



# Peacemaker

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## 7th Bomb Wing Sortie Goals

As of: Oct. 29

Monthly Goal	Flown to Date	Current Status
89	89	+10
45	42	0
84	77	+3

FY-03 Flying Hour Curve: +8

Source: 7th Operations Group

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## 317th Airlift Group Sortie Goals

As of: Oct. 28

Departure Reliability Goal	Current Departure Reliability
78%	67.5%
78%	79.5%

Source: 317th Airlift Group

## Family of base's namesake visits Dyess

By Airman 1st Class  
**Matthew Rosine**  
*Dyess Public Affairs*

For many people, recounting their family's tradition and heritage is easily done by listening to grandma tell stories about how it used to be as she slowly thumbs through an old family album. But for one grandma, telling the family history required a trip to the flightline and a demonstration of the capabilities of the manpower, mission and machines of Dyess Air Force Base.

Nell Dyess Denman, the sister of Lt. Col. William Edwin Dyess, the base's namesake, visited the base Oct. 25 with her husband, Ben, and two generations of family.

"It has been awhile since I have been able to come back and visit," Denman said. "But, it is very gratifying to visit the base, and it always has been."

The Denman family began



Staff Sgt. Kristin Conway

**Misty Denman shows her daughter, Hallie, a B-1 while visiting Dyess Oct. 25. The two were among three generations of relatives to accompany Nell Dyess Denman on a tour of the base named for Nell's brother, Lt. Col. Edwin Dyess.**

the day with lunch at The Following the luncheon, Heritage Club with several Denman and her family visited the flightline.

The first stop was to visit the Star of Abilene, the Air Force's first B-1B bomber. After seeing the bomber and a C-130, the Denmans arrived at the B-1 simulator to receive a mission briefing.

Denman and her family then went on a windshield tour of the base and walk-through tour of the recently opened child development center.

"I was here the day the base opened," Denman said. "There have really been a lot of changes over the years, and it is a real thrill to see how things have changed."

The tour concluded with a visit to the Dyess Visitor's Center where many personal items of Colonel Dyess are kept such as photos, uniforms and books.

"I'm glad to see such an interest here in (our military history)," Denman said.

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## President signs 2003 defense appropriations package

by Tech. Sgt. Scott Elliott  
*Air Force Print News*

WASHINGTON -- President George W. Bush signed the fiscal year 2003 Defense Appropriations Act Oct. 23, giving the U.S. military \$355 billion to confront "grave new dangers."

This year's defense bill authorizes the military to spend more than \$37 billion above last year's budget.

"The security of the American peo-

ple is the first commitment of the American government," Bush said. "Our nation must fully support the men and women of our military who confront these dangers on our behalf."

According to the president, the legislation authorizes a 4.1 percent pay raise for servicemembers, provides additional full-time support personnel for the National Guard and Reserve, while continuing to reduce out-of-pocket expenses for housing.

Besides the appropriations bill, Bush signed the 2003 Military Construction Appropriations Act, authorizing \$10.5 billion for building and upgrading installations and military family housing.

"We're taking care of our people," Bush said. "We want the people who wear the uniform to know America appreciates their service."

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# Underage drinking -- It's against the law for a reason

By Maj. Dean Cusanek  
81st Security Forces Squadron

## KEESLER AIR FORCE

BASE, Miss. -- It used to be that having a couple of drinks after work was the thing to do. A whole group would head from the dorms to the Airman's Club and drink the night away.

In the early 1980s, things started to change. The drinking age was changed to 19, then 20 and then 21. People were upset.

I hear the same complaints today that I heard then: "If I am old enough to fight and die for my country, I should be old enough to have a drink whenever I want one."

That sounds all "hooah," but when you give it a sanity check, it isn't. To die for your country is one thing, but to die because you made a poor choice to break the law and

drink underage is quite another.

Underage drinking is against the law.

So, what's so special about 21? It isn't just an age law-makers pulled out of a hat. According to information posted on the Mothers Against Drunk Driving Web site, in the late 1960s and early 1970s, several states lowered their drinking age from 21 to 18. Research indicated a significant increase in highway deaths of the teens affected by these laws.

Therefore, in the early '80s, a movement began to raise the drinking age back to 21. States monitored the difference in highway fatalities. Research found that teenage deaths in fatal car crashes dropped up to 28 percent. In 1982, when many states had a minimum drinking age of 18, 55 percent of all fatal

crashes involving young drivers also involved alcohol. Since then, the alcohol-related traffic fatality rate has been cut in half, and more than 17,000 lives have been saved.

Young people who drink impair the brain functions they rely on so heavily for learning and making split-second decisions that could affect their lives and the lives of those around them.

They remind us what it takes to get the mission done. They inspire us to do our very best at all times. They are the common bond among all comrades in arms.

We rely on each other to build and sustain the world's most respected air and space force. If we use the core values as our compass, together we'll get the mission done.

(Courtesy of Air Force News Service)

## ACTION LINE



Brig. Gen. Wendell Griffin  
7th Bomb Wing commander

The action line provides a direct line of communication between me and the people of Dyess. It is only one of several means of helping resolve problems and get my response to comments and questions.

As a general rule, I ask you to contact the agency involved first, but if you are not satisfied, call 6-3355 or e-mail action@dyess.af.mil and leave your message. Leaving your name and phone number ensures you will receive a personal reply by phone.

## Incentive flights?

**Comments:** I see dedicated and assistant crew chiefs, airmen and NCOs on the flightline who have won awards either for community service or from squadron and wing boards. I also see cadets from the Academy and various ROTC programs. It seems to work out that the men and women who actually maintain the airframe, either directly or indirectly, are always put on hold when the cadets come to town. I have heard that the reason maintainers don't have as many incentive flights is because of the cost of sending us up.

If this is true, then why is it that as soon as cadets come in town, they are flown around in the aircraft that those maintainers have spent a career working on?

**Response:** I understand your concern and agree that those who fix and maintain our aircraft should be among the first to receive incentive rides. However, we must operate within strict command guidance on which people we fly. Air Combat Command Instruction 11-450 governs all our orientation flights. You are correct we fly a limited number of visiting cadets here during the summer for temporary duty.

