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The 319th Civil Engineer Squadron keeps base construction, mosquitoes in check. See Pages 6, 14-15

319th Air Refueling Wing ♦ Warriors of the North

## Inside: 49 to master, 62 to tech

### Weekend weather

Today	70/50	Showers
Saturday	65/45	Partly cloudy
Sunday	70/50	Partly cloudy
Monday	75/47	Partly cloudy



Weather information courtesy 319th Operations Support Squadron weather flight

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## Perspective

# Glass-half-full attitude key to success

By Lt. Col. Reinhard Foerg  
28th EARS Commander

I have always been a tremendous believer in the power of a positive attitude, and this belief has been supported by my observations during 23 years in the military.

Our attitudes tend to be a self-fulfilling prophecy—those individuals who exude confidence and enthusiasm invariably gather around them the forces necessary for success, whereas pessimists tend to distance themselves from the opportunities to change things.

A good attitude plays a huge role in an individual's success, but takes on a much greater importance in leadership roles.

A leader must provide vision and motivation to rally everyone in pursuit of a common goal. Leaders set the tone

for the entire unit they command. It seems unlikely at best that anyone with a negative attitude could provide the inspiration needed to achieve exceptional results.

A poor attitude from a unit's leaders must eventually corrode the will to excel; contrast this with a unit in which leaders consistently share a positive belief in the people and mission. If you reflect on successful teams that you have been a part of, my bet would be positive leadership at all levels played a pervasive role.

Positive leadership also tends to create a better workplace environment where people enjoy coming to work and interacting with others, rather than dragging themselves in day after day.

Attitudes tend to be contagious, so make sure the attitude you carry with you is one you would like to see adopt-

ed by everyone around you.

Some suggest you can't control your attitude, but I would counter to say it is one of the few things you control completely.

World famous cyclist Lance Armstrong, after recovering from cancer to win his fourth Tour de France, said, "I take nothing for granted. I now have only good days, and great days."

Another benefit of a positive attitude is it is empowering—people tend to look at challenges with a "can-do" approach, and are less inclined to be overwhelmed by difficulties. When an entire squadron is filled with this kind of spirit, there is little that can stand in the way of their success. Over the last

several years, having watched the ongoing deployments of tanker crews and maintainers, I have seen this can-do attitude repeatedly overcome tremendous obstacles to get the mission done.

These lessons of positive leadership apply to all of us in the military. Many of us are already designated leaders, but all of us are leaders in training.

We must maintain a steadfast and positive attitude in our quest to win the war on terrorism, a war that is likely to last quite some time. Attitude is everything.

In the words of Henry Ford, "If you think you can, or you think you can't, you're right."

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-- Lt. Col. Reinhard Foerg,  
28th Expeditary Air Refueling Squadron  
Commander



Photo by Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol

Col. Mark Ramsay  
319th Air Refueling Wing commander

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Questions will be answered in the order they are received.

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Goal is zero DWIs.



Illustration by Staff Sgt. Monte Volk

Cover: We are one-third through one of the biggest construction seasons in base history.

This week's *Leader* gives a partial look at what's going on within the next 30 to 60 days on Grand Forks Air Force Base.

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# Base promotes 49 to Master, 62 to Tech

The 2004 master and technical sergeant promotion lists were released Thursday.

The base's selection rate to master sergeant was higher than Air Mobility Command's 23.58 percent and the base's selection rate to technical sergeant was higher than the AMC, 18.97 percent, and the Air Force, 21.57 percent, selection rates.

## Master sergeant selectees:

Louis A. Brenner  
Thomas J. Brouse  
Rupert D. Brown  
Michael D. Childs  
Tami K. Cline  
James L. Cobbs, III  
James G. Davis  
Donald D. Draper  
Terry L. Estabrook  
Michael W. Griffin  
Kenneth W. Gunn  
Diane M. Henderson  
John P. Hogan  
Ronald E. James  
David E. Johnson  
Michael P. Johnson  
Lonnie L. Jossart  
Robert A. Kuster  
Lynn R. Lehman  
Daniel A. Leslie  
Laurence J. Lewis

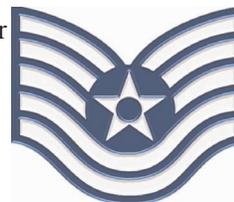
Samuel D. Losek  
Daniel D. Lovdahl  
Joseph H. Lowder  
Steven R. Lynn  
Brett W. McCracken  
Johnny E. McCray, Jr.  
Gregory N. McDonald  
Thomas G. Molstad  
Martin Mullenbach  
Brian P. Okes  
Kevin S. Olheiser  
Timothy R. Olson  
Alicia E. Rodriguez  
Russell P. Rosburg  
George A. Runnells  
Raymond Saylor  
Paul D. Schmidt  
Doug L. Starkweather  
Darrin S. Tannert  
Diran G. Tookmanian  
Melvin C. Tutt, Jr.  
John D. Warner  
Frank A. Werner  
Michael L. West  
David B. Williams  
John D. Wilson  
Jonathan P. Wissler  
Tracy E. Wynne

## Technical sergeant selectees:

Jason R. Abshire



David P. Arnett, II  
Mark P. Barley  
Marivic Barnett  
Raynard Brooks  
Angie Cain  
Michael A. Cain  
Donald Lee Clifton  
Janel C. Cloutier  
Travis Copenhagen  
Ellis S. Curry, III  
Michael A. Davault  
Rebekah L. Devine  
Jonathan D. Dittmer  
Aaron J. Dominick  
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Rodger Freckleton  
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Christopher Hamby  
Brandon I. Hammonds  
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# Promotion rates hold steady for tech, master

**AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER** - The Air Force has selected 6,217 of 23,956 eligible technical sergeants for promotion to master sergeant, a 25.95 percent selection rate; and 9,114 of 42,248 eligible staff sergeants for promotion to technical sergeant, a 21.57 percent selection rate.

The final tally will increase as AFPC receives score tests for those members currently deployed, said officials. As usual, each of those airmen has from 30-60 days after they return home to test.

