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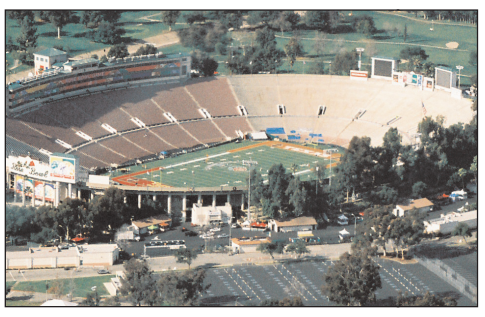

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AF Chaplain visits Dyess

Photo by Airman 1st Class Alan Garrison

From left to right, Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Charles Baldwin, Air Force Chief of Chaplains, Chaplain (Col.) David Cyr, Air Combat Command Chaplain, and Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Conrado Navarro, 7th Bomb Wing Chaplain, cut the ribbon across the doorway of the new religious education center during its dedication ceremony here Jan. 4.

Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Charles Baldwin, Air Force Chief of Chaplains, dedicates chapel's new religious education center, speaks at National Prayer Breakfast

By Senior Airman James Schenck
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The man in charge of religious and moral welfare for all the Air Force's 850,000 military and civilian employees honored Dyess with a visit last week.

Major Gen. Charles Baldwin's two-day visit included a prayer breakfast at the Heritage Club for 200 Dyess Airmen and the dedication of the base chapel's new religious education building.

The Chaplain Service's National Prayer Breakfast tour of 46 bases has Chaplain Baldwin scheduled to attend about 30 of them with Dyess being the first; the remaining will be visited by Chaplain Baldwin's deputy, Chaplain (Brig. Gen.) Cecil Richardson.

"Every Air Force base has a national prayer breakfast each year; its purpose is to remember that those of us in the military who serve are grateful for the freedoms we have," said Chaplain Baldwin.

Chaplain Baldwin's speech for Dyess' prayer breakfast was titled 'Masquerade,' and focused on the virtues of being true to both yourself and others. You cannot hide who you are from God, so why hide it from

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RIGHT: Chaplain Baldwin encourages the audience at the National Prayer Breakfast here, using excerpts from the famous plays 'Phantom of the Opera' and 'Les Miserables' to illustrate his sermon about true love.

Photo by Airman 1st Class Ryan Summers

Dyess welcomes new 317th AG commander Colonel Jackson

By Airman 1st Class Carolyn Viss
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The 317th Airlift Group welcomed a new commander in a change-of-command ceremony here Tuesday.

Colonel Kevin 'Moondog' Jackson replaces Col. Paul Montgomery, who is moving on to be the vice wing commander at Yokota Air Base, Japan.

Colonel Jackson was most recently Chief, War Fighting Division, Training and Exercises Directorate, Headquarters United States Pacific Command, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii.

Other recent assignments include Chief, North East Asia Exercise Branch, Operations Directorate, Headquarters USPC, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii.

Col. Kevin Jackson

Colonel Jackson is a graduate of the University of Southern Illinois at Edwardsville and received his commission via the AFROTC program in 1983.

He is a dual-rated aviator, graduating from undergraduate navigator training in 1984 and undergraduate pilot training in 1988.

He is a command pilot and flew more than 4,500 hours of flight time in C-130E aircraft. Colonel Jackson completed a Master's Degree in Human Resource Management from Webster University in 1998.

He is a graduate of the Air Force Squadron Officer School, Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School, C-130 Weapons Instructor Course, Air Command and Staff College, and Air War College.

His decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Medal with one OLC, the Aerial Achievement Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal, and the Combat Readiness Medal with three OLCs.

317th AG: Farewell, Colonel Montgomery

Photo by Airman 1st Class Chris Walkenhorst

317th Airlift Group commander Col. Paul Montgomery salutes Maj. Gen. James A. Hawkins, 18th Air Force commander, in a change-of-command ceremony here Tuesday. Holding the guidon is Chief Master Sgt. Michael Williams, 317th AG superintendent.

By Airman 1st Class Carolyn Viss
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The 317th Airlift Group said farewell to Col. Paul Montgomery after almost two years of serving under his capable command.

The group's large size and high-operations tempo made it a unique assignment for Colonel Montgomery, and he spoke highly of the success they've had while he's been at Dyess.

"I came in knowing it would be heavily tasked," he said. "That's the nature of how the United States prosecutes and wins peace, and the C-130s are typically used extensively in the process of winning the peace."