These cadets receive familiarization flights, which are defined as "flights that familiarize individuals with ACC's aircraft and mission. These individuals normally have aviation-related responsibilities or have a requirement to observe routine training missions." Cadets considering a career in aviation have a valid requirement to observe actual flying missions.

However, that does not mean incentive flights for maintenance personnel stop while cadets are visiting. I can assure you we will continue to support both familiarization and incentive flights as much as possible as long as they do not interfere with our ability to train and accomplish our wartime missions.

We appreciate the tremendous efforts from across the base that enable our flying mission, and wish we could fly everyone who wants a sortie.

There simply are not enough opportunities to do so. Thanks for your call.



Warriors... congratulations on a great Phase I/Phase II Operational Readiness Exercise. You guys did a great job! During the exercise, I had the opportunity to get out and about visiting many of you in the field and in your exercise work areas. I can tell you, I was very impressed... by your attitude and by the way you attacked this exercise. We got off to a little bit of a slow start and had some trouble initially generating our required aircraft... but that was a problem resulting from some of the management decisions we made before the exercise started... it was not due to the men and women out there working jets. The leadership will take the hit for that one... we will analyze our lessons learned and do it smarter next time. Kudos to all the folks working the mobility process... it went very well in my estimation, with only minor deviations... well done to all the professionals that made the mobility machine work. By the time we got to the Phase II, everyone was fully into the swing of things. I was very impressed by all of the activity going on in the field. Almost everyone said... "Hey sir, this is fun." It is fun...and it should be fun... this is what we train for...this is what we do... as a U.S. Air Force and as the premiere bomber unit. One other note of significance... we did not have one single safety incident during the Phase I... this is a huge accomplishment. Thanks for a great job once again... thanks for taking the exercise seriously... and thanks for the efforts you put forth to make this a better wing... a wing ready to go to war when called upon. I am extremely proud of each and every one of you. Have a great and safe weekend.



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# Air Force seeks retention through GI Bill program

By Staff Sgt. Todd Lopez  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON -- The Air Force will soon begin testing a new retention tool designed to help some servicemembers provide for their families' education.

As part of the Montgomery GI Bill Transferability Test Program, members working in selected career fields will be able to transfer a portion of their MGIB benefits to one or more family members. Air Force members meeting the eligibility criteria for the test program will be able to transfer up to 18 months of their MGIB benefits to their spouse, children or a combination of both. Both commissioned and enlisted members will be eligible.

According to Senior Master Sgt. Joey Walker, chief of retention policy for the Air Force directorate of learning force development, the program

gives servicemembers another reason to sign on the dotted line.

"There are many factors that influence a person's decision to stay in the Air Force," Walker said. "This is a great initiative we can use to target (Air Force career fields) experiencing low retention."

For enlisted members to take advantage of this targeted re-enlistment benefit, they must re-enlist between Oct. 1, 2002 and Sept. 30, 2003; have between six and 12 years time in service; already be eligible for MGIB benefits; and work in one of the selected critical Air Force specialties.

The career fields for enlisted members include linguists, firefighters and communications computer system programmers. Officer career fields include developmental engineers, scientists and civil engineers. To be eligible, officers must meet the same time-in-service requirements as enlisted members, agree to incur a four-year active duty

service commitment during fiscal year 2003 and already be eligible for MGIB benefits.

Currently, Dyess education officials have not received the official implementation guidelines for the program here.

Implementation plans for the proposed policy are being reviewed by officials at the Air Force Personnel Center, so the program has not yet been activated. However, servicemembers who meet the criteria and who have already extended their service commitment will be eligible for the benefit.

People taking advantage of the benefits of the test program will be surveyed to determine the weight of the MGIB transferability option on their decision to extend their time in service. The results of the survey will help determine the continuation of the program.

For more information about the Montgomery GI Bill Transferability Test program, call the education office at 6-5544.

## Former CMSAFs discuss transformation of today's Air Force

By Staff Sgt. Ryan Mattox and  
2nd Lt. Amy Hansen  
3rd Wing Public Affairs

ELMENDORF AIR FORCE BASE, Alaska -- Retired Chief Master Sgts. of the Air Force Sam Parish and Eric Benken talked to hundreds of airmen here last week about how the service has transformed since they held the top enlisted position.

"Today's airmen are better than I was, much better," said Parish, who was the guest speaker at an Airman Leadership School graduation here. "We hold our young people today more accountable than when I was an airman in the '50s. Airmen in the '50s were seen, not heard."

Benken said the biggest change he has seen in the Air Force since he retired in 1999 is the transition from a Cold War posture to an expeditionary air force.

"We realized in the '90s that we had an increasing ops tempo," he said. "We knew that the missions would be a lot different from the 43 years we had been in a Cold War posture. So, we had to learn how to deploy."

"We began to start mak-

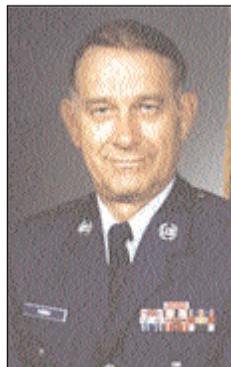
ing a lot of cultural changes. We implemented Warrior Week in basic military training, we changed the curriculum for first sergeants, and we started looking at the training we needed to do in order to send (people) to remote locations."

Parish said the deployment of entire units was not common during his service in the military.

"In my day, we would (move) people to a forward base to operate out of that base," he said. "If there was a threat, we would move airplanes and pallets forward to do the job. But we always had people in place as a general rule."

Both chiefs agreed that the aerospace expeditionary force concept was a necessary change in the Air Force's operational strategy.

"I think the AEF concept



Retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Sam Parish

is tremendous for our Air Force in that it is able to provide stability and provide our troops with a time frame for when they are deploying," Benken said.

Although the concept is good, Benken said the AEF process is going to need continuous adjustments as the United States faces new challenges and missions brought about by the war on terrorism.

Although they acknowledged these new challenges, both remained optimistic about the future of the Air Force, due largely to an improvement in the quality of life for airmen.

"The Air Force didn't even come close to saying that they cared about airmen, even senior (noncommissioned officers), when I came in," said Parish, who retired in 1986. "If they wanted you to have a wife or a car, they would have issued you one."

