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## Texas lauds Dyess' environmental stewardship

**By 1st Lt. Ben Gamble**  
*Dyess Public Affairs*

A Dyess electronic training range received an environmental compliance award from the state of Texas during a ceremony in Pecos, Texas, Monday.

Members of the Compliance Commitment Partnership of Austin, Texas, a division of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, presented the award to the Pecos Electronic

Scoring Site for meeting and exceeding all requirements of the Environmental Compliance Program.

The Pecos ESS is the first facility of its kind to receive such an award.

"This is a voluntary program that allows Texas environmental personnel into your facility to assess your environmental guidelines, programs and waste management," said Dwight Williams, 7th Operations Support Squadron chief

of airspace management. "The Pecos ESS stuck their necks out, but were confident their program was in good shape -- which is obvious by the presentation of the award."

The Pecos ESS is a large tract of land outside Pecos, which Dyess B-1 aircrews frequently use in simulated threat training. The range is peppered with remote electronic sites which simulate various threats against an aircraft, from surface-to-air missiles to anti-air-

craft artillery fire. Dyess crew members use these electronic "threats" to practice identifying and responding to each and the unique danger they pose to a B-1 in a combat situation.

"Anytime you have a federal facility, you have to be environmentally compliant," Williams said. "This includes such things as hazardous waste, storm water runoff, chemicals, pollution, emissions and all the processes and guidelines to properly use and dispose of such

materials. This award proves we are doing everything possible to protect the environment."

Despite the award, Williams stressed the real winners are the citizens of the Pecos community.

"The most important part of all this is not Dyess so much as the local community," Williams said. "We are people just like everyone else and we want to protect our environment. We opened our doors to let people see what a great job we're doing."

## Dyess C-130 dedication Monday

**By Airman 1st Class Kiley Olds**  
*Dyess Public Affairs*

The 50th anniversary of C-130's will be celebrated Monday with a 9 a.m. dedication of a Dyess C-130 static display at the base main gate.

Dedication attendees are asked to park their vehicles at the commissary, as buses will be available to the ceremony, said base officials.

Bus service will start at 8 a.m., with the last bus departing the commissary parking lot at 8:45 a.m. Return service will start immediately following the conclusion of the dedication ceremony.

The 7th Security Forces Squadron will shut down outgoing base traffic on Arnold Blvd. and Louisiana Drive from 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m., base officials said.

Incoming base traffic can still enter Dyess on Arnold, but can only go straight or turn right towards the base clinic. Outgoing base traffic will exit through the Delaware or Tye gates.

Following the C-130 dedication, there will be an opportunity to walk through and tour the "City of Ardmore," a C-130A on display at the Dyess Linear Air Park.



Staff Sgt. Adam Wooten

**A formation of 317th Airlift Group C-130's sit on the flightline during January's Operational Readiness Inspection. Dyess celebrates the 50th anniversary of the C-130 with a C-130 dedication ceremony at the base main gate Monday.**

## DVD raises off-duty safety awareness

**By 1st Lt. Brandon Pollachek**  
*Dyess Public Affairs*

Two Dyess senior non-commissioned officers have provided the Air Force with a new high-tech way to view off-duty safety awareness.

Master Sgts. James Jarvis and Keith Rogers, 436th Training Squadron, are the creators of a 29-minute DVD titled "ACC Off-duty Stories: Motorcycle Mishaps," that tackles the high rate of motorcycle accidents within Air Combat Command head-on.

"This video involves three ACC Airmen but they represent any Airman, and the video is applicable to anyone in the Air Force whether they are a motorcycle rider or not," said Lt. Col. Steve Hiss, 436 TS commander.

The DVD features three ACC Airmen who have been involved in motorcycle accidents along with messages from their mothers.

According to Sergeant Jarvis, "ACC Off-duty Stories: Motorcycle Mishaps," is the first in a series of ground safety awareness videos within the command presented in 'docu-drama style' that combines real life testimonies with recreational animations in a compelling and dynamic awareness campaign."

The idea for making the DVD came when Sergeant Rogers, a ground safety instructor, found a new approach to making Airmen aware of the consequences of riding motorcycles in an irresponsible manner was needed within ACC.

Turning Sergeant Rogers' idea into a reality was left up to the 436th's multimedia production superintendent, Sergeant Jarvis.

"We wanted to produce a motorcycle awareness video that could bring emotion out of those who view it," Sergeant Jarvis said.

Charles Carson, 7th Bomb Wing occupational and health specialist, claimed the DVD was superb and intends on showing it during the next base-wide motorcycle meeting Aug. 30 at the base theater at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. "It makes very clear our responsibility for making the right decisions and further illustrates the impact those decisions have on loved ones. Each mishap was preventable had a 'wingman' intervened."

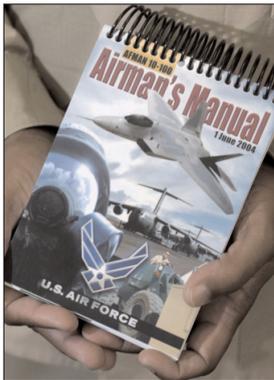
The DVD is available to all DoD members through the Joint Visual Information Services and Distribution Activity. Those interested in obtaining a copy can order directly from the JVISDA Web site at <http://dodimagery.afis.osd.mil/>.



Master Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

## New Airman's Manual arrives

**ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, Md. -- Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper hands Master Sgt. Gregory Spratt, 69th Aerial Port Squadron air transportation journeyman, a copy of the revised Airman's Manual Monday. General Jumper gave him the Air Force Manual 10-100 as part of an ongoing drive to distribute more than 675,000 copies to all active-duty, Reserve and Guard Airmen. The new version is weatherproof, tear-resistant and fits in the battle dress uniform's cargo pockets.**



## Legal office gets new, temporary home

**By Capt. David May**  
*Dyess Public Affairs*

The Dyess legal office moves to the old dental clinic, when demolition of the 7th Bomb Wing headquarters building second floor begins, the week of Sept. 6.

The \$500,000 project is expected to take about seven months and will encompass a complete renovation of the Dyess courtroom, deliberation room and all 7th BW legal offices.

"They're gutting this entire wing (of the building)," said Master Sgt. Ed Kopp, 7th Bomb Wing legal office manager.

The plans have been in the works for five to six years, he said.

