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Staff agencies keep wing rolling  
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#### Weekend weather

Today	64/38	Mostly sunny
Saturday	70/52	Partly cloudy
Sunday	73/47	Few showers
Monday	68/49	Few showers



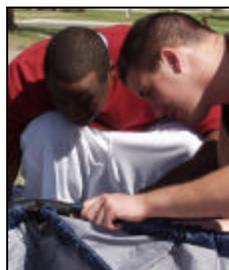
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319th Operations Support Squadron weather flight*

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# Wing staff

## Don't drive without us

By Lt. Col. Bruce "Doc" Hendrickson  
Director of Staff

I have been asked by my friends what it means to be the Director of Staff (or in fact, what "the staff" does). I have to say we're a little like the heater in your car. In winter, you leave it on without thinking - but if it stopped working you'd notice in a hurry.

In our country, where military experience is the exception rather than the rule, it's not surprising that civilian notions of what the Air Force does remain pretty basic: we fly aircraft around the world.

Those inclined to think about it further will probably acknowledge there are a great many mission support and medical tasks that go along with maintaining and flying aircraft. This covers a large part of the daily work at an Air Force wing - but not all of it.

There are hundreds of less visible - but critical - functions that support a wing and its people so they can accomplish the mission. This is where the wing staff comes in.

Some folks think of us as the many tribes of the DS, a collection of agencies, but we're united by the same mission as every group in the wing. Most of the staff may not fly or maintain the aircraft, provide medical services or offer the same functions as the mission

support group, yet their contributions are just as important.

Each member of the staff brings his or her own expertise to the fight. The legal office sees to the legal needs of Airmen, families and the command, the chaplains ensure we're spiritually "fit to fight," the safety office helps us manage risk, the manpower folks make sure base manning is where it needs to be and the inspector general ensures we remain ready through exercises and evaluations.

That's just a sampling of some of the impacts the staff has. There are also public affairs who gets crucial information out, the historian who serves as the wing's "corporate memory," the comptrollers who take care of the wing's financial needs, the treaty office who keeps us in compliance with international agreements, protocol that supports all kinds of official functions and dignitary visits and the military equal opportunity office that ensures everyone gets a fair shake.

Individually, they represent many small functions; taken together they have a big impact on the mission. In fact, trying to do the mission without the staff is a lot like driving through a North Dakota winter without a heater - uncomfortable and sometimes dangerous.



U.S. Air Force photo

Col. Joel Reese  
319th Air Refueling Wing  
vice commander

## Action Line

Call 747-4522 or E-mail  
commandersactionline@grandforks.af.mil

The Action Line is your avenue for information about events and activities on and around the base. For questions about current events or rumors, leave a message.

Questions will be answered in the order they are received.

**13**  
Consecutive DWI-free days  
Goal is zero DWIs.

## Youth Center extended hours

**Question:** I was wondering if the Youth Center has ever considered extending their hours?

I go to school in town and my last class gets out at 5 p.m. When my husband is deployed (which he is often) or working the swing shift it is very difficult for me to get to the center by 5:30 p.m. to pick up our 6-year-old son. It is even more difficult and dangerous if driving conditions are less than optimal between here and town.

**Answer:** Great question and I appreciate your taking the time to

suggest ways to make our base even better.

The School-Age Program will open early and close late to meet parent's needs during inspections, base emergencies/exercises and other special operating periods, but because the School-Age Program shares the Youth Center with the Open Recreation Program, the hours are set to accommodate both programs. If the program is unable to meet a parent's needs, we encourage them to contact the Youth Flight's Family Day Care Office at 747-3158 to inquire about EDC (Extended Duty Care) or the Family Member Program Flight Chief at 747-6483.

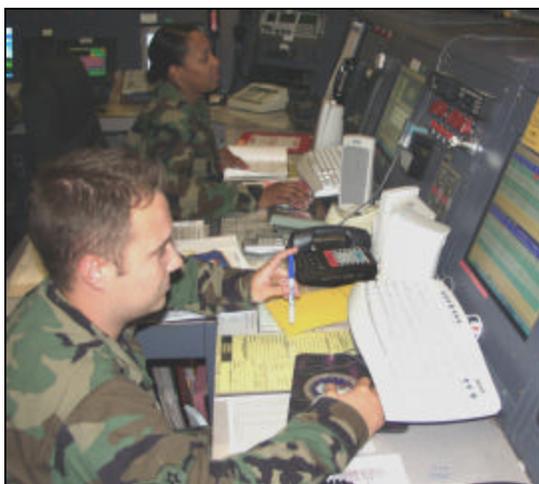


Photo by Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke

**Cover:**  
Airman David Bowman and Senior Airman Tabitha McCullough run a quick reaction checklist at the Command Post here Tuesday. The Command Post is only one of several Wing Staff agencies featured on pages 12-13.

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# Aircraft Maintenance Squadron pitches ‘perfect game’ twice

**By Maj. Robert Maxwell**  
319 AMXS Maintenance Operations Officer

In baseball, a pitcher’s dream is to pitch a complete game and face only 27 batters. This is referred to as a “perfect game.” Author Paul Dickson describes it in *The New Baseball Dictionary* as “a no-hitter in which no opposing player reaches first base.” In the history of baseball only 17 pitchers have achieved this feat. The oldest one was Randy Johnson of the Arizona Diamondbacks at 40-years old.