"We have roughly 3,000 warriors who haven't tested yet because they've been deployed. They will be allowed to test when they return, and we'll automatically consider them for promotion," said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Billingsley, enlisted promotions branch chief here. "We do this as quickly as possible and announce supplemental promotions on a monthly basis until everyone has been considered."

The master sergeant selection rate rose .39 percent from last year, while this year's technical sergeant rate dropped .32 percent from last year.

"This year has proven to be another banner year in terms of the number of people who have been able to earn promotions. The Air Force had predicted we'd see rates start to stabilize and that's what is happening here," the chief said.

"The rates this year are almost identical to last year's rates, but we are actually able to promote several thousand more people to each rank than we did initially last year," Chief Billingsley said. "That's because we're getting a better handle on testing folks before they deploy — trying to get in sync with the AEF battle rhythm."

"The higher number of people selected is very good news for those Airman who are showing through performance and preparation the potential for more responsibility and the higher rank to go with it. The message is clear, there is

opportunity for those who want to step up to the challenge," he added.

The Air Force will release both promotion lists at 1400Z June 24. The complete list of selectees will be posted to the Air Force Personnel Center's web page, <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/prom/>, by 6 p.m. central time June 25.

People who tested are expected to receive their score notices in early July, allowing them to see just how their Promotion Fitness Examination and Specialty Knowledge Test scores rank against others within their Air Force Specialty Code. Each individual can also get an electronic copy of his or her score notice, June 28, by logging into the virtual Military Personnel Flight at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/>.

The average master sergeant selectee score for the 04E7 master sergeant test cycle was 340.73 points, based on the following:

- 134.33 Enlisted Performance Reports
- 64.01 Promotion Fitness Exam
- 64.86 Specialty Knowledge Test
- 28.30 Time in Grade
- 36.10 Time in Service
- 21.21 Decorations

The average master sergeant selectee has 3.64 years time in grade and 17.22 years in service. Those selected will be promoted to master sergeant from August to July 2005.

The average selectee score for the 04E6 technical sergeant test cycle was 317.55 points, based on the following:

- 133.02 Enlisted Performance Reports
- 62.35 Promotion Fitness Exam
- 55.66 Specialty Knowledge Test
- 33.72 Time in Grade
- 25.19 Time in Service
- 5.91 Decorations

The average technical sergeant selectee has 4.55 years time in grade and 11.46 years in service. Those selected will be promoted to technical sergeant from August to July 2005.

# Deployed maintainers tackle major overhaul

By Staff Sgt. N. L. Gallahan  
40th AEG Public Affairs

Five 28th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron maintainers worked for over 24 hours replacing a faulty F-108 engine on a KC-135 engine last week, a process home station crews on shift work take up to a week to complete.

The engine, which failed during flight, caused the aircrew to call an in-flight emergency and return to base with three of the four engines running.

The engine began to run-down and lose oil pressure, said Senior Master Sgt. Kenneth Schuler, maintenance superintendent, 28th EARS. As soon as the aircrew verified the malfunctioning engine they immediately shut it down to prevent in-flight catastrophic engine failure.

Once on the ground, the maintenance team, including Tech. Sgt. Brian Wallace, jet engine mechanic, Senior Airman Luke Shick, crew chief, and Airman 1st Class Aaron Brandes, hydraulics technician, assessed the extent of the damage and began the process of removing the faulty engine and replacing it with a serviceable one.

"We couldn't fully diagnose the engine or attempt any repair because it

had been shut down in flight," said Sergeant Schuler. "We had to pull it, package it and send it off to the engine depot back in the States for teardown and analysis."

Before they could package the engine, the large cowling it was wrapped in had to be opened up like gull wings on a car to expose the engine for removal.

Removing the KC-135's engine is similar to removing an engine from a car, he said. The mechanic has to disconnect electrical, mechanical, fuel, pneumatic and hydraulic lines before the bolts holding the engine to the aircraft can be removed and the engine is lowered to the ground.

A device is then attached to the cowling to prevent it from closing, said 2nd Lt. Jacob Sullivan, maintenance officer, and a hoist assembly is used to lower the engine to the ground.

Once the new and old engines were both on the ground, the maintenance team swapped the needed accessories from the old engine to the new and reversed the process to install the new engine. After the lines were reconnected, the engine was tested for proper operation and the aircraft was ready to fly.

The team did a great job, completing it in record time, said Sergeant Schuler.



Above: Tech Sgt. Brian Wallace, 28th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron, checks over an F-108 engine, before it is hoisted into place on a KC-135.



Left: The engine cowling on a deployed 319th Air Refueling Wing KC-135 tanker waits with "open arms" for its replacement engine. The old engine was replaced because it malfunctioned during flight. It took maintenance crews more than 24 hours to replace the F-108 engine.

# Aggravated arthropods bug base

## Pest management shop, public health team up to control mosquito population

**By Tech. Sgt. Ken Coffman**  
319th CES Pest Management Shop

Mosquitoes are by far the most prominent of the aggravated arthropods. They cause widespread annoyance and disease transmission worldwide and once again, hordes of mosquitoes are emerging throughout the area.

To control the swarms of mosquitoes takes a three-pronged attack: public education, personal protection and integrated mosquito management.

Sustainable integrated mosquito management on base includes surveillance of adult mosquitoes and larva, larvacides (an insecticide applied to standing water) application, and adulticide an insecticide to kill adult mosquitoes, are also applied to mosquitoes.

Surveillance for mosquitoes and the resulting control measures involve a few procedures and agencies. The 319th

Civil Engineer Squadron Pest Management Shop begins larvaciding standing water when surveys show the presence of active larva. This process continues throughout the mosquito-breeding season and doesn't cause harm to people, pets, or wildlife.

Additionally, public health checks the population of adult mosquitoes with light traps. When the threshold level of trapped mosquitoes is reached, they contact the pest management shop to begin adulticide applications to reduce mosquito populations.

The threshold level for Grand Forks AFB is 100-trapped mosquitoes.