He said he knew folks were already tired when he first came, but he was able to relieve some of that weariness by getting them to the point where they could anticipate what was coming up next.

"I took it upon myself early on to stabilize the training at Dyess, and make it predictable," Colonel Montgomery said. "I wanted to add regularity and normalcy to the main tasks they were doing."

In order to do so, he said, the airlift group narrowed the single-flight window, emphasized operations and maintenance training, and identified what their deployments required up to eight months in advance.

"Command recognized that we were at 100 percent capacity," Colonel Montgomery said. "They pretty much allowed me to run things the way they needed to be run."

Speaking of challenges that needed to be addressed, the colonel highlighted the fact that the group absorbed 10 additional aircraft with no additional manpower in order to compensate for the fact that two thirds of their aircraft were restricted from combat flying because of their high number of flight hours.

"The way we did it was through smart scheduling, and a regularized approach to how we maintain airplanes," he said.

The 317th AG has won what the colonel called "an incredible number of awards," including seven consecutive Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards and two consecutive safety awards from the Society for

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Col. Garrett Harencak
7th Bomb Wing commander

As we begin another holiday weekend, let's keep focused on safety. We had a safe holiday season, and let's continue that trend this long weekend.

Also, we should take time to reflect on the reason for this holiday weekend.

The legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., stands as a shining example to all of us.

He was a man of courage, conviction and vision. He treasured freedom and justice, and devoted his life to attain it for all of his fellow human beings.

He ultimately died because of that effort.

I firmly believe the best way we all can honor his sacrifice is to resolve to live out the values and truths that defined Dr. King's message and his life each and every day.

Have a great weekend, and as always, thanks for all you do for Team Dyess, our Air Force, and our country.

No matter how small, every part counts in the Air Force puzzle

Commentary by Capt. Julie Wokaty-Kozma
777th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron

ALI BASE, Iraq — Descending into Baghdad, my C-130 Hercules crew prepares for landing.

The copilot coordinates with air traffic control while the navigator ensures we follow desired ground track to the field. The flight engineer runs checklists and the loadmasters scan for threats. We keep our speed up as long as possible, configure close to the airfield and the plane settles onto the runway.

Through all the maneuvering, coordinating and flying, I have a sense of deja vu — with a twist. I've done all this before, but never with this group of people. It's the same, yet different.

I arrived at Ali Base the last week in December and soon set out on my first Operation Iraqi Freedom mission in more than a year. While it was far from my first time flying in combat, it was my first time flying in combat with this crew. In fact, it was my first time flying with this crew — ever.

I knew little more about them than their name, rank and crew position. This will change over the duration of the deployment, of course. But one might wonder: What enables a crew of people who haven't flown together before to successfully maneuver an aircraft to accomplish a combat mission?

I believe the answer boils down to the professional integrity of the crewmembers and the support Airmen on the ground. This professional integrity comes from knowing your job, performing your duties to the best of your ability, and constantly striving to improve your skills.

> ***"No matter how your duties fit into the puzzle, you are vital to the Air Force mission. Wherever your piece of the puzzle fits, work hard to bring the entire picture together for mission accomplishment."***
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> Capt. Julie Wokaty-Kozma
> 777th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron

From my perspective as a C-130 pilot, I know that each crewmember is trained in specific duties and must be able to perform those duties proficiently. The training and checklists are standardized. Everybody knows what to expect and what's expected from them, regardless of whether they've flown together or not.

Each piece of the puzzle is important, unique and irreplaceable.

My part of the puzzle (and yours) fits into the overall puzzle: Each Air Force Specialty Code having its own unique pieces and each AFSC irreplaceable to the total mission.

Professional integrity allows us to trust that others are doing their jobs correctly and to accept their product as flawless. I count on the professional integrity of maintenance Airmen, intel Airmen and air terminal operations center Airmen in my job — to name a few. Being able to trust in their abilities and integrity saves crucial time in a combat zone. This trust is vital to mission accomplishment.

Professional integrity also involves challenging yourself to stay at the top of your game and never growing complacent. The enemy and their weapons are constantly changing. Every Airman must stay ahead of these changes to win the war. Staying in the books and keeping up-to-speed on the latest tactics, techniques and procedures keeps our skills sharp and up-to-date.

Knowing that you work hard to be your best at your job and trusting others to do the same, that's the professional integrity that allows us to show up in a combat zone and complete a mission with people we have never worked with. It distinguishes professional warfighters from ordinary citizens.