The changes will include a larger gallery area for the public to view courts, more user-friendly waiting areas, a larger deliberation room and better safety features throughout, said Lt. Col. Jeffrey Rude, 7th BW staff judge advocate.

During the first week of the construction, Sept. 7 through 10, no

walk-ins or legal assistance appointments will be taken except for emergency cases and deploying members, he said.

After that, the legal office will have moved most of their resources and people to 550 Avenue B.

Even though they will be located inside the old dental clinic, the general telephone number for legal, 696-2322, should stay the same, said Sergeant Kopp.

"We're going to be in old dental exam rooms," he said. "People can wash their hands while getting legal assistance."

One hardship associated with the move is the changing location for where courts-martial will be held. The 436th Training Squadron has volunteered at least one room when it's available, said Colonel Rude, but at times they may need to use other locations, increasing logistics problems.

"It's gonna be a challenge, but it's going to work," said Lieutenant Colonel Rude. "We have people in the desert doing legal assistance; we can handle an old building."

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SORTIE BOARD	Monthly Flown Status	86	44	+3	Monthly Flown Status	45	24	+4	Monthly Flown Status	81	51	+7	WORLDWIDE DEPARTURE RELIABILITY	95%	86.1%	FLYING (TRAINING) HOURS	161.3	135.3	-26
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# Action Line

The Action Line provides a direct line of communication between Col. Jonathan George, 7th Bomb Wing commander, and the people of Dyess. People should always use their chain of command or contact the agency involved first, however, if the problem still can not be resolved, call 696-3355 or e-mail a message to [action@dyess.af.mil](mailto:action@dyess.af.mil). Leaving your name and phone number ensures a personal reply by phone. The Peacemaker staff reserves the right to edit all Action Lines before publication. Not all Action Lines will be published.

Here are some commonly used number for resolving problems:

- Area Defense Counsel: 696-4233**
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- Child development center: 696-4337**
- Civil engineering: 696-2253**
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## COACH'S CORNER



### Two big visits next week

Once again Team Dyess is on the leading edge of national defense issues. Our B-1s and C-130s are spread all over the world being employed by our great troops in a strong effort to make the world a better place.

Smart people everywhere realize that our team is in the thick of the fight. We're successful because of our sense of dedication and professionalism.

Two indications that we're on the right course are our visits by national leaders U.S. Congressman Duncan Hunter and Air Force General Hal Hornburg.

Congressman Hunter serves our country as the Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, in that position his leadership highly impacts the readiness of both our B-1s and C-130s.

Gen. Hornburg, Air Combat Command commander, has a lifetime full of leadership in making our Air Force the best it can be.

Both of these leaders are coming to Dyess to see firsthand our folks in our mission.

We welcome these visits and look forward to their arrival.

# Provide people tools to be successful in the future

By Master Sgt. Michael Butrovich  
7th Operations Support Squadron  
Weather Flight NCO in-charge

Each month, a ceremony is held at The Heritage Club to recognize two milestones reached by enlisted members: staff sergeant and master sergeant. Many of these promotees look upon their new stripes as a step up in prestige; they are no longer airmen, they are now NCOs; they are no longer technical sergeants, they are senior NCOs with a "rocker." Others look at their new stripe as an opportunity to increase their responsibilities. They strive to become section chiefs or NCOs-in-charge of an entire flight; but many overlook the biggest responsibility the new stripe will bring: the responsibility of becoming a better mentor.

We have all read the articles in the base paper written about mentorship. Hopefully we learned something from them, so I don't need to tell you what qualities a mentor must have. Instead, I want to share how mentors can change someone's career.

When I was at Sembach Air Base, Germany, I had been in the Air Force 13 years and had always had average supervisors.

Then, as a young technical sergeant, I fell under Master Sgt. John Galliano's supervision. He had a square jawline, immaculate uniform and a high-and-tight that would put the Marine Corps to shame.

We sat down for my initial feedback and he went through the motions, checking off items on the performance feedback worksheet. "This is what I expect from you ... this is what you can expect from me..."

Based on my past supervisors, I thought that was it and almost got up out of my chair; but he continued and asked me what my hobbies were, what my short and long-term goals were, and what he could do to help me attain those goals. This was a first for me.

To top it off, he pulled out a memo from a senior master sergeant promotions board that discussed what qualities the board members looked for in selecting a master sergeant for promotion. I was only a technical sergeant at the time, so I asked him why he was telling me now how to make senior master sergeant.

I will never forget what he said: "My job as an NCO and your supervisor is to prepare you for your future."

To this day, I firmly believe that is the ultimate definition of a mentor.

*"The Air Force sometimes has a tendency to concentrate on how well we perform today, and many like to see positive results as soon as possible. But we must not focus so much on the present that we neglect to provide people the tools to be successful in the future. The Air Force's leaders of tomorrow are counting on you."*

Master Sgt. Michael Butrovich  
7th Operations Support Squadron  
Weather Flight NCO in-charge

Sergeant Galliano encouraged me to build Web pages for the base Top Four, volunteer to clean static display aircraft on the weekend and enroll into a senior NCO Academy correspondence course the same week I received a line number for master sergeant. These are only a few of the things he suggested I accomplish at Sembach, yet my leadership potential grew exponentially during that timeframe.

Sergeant Galliano is now Chief Master Sergeant Galliano, stationed at Hickam Air Base, Hawaii. His promotion and recent assignment could not have happened to a better person. I send him an occasional e-mail asking for assistance or a word of advice and he was one of the first to congratulate me when I received my line number for senior master sergeant.

Based on my experiences with Chief Galliano, I would like to pass along what I have learned.

To all new staff sergeants -- many of you will become supervisors of brand new airmen straight out of basic training and technical school.

Their first impression of the Air Force will be influenced by how well you supervise and train them. Prepare them for the rigors of the military during their first few

years as airmen. Retention is a direct reflection of leadership. How many of your airmen will re-enlist?

To the senior NCOs -- prepare your staff sergeants and technical sergeants for what awaits them as master sergeants. Include them in any promotion board discussions and show them what they can do to improve their board scores down the road when they test for senior master sergeant.

Train them to perform your job as an NCO-in-charge or section chief. Once in a while, take them aside for an entire day and show them everything you do to make your office run smoothly.

Not only will you develop someone capable of handling your workload while you are away, but you will build a better leader.

Bottom line, do everything you can to push these individuals ahead of their peers.

