brain, the Hollywood and Highland project contains a mix of retail stores and restaurants.

The most recognizable thing on the boulevard would have to

be the large number of souvenir shops. They range from large stores to small corner booths but each contains plenty to bring home to show friends. The shops have everything from Hollywood key chains to miniature Oscars.

Of course the most popular item on Hollywood Blvd is the famous 'Walk of Fame' which contains stars as far as the eye can see on either side of the street.

As for my mother and I our search for Denzel Washington's star is still incomplete. The star somehow managed once again to elude us.



So, even though Hollywood Blvd may not be overflowing with famous people, there is so much more to it than meets the eye. For the tourist with an optimistic attitude, it is sure to be a fun and entertaining experience.



Dale Jacobs, a local Hollywood mime makes a balloon animal for Kaleema and Hassan Tawwab of Raleigh, N.C.

Directions

Hollywood Boulevard

From Vandenberg take Highway 1 toward Lompoc to H street. Take Ocean Ave to Highway 1. Keep on to Highway 101 South to Los Angeles. Take the Hollywood freeway and follow the signs to Hollywood Boulevard

Community Calendar

25 FRI **Kids Fitness Club** – The Health and Wellness Center hosts a 'Super Kids Fitness Club' through August 18 from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesdays at the HAWC. This club is for children ages 10 to 13. To sign up, call 606-2152 or register at the Youth Center.

Short story contest – The Ventura County Writer's Club is hosting a summertime short story contest. Team Vandenberg writers are invited to submit original, unpublished short stories in any genre. Entries must be submitted with a \$25 entry fee and must be postmarked no later than August 1 to be eligible. Entrants can submit as many stories as they wish, but each story must have a separate entry fee. Winners will be announced Nov. 20 at the Writefest Conference in the Clarion Palm Garden Hotel in Newbury Park, Calif. First place

winners will receive \$500 and a publication of the story in the VC Star Nov. 21, second place winners will receive \$250 and third place \$125. Mail submissions to Gerry Schiller, P.O. Box 246, Newbury Park, Calif 91319. For a complete list of contest rules go to the Web site <http://www.vcwc.org> or call William Vietinghoff at (805) 495-7865 for more information.

Volunteers needed – for the Lompoc Flower Festival from June 24 through 26 to help decorate the parade floats. Call Mr. Speed at 735-1704 or by mobile at 245-0284 to sign up.

Palace Chase Force Shaping seprattees – Airmen separating under the Place Chase program must accomplish their mandatory pre-separations briefing 90 days prior to separations.

To schedule the briefing go to www.php-ids.com. For assistance call 606-0039.

Library volunteer tutors – The Lompoc Public Library Adult Reading Program seeks volunteers to work with English-speaking adults who want to improve their basic reading and writing skills. Call (805) 735-7323, ext. 16 for more information or to register.

Low walk-up fares – American Airlines expanded its military fares through the fall. The fares include no advance-purchase requirements and no change fees. Call (800) 433-7300.

Dads-to-New Dads and Moms-to-New Moms programs – These mentorship programs offer support to new moms and dads. Call Nancy Sias at 606-5338.

26 SAT **Cheerleading Camp** – 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday of Righetti High School Gym. Call 605-0786 or 934-9916

28 MON for a registration form. **Computer resource room** – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday in the family support center for customers needing to access the Internet for job searches, relocation assistance, or to stay in touch with family separated because of military service.

Office Closure – The family support center is closed 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Mondays for training. Call 606-0039 for emergencies.

29 TUE **Disabled American Veterans** – Mobile service operations are held at 9 a.m. Tuesdays in the Veterans Memorial Bldg at 108 East Locus Street in Lompoc. Call Dan Contreras at (310) 477-2539 for more information.

Financial Basics – 11 a.m. to

noon Tuesday at the Family Support Center. Learn the financial basics such as checkbook maintaining and credit pitfalls. Call 606-0039 for more information.

Youth sign language classes – 3 to 3:50 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the education center room E-4. The class is for children in third through fifth grades. Call 734-0452 for more information.

30 WED **Baby Meet** – 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesdays use the staff entrance at the base library. This is for discussion and socialization for expectant parents and those with babies, newborn through two years old. Call 734-6606 for more information.