"Our people are being cared for and represented better than they have been in the history of the Air Force," Parish added.

He was a technical sergeant before he was eligible for base housing, and he could not move his family as a first-terminer and be reim-

bursed for it. Now, even an airman can get base housing.

"We have come to the forefront in making sure that our first-termers are full members of our Air Force, while in my day that wasn't the case," said Parish.

Benken and Parish both believe today's Air Force is on the right track for success.

"We have the best Air Force that we have ever had in our entire history," Parish said. "And believe me, being the best is tied absolutely, totally and directly to the enlisted force. That's because the two-, three- and four-strippers run our Air Force on a day-to-day basis. The staff and tech sergeants fly cover for them and provide the training and technical guidance they need in order to do their jobs. And



Retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Eric Benken

hopefully, the masters and seniors are flying cover for our staffs and techs whose feet are on the ramp and our chiefs are giving cover for the entire enlisted force and representing that force to the senior leadership. That's what we are all about."

Better technology is helping all ranks achieve their missions, according to Benken. He started his career using an Underwood 5 manual typewriter. Now he sees stealth aircraft, loaded with state-of-the-art communications equipment, flying routine missions.

"I know for sure that technology will continue to grow at a very rapid pace," he said. "You're looking at an increased usage of unmanned vehicles, the development of airborne lasers, and a transition to more of a space force where we are going to have to learn how to protect space assets. So it's going to be complicated and technical, but it's going to be a wonderful place to be. I would encourage anybody who is in the Air Force to stay in and hang on because it's going to be a wonderful ride."

Career milestones:

## 35 airmen graduate ALS

By Airman 1st Class Lindsey Maurice  
Dyess Public Affairs

Thirty-five Dyess airmen celebrated a professional military education milestone with family and friends during the Airmen Leadership School Class 02H graduation ceremony Oct. 25 at The Heritage Club.

**Senior Airman Beth Scavone**, 7th Medical Support Squadron, was named the John Levitow winner, while **Senior Airman Yvonne LeSantos**, 7th Mission Support Squadron, earned the leadership award and was named a distinguished graduate.

**Senior Airman Jeremiah Madden**, 317th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, took home the academic achievement award and was a distinguished graduate. **Senior Airman Kenneth Kimble**, 7th Security Forces Squadron, was also a distinguished graduate.

Other class 02H graduates are:

**Senior Airman Rachelle Brothers**, 28th Bomb Squadron

**Senior Airman Larry Busby**, 9th Air Support Operations Squadron

**Senior Airman Amy Commins**, 7th SFS

**Senior Airman Debora DeAraujo**, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron

**Senior Airman Michael Douglas**, 7th LRS

**Senior Airman Matthew Felice**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Garry Finch**, 7th Munitions Squadron

**Senior Airman Audrey Francis**, 7th Civil Engineer Squadron

**Senior Airman Jason Gaura**, 7th CES

**Senior Airman John Hebdon**, 7th

Contracting Squadron

**Senior Airman Justin Kenney**, 7th SFS

**Senior Airman Tiffany King**, 7th Aeromedical Dental Squadron

**Senior Airman Bruce Land**, 7th LRS

**Senior Airman James Lundblade**, 7th Communications Squadron

**Senior Airman Joel Manning**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Damon McCarty**, 317th Maintenance Squadron

**Senior Airman Andrea McCreary**, 317th AMXS

**Senior Airman Christopher Mea**, 7th SFS

**Senior Airman Michael Morin**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Bradford Pillion**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Edgardo Santiago**, 7th LRS

**Senior Airman Andrew Short**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Benjamin Smith**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Brandi Southerland**, Detachment 1

**Senior Airman Stephen Stayton**, 7th CES

**Senior Airman Eduardo Vela**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Kevin Veneman**, 7th SFS

**Senior Airman Harry Walpole**, 712th ASOS

**Senior Airman Jeff Wann**, 39th Airlift Squadron

**Senior Airman Christopher Warmbold**, 7th AMXS

**Senior Airman Charles Wheeler**, 7th AMXS

## 20 NCOs graduate from NCO Academy

Twenty Dyess NCOs graduated from the NCO academy at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas Oct. 24.

**Tech. Sgt. Sean Brewer**, 7th Civil Engineer Squadron, was the academic award winner and a distinguished graduate.

**Tech. Sgt. William Goddard**, 40th Airlift Squadron, was the other distinguished graduate.

The graduates are:

**Tech. Sgt. Jeffery Bookout**, 9th Bomb Squadron

**Tech. Sgt. Marc Geissler**, 28th Bomb Squadron

**Tech. Sgt. Brent Goforth**, 40th AS

**Tech. Sgt. Steven Heyde**, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron

**Tech. Sgt. Daniel Hickmott**, 7th Operations Support Squadron

**Tech. Sgt. Michael**

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**Tech. Sgt. Gerald Mullen**, 40th AS

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**Tech. Sgt. Randall Pelfrey**, 40th AS

**Tech. Sgt. Annette Roberts**, 7th Bomb Wing.

**Tech. Sgt. David Riley**, 7th Munitions Squadron

**Tech. Sgt. Steven Sherwood**, 7th Medical Group

**Tech. Sgt. David Shipley**, 7th BW

**Tech. Sgt. Donald Skaggs**, 317th Airlift Group

**Tech. Sgt. Timothy Sirmans**, 7th CES

**Tech. Sgt. Robert Witherspoon**, 317th Operations Support Squadron

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# Dyess

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"I think many people in this generation just don't take the time to learn and understand our rich heritage," Denman added. "(Our history) has a tremendous meaning (for everyone)."

While times may have changed, and the local scenery is quite different than it was on Dec. 6, 1956, Denman says that not everything about the base has changed.

"Edwin loved the Air

Force and serving meant so much to him," Denman said. "It is great to visit the base and see the dedication of the folks here as they work so hard. I can't express the deep appreciation I have for (Dyess servicemembers).

"I know that if (everyone here) had known my brother, they would understand how great it is that the base is named after him and how very honored he would be that this base (bears his name)," Denman added. "I know that if Edwin was still alive today, he would be very, very pleased."

# Bill

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In authorizing nearly \$58 billion for research and development, the bill allows the Air Force to make major advances in transformational technology.