*Courtesy photo*

**The wing had two discrepancy-free “black letter initial” launches Aug. 12.**

The aircraft maintenance community’s version of the “perfect game” is the “black letter initial” launch. A black letter initial launch occurs when an aircraft takes off without any open write-ups or delayed discrepancies. Delayed discrepancies are entries in the aircraft maintenance forms that document minor flyable discrepancies that require either aircraft down time or supply support to resolve.

By those standards, the 319th Maintenance Group pitched a “perfect game” twice Aug. 12 when crew chiefs Staff Sgt. Brian Morris and Staff Sgt. Justin Carwile launched 42- and 46-year old aircraft (twice their own ages) under black letter initials. To top off the accomplishment, both aircraft landed without a discrepancy.

“I saw this happen four times at my last base, but they were nearly brand new jets,” said Col. Mark Ramsay, 319th Air Refueling Wing commander. This is a huge accomplishment.”

According to Lt. Col. Mike England, 319th Maintenance Group deputy commander, the accomplishment was a result of the combined efforts of the entire Maintenance Group and the supply system as a whole.

“From our Maintenance Squadron’s efficiently execution of scheduled maintenance to our Aircraft Maintenance Squadron’s management of our command leading delayed discrepancy program and the outstanding supply support from the 319th Logistics Readiness

Squadron, this accomplishment was a total team effort.” said Lt. Col. England.

The most difficult part of the black letter initial launch is to manage the delayed discrepancies, said Chief Master Sgt. David Brungardt, chief enlisted manager for the 319th Maintenance Group.

“With approximately one-half of our aircraft fleet deployed or off-station at any given time, managing the delayed discrepancy program requires a great deal of coordination and planning. The 319th Maintenance Group currently leads all other Air Mobility Command tanker wings in efficiently managing the total number of delayed discrepancies on its fleet of 51 KC-135s,” said Chief Brungardt.

One interesting aspect of the launches was that one of the aircraft was piloted by Col. Lee DeRemer, 319th Operations Group Commander, a fact which made the accomplishment all the more notable for the Maintenance Group.

“It’s been two years since we’ve launched an aircraft under a black letter initial and to have it happen twice in the same day is phenomenal,” said Col. Michael Saville, 319th Maintenance Group commander. “In true ‘Warrior of the North’ spirit, the dedicated men and women of the 319th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron readily accept any challenge. We’re proud of these black letter initial launches and look forward to repeating the ‘perfect game’ many times in the coming months.”

# Newest housing area receives first residents



*Photo by Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke*

**Master Sgt. Brad Zielske, 373rd Training Squadron, and his son open the door to their new home in Lewis and Clark housing. The grand opening ceremony for the housing area is Aug. 30 at 3 p.m.**

**By Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke**  
Public Affairs

The carpet has no stains, the walls have no holes and the possibilities are endless. Thirty-eight senior noncommissioned officers all got the chance to take a first step into their new houses Sunday.

The SNCOs literally got to pick and choose their new address in the recently opened Lewis and Clark housing area on base.

“The new tenants were given the option of two houses,” said Chris Powell, housing manager.

The prospective tenants were shown floor plans after which they were allowed to check out the insides of the homes before making their final decision.

Lewis and Clark isn’t the only housing project. New grade and company grade housing units are also scheduled to be built.

“We’ve been waiting for this for a while,” said Master Sgt. Brad Zielske, 373rd Training Squadron.

“I’ve been living in a camper here, while my wife and son were in billeting for the last six weeks.”

“Many families have been living in billeting, or the temporary living facility here,” said Mr. Powell.

Other SNCOs chosen to move into the new housing

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### Housing

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were families directed to move because their houses were scheduled to be torn down due to new construction. The last category of families chosen were those who volunteered to move out of houses set to be converted to junior non-commissioned officer homes.

\$76 million has been spent on housing projects, so far.

Families will continue to move into the new homes throughout the rest of the month.

The next opening is sched-

uled for Spring 2005 for SNCO, company and field grade housing.

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*There will be a Lewis and Clark housing dedication Aug. 30 at 3 p.m. on Beech Street.*

*Next week The Leader will feature an in-depth look into new family housing and the future of the entire housing project.*

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**For information:  
[www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov)**

# AMC delivers hurricane relief

**By Capt. Michael Coleman**  
Air Mobility Command Public Affairs

**SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill.** – Air Mobility Command began operations Aug. 13 to support the Federal Emergency Management Agency by providing emergency relief to areas in Florida devastated by Hurricane Charley.

“AMC Tanker Airlift Control Center (began) moving 200 empty cargo pallets to Dobbins (Air Reserve Base), Ga., ... so the aerial port (Airmen there) would be able to prepare relief supplies for airlift as they arrived on base,” said Col. Jeff Franklin, TACC director of operations.

About 40 tractor-trailers delivered the supplies to Dobbins ARB where the 17th Airlift Squadron from Charleston AFB, S.C., had set up stage operations with six C-17 Globemaster IIIs.

“We had just landed at Davis-Monthan AFB, [Ariz.] and were notified that we needed to get to Dobbins for the FEMA support missions,” said Lt. Col. Mark Danigole, senior ranking officer for AMC stage operations out of Dobbins. “So we basically ... were ready within an hour to take off again.”