Special needs information network – 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. every third Wednesday at the base library. Call 734-2282 for information.

Partners Assisting in Reading – 2:55 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Crestview Elementary School Library. For more information, call 734-1651.

Playtime for Tots – 10 to 11 a.m. Fridays at the Religious Education Bldg. The playgroup is for children ages three

through five. Call 757-9044 for more information.

JUL 2 THU **Golf Tournament** – Flying Tigers Booster Club golf tournament will be held Thursday. Check in is from 10:30 a.m. to noon and shotgun start will be at 12:30 p.m. at the Marshallia Ranch Golf Course. The cost is \$15 per person. Call Master Sgt. Bill Sante at 606-5386 or Master Sgt. Mike Martin at 606-6212 for more information.

Independence Day Meal – will be served at Beachcomber's during lunch July 2.

Movie Corner

BASE THEATER

VAN HELSING PG-13
7 p.m. TONIGHT,
MEAN GIRLS PG-13
7 p.m. SATURDAY
NEW YORK MINUTE PG-13
2 p.m. SUNDAY

Hi-Way Drive-in

Santa Maria Ph. 937-3515
GARFIELD PG
THE CHRONICLES OF RIDDICK R
DAILY 8:30 p.m.

General Admission \$7.50; children and seniors \$5.50; All shows before 5:30 p.m. \$5.50 Movies and times subject to change.

Movies Lompoc

HARRY POTTER AND THE PRISONER OF AZKABAN PG
DAILY 7 p.m. Ends 6/29/04
AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 DAYS PG
DAILY 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.
SAT-SUN 11:30 a.m. Ends 6/29/04
THE CHRONICLES OF RIDDICK PG-13
DAILY 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., and 9:30 p.m.
SAT-SUN 11:30 a.m. Ends 6/29/04
DODGEBALL PG-13
DAILY 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:15 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.
SAT-SUN 11:45 a.m.
SPIDERMAN 2 Starts 6/30/04 call for times.

Movies Gemini

TWO BROTHERS PG
DAILY 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.
SAT-SUN 11:30 a.m.
THE STEPFORD WIVES PG-13

DAILY 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.
SAT-SUN 11:30 a.m.

Parks Plaza Buellton

THE TERMINAL PG-13
DAILY 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.
SAT-SUN 11:30 a.m.
HARRY POTTER AND THE PRISONER OF AZKABAN PG
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Chapel Services & Events

Call 606-5773 for other denomination worship services and events.

WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Praise and Worship, Chapel 2 10 a.m. Catholic Mass, Chapel 1 11:30 a.m. Traditional Protestant, Chapel 1 11:30 a.m. Gospel, Chapel 2	Monday - Friday 11:30 a.m. Catholic Mass, Chapel 2 Saturday 5 p.m. Catholic Mass, Chapel 2
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Know how to make a Caramel Frappuccino?

Volunteers are needed at the G.I. Java. Call 606-5773 for details.



30th Services News

GOLF

ATWIND EVENT!

NIKE Demo Day

The **Marshallia Ranch Golf Course** will host a **NIKE DEMO** day on Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the driving range. All golfers are invited to come out and test drive the latest Nike golf equipment. Call the golf course at 606-6262 for more information.



RED, WHITE and BLUE

4-CLUB TOURNAMENT July 4 **ATWIND EVENT!**

Shotgun start at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$13 per person, which will include a barbecue sandwich and soda immediately after play. The tournament will be 18 holes, medal play, full handicap. Sign up with your own group and select your starting hole. Sign up at the pro shop. Open play tee times will start at 12:30 p.m. Call the golf course for more information at 606-6262.

OUTDOOR REC

NOTICE:

Outdoor Recreation will be holding a mandatory training for any squadron wishing to use the rock climbing wall for on base squadron functions. Please send two representatives from each squadron.

When: Today, 9 a.m.
Where: Equipment Checkout, Bldg. 10250, corner of Alaska Way and Washington Ave.

To sign up for this training, call 606-5908.

POOL CLOSURE

The pool is currently closed due to repairs and improvements. Opening dates will be announced as soon as the necessary information becomes available. Thank you for your support and patience.