"The bill ends some weapons systems that aren't going to meet the needs of the future," the president said. "Instead, we will fund new systems; systems that will enable our military to do a more effective job at defending America and our freedoms; systems such as unmanned aerial vehicles like the Predator and Global Hawk that we've used so effectively in Afghanistan."

The bill:

- Provides \$265 million for B-2 Spirit bomber research and development.
- Authorizes \$4.7 billion for R&D and procurement of 23 F/A-22 Raptors.
- Provides \$770 million for the purchase of satellite-

guided Joint Direct Attack Munitions.

- Provides \$3.3 billion to purchase 15 C-17 Globemaster III aircraft.

- Allows \$3.5 billion for Joint Strike Fighter research and development.

- Appropriates more than \$7 billion for ballistic missile defense.

- Grants \$882 million for the joint-service drug interdiction mission.

- Provides \$150 million for breast cancer and prostate cancer research.

"(This bill) sends a clear signal to friend and foe alike that it doesn't matter how long it takes to defend our freedom; the United States of America will stay the course," Bush said.

"The bill says America is determined and resolute to not only defend our freedom, but freedom around the world," Bush added. "We're determined and resolute to answer the call to history, and that we will defeat terror."

The city of Abilene's annual Veterans Day Parade is scheduled for 11 a.m. Nov. 9 beginning at the corner of Pine and North First streets. For more information about the parade, call Capt. Keith Holmes at 6-5018.

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## TEAM DYESS Warrior of the Week

### Airman 1st Class Frederick Montoya

**Unit:** 317th Operations Support Squadron

**Job description:** Air transportation apprentice

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

**Time at Dyess:** Ten months

**Family:** Wife, Therese; daughter, Neveah

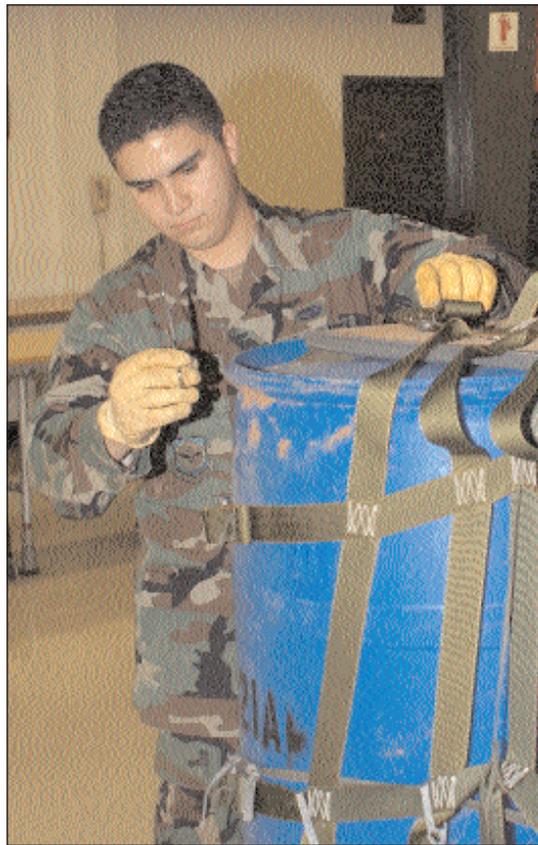
**Hometown:** Roswell, N. M.

**Job impact on the mission:** I provide weekly combat aerial delivery training loads for air crews.

**Career goals:** To make the rank of staff sergeant on my first try.

**Best Air Force memory:** When I went on a temporary duty assignment to rigger school at Fort Hood, Texas.

**Editor's note:** Squadron commanders, first sergeants or supervisors nominate people in their unit to be the Dyess Warrior of the Week. For more information, call the Peacemaker staff at 6-4266.



Airman Shawn Baldauf

## TEAM DYESS 317th OSS profile

**Leaders:**

**Commander:**  
Lt. Col. David Miller

**First Sergeant:**  
Master Sgt. Ray Switzer

**Personnel:**

- Officers: 23
- Enlisted: 51
- Civilian: Three



**Mission statement:**

Responsible for C-130H combat effectiveness. Directs flight operations, aircrew and aircraft scheduling, combat tactics, intelligence integration, aircrew training, cargo delivery, deployment planning and execution, simulator training, mobility processing, and life support functions. Coordinates with host wing for airfield management, weather support and air traffic control.

**Future goals:**

- Continue to improve our ability to sustain and support the mission.
- Strive for customer satisfaction through feedback and mission success.
- Enhance productivity and develop team oriented leaders.
- Obtain resources to improve quality of life.

# Friends don't let friends drive drunk.

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# 12 airmen receive Articles 15

By Tech Sgt. Victoria Apodaca  
Dyess Legal Office



Twelve Dyess members were recently administered Articles 15 for Uniform Code of Military Justice violations.

- A staff sergeant was given a suspended reduction in rank to senior airman, 45 days extra duty and a reprimand for abusing his government credit card and being drunk on duty. The NCO violated UCMJ Articles 92 -- Failure to obey order or regulation, and 134 -- Being drunk on duty

- A staff sergeant was demoted to senior airman after his suspended punishment was vacated for being drunk on duty. The NCO violated UCMJ Article 134 - Being drunk on duty

- A senior airman was demoted to airman first class after his suspended punishment was vacated for driving his vehicle while his privileges were revoked. The airman violated UCMJ Article 92 -- Failure to obey order or regulation.

- A senior airman was demoted to airman first class after his suspended punishment was vacated for driving his vehicle while his privileges were revoked. The airman violated Article 92 of the UCMJ -- Failure to obey order or regulation.

- A senior airman was demoted to airman, restricted to base for 20 days, given 20 days extra duty and a

reprimand for failing to report to work on time, stealing a car and failing to pay a debt to a local business. The airman violated UCMJ Articles 86 -- Absent without leave, 121 -- Larceny and wrongful appropriation and debt, and 134 -- Failing to pay.

- An airman first class was demoted to airman basic and fined \$552 for making a false official statement and failing to maintain sufficient funds. The airman violated UCMJ Articles 107 -- False official statements, and 134 -- writing bad checks

- An airman first class was demoted to airman basic after his suspended punishment was vacated for underage drinking. The airman violated UCMJ Article 92 -- Dereliction of duty.