The pest management shop uses adulticide at Ultra Low Volumes to control adult mosquito populations. This insecticide is extremely safe when applied as a ULV spray.

Spraying is conducted Monday through Friday, weather permitting, dur-



*Photo by Staff Sgt. Scott Sturkol*

**The 319th Civil Engineer Squadron Pest Management Shop sprays military family housing for mosquitoes Monday through Friday from 8 to 11 p.m., weather permitting. Neighborhoods will not be sprayed if children follow fogging trucks or play in the fog.**

ing peak mosquito activity, generally 8 to 11 p.m. in military family housing.

During spray times, children should avoid following the fogging trucks and playing in the fog. Anytime the driver sees children not following these guidelines the area will not be sprayed.

The pest management shop continues to take a proactive stance against the mosquitoes to make the short summer as enjoyable as possible.

The 319th Civil Engineer Squadron Pest Management Shop can be contacted by calling 747-4289 or Public Health at 747-5511.

## News

# Briefs

### 319th CPTS closure

The 319th Comptrollers Squadron closes today at noon for an official function.

### Envision closure

The Envision Store is closed today for inventory. Emergency requirements will be processed. Envision reopens Monday.

### 319th MSS closure

The 319th Mission Support Squadron closes Monday from 3 to 4:30 p.m.; Tuesday from noon to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. for official functions.

For emergency call Military Personnel Flight customer service at 747-4902.

### Library closure

The library is closed July 4 and 5 for the holiday. Regular business hours resume July 6.

### LRS change of command

The 319th Logistics Readiness Squadron invites all to their change of command ceremony, where Maj. Ted. A. Lewis assumes command from Lt. Col. Walter C. Moynihan, 10 a.m. Monday at the Northern Lights Club.

For details call 1st Lt. Kristy Herman at 747-6165.

### Password creation practices

It is the responsibility of all military personnel to protect their passwords.

It is advisable to use a password that uses a phrase such as 2b~N2b! that doesn't make sense to anyone else, but don't use this example as a password.

For more information on passwords or information security call Information Protection at 747-6958.

### Public notice

The paving of Contractor's Row Road and the construction of a gravel access road spur to the Synthetic

Natural Gas plant was proposed.

An environmental assessment has been conducted and a finding of no significant Impact has been determined for the action.

If you would like to view the support documents to this action contact the 319th Air Refueling Wing Public Affairs at 747-5017 within the next 30 days.

### ECAMP

This week volunteers from different squadrons around base have been conducting the Environmental Compliance and Management Program.

The purpose of ECAMP is to provide an assessment of environmental management program areas at Air Force bases.

Some of the different areas investigated were hazardous waste, hazardous materials, asbestos, waste water, water quality, lead, radon, pesticides, air, solid waste, pollution prevention and several other areas.

Through a series of interviews, team members collected information at the sites they visited which could affect installation environments. The team will submit their findings, good or bad, in order to ensure a safe environment in the future.

This is all part of Air Force policy which calls for the identification of problems and the control of hazards to health and welfare from current operations. Federal, state and local governments have developed regulations that, if implemented, would significantly reduce hazards to the environment.

ECAMP also ensures appropriate planning for future environmental program expenditures.

### Consumer confidence report

A consumer confidence report describing base drinking water quality is available on the base Web page under "What's Hot", an additional copy is available in the base library. A copy of this report will also be mailed to each housing resident.

For details call 747-5015.

## News

# SPA encourages youth to act

By Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke  
Public Affairs

SPA is once again in full effect, but we're not talking about facials and full body rubs, we're speaking of the Summer Performing Arts Program in Grand Forks and most recently at Grand Forks Air Force Base.

Nine youth participated in the elementary SPA program at Eielson Elementary school which ended June 18 with their final show.

The students spent two weeks making up skits, projecting their voices and just learning the basic logistics of theater.

A 15-minute skit gave the students a chance to sing, dance, and perform in front of their audience, said Mollie Muen and Jamie Toutenhoofd, instructors of the elementary SPA program here.

"The kids have been working so hard for the past two weeks, said Ms. Toutenhoofd, "I just couldn't believe how fast the show ended."

SPA is a two-week opportunity for kindergarteners through fifth-graders to experience acting.

Middle school SPA is a four-week program for sixth-graders through eighth graders. It gives students the chance to put

**Students in the Elementary SPA class held at Eielson Elementary School perform their ending skit. These students spent an hour and a half for two weeks to prepare.**

on a musical revue and see how theatre technical aspects work.

High school SPA started the whole program in 1987. High School SPA is a two-month program that produces two musicals, and a play each summer.

It relies on students to run all technical aspects of the shows. There are also a variety of camps and classes offered to all grades.

In the Grand Forks and surrounding areas, SPA has over 1,000 students participating this year in various aspects of the program.

For details on the SPA program, call RaeAnn Levang at 746-2407, ext. 603.

### Remaining SPA performances

**Theatre Stories**, 8 p.m. July 7 – 8 at the Empire Arts Center in Grand Forks.

**Oliver**, 8 p.m. July 9 – 12 at Red River High School Theatre in Grand Forks.

**Crazy for You**, 8 p.m. July 15 – 20 at the Central High School Theatre in Grand Forks.

#### All shows

Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. Reserved seating. For reservations to all shows call 746-2411.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke

# House hears military construction testimony

by Tech. Sgt. David A. Jablonski  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON (AFPN) – Justification for the Air Force's annual construction budget request can usually be summed up in a couple of words, the service's top uniformed official said.

Mission accomplishment.

That message was the central theme during testimony on Capitol Hill Tuesday, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper and the assistant secretary of the Air Force for installations, environment and logistics, Nelson F. Gibbs, testified before the House Committee on Appropriations, subcommittee on military construction.

The leaders discussed the fiscal 2005 Air Force budget overview for military construction.

"The Air Force (fiscal) 2005 military construction budget request reflects our commitment to ensuring the Air Force's continued ability to execute the full range of air and space missions," the general said.