The three aircraft departed Davis-Monthan AFB and two were diverted en route from Charleston AFB, where they were doing their own hurricane evacuation, Colonel Danigole said. The sixth aircraft was returning from a mission supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The team at Dobbins ARB is comprised of 94th Airlift Wing Airmen and about 20 others from Charleston AFB and Maxwell AFB, Ala. They arrived Aug. 14 and began palletizing relief supplies trucked in by FEMA.

The C-17s delivered relief supplies Aug. 14 and Aug. 15.

Besides operations at Dobbins ARB, AMC also delivered a Tanker Airlift Control Element to Lakeland Airfield, Fla., a location designated by FEMA. This mobile aerial port unit, an element of the 621st Air Mobility Operations Group stationed at McGuire AFB, N.J., will receive relief supplies and transfer them to FEMA.

TACC officials planned and coordinated the operations among the bases and units involved.

“All this pivotal planning happened in the middle of us evacuating out of AMC's East Coast bases,” Colonel Franklin said. “The trick was to get the planes out of the way of the storm and still use them for the humanitarian support missions.”

*Courtesy of AMC News Service*

# News Briefs

## School open houses

**Eielson Elementary School (grades preschool through 3)** – Eielson's open house is Monday from 2 to 4 p.m. at the school.

**Nathan Twining Elementary and Middle School (grades 4 to 8)** – The Twining School open house is Tuesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the school. The Twining Parent-Teacher Organization will also hold a "burger burn" in front of the school during the open house.

During the school open houses, parents can bring in school supplies and meet with teachers.

For more details about either open house, call Eielson at 787-5000 or Twining at 787-5100.

## Kiddie Campus registration

The Child Development Center's Kiddie Campus Part-Day Enrichment Program holds fall registration Monday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the CDC. The program runs from September through May for children ages 3 to 5. Parents can choose between Tuesday and Thursday or Monday, Wednesday and Friday campus days with 8:45 to 11:15 a.m. or 12:30 to 3 p.m. time frames.

For registration, parents should bring their child's current shot record and a leave and earnings statement for working parents. The program is open to active duty, Department of Defense civilians

and contractors. The Kiddie Campus Open House will be Sept. 2 from 6 to 7 p.m. For details call 747-3042.

## Prairieview dumpster screen construction

Prairieview housing residents will begin seeing construction of refuse/recycling container screens in their housing area starting Monday. The project should be completed by Oct. 28. For more details about this project, call Master Sgt. Bruce Smoot at 747-4592.

## Recycle center relocation

Starting Monday, the base recycle center will be relocating from Building 424 to Building 671. The new location will have the same hours - Mondays through Fridays from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For details call the base recycling contractor, Waste Management, at 775-5880.

## Sept. 11 experiences

The Public Affairs Office is seeking anyone with interesting stories about where they were and what they were doing when the tragedies of Sept. 11, 2001 took place and where they have been on the anniversaries of Sept. 11 since, such as on deployment or in New

York or Washington DC. Those people who respond will have an opportunity to be featured in base newspaper stories and media interviews.

Additionally, if you've already responded by e-mail, please resend your response (a recent computer problem resulted in loss of some of the responses). If you are interested, contact Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol at 319th ARW/PA at 747-5018 or e-mail [scott.sturkol@grandforks.af.mil](mailto:scott.sturkol@grandforks.af.mil).

## Heir force

**Katelyn Rose Pauley**, 6 pounds, 2 ounces, born June 24 to Airman 1st Class James and Alyssa Pauley, 319th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

**Davis Steven Martin**, 9 pounds 2.6 ounces, born June 30 to Staff Sgt Daren and Rosa Martin, 319th AMXS.

**Zoey Grace Edmister**, 9 ounces, born July 2 to Senior Airman Skye and Hannah Edmister, 319th AMXS.

**Gabrielle Kyria O'Connor**, 6 pounds, 6.7 ounces, born July 4 to Airman 1st Class Ryan and Bobbie Sue O'Connor, 319th Civil Engineer Squadron.

**Aurorah Margaret Tyndall**, 6 pounds, 7 ounces, born July 8 to Staff Sgt. Erick and Monchanok Tyndall, 319th Communications Squadron.

**Vincent Thomas Pini**, 7 pounds, 12

ounces, born July 9 to Tech Sgt. Anthony and Sherry Pini, 373rd Training Squadron, Detachment 10.

**Colton James Caves**, 8 pounds, 4.7 ounces, born July 11 to Staff Sgt. Brandon and Darcy Caves, 319th Maintenance Squadron.

**Robert James Miksell**, 7 pounds, 6.2 ounces, born July 18 to 1st Lt. Ryan and 2nd Lt. Mary Miksell, 912 Air Refueling Squadron and 319th Operations Support Squadron, respectively.

**Gavin Michael Cooley**, 8 pounds, 8.8 ounces, born July 22 to Capt. Dan and Terese Cooley, 319th OSS.

**Anya Beth Mathis**, 5 pounds 6 ounces, born July 23 to Staff Sgt. Daniel and Alyssa Mathis, 319th AMXS.

**Nadia Ruth Mathis**, 5 pounds 3 ounces, born July 23 to Staff Sgt. Daniel and Alyssa Mathis, 319th AMXS.

**Paige Morgan Handly**, 8 pounds, 8 ounces born July 25 to Tech Sgt. Toby and Tracy Handly, 319th Medical Support Squadron.