- An airman first class was demoted to airman for being absent without taking leave. The airman violated UCMJ Article 86 -- Absence without leave.

- An airman was restricted to base for 20 days, given 20 days extra duty and a reprimand for showing up late to work. The airman violated UCMJ Article 86 -- Failure to go.

- An airman was demoted to airman basic and

given a reprimand for failing to go to his appointed place of duty. The airman violated UCMJ Article 86 -- Failure to go.

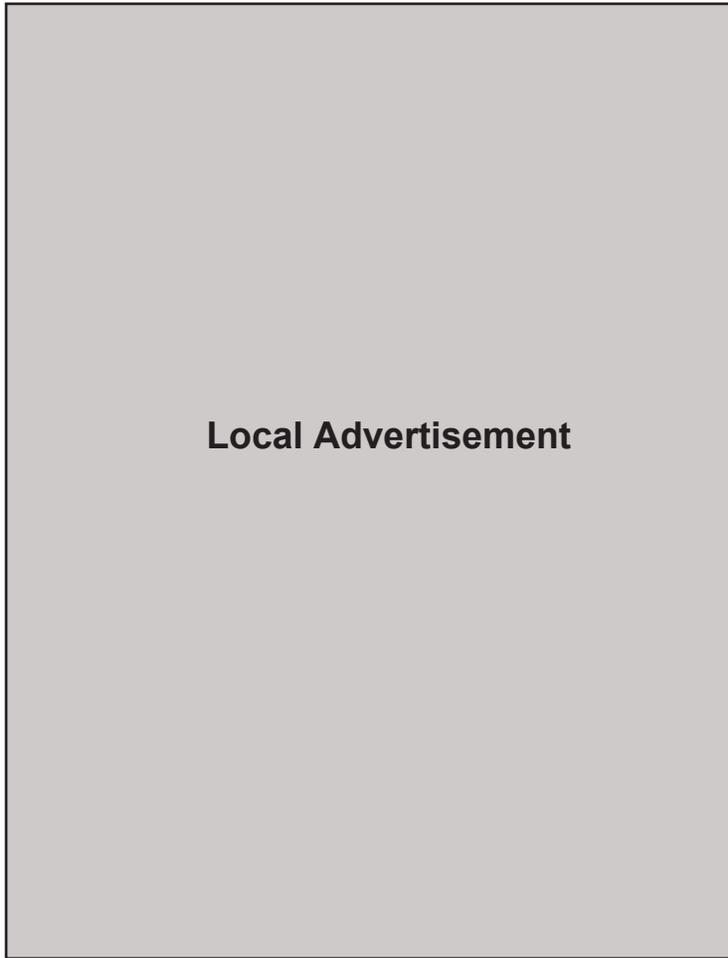
- An airman first class was demoted to airman for being absent without taking leave. The airman violated UCMJ Article 86 -- Absent without leave.

- A staff sergeant was demoted to senior airman and given a reprimand for failing to pay her government credit card bill. The NCO violated UCMJ Article 134 -- Failure to pay debts.

Some or all of these members were subsequently administratively discharged. Names of Article 15 violators are not released.

In each Article 15, the member's commander considered the offense and the punishment based on individual circumstances. These circumstances included the nature of the offense, the record of the servicemember, the need for good order and discipline, and the effect of nonjudicial punishment on the servicemember.

Individuals with prior misconduct usually receive more severe punishment than first-time offenders. Therefore, punishment for similar offenses may vary based on factors not listed here. When punishment is suspended, it does not take effect unless other misconduct occurs, generally within the six months following the Article 15.



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## tots in blue



<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Parents</u>
Aug. 11	Nikolas Andrew	Tech. Sgt. Victoria Apodoca and Staff Sgt. Antonio Apodoca
Sept. 25	Mathias JamesVictor	Chaplain (Capt.) James and Michelle Patterson
Oct. 13	Grace Anne	Maj. Paul and Kimberly Barney

Family services provides layette packages to first time parents and multiple births. For more information, call 6-2409. Want your baby's birth announced in the Peacemaker? Please e-mail the birth date, first and middle name and parent's names to peacemaker@dyess.af.mil within one month of the baby's birth. For more information, call 6-4300.

## Dyess begins PERSLOAD

**By Airman 1st Class  
Matthew Rosine**  
*Dyess Public Affairs*

Dyess begins participating in the Air Force Personnel Load study Sunday.

PERSLOAD is an Air Forcewide study that will measure the personnel operations tempo of all Air Force specialty codes. The objective of the study is to give Air Force senior leadership visibility of actual workweek hours as well as an understanding of the dynamics between workweek hours, and the retention and productivity of the military workforce.

"The Air Force Council is very concerned that many military personnel are working long hours and some AFSCs have become too heavily stressed," said 2nd Lt. Chris Heinning, 7th Bomb Wing Manpower Office. "(The Department of Defense) has told us that increasing end strength is not an option, so the council is looking for other ways to help ease the pain for stressed career fields. (They) are looking at making some resource decisions, in other words, shifting training priority requirements for new accessions. That is where the PERSLOAD study comes into play."

The study will be accomplished by the 7th BW Manpower Office and selected squadron unit points of contact who will be trained by the manpower office.

The study will capture work week hours by AFSC and skill using a computer software data collection tool along with an online data entry program.

"Reporting accurate, verifiable data is key for the units to capture the full workload they perform," Heinning said. "This study is not a tool to cut manpower requirements, nor to qualitatively evaluate work cen-

ters or individual personnel.

"It will not be used for rewards or punishment either," Heinning added. "The PERSLOAD study will be able to assess the potential retention relationship and the potential of prioritizing resources between career fields. This study will give Dyess an opportunity to educate Air Force senior leaders on high personnel tempo, with the data to back up concerns, and the opportunity to lead and excel with an Air Force-level project."

Dyess has been tasked to measure 25 different AFSCs. The first PERSLOAD report from Dyess will be submitted to the Air Force Council Feb. 3, 2003.

For more information about the PERSLOAD study, call John Ruzinsky at 6-5024 or Heinning at 6-5027.