"In turn, the Air Force continues to maintain the commitments made last year to invest wisely in installations from which we project air and space power; take care of our people and their families with adequate housing and quality-of-life improvements; and to sustain the public trust through prudent environmental management."

Continuing a positive trend into 2005, the Air Force military construction program is about the same as the previous year with an increase in the military-family housing program. The requested \$2.6 billion for total-force military construction and military-family housing

is a \$200 million increase from last year's request. It includes \$664 million for active construction, \$127 million for Air National Guard construction, more than \$84 million for Air Reserve construction, and more than \$1.7 billion for family housing.

The Air Force has also increased operations and maintenance, sustainment, restoration and modernization funding. With the fiscal 2005 budget request, more than \$2.2 billion will be invested in critical infrastructure maintenance and repair through the O and M program. This year, the amount dedicated to SRM is more than \$200 million greater than the 2004 request. This year's request is up almost 11 percent from last year.

Considering the level of effort across the entire infrastructure spectrum the overall Air Force 2005 budget request is more than \$4.8 billion.

"The near- and long-term readiness of our fighting force depends upon this infrastructure," General Jumper said.

"We will continue to enhance our installations' capabilities, remain good stewards of the environment and ensure Air Force infrastructure is properly distributed to maximize military readiness."

The testimony was the last of the service hearings. The subcommittee will mark-up the budget request in early July and present it to the full House Appropriations Committee and then to the House floor, where all members will vote on the MILCON appropriations bill for fiscal 2005. The Senate conducts similar hearings and a vote. Both House and Senate confer on the bill before October 2004 to reach consensus before presenting the final version for the president to sign into law.



Courtesy photo

The base has many ongoing construction projects like the remodeling of the 319th Operations Group and 319th Maintenance Group headquarters building shown above. Building 607 is currently 60 percent complete with an estimated completion date of September 20.

## Around the Air Force



### Morning Launch

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AFPN) – An unarmed Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile launched from here at 1:32 a.m. PDT Wednesday. The missile's unarmed re-entry vehicle traveled nearly 4,200 miles in about 30 minutes, hitting a predetermined target at the Kwajalein Missile Range in the western chain of the Marshall Islands.

### New Airmen's club

ROYAL AIR FORCE LAKENHEATH, England – Airman 1st Class Kyle Scritchfield, 48th Civil Engineer Squadron and Airman 1st Class Sara Pradke, 48th Security Forces Squadron, scrape off wallpaper at the old community center here to prepare for the future home of an Airmen's club.



Photo by Stephen Cline

# Toddlers make cards with Dad



*Photos by Airman 1st Class Patrice Clarke*

After everyone's feet were traced, the decorating of the card began, Staff Sgt. Joseph Grover Sergeant Grover helps his two sons, Zack and Zane, with the markers.



(Above) Tech Sgt. Louis Alcoser, 319th Air Refueling Wing Staff, uses his son Hunter's hand as a stamp.

(Below) The toddlers of the all-ranks toddler playgroup, held every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon spent June 15 with their father's making Father's Day Cards



Footprints were the theme of the playgroup. Toddlers help trace their fathers feet, and fathers traced their toddler's feet to make the card. After the tracing, it was decorating time.



# American C-17 airlifts Iraqi child to Hungary

By Staff Sgt. Jason Lake  
332nd Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs

**BALAD AIR BASE, Iraq (AFP)** -- Medics from the 379th Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron helped airlift a 13-year-old Iraqi to Budapest, Hungary, recently.

A dozen crewmembers aboard a C-17 Globemaster III helped transport Abbas Jabbar, who was injured last month when he ran in front of a Hungarian convoy patrolling near Baghdad.

After the accident May 16, the boy was rushed to the 31st Combat Support Hospital at Baghdad International Airport.

Col. Peter Doby, who served as the chief of operations within multinational force-Iraq in Baghdad and eventually became the child's caretaker, said the boy's life was clinging by a thread when he first arrived at the military hospital.

"(He) was in pretty bad shape," the colonel said. "He had a fractured skull and a compound fracture to his right leg. He was also on a respirator."

At one point, Colonel Doby said, the boy had to be revived.

As his condition slowly stabilized, Hungarian officials discussed the possibility of transporting Jabbar to Hungary for surgery and rehabilitation, but they realized the Hungarian government lacked the aircraft and qualified staff necessary to move him.

Colonel Doby, who grew up in Hungary, bridged talks between Hungarian and American officials working to help arrange the boy's transport to Budapest.

"I've been in Air Mobility Command since 1982, so I thought I could do something," said Colonel Doby,



Photo by Staff Sgt. Jason Lake

**Abbas Jabbar, a 13-year-old Iraqi, gives a smile as he is moved into a Hungarian ambulance at the international airport here. A dozen crewmembers aboard a C-17 Globemaster III helped move him to Hungary after he was injured last month when he ran in front of a Hungarian convoy patrolling near Baghdad, Iraq.**

who is vice commander of the 433rd Airlift Wing at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Arranging the mission required coordination all the way up to, and approval by, the secretary of defense.

Once this effort was successful, Colonel Doby spoke with the boy's parents through an interpreter before the mission kicked off.

The parents gave the colonel permission to take the boy to Hungary and told him, "This is God's will."

Colonel Doby promised the family that he would get the boy to Hungary safely and if possible, escort him back to Iraq after his recovery.

Not long after the parents gave permission, the colonel and aeromedical staff at the 31st CSH prepared to fly the boy here, where they would wait for a C-17 to take them to their final destination.

The two flew from Baghdad International Airport to Balad aboard a UH-60 medical helicopter from the U.S. Army's 82nd Medical Battalion and waited for their aircraft at the 332nd Contingency Aeromedical Staging Facility here.

Several hours later, the C-17 carrying the 379th EAMDES crew arrived, and the flight to Hungary began.

Master Sgt. Theresa Sheheen and Tech. Sgt. Shane Larson, both from the Wyoming Air National Guard, were two of the aeromedical evacuation technicians aboard the flight. Using only a primitive form of sign language, they tried to comfort Jabbar as he experienced his first airplane ride.