I would like to share one more story. I have supervised three staff sergeants who became commissioned officers. One of those, 1st Lt. Louis Escamilla, is a weather officer at Ft. Hood, Texas, who came to visit my family recently.

My wife and I invited him for dinner and we reminisced about the days at Sembach.

Louis was a hard-charging NCO who needed little encouragement to seek out new responsibilities and always strove to be the best. He was the perfect troop to supervise. I got excellent results from him with minimal effort.

During our discussion, he said he had watched how I worked on the operations floor, how I would lead my people and how hard I worked on my college classes during off-duty time. He said I inspired him to work hard on his college degree and become an officer. I was speechless.

I honestly did not think I had done anything worthy of that comment, yet he insisted it was true. I realized how much we are under constant scrutiny by co-workers and subordinates. Even when not directly mentoring, our actions have an indirect impact on their lives.

The Air Force sometimes has a tendency to concentrate on how well we perform today, and many like to see positive results as soon as possible. But we must not focus so much on the present that we neglect to provide people the tools to be successful in the future. The Air Force's leaders of tomorrow are counting on you.

When you go home tonight, look at yourself in the mirror. Look at those stripes on your sleeve and ask yourself two questions:

What do those stripes really mean to you?

## Leadership is integrity -- the difference between what's expedient, what's right

By Capt. Carey Eichorst  
7th Mission Support Squadron commander

To me, leadership revolves around integrity. Integrity can inspire when other traits often linked to leadership fall short. It is integrity that serves as the key core value -- defining and shaping other positive leadership values like job knowledge, decision-making ability, professionalism, dedication and so on.

A leader may not have all the skills and job knowledge associated with the tasks of his or her subordinates. Certainly, having these skills is very helpful, but integrity means a leader can admit to not having all the skills and knowledge while still supervising, leading and making informed decisions. It is this ability that inspires the

leader's subordinates to advise and to follow, enabling their leader to excel at his or her tasks.

Decision-making is a key role of leadership and often a tough one. It means having the integrity to make a decision, often based on less than complete knowledge and using the assessments of others, then accepting responsibility for the decision, right or wrong. Not making a decision means your subordinates must struggle with uncertainty and hope they are performing as needed. Integrity here means making and standing by your decisions.

Similarly, professionalism may be viewed as an outgrowth of integrity. A professional demeanor -- your appearance and actions -- indicates your personal integrity to match or exceed service expectations

and hopefully serve as a role model for others. You must have the integrity to live up to the values you profess as a leader and to value and trust the actions and opinions of your subordinates. This does not negate the role of supervision, but rather places it in the realm of staying informed and readily available.

Finally, there is integrity as it relates to dedication. On the surface, this seems simple enough -- we are dedicated to our country, the service, the mission and our unit. But in fact, this means having the integrity to put dedication over and above personal feelings, or the comfortable course of action. A truly dedicated leader should also have the integrity to make the necessary uncomfortable decisions or take unpopular actions, and not delay or pass them on to

someone else.

Integrity is my defining core value of leadership. It molds and shapes all leadership actions, traits and values at every level. It is often as simple as the difference between doing what is expedient and doing what is right.



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## This week in Dyess History

Dyess Elementary School earned the honors of receiving an "Exemplary" rating for the fifth consecutive year in 1999. The school was recognized by the Texas Education Agency. The school was praised for its high test scores, solid attendance, and low drop-out rates.

# Red, White and 'Thank You's'

## Traveling 'Flag Man' waves thanks to Dyess Airmen

Story and photo by  
Senior Airman  
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For the modern-day military hero, whether on the battlefield or off, it is often the two simple words -- "thank you" -- from a sincere heart that make their service worth the sacrifices they have made.

It is exactly that sort of deeply felt thanks that one Galveston, Texas, man is hoping to give.

For the past week, Robert "The Flag Man" Shumake has stood outside the Dyess front gate waving the flag and telling every Dyess Airman how he feels.

In fact, Mr. Shumake wants to make sure that every Airmen, Marine, soldier and sailor knows that America still appreciates its sons and daughters in uniform.

To honor America's warriors, the Flag Man travels to military installations all over the country, stands out in front of its main gate, and waves Old Glory, thanking everyone he sees.

The most recent stop on his quest is Dyess Air Force Base.

"When it comes to America's military, I say 'bless them,'" Shumake said. "I know that all gave some and some gave all -- that touches my heart deeply. I am just here showing my support so

that hopefully these brave men and women will feel that at least one person truly cares for what they do for this country. If they can fight for and give their lives for my freedom -- this is the least I can do."

Shumake believes so strongly in showing his support for America's fighting men and women that he has literally made it his job to do so.

The Flag Man's story begins on July 4, 2001, with a powerful and tender dream of his father, a decorated veteran of World War II.

"My father has been gone for over 20 years now," Shumake said. "But on that Fourth of July, my father came to me in a dream and when I woke up, I felt like I just had to carry the flag for him. So I did."

The small symbolic act for his father received such a good response that Robert decided to keep carrying the flag and giving out his thanks.

Then, the tragic events of Sept. 11 swept across the nation. Shumake, like many Americans, reeled as the tragedy unfolded.

"After Sept. 11, I just couldn't stop," Shumake said. "I realized that this was what I had to do."

Trusting to faith, the former cook put down his spatula, quit his job and picked up the guidon of the red, white and blue.



Robert "The Flag Man" Shumake stands outside the Dyess front gate Sunday waving to and thanking Airmen for their service to America. Following a dream about his deceased father and the tragedy of Sept. 11, the Flag Man quit his job and for the past three years has traveled to 11 different states to tell every Airman, Marine, soldier and sailor he meets "Thank you, America is proud."

"I know what some people think," said the 50-year-old Shumake. "They think I'm crazy. They told me I was crazy, but I looked them square in the eye and said 'Sorry, I have something more important to do.'"

For the past three years the Flag Man's only job has been waving his thanks with one hand and

America's colors in the other.

When asked how he has lived the past three years without a paying job, the Flag Man simply replies "The good Lord provides."

"Sometimes people bring me stuff -- food, water, money -- but I never ask for anything, ever. I believe that is wrong," Shumake said. "You know, I don't do

this for money or fame -- I do this because I want to. I do this because I believe it is important and God has blessed me to be able to do this."

Although many people may think that Shumake is crazy, he has the full love and support of his family.