HIKING GAVIOTA PEAK

ATWIND EVENT! July 3, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person
Sign up deadline: Thursday
The hike is a strenuous 6-mile trail that ascends along a mountain ridge. Hikers must be in good physical health. Call 606-5908 for more information.

LIBRARY

DIAL-A-STORY

Dial-A-Story: To hear this week's story, "The Golden Touch" call the Dial-A-Story at 606-4300. Stories are available 24/7, and are updated every Friday.

Patch Club: For students grades 2 to 5, meets last today, 5 p.m. at the library. Each month has a theme and the participants read a book and give a 2-minute presentation relating to that theme. Please call 606-6414 for info.

Summer Reading Program: The Summer Reading Program starts Saturday. Kids need to sign up and get their packages. They can sign up ANY time starting noon on Saturday. The theme for this year is "Explore New Worlds...READ!" with an ocean background. There will be a demonstration on scuba diving at 2 p.m. Those kids (and their parents) who sign up will get **ATWIND** tickets.

30th Services Squadron

AROUND THE WORLD IN NINETY DAYS

Team Vandenberg...

LET'S PLAY ATWIND!

WIN: CARS! CASH! FURNITURE! VACATION TRIPS!

Win a new Saturn Car or SUV!

Guaranteed monthly winners!

ALL SUMMER LONG..

Golf Organization Tourneys - sign up, get 1 game piece
PCC - Join the club or sign a member up - get 1 game piece
Vet Clinic - Newly registered pet - get 1 game piece
Lunch & Learn classes - get 1 game piece
Honor Guard - Current member signs up new member - get 1 game piece
Lodging - All day, check in, receive 1 pc.
Education Center - receive a game pc. on Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., for coming by the center
Education Center - take a college course approved by the Base Education Office, receive a game pc.

One game piece per facility per day.

To Play Go To: www.atwind.com or Call: 888-597-9960

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- WEEK #5: Pick up your game pieces at these locations!**
One game piece per facility per day.
- TODAY**
Outdoor Rec - All day, rental equipment
Golf - All Day, active duty players
Fitness Center - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lunch work out
Family Support Center - CALVET Home Loan, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- SATURDAY**
Bowling Center - Youth day
Golf - Youth day
Pacific Coast Club - 5 to 8 p.m. 1 large pizza, and 2nd one at half price
- MONDAY**
Vet Clinic - Over-the-counter sales, all day
Family Support Center - Newcomers/Heart Link, 8:30 a.m to noon at the PCC
Bowling Center - Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
PCC - Lunch buffet, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
PCC - Kid's Night Out, 5 to 8 p.m., special buffet and entertainment
- TUESDAY**
Skills, Arts & Crafts - all day
Bowling Center - all day
Rod & Gun - shoot a round of skeet or trap
Golf - Intramural golf, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Pacific Coast Club - Dinner, 5 to 8 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY**
Services Center - all day, 8 p.m. to 5 p.m., including ITT, Leisure Travel
Auto Hobby - all day
Rod & Gun - all day
Family Support Center - "Resume Writing", 9 to 11 a.m.
PCC - Over-the-Hump night, 5 to 6:30 p.m., sign up for club drawing
Beachcomber (AETC) - Lunch, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- THURSDAY**
Youth Center - all day
Rod & Gun - Shoot a round of skeet or trap
Golf - Lunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Surf Lanes - Airman's Bowling Night

ATWIND Questions?

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YOUTH CENTER

The Worldwide Air Force Colossal Cookie Challenge

ATWIND EVENT!

CATEGORIES:
Holiday or Special Occasions • No-bake Cookies
Healthy Cookies • Cookie Maker's Special

LOCAL CHALLENGE:
Wednesday, 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the Youth Center Gym
Three Age Groups:
Adult • 12-years and under • 13-18-years old

Call 606-2152 for more information.

PACIFIC COAST CLUB

ATWIND EVENT!

SATURDAY
9 p.m. to 3 a.m.
18 and over

Old School R&B

in the **E-Lounge** with DJ GUY

THE PARTY IS BACK

MONDAY
5 to 8 p.m.

Kid's Night Out

SPECIAL BUFFET and ENTERTAINMENT

For more information call the club at 606-3330.