Three hours later, the flight touched down in Budapest.

Hungarian medical technicians and the two Guard Airmen helped carry Jabbar out of the aircraft into an ambulance for the trip to a Budapest hospital.

Before the doors closed behind him, Jabbar gave everyone a smile and thumbs up.

Looking back on the experience, Sergeant Larson said he was glad to help move the boy because it shows Iraqis that the coalition partners are here to help.

"This kind of operation is great because it makes the time spent over here worthwhile," he said. "This shows the citizens that we are here for them."

# Base theater



## Today, 7 p.m.

*Mean Girls (PG-13)*

Cady Heron (Lindsay Lohan) was home-schooled in the African wilderness by her zoologist parents but finds that life gets a lot rougher when she matriculates at North Shore High School in a small town outside of Chicago.

## Saturday, 3 p.m.

*New York Minute (PG)*

Twin sisters Jane and Roxanne Ryan (Ashley and Mary-Kate Olsen, respectively) journey from Long Island to New York City, where Jane is set to deliver a speech to qualify for a prestigious college scholarship. Roxy hopes to get backstage at a music video shoot to give her demo tape to the band.

## Saturday, 7 p.m.

*Van Helsing (PG-13)*

Van Helsing (Hugh Jackman) is a monster killer who works for a secret society that sends him to Transylvania, a mysterious region overrun with dangerous creatures like werewolves and vampires, to fight tyrannical ruler Count Dracula (Richard Roxburgh).

## July 2, 7 p.m.

*Troy (R)*

Set in ancient Greece, Troy is a historical epic based on The Iliad, the Greek poet Homer's account of the Trojan War. Paris (Orlando Bloom), the prince of Troy, begins an affair with Helen (Diane Kruger), the queen of Sparta. King Menelaus (Brendan Gleeson) takes this as a terrible insult, both to him and his brother, Agamemnon (Brian Cox), king of the Myceneans.

## July 3, 7 p.m.

*Troy (R)*

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

# 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. Call 747-5673 for details.

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

## 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.

## JEWISH:

Call Synagogue B'nai Israel at 775-5124.

## MUSLIM, BUDDHIST, ORTHODOX, OTHER:

Call 747-5673 for details.

# Construction updates

## Base gate projects

Traffic was recently re-routed on base with a few growing pains for the base populace and visitors to Grand Forks AFB. We greatly appreciate your understanding and patience. Delays are due to multiple construction projects underway to provide new facilities for the base's security forces totaling nearly \$3.4 million, and is part of a \$100 million command-wide initiative to create more secure base entrances. When completed, these projects will tremendously improve anti-terrorism and force protection operations.

Construction is expected to swing into high gear, with main gate construction proceeding in advance of south gate work. The area will be under construction throughout the summer and is scheduled to be completed in November. Traffic flows will remain as it is now for the rest of the summer.

Entering the base will be relatively unchanged, cars and pick-ups will use the main gate while commercial and over-sized traffic will use the South gate. All vehicles (both privately owned and commercial vehicles) will exit the base via the South gate. The exception to this will be Monday through Friday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. when an additional base exit is open at Eielson School. The base populace and work force is highly encouraged to use the Eielson School exit, especially if planning on traveling East toward Grand Forks on Highway 2. This option provides a safer alternative to entering Highway 2 through the merge lanes in both directions.



## Community area projects

**Community Area Phase 2:** Last year one-half of the community area was under construction with new lights, sidewalks and landscaping improvements from the base exchange to the base theater.

The summer's phase 2 restoration project will commence July 15, beginning with the old commissary theatre and parking lot closing for preparation work. Heavy construction activity starts shortly thereafter. Alternate parking for the theater, family support and community activity center patrons is designated to the East and South of the community activities center, and on the North side of the family support center. Construction in this area will be active until November.



**Cold War Park:** The Cold War Park to commemorate the history of the base during the Cold War is a part of the Community Area Phase 2 contract.

This park will be built where the old commissary exists today, and construction will begin as soon as the old commissary is demolished late this summer. There will be a series of storyboards outlining the history of the base, with a bronze statue of a Viking "Warrior of the North," the adopted base mascot.

The park will take about three months to construct, and we hope to cut the ribbon before the first snow falls.

## Base beautification projects



**Bury Overhead Power Lines:** The base is burying overhead utility lines in an effort to modernize the power systems and beautify Eielson Street and Tuskegee Airmen Boulevard. Work is currently taking place on Tuskegee Airmen Boulevard directly north of the new commissary. Work is progressing just south of the Steen-Eielson intersection. The Eielson project is 30 percent complete and on schedule to be completed in November. The Tuskegee project is less than 10 percent complete and on schedule to be completed early next spring with the majority of the work completed by November.

**Landscaping:** Eielson Street from the Steen intersection north has recently experienced a dramatic face lift, with the placement of hundreds of square yards of new sod and plantings. The wing headquarters entryway will also be landscaped this summer to include flowers and plantings.

Two 1950's era facilities are under contract to be demolished east of Base Operations. When completed, a vast area of new green space incorporating new sod and trees will greatly enhance the view.

Finally, new sod is being placed at the location of the B-52 static display to improve the area as result of the new water line installation.

## Parking lot projects

**Barnes Hall Parking Lot:** This project is underway and approximately 20% complete. Progress suffered the wrath of Mother Nature the last few weeks with very wet site conditions resulting from rainfall. As a result progress has been significantly delayed. A revised completion date is projected out to the first week in August.

**Airey Dining Facility Parking Lot:** Progress on this project has been favorable with current completion percentage of 75 percent. New asphalt will be placed, and new parking lot area lighting will be erected within the coming weeks. The new parking lot will be available for patron parking in mid-July.



## Commissary project

**Commissary:** The new 50,000 square foot commissary is nearing completion. The grand opening is July 13 at 9:30 a.m. The old commissary is scheduled to be demolished shortly after the new one is fully operational, with most of the demolition activity taking place during August and September.