The Dyess Air Force specialty codes and squadrons tasked for PERSLOAD study are:

**11BX** -- 7 OSS, 9 BS,  
13 BS, 28 BS, 436 TS  
**12AX** -- 39 AS, 40 AS  
**12BX** -- 7 OSS, 9 BS,  
13 BS, 28 BS, 436 TS  
**2A5X3** -- 7 AMXS  
**2A6X1** -- 7 MOS,  
7 AMXS, 7 CMS, 7 EMS,  
317 AMXS  
**2A6X2** -- 7 EMS  
**2A6X3** -- 7 CMS  
**2A6X5** -- 7 AMXS, 317  
AMXS  
**2A6X6** -- 7 AMXS,  
7 EMS, 317 AMXS  
**2E1X2** -- 7 CS  
**2R0X1** -- 7 MOS, 317  
MXS  
**2R1X1** -- 7 MOS,  
7 AMXS, 317 AMXS  
**2S0X1** -- 7 LRS, 317  
MXS  
**2S0X2** -- 7 LRS  
**3E2X1** -- 7 CES  
**3E3X1** -- 7 CES  
**3E4X1** -- 7 CES  
**3E4X2** -- 7 CES  
**3E4X3** -- 7 CES  
**3S2X1** -- 7 CS, 7 LRS,  
7 SFS, 317 AMXS, 317 MXS  
**4C0X1** -- 7 MDOS  
**51JX** -- 7 BW  
**5J0X1** -- 7 BW  
**64PX** -- 7 CONS  
**6C0X1** -- 7 CONS



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# Dyess gets new trash policy

By 2nd Lt. Ben Gamble  
Dyess Public Affairs

While many military members at Dyess are familiar with the Air Forcewide wing reorganization, families in base housing will soon notice a reorganization of their own.

Starting Tuesday, most military family housing occupants will exchange their three old disposal containers for two new ones.

During the past several years, the residents of military housing at Dyess have been using three different disposal cans: a recycle brown cart, a recycle green tote, and a 20-gallon blue/gray food waste tote.

Dyess residents who do not get issued new disposal cans at this time will use their current brown cart for "Trash Only" and their green tote for "Recyclables Only".

"The industry is always in a state of constant

change, particularly in West Texas," said Pete Spano, OSIRUS Inc. local project manager.

"In the past, we've experienced an 80 percent recycle rate, so we're keeping it out of the landfills," Spano said.

Both of the new containers are 96-gallon capacity totes. One new container is green for recyclables, marked "Recycle Only," and the other is brown for trash, marked "Trash Only."

Dyess military housing residents will receive educational and awareness campaign information about a recycling program in the coming weeks.

Each Dyess home will also receive a tri-fold color brochure packed with information and directions. This brochure explains what recyclables are to be placed in the new green recycle tote and what to place in the new brown trash tote.

"We have to change the old way of thinking about

what is recyclable," Spano said, "(We want) more communication with our customers."

OSIRUS officials also encourage residents to come tour the local recycling facility, so families can see first hand how they are contributing to environmental health.

"(People) really have something to see, to participate in," Spano said. "We're here to help the occupants of Dyess do it right. People will be happier."

There will be two open briefings Wednesday at the base theater.

The first briefing is at 10 a.m. and the second at 2 p.m. Spano said building custodians and managers, environmental coordinators and people who live in base housing should attend one of the briefings.

For more information, call OSIRUS at 692-3737 or Dyess Base Housing assistance at 6-2150.

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**Enlisted spouses**

The Dyess Enlisted Spouses Club first social is 6 p.m. Tuesday in the family support center conference room. All spouses of enlisted military members and retired enlisted military members are invited.

For more information, call Michelle Bowers at 673-7898 or Deena Lyssy at 795-2186.

**Harvest share**

The Dyess First Sergeants Council sponsors the Harvest Share/Warm Heart program throughout November and December.

Money raised by this pro-

gram provide commissary vouchers for military families to help offset the cost of Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. Commanders and supervisors can identify those families to their unit first sergeants.

For more information or to volunteer to staff a booth, call Master Sgt. Rich Cornelius at 6-2962.

**Veterans Parade**

The City of Abilene's annual Veterans Day Parade is scheduled for 11 a.m. Nov. 9 beginning at the corner of Pine and North First streets.

Marching units from each

of the groups at Dyess will participate in the event.

People interested in participating should contact their squadron or group representative for the event.

For more information, call Capt. Keith Holmes at 6-5018.

**Speakers' bureau**

The Dyess Public Affairs Speakers' Bureau is looking for volunteers to speak at public events. Engagements include speaking at clubs and schools about a variety of Air Force topics.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Jennifer Donovan at 6-2861.

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**CALENDAR**



**Today, Nov. 1, 2002**

**Squadron challenge membership drive**, 4-9 p.m. at The Heritage Club and the Enlisted Lounge. For more info, call 6-2405.

**Friday night social hour**, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at The Heritage club and Enlisted Lounge. For more info, call 6-2405.

**Saturday, Nov. 2, 2002**

**Paintball blast-a-thon tournament**, 8 a.m. at the paintball fields across from outdoor recreation. For more info, call 6-2402.

**Marriage seminar**, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at The Heritage Club. For more info, call 6-5380.

**Sunday, Nov. 3, 2002**

**Family day bowling** at Dyess Lanes. For more info, call 6-4166.

**Monday, Nov. 4, 2002**

**Football Frenzy**, 7 p.m. at The Hangar Center. For more info, call 6-2405.

**Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2002**

**Dyess enlisted Spouses Club social**,

6 p.m. in the family support center conference room. For more info, call 795-2186.

**Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002**

**Wing Right Start**, 8 a.m. to noon at The Heritage Club. For more info, call 6-5730.

**Boss and buddy day lunch special** from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Heritage Club. For more info, call 6-2405.

**Thursday, Nov. 7, 2002**

**Officers Spouses Club charity auction**, 6-9 p.m. at The Heritage Club. For more info, call 6-2405.

**Upcoming events**

**Nov. 9 -- Abilene Veterans Day Parade**, 11 a.m. at the corner of North First and Pine streets.

**Nov. 11 -- Veterans Day**

**Nov. 12-15 -- 7th Bomb Wing Unit Compliance Inspection**

**Nov. 14 -- Family and teen talent contest**, 7 p.m. at the Hangar Center. For more info, call 6-4305.

**Nov. 15 -- Bull Run**, 10 a.m. at the base picnic grounds. For more info, call your unit representative.

**Nov. 28 -- Thanksgiving**

**Nov. 29 -- Air Combat Command Family Day**

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**Bull Run**

Registration is now open for the Dyess Top Three's 23rd Bull Run at 10 a.m. Nov. 15 at the base picnic grounds.