No matter how your duties fit into the puzzle, you are vital to the Air Force mission. Wherever your piece of the puzzle fits, work hard to bring the entire picture together for mission accomplishment.

The ultimate team model: King Arthur's Round Table

Commentary by Lt. Col. Charles Chapdelaine
7th Medical Support Squadron commander

I have always been fascinated by the legend of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table. As a youth, I loved it because of the knights and horses, sword fights, and the idea of heroes saving the day. Over the years, my interest in the tale has remained the same, but the reason for the appeal has changed. Now that I am in a leadership position, I see the story as a lesson in team building and what people can do when they are united by a common bond, mutual respect, and a shared vision of what could be.

During my career, I've had the opportunity to watch several commanders interact with their senior staffs. Some teams have worked exceptionally well and their organizations were able to accomplish phenomenal things. Other teams have not worked so well and were barely able to agree on the color of carpet to be laid in their building.

At one assignment, I had the honor of being a small player on a leadership team that would have made the Knights of the Round Table proud. All members at the table respected each other, brought unique skills to the fight, and communicated openly, without hidden agendas. The executive team worked closely with their flight leaders and clearly communicated their vision, mission and goals to them. Those flight commanders and noncommissioned officers, in turn, spread the ideals throughout the organization. Perhaps more importantly, the senior leaders' example of mutual respect and teamwork with each other quickly spread throughout the organization. Soon, all our flights behaved in a way that mirrored the executive staff. Morale was very high and work was accomplished effectively and efficiently. Awards rolled in and promotions came almost without effort or concern. They were simply a natural by-product of our teamwork.

After one year of working in a Camelot-like environment where everyone felt like there was nothing our group couldn't accomplish, PCS time came, and 75 percent of the senior leadership staff moved on. The new group never jelled. We had a good leader who did everything possible to continue the previous group's teamwork, but ultimately failed. Within weeks, the lack of teamwork and inconsistent vision from the senior staff spread though the unit like a bad virus. Morale dipped to an all-time low, and our high-flying organization came to a screeching halt. We were able to accomplish only minimum mission-essential tasks. Basically, the Round Table cracked down the middle, and the Knights all went off to tend to their own separate lands.

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> 7th Medical Support Squadron commander

These experiences have taught me several things. First, an inability to see beyond our own area of responsibility or an unwillingness to listen to the people around us will significantly hinder an effective team from forming. Additionally, a lack of a commonly held vision will prevent in even the most close-knit team from accomplishing even the simplest of tasks. However, when a group can come together with mutual respect, open communication, and a common vision that's expressed by the group's leaders and understood by their people, the team will bond at all organizational levels and the group can accomplish great things.

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317th AG out-flies every other AMC C-130 unit

By Airman 1st Class Carolyn Viss
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The 317th Airlift Group received the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for the seventh consecutive year Dec.20.

The unit, known as the busiest C-130 group in the Air Force, has consistently won this award in spite of maintenance challenges and deserves high accolades, said Lt. Col. Kalen Jeffers, 317th AG director of staff.

"This has been a result of great leadership from group and squadron commanders and the outstanding pride and dedication of team members of every level," Colonel Jeffers said. "Leadership inspired our folks to achieve the highest marks – by everyone from maintenance to operations. It took a lot of dedication from top to the bottom of the organization to make this happen."

Colonel Jeffers said the 317th AG has received 10 additional C-130 aircraft from reserve and active units elsewhere in order to compensate for planes worn out with Dyess' high-operations tempo.

"(But) we have the same number of maintainers and the same supply funding," he said. "This has taken a Herculean effort, and (the unit) deserves credit. Their capability is the highest in Air Mobility Command."

That capability is present in the 317th in spite of austere airfields, obstructions, threatening weather, the presence of hostile fire from small arms and missiles, and difficult terrain.

"They've flown into airfields with little or no ground operations or support – where it basically looks like a farm," Colonel Jeffers said.

Between July 2004 and June 2005, the unit flew more than 11,000 combat hours, with seven deployed aircraft in the Middle-Eastern sky every day of the year, with up to four sorties each.

The 317th also has the best training shop in AMC, being the only C-130 unit to receive not one, but two benchmark ratings (the highest accolade possible) during an Aircrew Standards and Evaluations Visit by AMC inspectors.

The maintenance shops also reduced monthly production man hours by 28 percent with the help of Lean isochronal inspection processes, according to ASEV inspectors.