During demolition, Tuskegee Airmen Avenue and Eielson St. will have an increase of truck traffic density. Questions should be directed to commissary manager, Mr. Roy Hunnewell, at 747-3090.



*Come to the Grand Forks Air Force Base Friends and Neighbor's Day Open House — July 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be various entertainment and aircraft static displays on hand for visitors to see. The open house is free and open to the public.*

**Don't Drink and  
Drive – Get a Ride!**

# Community

## Today

**SMOOTH MOVE SEMINAR:** The family support center will host a Smooth Move seminar today in the large classroom from 9 to 11 a.m.

This seminar is designed to assist military members and their families in preparing for a separation/PCS from Grand Forks AFB.

Speakers from TMO, legal, TRICARE, housing, vet clinic and the family support center will provide information that will assist in making the next move a smooth move. Registration is necessary.

For details call the FSC at 747-3241.

**PAJAMA JAMMY JAM:** There will be a pajama party at the W.A.R. Center from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. Music will be provided by D.J. Summerall. The snack bar will be open throughout the party. Come in your pajamas and get an extra ATWIND piece. No lingerie, please be tasteful.

Management reserves the right to deny admission.

For details call Patrice Clarke at 747-5020.

**LET THE CLUB DRIVE YOU:** Would you like a night at the Northern Lights Club for a squadron party, dinner or just getting together with friends? Don't worry about finding a des-

ignated driver.

The Club will do the driving for you, pick you up and take you home. This service is Thursday through Saturday from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. for residences on base, Sunflake housing and Emerado only. For details call 747-3392.

**BREAKFAST AT THE GOLF COURSE:** Go to the Plainsview Golf Course snack bar 7 to 11 a.m. today for steak and egg day for \$5.75.

**OPEN SKATING AT LIBERTY SQUARE:** Every 6 to 10 p.m. Friday, Liberty Square has open skating for children ages 6 to 18. Also, the Liberty Square Teen Center is open 6 to 11 p.m. Cost for admission is \$3 and skate rental is \$2.

## Saturday

**FUN IN THE SUN DANCE:** The youth program is having a "Fun in the Sun" dance from 7 to 9 p.m. for ages 6 to 12 at the youth center.

Cost is \$5 for non-members and \$3 for members. Snacks are included.

For details call the youth center at 747-3150.

**TORCH CLUB MEETING:** Torch Club meetings are Saturdays at 5 p.m. at the youth center.

Torch Clubs are small group clubs offering service and leadership opportunities for ages 11 to 13.

**YOUTH GALAXY BOWLING:** Dakota Lanes offers youth bowling Saturdays for ages 9 to 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. and 13 to 18 from 8 to 10 p.m.

Cost is \$2.50 and hour and 75 cents for shoe rental.

Participants must sign up at the youth center to attend.

## Monday

**POOL TOURNAMENT:** The youth center is holding a free singles pool tournament for ages 9 to 12 at 5:30 p.m. A trophy will be awarded to the winner.

For details call the youth center at 747-3150.

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM:** The Summer Reading Program special presentations and events at the Library are scheduled for Tuesdays, 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Youth in grades first through sixth and their families can participate.

For details call the library at 747-3046.

**PARENT-TOT PLAYGROUP:** A parent-tot playgroup is held 10 a.m. to noon every Tuesday at Liberty Square from for preschool children.

This is a socializing event is for parents and children of all ranks, officer and enlisted.

**SWIMMING LESSONS:** The aquatic center

offers adult and parent/child swimming lesson sessions starting Tuesday and it runs through August. Call the center at 747-3306 for details.

**KEYSTONE CLUB MEETING:** Meetings are 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays in the youth center. Keystone Clubs are for Boys and Girls Club of America members ages 14 to 18.

## Wednesday

**WEDNESDAY CLUB DINING:** Come to the Northern Lights Club every Wednesday for "all-you-can-eat-taco" bar from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Club members pay \$3 and non-members pay \$6.

**STORYTIME:** The base library holds storytime 10 a.m. every Wednesday. Each week is themed and participants read, sing, and do an activity in relation to that theme.

Storytime provides children an opportunity have fun while learning about reading. For details call 747-3046.

## Thursday

**DISCOUNT FOR SPOUSES:** The Northern Lights Club offers a 20 percent discount to spouses of deployed members every Thursday.

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## Upcoming

**FREE PASSES TO MUSEUM:** The community center has free passes to the Manitoba Children's Museum in Winnipeg. Galleries at the museum are not traditional museum galleries. The exhibits are designed for hands-on fun.

Get your free passes, valid through August 31, at the Community Center or call 747-6104.

**SUMMER READ BY MAIL PROGRAM:** The "Summer Read by Mail Program" will run through Aug. 7. Grades kindergarten through eighth grade can participate in this program by stopping by the youth center to register online.



Youth can read different books, take a test and watch their points go up over the summer. Turn in points to receive prizes.

For details call 747-3150. Youth receive an ATWIND game piece for registering!

**CHILI COOK-OFF:** The heat index is set to rise July 31 when cooks square off in the Annual Friends of the Greenway Chili Cook-Off as part of the Cats Incredible celebration.

Teams of amateur chili cooks will create gallons of spicy chili from scratch, using the freshest of ingredients, as they battle it out for over \$600 in cash and prizes. A panel of local

community leaders will judge the chili creations after which chili samples will be sold to the public to raise money for the Greenway.

Friends of the Greenway are offering FREE ENTRY to squadrons from Grand Forks Air Force Base with a limit of one free entry per squadron.

If you think your chili can stand the heat, dig up your best recipe and come battle it out July 31 with other chefs from around the Red River Valley.