"My grandchildren used to worry about me stand-

ing outside a military installation for 10 to 12 hours a day thanking people," Shumake said. "But my granddaughter, Ashley, gave me a picture of herself and all the other grandchildren. She told me to put it on my flag stick so that I can see them every day. That way I will know that they support me and so I won't be lonely."

Over the past three years, the Flag Man has been to a variety of different locations in 11 different states including New York City, Washington D.C. and most recently, he attended the new World War II National Memorial opening ceremonies. His visit this week to Abilene is the first time he has thanked the men and women of Dyess Air Force Base.

Despite his many travels, Shumake insists that his crusade is a still about one thing -- thanking America's military.

"After Sept. 11, I was angry and I think we all were," Shumake said. "But now all the anger is gone. All I feel is pride -- pride at being an American. It's all about this flag -- the faith in our country. That's why I'm here. I want to say thanks -- people appreciate you. You are the brave men and women who make America the land of the free and America has not forgotten. Thank you, America is proud."

**NEWS**  
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**The race is on for most on-time takeoffs in August ...**

**Ethics forum**

An ethics forum with Gen. Hal Hornburg, Air Combat Command commander, is scheduled for Friday from 11 a.m. to noon at The Heritage Club. The forum will feature a discussion of issues based on video clips from the movies "Patton," "A Few Good Men" and "Crimson Tide." Those interested in attending must receive permission from their unit commander. Attendees are encouraged to view the movies beforehand. For more information, call Chaplain (Capt.) Kevin Lockett or Chaplain (Capt.) Brian Anderson at 696-4224.

**HCAC meeting**

The 7th Medical Group's Health Care Consumer Advisory Council meets Thursday at noon in the Abilene Room at The Heritage Club. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Donna Loscombe at 696-4902.

**Free concert**

The Air Force Band of the West presents a free concert Aug. 21 at 3 p.m. at the Paramount Theater on Cypress in downtown Abilene. For more information, call 1st Lt. Ben Gamble at 696-3480.

**Register with myPay**

Starting Oct. 1, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service will no longer issue printed copies of military leave and earning statements. Personnel can sign up for a PIN on the myPay Web site or through the customer service section at the finance office. Live support will still be available through base finance offices to answer questions or provide customer service and pay transactions when necessary. The Web site for myPay is <http://mypay.dfas.mil> or members can use the myPay menu on any

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base comptroller Web site.

Secretary of the Air Force James G. Roche and Chief of Staff of the Air Force Gen. John P. Jumper are urging all Airmen to register with myPay by that date.

**Thrift shop**

The Dyess Thrift Shop, located at 382 4th Avenue, is open to all Dyess personnel and their families. During August, the store is open Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with consignments being accepted from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 696-8203.

**Military family day**

Participating downtown Abilene organizations and businesses will be sponsoring a military family day Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., for military members and their families. With a military ID, members will receive free admission to venues, discounts and special activities varying with each business. For more information and a complete list of participating businesses, call Heather Kuhn at 673-4587.

**Military scholarship**

Abilene Christian University is now offering an active duty scholarship. The Air Force tuition assistance program and the ACU scholarship will cover all tuition costs. This scholarship will apply to both undergraduate and graduate course work, both on base and on campus. To receive the scholarship, the student must be active duty military in addition to being an enrolled ACU student. For more information, call the base education office at 696-5544.

**Study applications**

The Air Force is offering the opportunity for three officers to study overseas for two years through the Olmsted Scholar Program. Those selected will begin study for the 2005-2006 school year. Applicants must be a regular or Reserve line officer on active-duty with between three and 11 years of commissioned service, and no more than 11 years total service by April 1, 2005. Officers must have at least a 3.0 grade point average

on a 4.0 scale for their undergraduate degree. They must have achieved at least a 550 on each portion (verbal and quantitative) on the Graduate Record Examination. Finally, they must have scored at least a 110 on the Defense Language Aptitude Battery. All applications must arrive at the Air Force Personnel Center by Oct. 15.

**Air Force seeks career enlisted aviators**

Opportunities for Airmen to become enlisted aviators are taking off as nine aircrew specialties, more than 360 training slots, are opening up for retraining. First-term Airmen assigned to units within the continental United States may not apply before the first duty day of the month in which they complete 35 months of their enlistment (59 months for six-year enlistees).

They must apply before the last duty day of the 43rd month of the enlistment (67 months for six-year enlistees). Airmen stationed overseas may apply between the

15th and ninth month before the date they are eligible to return providing they will enter the 35th month of service (59th for six-year enlistees) on or before their return date. CEAs are entitled to a monthly incentive pay based on the number of years of aviation service, not rank.

Specifically, Airmen with four years or less of aviation service receive \$150 per month. Airmen with more than four years earn an extra \$225, and those with more than eight years earn \$350. Airmen with more than 14 years of aviation service collect \$400. Positions are available for in-flight refueling specialists, flight engineers, loadmasters, airborne communications and electronics specialists, airborne battle management systems specialists, airborne mission systems specialists, flight attendants, aerial gunners and airborne cryptologic linguists. Contact the military personnel flight, or visit the Web site at <https://www.xo.hq.af.mil/xoo/xoot/xoota/CEA/cea.htm>.



Senior Airman Ryan Summers

## TEAM DYESS Warrior of the Week

### Airman 1st Class Adrian Mejia

**Unit:** 7th Comptroller Squadron

**Job title:** Special Actions Representative

**Job description:** I handle finance and pay issues for those separating, retiring and those going on terminal leave.

**Time in the Air Force:** One year and six months

**Time at Dyess:** One year and one month

**Hometown:** Emporia, Kan.

**Family:** Wife, Sarah; daughter, Maeleigh.

**Career goal:** I hope to graduate college and attend Officer Training School.

**Most rewarding job aspect:** Knowing every Air Force member is being paid correctly and on time.

**Favorite thing about Dyess:** The new gym.

**Favorite thing about the Air Force:** The educational opportunities that are provided.

**Favorite Air Force memory:** The people I have spent time with and met.

*(Editor's note: The Dyess Warrior of the Week is selected by unit squadron commanders, first sergeants or supervisors on a rotating squadron basis.)*



# M9 Pistol Training

## Dyess Airmen take aim with their sidearm skills

By Airman 1st Class James Kang  
Dyess Public Affairs

Weighing in at a modest 2.55 pounds when fully loaded, the M9 Beretta is a light-weight double-action semi-automatic pistol that is more lethal, lighter and safer than its predecessors, said Staff Sgt. Matthew Hippely, 7th Security Forces combat arms instructor

Although the M16 is the primary combat weapon for military personnel, the M9 is the next in line as the standard sidearm for many armed services members, said Sergeant Hippely.