All participants registered before Nov. 8 with \$20 in pledges will receive a Bull Run T-shirt the day of the event.

The 4-mile run/walk will begin and end at the picnic grounds.

Proceeds go toward the Ben Richey Boys Ranch, Abilene Noah Project, the Community College of the Air Force and Airman Leadership School graduation funds as well as the Enlisted Dining Out.

To register or for more information, contact your unit representative.

**Charity auction**

The Dyess officers spouses club hosts a charity auction at 6 p.m. Thursday at The Heritage Club.

A dinner buffet will be served during the event. The dinner costs \$10 for club members and \$12 for non-members.

The Abilene Philharmonic Quartet will also be performing.

Reservations for the event must be made by noon Monday.

To make reservations or for more information, call Julieann Dwyer at 695-0793 or Kimberly Barney at 692-9642.

**Marriage seminar**

The Heritage Club hosts a marriage seminar from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

The seminar teaches couples how to change conflicts into intimacy-building conversations.

Spaces are limited.

To make reservations, call 6-5380.



Sue Pershing

**Getting ready for winter**

**Tech. Sgt. Timothy Seymour, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron, caulks the window of the home of a disabled Abilene citizen Oct. 26. Seymour and over 100 other Dyess members teamed up to weatherize homes for disabled and elderly Abilenians while working with the Abilene Volunteer Weatherization Program.**



**Chapel schedule**

**Catholic:** Reconciliation starts at 4:15 p.m. Saturday.

Mass starts at 5 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. Sunday.

Daily Mass is at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday through Friday.

Protestant: Shared faith

worship begins at 11 a.m. Sunday. Gospel service starts at 1 p.m. Sunday. Contemporary worship begins at 6 p.m. Sunday.

A nursery and children's

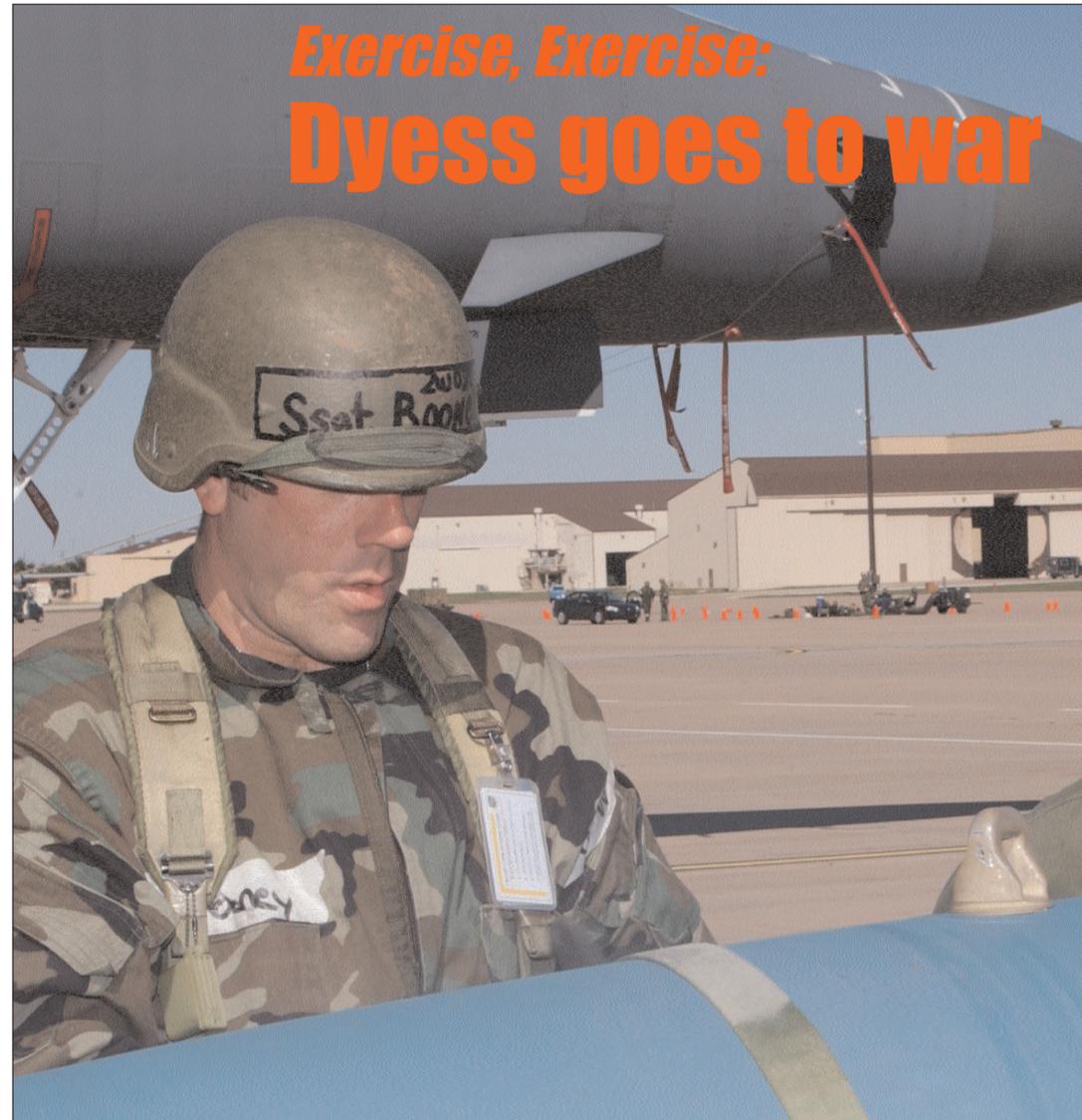
religious services.

**Other religions:** The chapel has information on other religious services in the Abilene area.

For more information, call 6-4224.