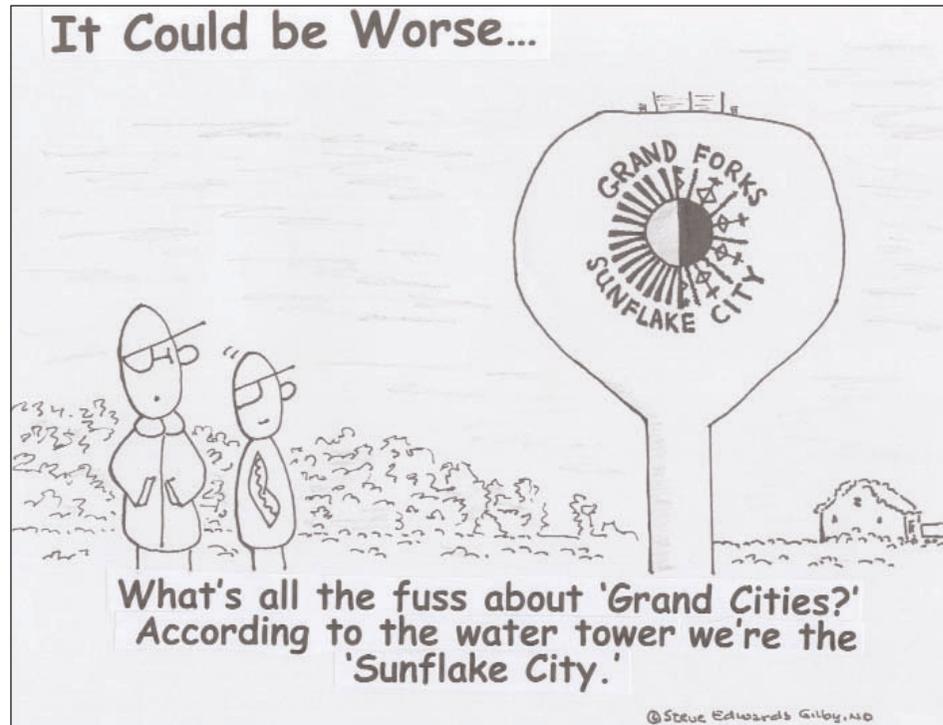
Entry forms can be picked up at any Hugo's location or downloaded from the website at [www.friendsofthegreenway.com](http://www.friendsofthegreenway.com).

For details call Mike at 773-7503.

**BEEF INDUSTRY MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY:** The North Dakota Stockmen's Association, The North Dakota Beef Commission and the North Dakota Cattlewomen are sponsoring a Beef Industry Military Appreciation Day in conjunction with the North Dakota State Fair, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (or until the food runs out) July 26 in Pioneer Park.

The North Dakota State Fair is also offering reduced gate admission to military personnel with military ID.

This event will include recreational games for children and drawings for beef gift certificates for active military, Reserve and National Guard members and their families. For details call the North Dakota Stockmen's Association at 701-223-2522.



**SERTOMA 4TH OF JULY ACTIVITIES:** The Greater Grand Forks Sertoma and Downtown Grand Forks offer a variety of activities during the annual fourth of July Celebration.

There will be a patriotic kids parade, static displays by the base and National Guard, a potential paintball tournament and lots more.

There will be a car show in conjunction with the festival. There is no registration fee and cash, prizes and trophies will be given away for different categories.

For car show details call Gerry Porath at 780-9465. There will also be food vendors throughout the day and a firework display at the end.

## Rockin' the Hills 7

"The Midwest's Greatest Rockfest"

July 1 - 4 in Bottineau, North Dakota

For Active duty, Guard, and Reserve personnel, the Rockin' The Hills four day package will be \$100 and include both entrance and camping, which is less than half price.

Rockfest will include musical guest Nickelback, 3 Doors Down, Puddle of Mud, Lynyrd

Skynyrd, Styx, Foghat, Jackyl, Warrant, Dokken, Great White, L.A. Guns, Tesla, Peter Frampton, Firehouse, Greg Rolie and many, many others.

Due to this special offer; these tickets will not be available through online purchasing.

For tickets call the Rockin' the Hills office at (701) 228-2671 or 1-888-770-8272. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The tickets may also be purchased at the Main Gate of Rockin' the Hills.

To receive the discounted price members are required to show military I.D.



## Do you know your Airmen's Activity Council?

The Airmen's Activity Council is open and available here every senior airman and below. Any questions or concerns that involve airmen are always open to discussion. The next AAC meeting is July 20 at 1 p.m. in the WAR Center. Send inquiries to [gfaac319@grandforks.af.mil](mailto:gfaac319@grandforks.af.mil)

**The executive council members are**

President, Airman 1st Class **Patrice Clarke** 319th Air Refueling Wing Staff  
 Vice President, Airman 1st Class **Danielle Alyias** 319th Civil Engineer Squadron  
 Secretary, Senior Airman **George Robinson** 319th Communications Squadron  
 Treasurer, Airman 1st Class **Joseph Luksik** 319th Comptrollers Squadron  
 Historian, Airman 1st Class **Jennifer Wallen** 319th Communications Squadron

## ATWIND, Get into it

Pick up an ATWIND piece everyday of the week just by stopping by the different facilities on base.

### Monday

- Fast Eddie's Coffee Shop, get double pieces with baked goods purchase
- W.A.R. Center
- Plainsview Golf Course, get double pieces with a round of golf or use of golf simulator

### Tuesday

- Strike Zone Snack Bar during lunch
- Airey Dining & Refueler Inn during Dinner
- Aquatic Center Family Swim Day
- Aerobics Day at the Fitness Center
- Northern Lights Club Barber Shop
- TEENS supreme Club meeting

### Wednesday

- Fast Eddie's Coffee Shop

- Northern Lights Club double pieces during lunch

- Sports and Fitness Center
- Outdoor Recreation's Check-Ups-Out Day
- Library
- Dakota Lanes Red Pin Day
- NEISO Store, visit from noon till 4 p.m.