**Erica Wren Neubert**, 8.2 pounds, born July 26 to Staff Sgt. Marc and Virginia Neubert, 319th Security Forces Squadron.

**Emily Michelle Cole**, 8 pounds, 12 ounces, born July 28 to 1st Lt. Ryan and Kimberly Cole, 319th CES.

**Magdalena Ann Volk**, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, born Aug. 17 to Tonya and Staff Sgt. Monte Volk, 319th Air Refueling Wing.

# Felix Hall takes second quarter dorm competition

By Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke  
Public Affairs

For the last six months residents of the eight dorms here have been caught up in an intense race to show which one is the best. The quarterly competition, has netted one winner so far.

Felix Hall, dorm 212, won the dorm competition for the second time July 22.

So what are the 63 Felix Hall dorm residents doing that sets them apart from the competition?

"Our dorm's desire is to compete and be successful," said Tech Sgt. D.J. Lemelle, dorm manager, "also the squadrons have been tremendously supportive of the bay orderly program."

Felix Hall residents, like those in most dorms on base, are from more than one squadron. Members of the 319th Communications Squadron, the 319th Mission Support Squadron, the 319th Comptroller Squadron, the 319th Services Squadron, and the 319th Wing Staff all live there.

Each of the different squadrons supply a bay orderly for the week on a rotating basis.

"Our dorm isn't one of the newer ones, and that requires our bay orderlies to pay extra attention to the small things," said Sergeant Lemelle. "Their attention to detail while performing their bay orderly duties have set them apart,"

Airman 1st Class Anthony Parker, 319th MSS, was one of the bay orderlies

before the second quarter inspection.

"I would do things like wax the stairwells, scrub walls, and clean out store rooms," said Airman Parker. "It's about doing things that keep our dorm clean consistently, not just at the time of the inspection."

Although they played a major role in winning the dorm competition, the bay orderlies aren't the only ones credited for Felix Hall's success.

Sergeant Lemelle also credits the different work sections in the 319th Civil Engineer Squadron. "When something breaks I call the problem in and within a few hours, depending on the severity of the situation, they are at the dorm to fix it," said Sergeant Lemelle.

Felix Hall residents didn't stop after the first quarter win. They re-carpeted a bike room, refurbished a storage room into a game room, and turned a different storage room into a fitness room complete with a treadmill and stationary bike.

Another feature that sets Felix Hall apart from the other dorms is that it was the first to establish a dorm council.

"The dorm council is fantastic," said Sergeant Lemelle. "They set up a Felix Hall e-mail account so in the event of announcements we can get the word out quickly."

The Felix Hall dorm council also organizes movie nights, videogame nights, and all dorm resident calls.

"The council also keeps me informed of the latest and greatest of what's going



Photo by Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke

**Airmen first class Alan Coleman from the 319th Communications Squadron, left, Adonis Ball, center, and Anthony Parker both from the 319th Mission Support Squadron and all residents of Felix Hall, help put up the screened tent house that was bought with the \$500 prize money from the dorm competition**

on," said Sergeant Lemelle.

The email account was how Sergeant Lemelle got the information out on what dorm residents could do with the \$500 prize money from the dorm competition.

In the end, the residents of Felix Hall decided on buying a screened tent house, an electronic dart board, and remote controls for all the day rooms.

The second quarter win netted the residents of Felix Hall two video game systems, two video games, and a home theater system for the dayroom.

"The dorm competition is here to stay," said Sergeant Lemelle, "and one of my responsibilities to the Airmen of the

dormitories is to ensure they live in a clean and safe environment."

The next dorm competition is slated for October. The question on most minds is whether Felix Hall will win for a third time in a row. Either way, the residents of Felix Hall will continue what they do.

"I'm happy to be in the dorm that I live in," said Airman Parker, "All of the residents get along and Sergeant Lemelle makes sure that all of our needs are taken care of as quickly as possible."

"I can't speak for the rest of the dorms but I do hope that the rest of the Airmen living in the dorms feel the same way," he said.

# Meet the new MSG commander

## 1. Why do you look forward to your new position as 319th Mission Support Group commander?

This is an easy question with an even easier answer – working side-by-side with the Airmen of Grand Forks Air Force Base and the people in local communities. It is important to note that I when I refer to Airmen, I am referring to our enlisted force, civilians and officers. An Airman in today's Air Force specifically continues to offer so much to our mission – from streamlining processes to taking care of our warriors and families.



**Col. Peter Sands**  
319th Mission Support  
Group Commander

## 2. What goals do you hope to achieve?

This can be best summed up in three goals...directly support Combat Air Mobility through the Expeditionary Airman, base sustainment and embracing the community. As combat air mobility warriors, this directly supports how we, the MSG, support world-class flightline operations.

The goals of the 319th Mission Support Group are to ensure the expeditionary Airman is ready to fight in any austere and dynamic environment. We ensure base sustainment directly supports our in-garrison forces, and more specifically, the strategic wartime mission. All of that while still taking care of our families remains of the utmost importance.

## 3. What is your command philosophy?

A commander must ensure people have the right resources at the right time to perform their job with the right technical expertise safely both in-garrison and in a deployed environment. We're here to support the expeditionary Airman at all levels, therefore we must provide the leadership and an atmosphere for meaningful training. Simply put, take care of our people and they will take care of the mission.