According to the inspectors, the training shop has the best program to date and should be emulated by others.

"Lean phase helped make maintenance operations more efficient," Colonel Jeffers said. "We implemented a high interest item checklist, color-coded tools, conducted internal quality assurance inspections, and solicited inputs from squadron members."

They also shattered an airlift record set during Desert Storm by helping airlift 340 tons of cargo and more than 3,000 troops in one day.

But that's not all they did.

"With maintenance assistance, our folks helped stand up an Iraqi Air Force Squadron with three E-model C-130s. Our folks helped teach them how to fly and maintain C-130s," Colonel Jeffers said.

Other impressive accomplishments were being the first unit to develop and employ the airlift route threat analysis tool and winning the Air Force Association Citation of Honor award.

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the Cooperation of American Air Forces. He attributed the group's success to the leadership that exists in the unit, both formally and informally.

Many challenges and taskings have been handed down to the 317th during the last two years, particularly this year as natural disasters struck America. The Airlift Group participated largely in hurricane relief work and homeland defense, which Colonel Montgomery called "easy."

"We're just always ready," he bragged. "When short-notice things come up, the guys like that kind of activity. It's them helping other Americans. They have the initiative and skill level to take care of anything that's thrown at them, and plenty of routines allow us to be agile in response to anything that comes our way."

Working on a base that's home to a bomber aircraft has not conflicted negatively with those special operations, the colonel said. It's all a matter of working together to schedule scarce resources and assets.

"An airfield is an airfield, and the Air Force is the Air Force," he said. "It's not a question of different aircraft and mission types – we have an understanding across the board and we've done well over the last few years. Senior leadership has established priorities and handled every conflict in scheduling so that all parties in the negotiation are happy with the result."

Now, Colonel Montgomery is moving on to be the vice wing commander at Yokota Air Base, Japan. His wife, Michelle, and his 14-year-old son, Andrew, will be moving with him, leaving behind his oldest son, Ian, who is a sophomore in college. Colonel Montgomery said he is very excited because Yokota was his first assignment.

"Going back after 20 plus years will be a riot," he said.

Chaplain

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everyone else, he said; why hide from challenges and difficulties? God will see you through.

Chaplain Baldwin also spoke at the religious education center dedication. Construction of the new 1300 square-foot state-of-the-art religious education center cost around $270,000. Ground was broken in July of last year and construction finished in December.

At the dedication ceremony, the chaplain spoke about the three words on the seal of the chaplain service - freedom, faith and ministry.

"These three words really do represent what the building was built for," said Chaplain Baldwin. "It is a great thing for the chaplain service because we don't get many religious education buildings built." But he also noted, "we are not here to build a church for ourselves, we're here to take care of the religious needs of the Airmen and their families."

Having only recently returned from a nine-day visit to Iraq over the holiday season, Chaplain Baldwin put things into perspective. "Military Chaplains are different than civilian clergy - not any better, just different," he said.

Following a Christmas Eve service in Baghdad held by Dyess Chaplain (Capt.) Cody Broussard, he and Chaplain Broussard participated in a Patriots March.

"He and I walked two coffins onto an airplane and had a moment of dedication before the plane took off," said Chaplain Baldwin. "That's different than the normal role as a pastor of a local church."

This sort of duty does make those differences painfully obvious. "I think that they [Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom] helped us clearly understand our role in the military."

This sort of event is not new for chaplains, he said. We have always taken measures to be close to Airmen — for instance, having offices near the flight line, or in the maintenance hangers. Deployed environments are no different; Air Force chaplains go where the Airmen go.

"We are not only serving the families at home," said Chaplain Baldwin, "we are in theater as well, taking care of the Airmen who are fighting the war. In fact, one of your chaplains is in Baghdad tonight, and that's what he is doing."

Chaplain Baldwin seamed humbled by his trip to Iraq where he said he saw many Dyess Airmen. "I want to say to their families how much we appreciate their sacrifices in this war, because it is hard to be separated." But it is for a worthy cause, he contends, "our children and grandchildren will be grateful that they paid the price at this time."

Dyess and its chaplain service were privileged to have him visit, said Chaplain (Capt.) Marianne Kehoe, "it was important for the chapel staff to be able to show the Chief of Chaplains the work that they have been doing and receive feedback and guidance from him."