### Thursday

- Putters Snack Bar during breakfast and lunch
- Northern Lights Club Family Dining
- Dakota Lanes Youth Bowling Day a piece for each game bowled.
- Auto Skills Day
- Landing Strip Mall Community Center

### Friday

- Fast Eddie's Coffee Shop

- Airey Dining & Refueler Inn during Lunch

- W.A.R. Center
- Northern Lights Club TGIF in Sports Bar
- Aquatic Center Water Aerobics
- Liberty Square Friday Night Skating
- Sports & Fitness Center

### Saturday

- Dakota Lanes
- Library
- Skills Development Center
- Torch Club Meeting
- Northern Lights Club Saturday Night Live

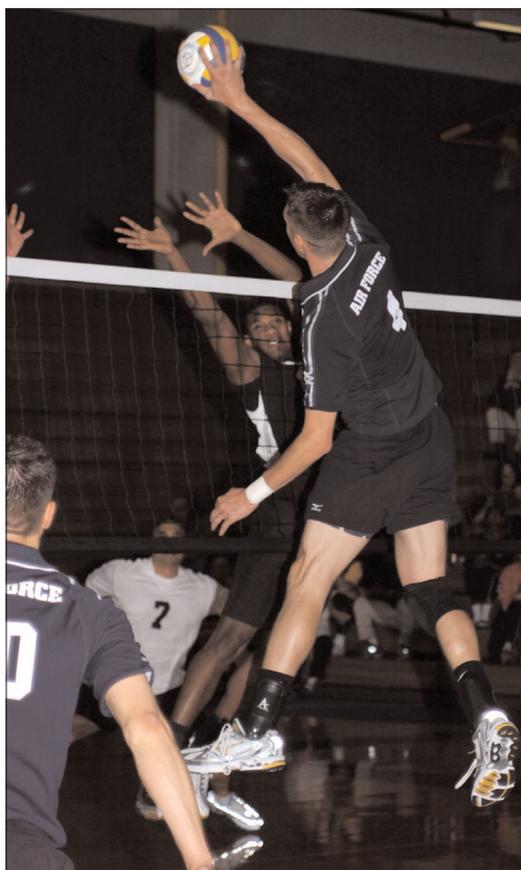
### Sunday

- Northern Lights Club Brunch
- Plainsview Golf Course, get double pieces with a round of golf or use of driving range.

## Sports

# Jump

**FORT LEWIS, Wash.** - Staff Sgt. Jason McDonald tips the ball over Army blockers to throw off the defense. Sergeant McDonald was selected as one of the top 12 players at the 2004 All Armed Forces Volleyball Tournament held here June 22. The 12 best players selected from all four services will represent the U.S. military at the International Military Sports Council World Championship and face their counterparts from other nations. Sergeant McDonald is assigned to Dyess Air Force Base, Texas.



Senior Airman Meghan Geis

## Sport Shorts

**ROCK CLIMBING CLASSES:** Rock climbing wall classes are held every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the sport and fitness center fieldhouse.

To sign up, stop by the front desk of the fitness center or call 747-3384.

**VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED:**

Outdoor Recreation is looking for people who would like to volunteer their time to drive on trips. Trips include going to Minnesota, Winnipeg, and South Dakota. If you are interested in driving, call Outdoor Recreation at 747-3688 or stop by their office.

**TEXAS HOLD'EM:** Registration for the Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament has already started at the Northern Lights Club.

The tournament begins Saturday starting at 3 p.m. For more information and tournament rules call the NLC at 747-3392.

**8TH ANNUAL AIR FORCE MARATHON:**

The 8th Annual Air Force Marathon will be held at Wright Patterson Air Force Base Sept. 18.

This year several award categories have been added to include Top Male and Female major command finishers and total MAJCOM participation.

The course is a 26.2 mile run that traverses historical places on Wright Patterson AFB, including the USAF Museum, the AF Institute of Technology, Headquarters AF Material Command, Huffman Prairie Flying Field, and the Wright Brothers

Memorial Monument.

Festivities include a two day sports exposition, pre-race pasta dinner, race day opening ceremony, and a post-race party. General Handy encourages AMC participation.

Go to the following Website for detailed information and to register - <http://afmar-athon.wpafb.af.mil>.

For details call the sports and fitness Center at 747-3384.

**BOATER SAFETY CLASS:** Want to rent a boat? Outdoor recreation requires this class be taken before renting powered watercraft from us. North Dakota law requires youth ages 12 to 15 to pass an approved boater safety course before they can operate watercraft over 10 horsepower, including personal watercraft.

The course is free. Sign up at Outdoor Recreation.

For details call 747-3688.

**FOOTBALL CAMP:** The youth program's Football Camp is Monday through July 2 for ages 6 to 12.

Cost is \$20 for non-members and \$15 for members.

To sign up call 747-3150.

**FREEDOM FUN RUN:** Sign up by Thursday for the sports and fitness center's Freedom Fun Run/Walk July 7 at 11 a.m.

The run/walk is open to everyone, including your dog. Squadron competition is encouraged. Teams consist of five people. Prizes will be awarded to all who participate.

For details call the sports and fitness center at 747-3384.

## Intramural Standings

### Softball Standings

CONS	1-3-0
MOS	1-3-0
SVS	3-1-0
AMXS	0-4-0
MDG	2-2-0
LRS A	3-1-0
LRS B	2-2-0
MXS A	4-0-0
MXS B	1-3-0
OSS	4-0-0
CS A	3-1-0
CS B	0-4-0 OUT
MSS	2-2-0
SFS	3-1-0
CPTS	1-2-0



### Golf Standings

CS	1-5
CES B	4-2
LRS A	4-2
LRS B	1-4
MOS	3-3
MXS	4-2
OSS	1-4 OUT
CES A	5-1
SFS	6-0
MDG	0-6
AMXS	4-2
MSS/CPTS	2-4



standings as of Wednesday

## WELLNESS TIP

### Avoid your boiling point!

When exercising in extreme heat ...

- ▶ Drink plenty of fluids (2-4 glasses per hour)
- ▶ Replace electrolytes with fruit juices or sports drinks
- ▶ Wear sunscreen to reduce risk of sunburn
- ▶ Wear lightweight, loose and light-colored clothing
- ▶ Start out at slow pace; increase gradually
- ▶ Use the buddy system for safety
- ▶ Schedule "PT" activities during cool hours of the day



SOURCE: AMC Surgeon General's Office

Information graphic by Master Sgt. Paul Fazzini