## 4. What do you expect from your people?

I expect that the MSG team will work hard with unquestionable dedication to people and mission. We do this through trust in our people, and their abilities to get the job done.

## 5. How important is it for each person in your unit to be part of the team?

It's vital that we capitalize on strengths of each person in our unit. My philosophy is

everybody has positive strengths – we must make certain people are heard and their strengths are utilized to guarantee mission success in all we do for the mission and our community.

## 6. When do you know you've got it good as a commander?

When I depart and as a result of my contributions to the team, the people and mission are better off because I contributed to the team just like anyone else and it continues to operate.

## 7. What are your thoughts on your unit's role in the Global War on Terrorism?

The MSG's role for GWOT is distinguished because we touch almost every part of the mission. The MSG supports and prepares warriors to fight and sustain operations...our training encompasses the ability to fit in many dynamic situations and at all levels of conflict.

## 8. What has helped you mold your leadership principles?

First and foremost my parents always taught me to make any place you are better than what you arrived...as simple as this philosophy sounds it is important no matter where life takes us. Secondly, Lt. Gen. Phillip Ford (ret) reinforced the true meaning of integrity in all we do...integrity is not just something we abide by at work it must be part our culture no matter where we are.

## 9. Who has been an inspiration in your life and how did they inspire you?

My God, wife Julie and son Joshua are truly the inspiration in my life. Julie and Josh never let me forget who I am and that during our short journey in life, our impacts can be long-lasting and positive. They are always there for me and provide unwavering support.

## 10. Anything you would like to add?

It's great to be back. I'd like to thank all for such a memorable welcoming. I am proud to return as a "Warrior of the North" and look forward to working with each and everyone in the 319th MSG and the wing. The pride, dedication and relentless drive to perform at peak levels resonates throughout the 319th Air Refueling Wing.

## Community offers salute to military, families Aug. 28

By 1st Lt. Michael Meridith  
Public Affairs

The Grand Forks community is offering a special salute to servicemembers and their families Aug. 28 at the Alerus Center starting at 11 a.m.

Military Appreciation Day is sponsored by the Grand Forks and East Grand Forks Chamber of Commerce's Military Affairs Committee, the University of North Dakota and a variety of community organizations and businesses. It has been an annual event since the first one was held to recognize military support to the community during the Flood of 1997.

This year's event will feature a lunch, games and activities for children, and performances by the University of North Dakota Pride of the North Marching Band. The highlight of the event is the Fighting Sioux vs. Delta State game at 1 p.m.

"What the community is trying to say is thank you," said MAC member Don Fisk. "We want all the military people and their families to know we really appreciate them being here in the community and everything they do."

Tickets for the football game will be available at the community center starting Monday, but are not required for the other events. For more details visit [www.gf-services.com](http://www.gf-services.com).



*File photo*  
**Warriors of the North and their families enjoy fun and games during a previous Military Appreciation Day at the Alerus Center.**

## Base schedules aerial spraying of mosquitoes

By Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol  
Public Affairs

Aerial spraying for mosquitoes will be conducted in the local area by a C-130 crew from the 757th Airlift Squadron of Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Ohio, Monday through Aug. 27.

The spraying, which uses a \$2 million dollar spray system to distribute the adulticide Trumpet, is meant to reduce adult mosquito populations in the area. Mosquitoes are the primary carriers of the West Nile Virus.

The base and the city of Emerado will tentatively be sprayed Monday, with the cities of Grand Forks and East Grand Forks and the Grand Forks International Airport following soon after. Spraying is dependent on weather conditions.

An environmental assessment earlier this year determined the spraying is not harmful to humans, animals or crops. Also, the substances used will not affect parklands, wetlands, farmlands, and wild and scenic areas.

Spraying will be cancelled if mosquito activity is severely reduced due to cold temperatures.

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# Airmen Against Drunk Driving

## 740-2273

## Base chapel

### CATHOLIC:

**Sunday Mass:** 9 a.m. Sunflower Chapel

**Weekday Mass:** 11:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday Sunflower Chapel

**Reconciliation:** 8:30 to 8:45 a.m.

Sunday, Sunflower Chapel, or by appointment by calling 747-5673.

For details on educational programs, call Jane Hutzol at 747-3073.

**CCD registration:** Began Aug. 8

### PROTESTANT:

**Traditional Worship:** 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, Sunflower Chapel

**Contemporary Worship:** 6 p.m.

Sunday, Prairie Rose Chapel

**Men of the Chapel Bible Study:** Noon Monday, Prairie Rose Chapel conference room

**Young Adults:** 6 p.m. Friday, Chaplain (Capt.) Brian Swain's home. Call 747-4359 for details.

**Women's Bible Study:** 7 p.m. Monday, Prairie Rose Chapel. Call 594-3916 for details.

**Sunday school registration:** Began Aug. 8 classes start Sept. 12

### JEWISH:

Call Synagogue B'nai Israel at 775-5124.

### MUSLIM, BUDDHIST, ORTHODOX, OTHER:

Call 747-5673 for details.

## Base theater

### Today, 7 p.m.

#### **Anchorman (PG-13)**

Helmet-haired '70s news anchor Ron Burgundy (Will Ferrell), despite his raging ego and hormones, is the most popular news reader in San Diego. But his status is threatened by the arrival of an ambitious female newscaster (Christina Applegate), who's soon made his co-anchor.