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# Exercise, Exercise: Dyess goes to war

**By 2nd Lt. Jennifer Donovan and Airman 1st Class Lindsey Maurice**  
*Dyess Public Affairs*

Dyess men and women tested their ability to mobilize and deploy Oct. 23 through Thursday as they embarked on the Phase I/II exercise.

During the exercise scenario, Dyess troops “deployed” to a forward operating location to help defend U.S. allies in the region. The troops were part of the 7th Air Expeditionary Wing and their mission consisted of conducting attacks to destroy the aggressor’s infrastructure and to suppress their ability to threaten friendly forces.

“We need to look at scenarios we could support and the differences in the missions,” said Master Sgt. Charles Heyniger, NCO in-charge of wing inspections.

During the Phase I portion of the exercise, Dyess personnel demonstrated their ability to generate

and deploy people, aircraft and cargo in the simulated contingency.

More than 900 Dyess people took turns processing through deployment lines and waiting for their “flight” to the theater of operations.

“Primarily the focus was a large scale deployment on short notice,” Heyniger said.

During the Phase II portion, Dyess personnel set-up work areas to become a fully functioning deployed base.

To help make the exercise as believable as possible, Dyess troops faced simulated chemical attacks with nerve, blister and blood agents. Some troops underwent “hostile fire” and “mortar attacks”, while others had to put their self-aid buddy care skills to use. Dyess troops even dealt with a “suicide bomber”.

In addition, continuous “explosions” damaged the runway and several buildings, which meant that key personnel were “killed in

action”, a test to see how some squadrons would proceed through the crisis.

“The survival recovery center, personnel support for contingency operations and the medical group casualty representatives were well prepared to react to the situation of having casualties and getting information back (to the group),” said Col. Foote, 7th Mission Support Group commander.

Another feature of the deployed base was a tent city where the 7th Civil Engineer Squadron slept when they were not on duty.

“It really made us feel like part of the exercise, and it made it more believable,” said 2nd Lt. Hugo Via, 7th CES environmental engineer.

As the exercise ended on Thursday, there were mixed reviews on how the wing did.

“Some areas, we did well; but others need some work. There is always room for improvement,” said Heyniger.



**Airman Andrew Lovatto, 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, services oil for an accessory drive gear box during the Phase II exercise Monday.**

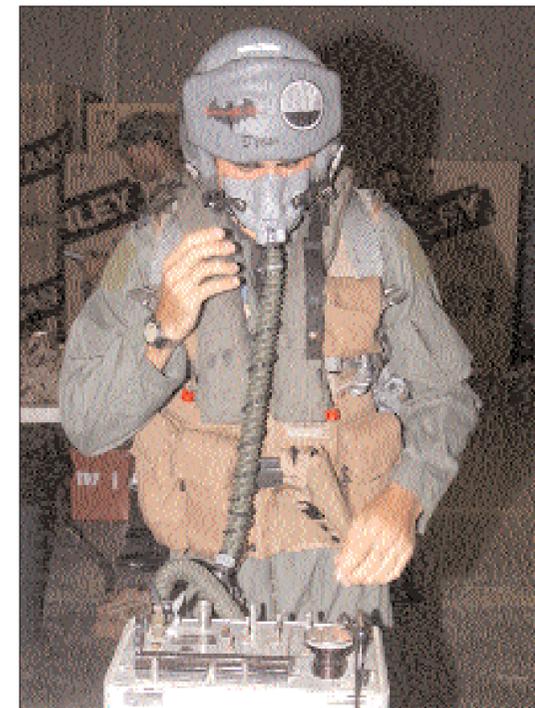
**Above: Staff Sgt. Todd Rooney, 7th Munitions Squadron, checks a training munition to prepare a B-1 for a mission during the Phase II portion of the exercise. Right: Airman 1st Class Candice Kelly, 7th Medical Group, checks the pulse on a “casualty” Tuesday.**



Staff Sgt. Adam Wooten



**Airman 1st Class Andy Ownes, 7th Communications Squadron, prepares a tourniquet on a “battlefield casualty” during the Phase II exercise Monday.**



**Capt. Devin Martin, 9th Bomb Squadron pilot, tests the oxygen in his mask at the oxygen tester during the Phase I portion of the exercise Friday.**

Airman 1st Class Ryan Summers

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# The BIG Screen



The Dyess theater is located next to the main exchange. Patrons must have a valid identification card. Guests are welcome. Unless otherwise noted, all movies begin at 7 p.m. Adult admission is \$1.75, children 6 - 12 years old is \$1.25, and children under 6 are admitted free.

## Today

**Swimfan** -- *Jessie Bradford, Erika Christensen* -- Ben has it all: friends, a terrific girlfriend and he's on the fast track to an athletic scholarship. But when the new girl in town, Madison, sets her sights on him, his life becomes an unexpected nightmare.

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## Saturday

**The Four Feathers** -- *Heath Ledger, Woes Bentley* -- In 1884, the nations of Europe are scrambling to divide Africa among themselves. A Muslim religious leader, Muhammad Ahmed, known as the Mad, leads the Sudanese Arabs in a revolt against British rule, and Gen. Charles Gordon is dispatched to quell the rebellion.

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## Membership drive

The Dyess squadron challenge club membership drive is 4-9 p.m. today at The Heritage Club and the Enlisted Lounge.

For more information, call 6-2405.

## Children's craft

The children's scrap booking class is 6-8 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Crafter's Haven Skills Development Center.

For more information, call 6-4175.

## Club dining

The Heritage Club features a different lunch special Mondays through Fridays during November.

Lunchtime dining is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The schedule is:

Mondays -- Mexican buffet

Tuesdays -- Fried chicken buffet

Wednesdays -- Boss and buddy day

Thursdays -- Asian buffet

Fridays -- Seafood buffet

The regular club menu is available as well.

For more information, call 6-2405.

## Football frenzy

Football Frenzy is 7 p.m. Mondays at The Hangar Center.

For more information, call 6-2405.

## Bingo mania

Bingo mania is 7 p.m. Tuesdays at The Heritage Club. Participants must be at least 18 years old.

For more information, call 6-2405.

## Auto skills special

The auto skills center offers a transmission service special this month. Prices start at \$69.95 depending on the make and model of the vehicle.

For more information, call 6-4179.

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