"When all else fails, the most reliable and the last line of personal defense is the M9," said Sergeant Hippely.

While M16 training is mandatory for all Air Force members, M9 training is reserved for a select few such as security forces, pilots, aircrews, weapons couriers and weapons custodians.

The 7th SFS at Dyess provides a thorough M9 training class to those select units that require it. The primary purpose of the course is to train and educate an individual to properly use fundamentals and operator skills for the M9 pistol, said

combat arms section provides weapons training to those units that have a peacetime arming requirement and those with identified mobility positions," said Master Sgt. Richard Cook, NCO in-charge of combat arms. "The combat arms section is also responsible for pre-issue, pre-embarkation, post-deployment, annual and semi-annual inspections and repairing all ground weapons assigned to the base."

The M9 training class is approximately four hours in length, including two in-class-

room hours and two hours on the shooting range.

Individuals or units that are required to attend the class are broken down into three separate arming groups.

Group A consists of security forces, Air Force Office of Special Investigation and Tactical Air Control and Party Personnel. Group B consists of the life support squadron, enlisted aircrew members armed for air operations security, com-

mand post entry controllers, weapon custodians and couriers, designated munitions maintenance personnel and the air-lift control squadron personnel. Group C consists of everyone else who is tasked for the training.

Individuals are taken through a step-by-step process about safety procedures, weapon characteristics and other basic information regarding the pistol. In addition, the class offers a variety of techniques, marksmanship strategies and various positioning.

"Safety is a crucial part of the M9 training," said Staff Sgt. Joell Malcolm, 7th SFS, combat arms instructor. "While handling weapons and operating them, there is no room for error and an error can mean the difference of life and death."

After learning the fundamentals of the M9, participants are then taken to the firing range to test their abilities and attempt to qualify with their training, said Sergeant Malcolm. People will first fire off some practice rounds before the

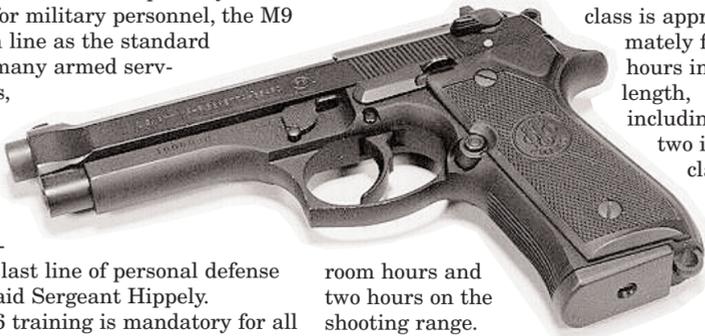
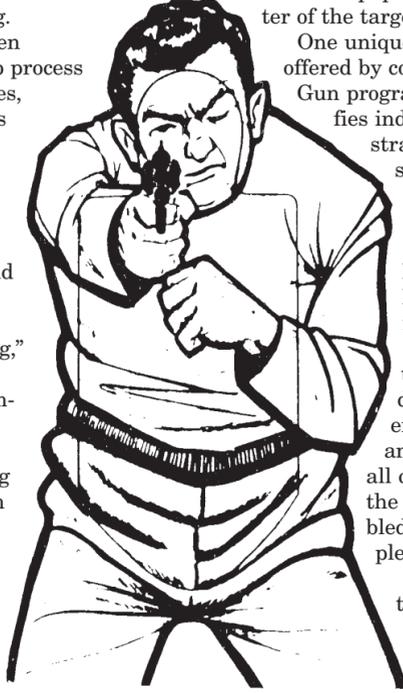
initial qualification shoot. In order to qualify, participants must hit a man-sized target 28 out of 36 times at 25 yards away. To get an expert rating, students must hit 36 shots on paper with 30 hits in the center of the target.

One unique training incentive offered by combat arms is the Top Gun program. The program identifies individuals who demonstrate outstanding shooting skills and achieve the highest score in their designated arming group, each month in the M9 pistol and also in the M16 rifle Air Force qualification courses.

During the final portion of the course, students are taught to properly maintain, disassemble and inspect their pistol. If all qualifications are met and the pistol is fully re-assembled, the M9 training is completed.

Time and time again, the M9 pistol has proved its potency and usefulness, in and off the battlefield, said Sergeant Hippely. "With the train-

ing that we provide our troops, we could help ensure to make them more efficient and give them the upperhand against our enemies."



Airman 1st Class Aaron Walker

A group of Dyess members prepare to fire their M9 pistol at their targets as part of their training.



Airman 1st Class Aaron Walker

Maj. William Walker, 317th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, cleans his pistol and attempts to reassemble it.



### M9 PISTOL CHARACTERISTICS

- Primary function:** Semi-automatic pistol
  - Builder:** Beretta and Beretta, USA
  - Length:** 8.54 inches (21.69 centimeters)
  - Width:** 1.50 inches (3.81 centimeters)
  - Height:** 5.51 inches (14 centimeters)
  - Barrel length:** 4.92 inches (12.5 centimeters)
  - Weight fully loaded:** 2.55 pounds (1.16 kilograms)
  - Bore diameter:** 9mm (approximately .355 inches)
  - Maximum effective range:** 152.5 feet (50 meters)
  - Magazine capacity:** 15 rounds
  - Muzzle velocity:** 1200 feet (365 meters) per second
  - Unit Replacement Cost:** \$263
- (Facts courtesy of the Federation of American Scientists)



Airman 1st Class Aaron Walker

Staff Sgt. Joell Malcolm, Combat Arms Instructor, teaches her class how to properly take aim at a target with the M9 sidearm.



Airman 1st Class Aaron Walker

1st Lt. Courtney Zimmerman, 7th Civil Engineer Squadron, takes aim at a target and attempts to qualify with her M9 pistol training. In order to qualify, participants must hit a man-sized target 28 out of 36 times at 25 yards away. To earn an expert rating, students must hit 36 shots on paper and with 30 hits in the center of the target.