Dyess chaplains have deployed in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, and Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

Photo by Airman 1st Class Chris Walkenhorst

TEAM DYESS
Warrior of the Week
Staff Sgt. Nathan Joseph Vrana

Unit: 28th Bomb Squadron
Job title: Life support technician
Job description: Maintain aircrew equipment (survival equipment, oxygen equipment, chemical defense equipment, and night vision goggles)
Time in the Air Force: Two years
Time at Dyess: Two years
Marital status: Wife, Haruko; daughter, Vivian Renay; son, Julian Kenta
Hometown: Flatonia, Texas
Most rewarding job aspect: Knowing aircrews will be safe if and when they need their equipment
Career goals: To retire
What you like most about Dyess: The friendly community
What is your best Air Force memory: Arctic survival school

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

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News Briefs

Local school start dates

McMurry University: Monday; Cisco Junior College: Tuesday; Abilene Christian University: Tuesday; Hardin-Simmons University: Tuesday.

Schools are registering students for the spring 2006 semester. Contact the schools directly for enrollment information and class schedules.

It is mandatory that active-duty military send their degree plan or vocation/certification plan to the Dyess Education Services Office for approval before registering if they expect to receive tuition reimbursement.

Scholarship opportunity

The Military Officers Association of America has opened the 2006 scholarship application season. This association awards up to 25 applicants grants of $1,000.

Applicants must be the child of military personnel, a high school senior or college student working on their first undergraduate degree, under the age of 24, and planning to attend an accredited college or university as a full-time student in the fall of 2006. Winners will be randomly selected. To apply, visit www.moaa.org. Deadline for online entry is March 1 by 11 a.m.

For more information, contact Trey Linnemeier at (703) 549-2311 or edassist@moaa.org.

Christmas tree pick-up

The annual curbside pick-up of Christmas trees and organics from family housing areas is scheduled for Jan. 25.

Christmas trees should have all ornaments, lights and decorations removed and be placed on the curb for pick-up by 8 a.m.

Housing residents must take artificial trees they are discarding to the Recycle Center, Bldg 9326, 804 Rapcon Road (near the Tye gate) as normal bulk items.

OSIRUS, Dyess' refuse contractor, provides curbside pickup of organics (tree limbs, leaves, grass clippings) and uses them as compost. Leaves and grass clippings should be bagged in biodegradable bags which are available from the housing maintenance contractor, Centurion, at 233 Texas Avenue. Their telephone number is 793-9800. The base self-help store no longer provides this service.

Branches must be bundled, and should not exceed five feet in length or weigh more than 70 pounds per bundle. Large trunks or tree branches must be taken to the Recycling Center as normal bulk items.

For more information, call Walter Smith at 696-6452.

Oscar Mayer here today

The Oscar Mayer Wienermobile is scheduled to visit the Dyess Commissary today between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m..

Normally, Wienermobile visits are only provided to stores in large metropolitan areas. This visit will be a first for Dyess and the commissary here.

317th MXS command change

The 317th Maintenance Squadron is scheduled to host a change-of-command ceremony Wednesday at 9 a.m. in Hangar 4314.

Major Emille Bryant, former maintenance operations officer from the 374th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron at Yokota Air Base, Japan, will take command from Maj. David Wiesner.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Miriam Howard at 696-4651.

Photo by Staff Sgt. Araceli Alarcon

Last prep before February Operational Readiness Inspection

Airman 1st Class Zachary Pickeral, Airman 1st Class Ryan Otoole, and Airman 1st Class Justin Anaya, all from the 7th Munitions Squadron, remove the finish from a bomb during the Operational Readiness Exercise here Wednesday. These exercises are to prepare personnel for the ORI and improve war- fighting skills in order to successfully execute the Air Force mission.

Spouse, family day

The 39th Airlift Squadron Trailblazers are hosting a 317th Airlift Group Family Day Jan. 21 at noon.

The event is open to all 317th AG personnel, spouses, family, and significant others. Military spouses will be able to enjoy a C-130 flight around Abilene.

Additionally, there will be a barbeque, C-130 static display, and fire truck demonstration.

Please RSVP to 1st Lt. Michael Gonyo at michael.gonyo@dyess.af.mil with the following information: spouse name (for flight), sponsor squadron, number of children attending, and contact email.

Comedy bash

The Airman's Advisory Council is scheduled to host a comedy bash Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. at the Heritage Club.

Cost is $10 for Airmen, $15 for NCOs, and $20 for all others.

For more information, contact Senior Airman Shannon Perron at 696-4520.