### Saturday, 7 p.m.

#### **King Arthur (PG-13)**

Arthur (Clive Owen) and his knights have served in the Roman military for 15 years, and they now have only one mission to fulfill before being granted their freedom. As the Saxons attack Britain, they must head north to rescue the last Roman officials left in a village. Once there, the Knights of the Round Table team with a former enemy, Merlin, and set free Guinevere, a fierce fighter imprisoned by the Romans, so they can face the Saxons in battle.

### Aug 27, 7 p.m.

#### **Catwoman (PG-13)**

Patience Philips (Halle Berry) is a struggling, insecure graphic designer at Hedare Beauty, a cosmetics company that is about to release an anti-aging cream.

When she discovers that the cream has a deadly side effect, Patience is murdered. Shortly thereafter, she's reborn, discovering that she has a variety of cat-like superpowers.

### Aug 28, 3 p.m.

#### **A Cinderella Story (PG)**

(Sponsored by the First Sergeants Association)

A dorky high-school girl named Sam (Hilary Duff) lives with her mean stepmother (Jennifer Coolidge) and equally wicked stepsisters. She's got a lackluster social life but manages to meet and entice a charming prince at the Halloween dance. When Sam runs off after midnight, she drops her cell phone, which her handsome hunk recovers, beginning a search for his Cinderella.

**Tickets: \$1.50 children, \$3 adults**  
**For details, call 747-3021/6123.**

# Wing Staff... heat in the winter



Photo by 1st Lt. Ashley Gee

(Above) Tech. Sgt. Luis Brito and Capt. Heather Harper, of the Military Equal Opportunity office give Col. Peter Sands, 319th Mission Support Group commander, a commanders human relations briefing.

(Below) Staff Sgt. Danielle Johnson, 319th Civil Engineer Squadron, protects the flightline during ability-to-survive-and-operate exercise at Volk Field, Wisc. The Inspector General's office here evaluates the base's response during all exercises.



Photo by Master Sgt. Mark Bucher

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Public Affairs

Based on a job title, many people can automatically infer what part of the base a person works for. Crew chiefs, electricians, lab techs, and life support members are all easily separated into their different groups.

Lt. Col. Bruce 'Doc' Hendrickson referred to the Wing Staff as the heater in your car in the winter. Without these agencies the base would have a long, cold season.

The Wing Staff is comprised of 12 different agencies that do diverse jobs but all have the same mission; to supply fully mission capable aircraft and equipment through highly qualified personnel for immediate global response.

Below is a synopsis of each of the Wing Staff agencies

*(Editors note: The Legal Office and the 319th Comptollers Squadron, although a part of the Wing Staff, will not be featured in this edition of*

*The Leader. They will be highlighted in a later issue of The Leader.)*

## The Inspector General's Office

The Inspector General is responsible for the wing's inspections, complaint investigations, the Fraud, Waste and Abuse program and high level inquiries. It is also the focal point for creating and running the wing's exercises.

"We get information from the different sections on what they wanted evaluated in an exercise and put that on the Master Scenario Events List," said Maj. Charles Huhtala, chief of exercises and evaluations, here.

Those events are then worked into exercise scenarios.

## Manpower and Organization Office

The mission of the Manpower Office is to guarantee the proper amount of authorizations to accomplish the wing's mission.

"We ensure that the wing has the required manpower needed to fly the aircraft, maintain the aircraft, and support the main mission of the base," said Capt. Frank Currier, chief of the Manpower and Organization office.

## The Safety Office

"We protect the livelihood of the base," said Capt. Matthew Coleman, deputy chief of the Safety office.

The Safety office, which consist of ground, flight and weapon safety, is a team of experts who work to improve war-fighting capability, both at home and abroad, through risk management efforts focused on preventing injuries to military and civilian personnel and damage to vital war-fighting resources.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke

Airman 1st Class Darick Alexander, chapel assitant, sets up the chapel for a service.

## The Chaplain's Office

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Michael Weber, the wing chaplain, and the rest of the chaplains speak with Col. Mark Ramsay, 319th Air Refueling Wing commander, as well as group and squadron commanders on moral, ethical, and religious issues faced by base members.

This office supports the wing's mission by providing trained and equipped chaplain service personnel to offer spiritual care and opportunities for the free exercise of religion for military members and their families.

## Wing Operation Center

The WOC is the major commands connection to senior leadership.

"If anything important is going on, our job is to get the information to the commanders and any other agency that needs the information," said Master Sgt. Eric Sanborn, command post superintendent. The WOC is the only 24 hour operation in WIng Staff.

"We are the nerve center to and from the unit. The flightline could shut down and all the jets be taken away but the command post would still be here," said Sergeant Sanborn.

## Treaty Compliance Office

The mission of this office, which is run by Mr. James Bolton, is to monitor the activities of the countries signed up in the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty. All treaty officers in the United States are notified through their command post when a START team is coming into the country.

If Grand Forks Air Force Base is selected as an inspection site by the START team, wing leadership is contacted first, then key individuals throughout the base are contacted including services, contracting, security forces, logistics, medical and communications squadrons.