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**'I see a name... Rumpelstiltskin!'**

Dyess children participate in this year's Missoula Children's Theater production of Rumpelstiltskin at the base theater Aug. 13.

**Community Briefs**

**Annual Bull Run**

The Dyess Top 3 hosts the 23rd Annual Bull Run and Walk fundraiser at 9 a.m. Sept. 1 at the base picnic grounds. Proceeds will help support the Community College of the Air Force, Airman Leadership School graduation funds, the annual enlisted dining out, promotion ceremonies and enlisted morale events. To register and for more information, call Tech. Sgt. Brian Huber at 696-3495.

**Splash and Dash pool party**

The Heritage Club hosts its first "Splash and Dash" pool party today from 5 to 11 p.m. at The Heritage Club Pool. The party is open to all ranks. For a \$1 entrance fee, club members can enjoy open swim, food and door prizes. For more information, call 696-2405.

**Football Frenzy**

The Hangar Center hosts "Football Frenzy" National Football League kick off between the New England Patriots and the Indianapolis Colts at 8 p.m. Sept. 9 at the Hangar Lounge. Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase. For more information, call Willie Cooper at 696-4305.

**AAC meeting**

The next Airman Advisory Council meeting is Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the enlisted club meeting room at The Hangar Center. For more information, call Airman 1st Class Rachel Trevino at 696-1407.

**Wrestling Pay-Per-View**

The Hangar Center is broadcasting World Wrestling Entertainment's "Unforgiven," Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the cost is \$5 per person. Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase. For more information, call Willie Cooper at 696-4305.

**Crafter's Haven**

◆ A workshop for scrap-booking and memory albums runs from 6 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday in August.  
◆ "Make and Take" jewelry workshops run from 3 to 5 p.m. every Wednesday. For more information, call 696-4175.

**Outdoor recreation**

◆ Outdoor recreation has a dunking booth available for rent. The cost is \$50 per day.  
◆ Outdoor recreation has regular season passes and Six Flags "Golden passes" available for \$100. Each package includes Texas Rangers baseball, a tour of the stadium, Dallas Zoo, State Fair, Natural History Museum and more.  
For more information on these and other activities at outdoor recreation, call 696-2402.

**Information, Tickets and Travel**

◆ The ITT office has Texas Rangers baseball tickets available as well as special rates for Carnival Cruises. Dates, ports and costs vary for each travel package.  
◆ Free tickets are available for the Aug. 28 Texas Rangers game. Active duty, retirees and reservists all get one free ticket each and each additional ticket is only \$6.  
◆ Hurricane Harbor tickets are available for \$16.  
For more information on these and other activities available through ITT, call 696-5207.

**Auto skills center**

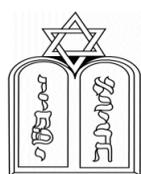
◆ Auto skills is offering a special on coolant service for August. The cost is \$27.50 plus parts.  
◆ Auto skills offers state inspections for your vehicles.  
For more information on these and other activities at the auto skills center, call 696-4179.

**Embry-Riddle**

Registration for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University semesters are underway. ERAU's Fall term dates runs through Oct. 9. The Dyess ERAU office is located in the Base Training Education Services Flight, 425 Third Street, Suite 318. Dyess personnel interested in DL courses can register on an ongoing basis. DL courses begin on the 15th of each month. Tuition assistance is available. For more information contact the Dyess Embry-Riddle office at 696-1785 or 692-2007, or via e-mail at dyess.center@erau.edu.

**Voting registration**

General elections are approaching and Air Force voting officials are reminding everyone to register to vote. Deadlines and state-specific rules on voter registration can be found on the Federal Voting Assistance Program Web site at www.fvap.gov. The site includes a list of 10 things to do to ensure a person's vote counts. For more information about voting at Dyess, call Capt. Frank Fischer at 696-2301.



**Dyess Chapel**

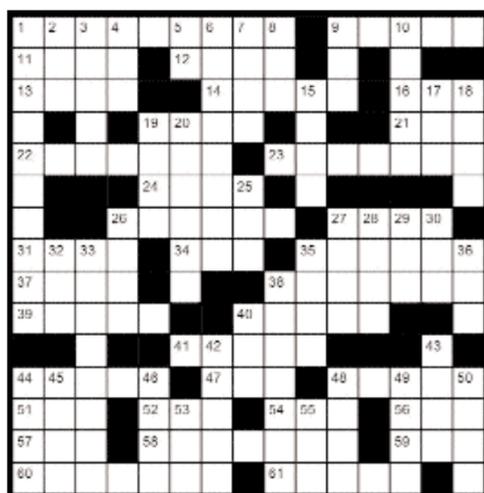


**Catholic:** Reconciliation starts at 4:15 p.m. Saturday followed by Mass at 5 p.m. Sunday Mass is 9 a.m. Sunday School is 11 a.m. at Dyess Elementary School. Daily Mass is at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday through Friday.

**Protestant:** Sunday School begins at 9:15 a.m. at Dyess Elementary School. Shared faith worship begins 11 a.m. Sunday. Gospel service starts 1 p.m. Sunday. Sunday Night Worship Service is from 4-7 p.m. A nursery and children's church are available at all services.

**Jewish:** For information about the times and places of Jewish services, call Capt. Matt Paskin at 829-6149.

For more information, call the chapel at 696-4224.



1. Made first controlled heavier-than-air flight (1894)
2. "\_\_\_ Got A Secret"
3. Pioneer in field of consumer protection
4. Building block of life?
5. 1982 Spielberg movie
6. They establish connections
7. Women (old-fashioned)
8. Medical corporation
9. Important food fish from Atlantic waters
10. Used to detect distant objects
15. 365 days
17. Cotton gin Whitney
18. Hawaiian goose
19. Soft mineral
20. Made first controlled, powered, heavier-than-air flight (1903)
25. American singer and pianist King Cole
26. Being nothing more than
27. Benefit
28. Bet
29. CBS TV show
30. . . . . .
32. Commotion
33. Made first controlled, powered, rigid-body flight (1901)
35. Twain character Finn
36. Agency considered "nation's cryptologic organization"
38. Headed Women's Air Force Service Pilots
40. Federal org. concerned with flight safety
42. Richard Roundtree role
43. Man considered the "Father of American Aeronautics"
44. Cry
45. Pioneering balloonist Thaddeus \_\_\_; used balloons in Civil War
46. Has wisdom and calm judgment
48. Neap or ebb?
49. Antacid
50. Information about recent events
53. Vietnam War Memorial architect
55. Sis' sibling