Tops in Blue in Abilene

Tops in Blue is scheduled to perform "And The Beat Goes On" Feb. 19 at 7 p.m at the Abilene Civic Center.

For more information, call Willie Cooper at 696-4305.

Theater group beginning

Dyess' new theater group has chosen Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" as their first performance.

Auditions will be held tomorrow from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the base theater for all active duty military servicemembers and dependents.

The theater group needs people who are interested in all aspects of theater, from acting and stage design to lighting and sound.

For more information, call Senior Airman Zachary Stone at 696-4216 or Senior Airman Jonathan Benker at 696-4945.

New York Air Guard

The 109th Airlift Wing in Scotia, NY, home of the LC-130 ski-birds, has Traditional Guard vacancies in the following career fields: 1C3X1, 2A5X1, 2A5X3A&B, 2A6X1, 2A6X2, 2A6X4, 2A6X6, 2A7X1, 2E1X3, 2F0X1, 2S0X1, 2T0X1, 2S0X2, 2T0X1, 2T2X1, 3E0X1, 3E0X2, 3E1X1, 3E3X1, 3E4X3, 3E7X1, 3M0X1, 3P0X1, 3S0X1, 4A0X1, 4N0X1, X4N0X1, 4A251, 6F051.

They also have positions open through the rank of Major for prior-service navigators qualified in any air frame.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Jim Reeves, the Palace Chase and Palace Front point of contact, by email 109aw@recruiting.goang.com or call DSN 344-2457 or 800-524-5070.

Space-available travel

The following flights are currently available for space-available travel:

•Wednesday take-off at 8 a.m. to Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.; returns Thursday.

•Thursday at 8 a.m. to Kelly Air Force Base, Texas; returns Jan. 20.

All flights are subject to changes or cancellation without prior notice. Show time for all flights is two hours prior to scheduled take-off time. All travelers must show their military identification card plus one additional form of ID. Active duty travelers must possess valid leave orders. The passenger terminal is at Bldg. 4218, 941 Avenue B.

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Thrift Shop

The Dyess Thrift Shop is open to all Dyess personnel and their families. Store hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Consignments are accepted on open days from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Thrift Shop is located at 382 4th Avenue. For more information, call 696-8203.

Dyess Chapel

Nursery and children's church are available at all services. For information on Jewish services, call Maj. Matt Paskin at 696-1530. For information about other services, call the chapel at 696-4224.

Catholic worship schedule:

Saturday: Reconciliation — 4 p.m.
Mass — 5 p.m.
Sunday: Mass — 9 a.m.
Monday — Thursday: Mass — 11:30 a.m.

Protestant worship schedule:

Traditional worship service — 11 a.m.
Gospel service 12:30 p.m.

Jewish services are scheduled to be held at Temple Mizpah, 849 Chestnut St., Jan. 20 at 7 p.m.

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 $3, children 6-12 years old are $1.50 and children ages 6 and younger are admitted free. Admission for G-rated movies is $1.50 for children between the ages 2-12.

For more information, call the base theater at 696-4320.

Friday, 7 p.m.

Saw II

(*Donnie Wahlberg, Shawnee Smith, Tobin Bell, Franky G*)

Jigsaw locks a few unlucky people in a booby trapped shelter and they must find a way out before they inhale too much of a lethal nerve gas and die. But they must watch out, for the traps Jigsaw has set in the shelter lead to death also.

Rated R (*grisly violence and gore, terror, language and drug content*) 93 min.

Saturday, Sunday, 2 p.m.

Just Friends

(*Ryan Reynolds, Amy Smart*)

A man comes face-to-face with old high school crush, a woman whose rejection of him turned him into a ferocious womanizer.

Rated PG-13 (*sexual content, bathroom humor*) 96 min.

Dyess B-1 flies over Rose Bowl

By 1st Lt. Aaron Hochman-Zimmerman
7th Bomb Wing Protocol

In college football, where aerial attack is concerned, they never thought of the B-1; now they'll never forget it.

The 28th Bomb Squadron's pre-game flyover strikingly opened a Rose Bowl that will, likewise, not soon be forgotten.

The flyby itself was staged from Boeing facilities in Long Beach, Calif. The crew took off and began holding in the twilight over the San Gabriel Mountains with a view of the lighted Rose Bowl Stadium 10 miles to the south.

"On radar, the parking lot was jammed with cars. I didn't see a spot anywhere," joked Lt. Col. Roy Walker, the crew's offensive systems officer.