## Public Affairs

What does Public Affairs do? Obviously the newspaper you're holding right now is one of PA's products. But it's only one example of how PA expresses its core competencies of offering trusted counsel to leaders; helping build, maintain and improve Airman morale and readiness (as well as public trust and support); and using influence globally to deter adversaries. These concepts may sound complex, but they come down to one thing: giving the com-

mander the tools he needs to effectively communicate with his people, the American public, and the world.

## History Office

This office, which is run by Master Sgt. Betty Hartman preserves the history of the wing and the base by collecting data throughout the year.

"We get information on everything from money to buildings, people to special events, and any information that shows progress and the focus and concerns of wing leadership.

## Military Equal Opportunity Office

The Military Equal Opportunity is here to guarantee 'global reach' by ensuring equal opportunity and treatment, awareness, and education for all personnel and family members. MEOs underlined focus is shifting from the traditional philosophy of diversity (i.e. race/gender) to the full person concept. MEO ensures inclusion and avoids exclusion to maximize individual and organizational success. Food for thought, how do you view this: DIVERSITYISNOWHERE? Do you see Diversity is no where or diversity is now here?

## Base Activities

### Saturday

#### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST

This golf tournament and hole-in-one contest is Saturday at the Plainsview Golf Course and is open to all active duty, DoD civilians and retirees. Cost is \$10 per person. The Hole-in-One contest takes place on the 16th hole (115 yards). The prize is a new vehicle. There will be prizes up for grabs on the other par 3 holes too. Registration is at the golf course, 747-4279.

### Tuesday

#### AUGUST CLUB LUNCH

The Northern Lights Club will be having its Super Sandwich and Salad throughout August. There will also be a pasta bar. Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, and club members get a \$2 discount.

### Wednesday

#### BOATER SAFETY CLASS

Outdoor Recreation requires this class before you can rent powered watercraft. North Dakota law requires youth ages 12 - 15 to pass an approved boater safety course before they can operate watercraft over 10 horsepower, including personal watercraft. Additionally, many insurance companies offer a premium discount to boat owners who complete this course. The course is free; sign up is at Outdoor Recreation. *Class Date:* Wednesday from 5:30 to 8 p.m.



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#### Another ATWIND winner

Col. Scott Reese, 319th Air Refueling Wing vice commander, congratulates Tech. Sgt. Bryan Sneedon, 319th Logistic Readiness Squadron, for being the ATWIND prize winner for the month of July. Sergeant Sneedon won two plane tickets to anywhere in the United States.

### Thursday

#### RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

Sign up by Thursday for a trip to the Renaissance Festival in Shakopee, Minn.

**Date:** Aug. 28

**Departs:** 5 a.m. from Outdoor Recreation

**Returns:** Late same evening

**Cost:** \$25 per person (does not include admission)

Renaissance Festival events include: blacksmithing, brass rubbing, calligraphy, engraving, glass blowing, glass etching, glass lamp works, metal casting, perfume making, coin making, and wax figure sculpting. Admission to the festival is \$17.95 for adults and \$8.95 for children 6 - 12.

#### PRETEEN SCAVENGER HUNT

There is a scavenger hunt open to preteens ages 6 to 12 at 6:30 p.m. at the Youth Center. Free for members, \$1 for non-members.

### Upcoming

#### EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM TIME REGISTRATION

Aug. 15 - 30 is registration for the Youth Program's Education Program Times (EPT) at the Youth Center. All

programs are free for members and \$1 per day per youth for non-members. The Youth Center will only be open from 3 to 5 p.m. for these programs. Youth must be signed up for the programs to participate.

**Power Hour:** Tuesdays to Thursdays from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. for ages 6 - 16.

**Kidzlit program:** Tuesdays from 4:15 to 5 p.m. for grades K-8.

**Fun & Fitness program:** Wednesdays from 4:15 to 5 p.m. for ages 6 - 12 and 5:15 to 6 p.m. for ages 13 - 18.

**SkillTech:** Thursdays from 4:15 to 5 p.m. for ages 6 - 18.

#### MILITARY APPRECIATION NIGHT AT THE SPEEDWAY

Aug. 27 is Military Appreciation Night at the River Cities Speedway. Tickets are \$7.50/adult and \$3/child at the Community Center - that's half-off the original prices. Reduced prices will be honored at the gate with military ID.

#### 8TH ANNUAL AIR FORCE MARATHON

The 8th Annual AF Marathon will be held at Wright Patterson Air Force Base Sept. 18. General Handy encourages AMC participation.

Visit <http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil> for information.



## Area Events

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### Dick King and the Classic Swing Band

This free event is Sunday at 7 p.m. in the Grand Forks Town Square and features a 17-piece big band that plays traditional big band, swing and jazz music. For details call 701-746-2750; or also online at [www.gfparks.org](http://www.gfparks.org).

### West Fargo Pioneer Days

The region's longest running heritage festival, West Fargo's Pioneer Days Saturday and Sunday, features pioneer demonstrations and food, costumed interpreters, live music, children's activities and a parade of vintage vehicles and antique tractors at Bonanzaville USA.

There's a Pioneer Stage Show scheduled at 1 p.m. both days. Pioneer Days runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For details call 701-282-2822; or also online at <http://www.bonanzaville.com>.

### City photo contest

**GRAND FORKS** – The City of Grand Forks Public Information Center is sponsoring the third annual Grand Forks 2005 City Calendar Photo Contest, with 12 winners securing spots on the city calendar.