**National Aviation Days**

**ACROSS**

1. First to fly solo across Atlantic (1927)
9. First in helicopter flight (1907)
11. Middle name of American helicopter pioneer
12. Group on same side, as in game
13. Helen of Troy's mother
14. Dr. Brown of Back to the Future
16. Lair
19. "\_\_\_ the night before Christmas ..."
21. Pub drink
22. First woman to fly solo across Atlantic (1928)
23. Made first space flight (1961)
24. Zodiac animal
26. Yankee baseball player (1891-1900) and manager (1902-1932)
27. They raise money to give to politicians

31. Fog
34. NASA telescope, in brief
35. William Samuel \_\_\_; experimented with model gliders
37. French aviation engineer and inventor (1841-1926)
38. Made first seaplane flight in America (1911)
39. Gigli actress
40. Made first successful helicopter (1936)
41. Single bag (two words)
44. Sanctify
47. To express triumph
48. Victor \_\_\_; French aviation theorist (1843-1913)
51. Earthlink competitor
52. Pie \_\_\_ mode (two words)
54. Baseball stat
56. Exploit
57. War fought 1914 to 1918, "War to end all Wars"
58. Made first powered flight (1952)
59. Cat's noise
60. Merciful
61. Christmas carols

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**The BIG Screen**

The Dyess Theater is located next to the main exchange. Patrons must have a valid identification card and may sponsor guests. Admission for adults is \$2, children 6-12 years old are 99 cents, and children ages 6 and younger are admitted free. G-rated movies are 99 cents for kids ages 2-12. For more information, call 696-4320.

**Friday, 7 p.m.**

**King Arthur** -- Clive Owen, Keira Knightley, Til Schweiger -- The time is near 450 A.D. The Roman Empire has begun to crumble, and England has been torn apart by territorial tribes clamoring to rule the land. It is up to Arthur and his ragtag group of warriors, including Lancelot and worthy fighter Guinevere, to unify the country and bring peace. Collectively, they are known as the Knights of the Round Table.

PG-13 (intense battle sequences, a scene of sensuality and some language)

**Saturday, 2 p.m.**

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**Anchor Man** -- Will Ferrell, Christina Applegate, Vince Vaughn -- Will Ferrell stars as Ron Burgundy, the top-rated anchorman of San Diego in the '70s. When feminism marches into the newsroom in the form of newswoman Veronica Corningstone, Ron is willing to play along at first -- as long as Veronica stays in her place, covering cat fashion shows, cooking and other "female" interests. But when Veronica refuses to settle for being eye candy and steps behind the news desk, it's more than a battle between two perfectly coiffed anchor-persons -- it's war.

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**Coming Attractions**

- ◆ Aug. 27, 7 p.m. -- Catwoman
- ◆ Aug. 28, 2 p.m. -- Cinderella Story
- ◆ Aug. 28, 7 p.m. -- Catwoman
- ◆ Aug. 29, 2 p.m. -- Cinderella Story



**Caption Contest**

**This week's photo (No. 23)**

**The rules:**

1. Write a creative, printable caption for this week's photo.
2. Email your entry by close of business Monday to peacemaker@dyess.af.mil. Entries are limited to three per photo.
3. Entries must include the photo number and your name with your duty phone number.
4. Contest winners are announced weekly.
5. All entries become the property of *The Peacemaker*.



**"Mirror, mirror on the wall, do I look like Maverick at all?"**

The winner of the caption contest for the Aug. 13 issue of *The Peacemaker* is Senior Airman Chad Farley, 7th Maintenance Group.

The runner up was:

"Fred likes to pretend he's Darth Vader when he tests his oxygen mask."

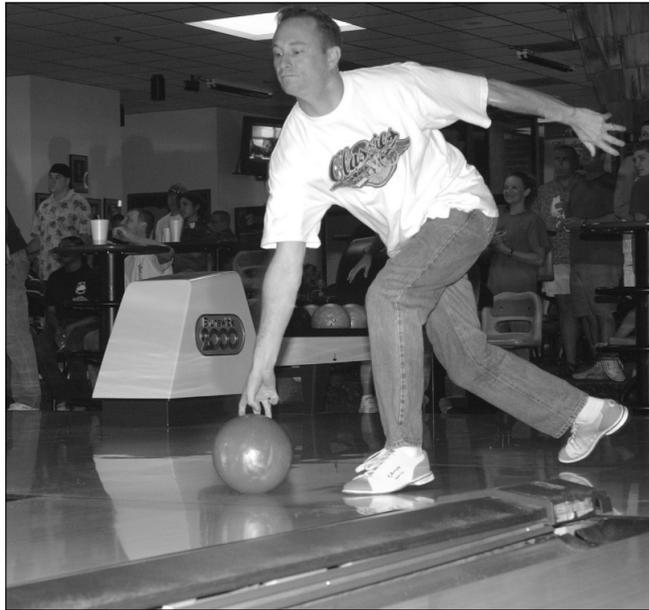
Patrick Clancy, 317th Operations Support Squadron



Photos by Airman Rob Morris

### Sports Day

Dyess had its second Sports Day Tuesday. Events held included a home-run derby, two-person, three-point hot shot basketball, a biathlon, a bench press competition, nine-pin, no-tap bowling, nine-hole, four-person golf scramble, sand volleyball and paintball. (Above) Senior Airman Tony Williams, 7th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, benches 315 pounds. during the bench press competition. (Far right) Tech. Sgt. Thomas Fischer, 7th Communication Squadron, bowls a spare at the base bowling center. (Right) Staff Sgt. Jason Carmony, 7th Communications Squadron, takes aim at another player during the paintball competition at outdoor recreation.



## Sports Shorts

### Correction

The Peacemaker neglected to print that the 7th Medical Group beat the 7th Civil Engineer Squadron, 13-12, to win the base women's softball championship Aug. 3.

### Bowl for Kids' Sake

The Dyess Company Grade Officers Council, in conjunction with the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Abilene, host Bowl for Kids' Sake from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at Dyess Lanes. For more information, call Capt. Julio Hernandez at 696-5527 or 2nd Lt. Richard Partain at 696-3500.