When it was time to leave the marshal, the crew flew down the side of the San Gabriel's ridgeline, down into the valley where the stadium sits.

Captain Kimerly Purdon, a 28th BS weapon system officer who created the flight plan for the fly-over crew, had one of the better views from her press box.

"This little shadow of a plane (was) sneaking down the ridgeline like a cat sneaking up on its prey," Capt. Purdon said.

"It was 63 seconds from the decision point to the stadium. About 30 seconds after the push, they keyed the radio and I realized we were late, so I pushed the engine into full afterburner, to our max allowable speed, to arrive exactly on time," said Maj. John Koss, the B-1 pilot, describing the action after leaving the holding pattern.

The crew was on time as they had planned, but there were many pieces of the show that had to be just right. Thirty seconds before show time, it was Capt. Brian Golden, a 28th BS pilot, who keyed a hand-held radio from the field so the crew could hear the national anthem, sung by LeAnn Rimes, and make their timing perfect.

"We heard: '…home of the brave,'" Major Koss said, as he smiled and motioned forward with his hand, the same way he would have pushed the throttle up to be overhead by the song's end. "I hope she holds that note," he said to the crew.

"She sang a wee bit faster than we anticipated," Col. Walker said.

The crew screamed over the stadium with their wings pinned back at .9 Mach, 1,000 feet above the crowd's heads, and only 200 feet above the fireworks, which followed behind them as they passed. Once past the stadium, they pulled skyward, gaining over 10,000 feet.

"It shook the entire stadium," Capt. Purdon said.

"I felt the chills and I heard the car alarms," said Senior Airman Jason Burt, 28th Aircraft Maintenance Unit autopilot instruments technician, who was still outside the stadium during the flyover. "We showed our strength."

The mountains, valleys and fading sunlight made the flyby more difficult than a usual flat-terrain performance. The crew had to avoid the mountains while losing 8,000 feet between the stadium and the marshal, 10 miles away.

"We had all of the pilots fly the profile in the simulator. It was very helpful," said Lt. Col. Quinten Miklos, 28th BS pilot.

In addition to the Air Force Academy Chorus, Wings of Blue, and of course the fly over, Gen. Ronald Keys, Air Combat Command commander, was introduced after the first quarter. The flyby crew, the spare jet's crew, and some of the maintenance crew were flown by helicopter by the Pasadena Police Department and driven by police motorcade to the stadium, where they took the field for their introduction during halftime to a standing ovation.

"I felt like a rock star," Col. Walker said.

"It was great. It wasn't as loud as when the Texas cheerleaders took the field, but it was loud," said Airman Burt.

But the show was not limited to the Rose Bowl alone.

"There were at least 50 people on the ramp. There were cars lined up," said Capt. Marc Gonzalez, 28th AMU officer in charge, about the audience gathered at the Boeing facility in Long Beach just to watch the take off.

Capt. Gonzalez and 11 of his 28th AMU maintainers were impressed by the interest of the people gathered not only around the Boeing ramp but also in the passenger terminal, on their way home. The maintenance crew, traveling in civilian clothes, was asked by a stranger if they had been at the Rose Bowl. When they told him they had, his next question was not about the game itself; it was: "Did you see the B-1 flyover?"

The flyover which was so greatly appreciated by the fans in attendance and on television, came at the request of the Rose Bowl planning committee, who contacted the Public Affairs office of the Secretary of the Air Force to specifically request a B-1 to perform in their pre-game show.

Once the request arrived at the 28th BS, Capt. Purdon responded with her own requests for waivers, which were necessary to make the performance legal. The Federal Aviation Administration prohibits flight below 10,000 feet to 250 mph and a standing ACC waiver limits the B-1 to 300 mph. Both were discounted for the Rose Bowl. Waivers were also granted for visual low-level flight after official sunset and landing approach considerations for larger, faster aircraft.

During their stay in Southern California, the Dyess team was well received by the people they met.

Photo courtesy of Capt. Kimberly Purdon

Members of the B-1 crews wave to cheering fans at the Jan. 4 Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif., where they did a flyby. Over 90,000 people attended the event.

"All I heard was, 'thanks for the job you do,'" said Col. Miklos.

Even an Albuquerque-based air traffic controller thanked them, at length, over the radio for all their hard work and sacrifices.

Capt. Gonzalez said he was thankful for the opportunity to have been a part of the Rose Bowl.