The calendar will be distributed to all Grand Forks households in December. The contest is open to everyone and will be judged by a panel appointed by the city's Public Information Center.

Entrants don't have to be expert photographers to win. Judging guidelines will be based mostly upon creativity in scenario selection.

A well-composed, clearly focused picture will help judges better determine the qualities of the entry.

Entry forms will be available at the Public Information Center and throughout the community, or contestants can enter online at [www.grandforksgov.com](http://www.grandforksgov.com). Or send photos, along with a name, address, daytime phone number, and a brief photo title and description clearly printed or typed on 8.5-by-11-inch paper to:

**Public Information Center  
City of Grand Forks  
2004 City Calendar Photo Contest  
PO Box 5200 Grand Forks, N.D.  
58206-5200**

Four to six inch glossy prints are pre-

ferred. Electronic entries, slides and matte prints may not be acceptable for publication.

The Grand Forks 2005 City Calendar Photo Contest opens Saturday and all entries must be received by 5 p.m. Aug. 27. Winners and media will be notified on or after Sept. 29.

### North Dakota Photo Contest

**BISMARCK** – The North Dakota Tourism Division is still accepting 2004 North Dakota Governor's Photo Contest submissions.

Any North Dakota amateur photographer is invited to submit entries to the Governor's Photo Contest. Winning photographs will receive a \$100 cash prize and be featured in North Dakota Tourism's marketing materials.

"We know there are a lot of amateur photographers in North Dakota who have excellent images of North Dakota's natural beauty, its people, places and events," Governor Hoeven said. "This contest gives them an opportunity to have their images published and it gives the Tourism Division another source of excellent photography to showcase our great state."

Photographs must be submitted on a disk and 5-by-7 or 8-by-10 print. Prints must not be mounted or framed. The back of the photo and disk must be labeled with the entrant's name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, category and title of photo, and location and date the photo was taken.

Only color photographs are eligible and photographs cannot be digitally altered. There is no limit to the number of entries allowed per photographer.

The deadline to enter is Sept. 15. Entries should be mailed to: **North Dakota Department of Commerce, Tourism Division, Attention Rachel Retterath, P.O. Box 2057, Bismarck, ND 58502-2057.**

Entered photographs will not be returned. Photos that are e-mailed will not be accepted.

North Dakota Tourism will retain exclusive ownership rights to all winning photographs for use in the 2005 North Dakota Travel Guide and on the Tourism Division's Web site.

Complete contest rules can be found on the Tourism Division Web site at [www.ndtourism.com](http://www.ndtourism.com).

# Base members claim summer league tourney



Photo by Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke

Ray Lewis, Roma's Pizza team (right), blocks a shot during recent competition. Lewis and other base members won the Center Court summer league tourney.

## Compiled from staff reports

Members of the Roma's Pizza team - all with base ties - claimed the Center Court Summer Basketball League title by slipping past Lane Leedahl 20-19 on a last-second shot by DeMicheal Zellars.

Many of the team members hope to be playing for the base varsity Warriors in the upcoming season. Russell Mackey, Warrior team captain and coach for the summer league team, was very impressed with the team's performance.

"We have young players that are just learning how to play basketball the right way," said Mackey. "They did an excellent job all summer long. To come out during their summer time to show the commitment and dedication needed to be a championship team speaks volumes for their personalities."

The Warriors have 25 college games on their schedule this upcoming season. "The experience the players picked up during the summer league will definitely be to our advantage," said D.J. Lemelle, Warriors head coach.

**Men's Varsity Basketball Tryouts will be Friday at 1 p.m. and Saturday at 3 p.m. at the Sports and Fitness center.**

Lemelle said he was proud of all the players who made a commitment to get themselves better, which will make the base team better in the upcoming season. "I am extremely proud of our team captain, Russell Mackey, who stepped up and lead his teammates to a championship."

It is very rare for a young person to successfully lead other young people in this day and age, said Lemelle, but Russell has that rare quality.

"He is a pure leader who gets the job done," said Lemelle.

Through that leadership, the team is on pace for a successful season in 2004-2005, said Lemelle.

## WELLNESS TIP

### Drinking on the weekends, in many instances, leads to alcohol dependence

- Excess drinking can cause liver damage (cirrhosis), malnutrition, heart disease, some cancers (including cancers of the breast, stomach, pancreas, mouth and esophagus), high blood pressure, brain damage, and is responsible for a high percentage of accidents, especially car crashes



- Heavy drinkers are more likely than nondrinkers to commit suicide and engage in violent actions

- The severe damage done to families and relationships is harder to measure, but it's just as real

For more information, contact your local ADAPT Program office

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## MOS wins IM softball title

### Compiled from staff reports

Eric Brumskill's walk-off two run homer gave the 319th Maintenance Operation Squadron a 10-9 win over the 319th Civil Engineer Squadron Team B and the base intramural softball tournament championship Monday.

CES-B came out of the loser's bracket and defeated MOS 14-5 in the first game to force a final, winner-take-all, game.

The engineers looked like they would be able to sweep MOS when they took a 7-2 lead in the third inning of the error-free game, but the maintainers fought back to tie the score at 7-7 after five innings. Two runs by CES-B in the top of the seventh set the stage for Brumskill's shot.

The 319th Security Forces Squadron captured the regular season title with a 20-1 record.