### Varsity basketball coaches

The fitness center is now accepting applications for the 2004 men's and women's varsity basketball coaching positions. Interested people must fill out an Air Force Form 303 and submit it to the fitness center staff no later than Sept. 2. For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Dave Paquin at 696-1653.

### Busted Putter

The "Busted Putter," an annual golf tournament that pairs members of Team Dyess with Abilene community and business leaders, is Sept. 27 at Fairway Oaks Country Club. Organizers will put together four-person teams, two from Dyess and two from the local community, to compete in a scramble format. The entry fee is \$35 and play begins at 1 p.m. The field is limited to the first 50 people from Dyess, and interested people can sign up with Lt. Col. Lou Martucci at 696-1932,

### Sand volleyball

The sand volleyball court at The Hangar Center is open every day from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. for open play. There is no cost to use the court. Teams can also enter a weekly tournament every Friday starting at 5 p.m. For more information, call 696-4305.

### Sports Day results

For the 5K run: Men-(1st) Derek Oakley,

9th Bomb Squadron, 18:05 min.; (2nd) Tobin Anderson, 9th BS, 19:31 min.; (3rd) Sheron Cedeno, 7th Civil Engineer Squadron, 20:23 min.; Women-(1st) Bradess Pardue, 7th CES, 20:30 min.

For the 100 Yards Dash: Men-(1st) Quincy Baity, 7th CES, 13:44 sec.; (2nd) Derek Oakley, 9th BS, 13:59 sec.; Women (1st) Sylvia Gardner, 7th CES, 14:49 sec.

For the 1 mile race and run: Men-(1st) Kirk Lyneis, 7th Medical Group, 6:20 min.; (2nd) David May, 7th Bomb Wing, 7:10 min.; Women (1st) Elizabeth Campanile, 7th BW, 7:00 min.

For the bench press: (1st) Tony William, 7th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; (2nd) Quenton Clarke, 7th Medical Operations Squadron; (3rd) Emilliano Kaku, 9th Aircraft Maintenance Unit.

For home run derby: (1st) Miguel Reyes, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron; (2nd) Richard Luna, 7th Security Forces Squadron; (3rd) Mike Colvin, 7th Munitions Squadron.

For three point two person hot shot: (1st) Derek Molloy, 7th Operations Support Squadron and Jason Kiser, 7th OSS; (2nd) Lynn Stewart, 7th AMXS and Rodney Mcinnis, Component Maintenance Squadron; (3rd) Jontae Wallace, 7th CES and Chris McShaw, 7th CES.

For 100 meter swim: Men (1st) Matt Zimmerman, 7th CES, 1:10 min.; Women-(1st) Shannon Weber, 317th AG, 1:09 min.

For Biathlon Team: (1st) Andrew Krebs and Derek Oakley, 9th BS; (2nd) Todd Serres and Jason Wild, 7th OSS; (3rd) Melissa Kee and Daniel McCella, 7th BW.

For Biathlon individuals: (1st) Matt Zimmerman, 7th CES; (2nd) Shannon Weber, 317th AG; (3rd) Barry Hutchinson, 28th BS.

For Pin No Tap tournament: 1st team 2536- Carey Morris, 7th Missions Operations Squadon, Walter Bridges, 7th CMS, Nathaniel Allison, 7th CMS, and Matt Morris, 7th Services Squadron. Top individual high score was 286, from Walter Kraly, 7th BW.

### Air Force Marathon

The 8th Annual Air Force Marathon is Sept. 18 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The marathon will include a half-marathon, wheelchair race, four-person relay and five-kilometer race. Marathon committee officials will present awards to the top finishers from each major command. For more information, visit the marathon's Web site at <http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil>.



Airman 1st Class Aaron Walker

### Golf Championship

Dan Wiggers shows his driving skills on the 4th hole during the base adult golf championship at Dyess Aug. 15.

## Standings

### Soccer

American League  
(Current as of Aug. 13)

Team	Win-Loss
7 CES	3-0
7 CMS	2-2
7 LRS	2-2
7 AMXS	3-0
7 EMS	2-1
7 SFS	1-3
317 MXS	1-3
28/9/13 BS	1-2
7 MUNS	3-1
7 CS	0-3

### Golf

American  
(Current as of Aug. 13)

Team	Win-Loss
7 MDG	50.5-9.5
7 LRS	46.5-13.5
7 SFS	27-33
436 TRS	31-29
7 BW	23-37
7 MOS	17.5-42.5
7 OSS	25.5-34.5
7 MUNS	23-37
7 CMS "C"	23.5-36.5

National  
(Current as of Aug. 13)

Team	Win-Loss
7 CMS "B"	55.5-10.5
7 CES	53.5-12.5
317 AMXS	39.5-26.5
7 CMS "A"	46.5-19.5
7 SVS	35-31
7 EMS	33-33
7 CS "B"	15-51
7 AMXS	26-40
7 CS "A"	14-52
317 MXS	12-54

Summer Series  
(Standings after three events)

Last Name	Points
Penrod	40
Bishop	39
Booker	35
Wiggers	34
Williams	34
Castillo	31
Prosser	30
Horton	28
O'Neil	27
Fleischmann	17
Moon	15
Tarsibwicz	15
Corn	15
Morris	15
Wright	14
Cook	13
Martucci	12
Core	12
West	12
Stocking	11
Walters	11
Smith	10
Aston	10
Bowles	9
Dumas	9
Garcia	6
McGinnes	6
Randolph	5
McDurmann	5

### Softball

American League  
(Final Standings)

Team	Win-Loss
317 AMXS	9-2
7 LRS	9-2
Varsity	8-1
7 MDG	8-3
7 EMS	7-4
7 AMXS #3	7-5
7 AMXS #1	4-7
7 CMS #2	3-8
7 CS	2-9
317 MXS	2-9
372 TRS	0-9

National League  
(Final Standings)

Team	Win-Loss
317 OSS	9-1
7 CMS #1	9-2
7 SFS	9-3
7 CES	8-4
7 MUNS	7-3
Varsity	5-0
7 MOS/OSS	5-6
7 CES #2	5-7
7 SVS	4-7
7 AMXS #2	2-10
28 BS	2-10
7 CPTS	0-12

Womens  
(Final Standings)

Team	Win-Loss
7 MDG	6-1
7 CES	5-1
317 AG	4-3
7 CMS	1-6
7 SFS	1-6