"It was an experience of a lifetime. We were actually a part of it … that flyby was because of us," he said, speaking for his maintenance team.

Letter to Airmen on Advanced Composite Force Training

By Gen. T. Michael Moseley
U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff

To the Airmen of the United States Air Force,

The Air Force is reactivating the 65th Aggressor Squadron at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev. The men and women who will make up this unit will inherit a proud heritage: United States Air Force Aggressors. The squadron last flew F-5Es at Nellis from 1975 until 1989, where their blue and brown jets became legend as part of Red Flag. On Jan. 12, 2006, F-15s of the 65th will fly alongside the F-16s of the 64th Aggressor Squadron as part of our Air Force's advanced composite force training team.

The Global War on Terror has now lasted five months longer than United States involvement in World War II, and your Air Force has been in continuous combat for the past 15 years. In that time, we have learned many hard-earned lessons … bringing these lessons into our training will keep us the greatest Air Force the World has ever known. The 65th and other Aggressor units will provide realistic adversary training in air, space and information operations to make us even better. Aggressors directly contribute to the combat capability of our Airmen by helping us squeeze every ounce of performance from our systems and the Airmen who fly them. As our enemies' threats and tactics evolve, the Aggressors will keep us razor sharp as we fight this Global War on Terror and defend our great Nation.

Today, we have added Space and Information Warfare Aggressors to our advanced composite force training. Expect more of our career fields to follow. From our Airmen serving in convoy operations in Iraq to Information Warriors denying hacker attacks to Space Operators bringing new capabilities to Special Ops Airmen in the field to Aircrew protecting the skies of our nation — all benefit from a better knowledge of enemy tactics and capabilities as well as the confidence and experience gained from "battling" Red Forces on real and virtual ranges.

Airmen will be sent into battles against both the known enemy and the unknown. Regardless, we will be better prepared to fly, fight and win for our Nation thanks to advanced composite force training. Use these opportunities to innovate and improve our tactics, technologies and training. If we can continue to make ourselves more lethal and effective, then we will continue to dominate Air, Space and Cyberspace for the Joint Team.

Fight night in the desert

Photo courtesy of Master Sgt. Richard Champagne

No-look knockout

Airman 1st Class Shaun Stallworth, a Dyess Airman deployed with the 386th Expeditionary Civil Engineering Squadron, makes contact with Airman 1st Class Larry Boyd in Sunday night boxing action. Airman Stallworth threw 98 punches and landed 49, winning the three round match. The 210-pound Airman boxes in the heavyweight class.

Jan. basketball schedules

Over-30 basketball league

All basketball games will be played at the base gym.

Tueday 17th			
11 a.m.	7th OG	vs.	7th AMXS/MOS
12 p.m.	7th BW/MSS	vs.	7th SVS
Thursday 19th			
11:00am	7th CES	vs.	7th MUNS
12:00pm	7th SVS	vs.	7th OG
Tuesday 24th			
11 a.m.	7th MUNS	vs.	7th BW/MSS
12 p.m.	7th AMXS/MOS	vs.	7th CES
Thursday 26th			
11 a.m.	7th CES	vs.	7th OG
12 p.m.	7th MUNS	vs.	7th SVS
Tuesday 31st			
11 a.m.	7th BW/MSS	vs.	7th AMXS/MOS
12 p.m.	7th OG	vs.	7th MUNS

American League

Wednesday 18th			
5:30 pm	7th MDG	vs.	7th CES
6:30 pm	7th MUNS	vs.	7th CS
7:30 pm	7th EMS	vs.	7th AMXS
Monday 23rd			
5:30 pm	7th AMXS	vs.	7th MUNS
6:30 pm	7th CS	vs.	7th CES
7:30 pm	7th EMS	vs.	7th MDG
Wednesday 25th			
5:30 pm	7th MUNS	vs.	7th EMS
6:30 pm	7th CES	vs.	7th AMXS
7:30 pm	7th MDG	vs.	7th CS
Monday 30th			
5:30 pm	7th AMXS	vs.	7th CS
6:30 pm	7th MUNS	vs.	7th MDG
7:30 pm	7th EMS	vs.	7th CES

National League

Tuesday 17th			
5:30 pm	7th LRS	vs.	7th AMXS #2
6:30 pm	7th OSS	vs.	7th SVS
7:30 pm	7th CMS	vs.	317th AMXS/MXS
Thursday 19th			
5:30 pm	7th SVS	vs.	317th AMXS/MXS
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