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*A crew member from a Boeing CH-47 Chinook helicopter assigned to the Battalion 501st Aviation Regiment shows Airmen from the 508th Civil Engineering Squadron and a firefighter from the Red River Army Depot on emergency response measures for the Chinook ensuring a state of readiness Sept. 3 at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph auxiliary airfield in Seguin. The Chinook was loaded with 6 pallets of water to support Hurricane Harvey relief efforts.*

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# New Texas law prohibits drivers from texting while driving

From Texas Department of Transportation

Effective Sept. 1, texting while driving will be illegal across the state of Texas as the result of a new texting-while-driving ban passed during the 85th Texas Legislative Session. The law prohibits motorists from reading, writing or sending electronic messages while driving.

“One in five crashes in Texas is caused by distracted driving,” said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. “We are pleased the Texas Legislature recognizes the extreme danger caused by texting and driving. The new law sends a very clear message to Texans to put down their phones and focus on the road. We are hopeful this new law will help save lives and reduce injuries.”

Last year, 109,658 traffic crashes in Texas involved distracted driving. Those crashes resulted in 455 deaths and 3,087 serious injuries.

While distracted drivers risk injuring or killing themselves and others, they also now face penalties under the new statewide law.

A first offense is punishable by a fine up to \$99; any subsequent offense carries a fine up to \$200. Drivers should be aware that some cities have additional ordinances that are more restrictive.

Exceptions to the new law include emergency communication or electronic messaging when the vehicle is stopped.

For those under 18 years of age, Texas law already bans all cell phone use while driving, including hands-free, except in



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the case of emergencies.

Additionally, drivers are currently banned from texting and using hand-held cellular devices while driving in school zones.

School bus operators also are prohibited from using cell phones while driving if children are present.

To help educate the public on

the new law, TxDOT will be posting information on portable roadside message signs as well as permanent signs along interstate and U.S. highways.

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# JBSA provides donation options for flood victims

By Col. Jimmy M. Browning  
502ND AIR BASE WING CHAPLAIN

Many people in our JBSA community want to do something to assist the flood victims in the wake of Hurricane Harvey.

Several options, more impactful and helpful, exist to donate to those impacted by Hurricane

Harvey, in addition to food and clothing donations.

## Donation examples include:

- ▶ Donate cash to a reputable non-profit organization. Visit the Federal Emergency Management Agency website for recommended non-profit organizations at <https://www.fema.gov>.
- ▶ Donate blood. Blood is always

in short supply and especially so during nature disasters. The JBSA Armed Services Blood Program facilities support San Antonio Military Medical Center and the local Veterans Affairs hospital as well as special missions like natural disasters such as Hurricane Harvey.

▶ The chapel communities across JBSA will be holding

special collections at their worship services, which will go to various non-profit organizations in support of flood victims.

▶ Put together a clean-up bucket kit and drop it off at any JBSA chapel as part of Operation Buckets of Blessings. These kits contain items needed by flood victims returning to their homes.

For more information about special collections or the clean-up buckets, contact your local JBSA chapel. Anyone interested in donating blood or being a point of contact for a blood drive can call 210-292-8145 or 210-292-8100.

*Editor's note: See below for details on Operation Buckets of Blessings.*

## JBSA chaplains kick off Operation Buckets of Blessings for victims of Hurricane Harvey

By Col. Jimmy M. Browning  
502ND AIR BASE WING CHAPLAIN

Hurricane Harvey left disaster in its wake, affecting hundreds of thousands of people and flooding numerous communities and homes.

The 502 Air Base Wing Chaplain Corps is partnering with faith-based community organizations to provide much-needed resources for when the clean-up phase begins as people return to their once-flooded homes.

Operation Buckets of Blessings will present families with a five-gallon bucket and a specified collection of cleaning supplies. The list of supplies has been developed from the experience of those who have dealt with the aftermath of a home flooding previously.

All the JBSA chapels will be accepting donations and the chaplains will regularly deliver the buckets to designated faith-based community organizations who have the means to deliver these cleaning supplies to those whose homes were flooded by Hurricane Harvey. Donations will be accepted until the end of October.

Operation Buckets of Blessings is an option for many of

**“The goal is to promote, fill and deliver these ‘buckets of blessings’ to any JBSA chapel. In doing so, we are connecting our hands to those who are in need.”**

**Col. Jimmy M. Browning, 502nd Air Base Wing chaplain**

JBSA members who want to support those impacted by Hurricane Harvey in additional ways. The initial goal is 1,000 filled buckets.

Organizations can have some fun supporting the operation by forming a “Bucket Brigade.” Prior to the modern fire truck, bucket brigades would form a line from the water source to a burning building, being handled by any number of hands from the source to need. The goal is to promote, fill and deliver these “buckets of blessings” to any JBSA chapel. In doing so, we are connecting our hands to those who are in need.

For more information, call your local JBSA chapel.

### Operation Buckets of Blessings Packing List and Instructions

1. **A ‘Five-Gallon’ bucket with re-sealable lid**
  - Buckets from fast-food restaurants or bakeries can be used if washed and cleaned
  - Do not use buckets that have stored chemicals such as paint or pool cleaner
  - Advertisements on the outside are acceptable
2. **Liquid laundry detergent**
  - one 50-oz. or two 25-oz. bottle(s) only
3. **Liquid household cleaner**
  - 12-16 oz. liquid cleaner that can be mixed with water
  - No spray cleaners
4. **Dish soap**
  - 16-28 oz. bottle, any brand
5. **50 Clothespins**
6. **Cotton or plastic clothesline**
  - one 100 ft. or two 50 ft. lines
7. **Sponges**
  - No cellulose sponges due to mold issues
  - Remove from packaging
8. **24-Roll heavy-duty trash bags**
9. **53-45 gallon sizes, removed from the box**
9. **18 Cleaning wipes**
  - Handy-wipes or reusable wipes
  - No terry cleaning towels
  - Remove from packaging
10. **1 Air freshener can, aerosol or pump**
11. **1 Insect-repellent spray**
  - 6-14 oz. aerosol or spray pump with protective cover
12. **2 Pairs kitchen dishwashing gloves**
  - Should be durable enough for multiple uses
  - Remove from packaging
13. **1 Pair work gloves**
  - All cotton, or all leather, or cotton with leather palm
14. **5 Scouring pads**
  - Remove from wrapper
  - No stainless steel, Brillo pads or SOS pads (nothing with soap built in)
15. **1 Scrub brush (Plastic or wood handle)**
16. **5 Dust masks**
17. **A note of encouragement (Optional)**

**Assembly Directions:** Place all liquid items in the bucket first. Place remaining items in the bucket fitting them around and between the liquid items. Sponges, scouring pads, clothespins and trash bags can be separated in order to fit all of the items in the bucket. Ensure the lid is closed securely.

**IMPORTANT:** All items must be new except for the actual bucket and lid. All cleaning agents must be liquid and in plastic containers. No powders, please. If you cannot find the requested size of a liquid item, use a smaller size. Including larger sizes of any item will prevent the lid from sealing.

**Drop bucket(s) off at a JBSA Chapel during normal hours of operation.**

# Legionella bacteria not detected at BAMC

By BAMC Public Affairs

After extensive testing and evaluation, Brooke Army Medical Center at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston has found no indication of Legionella bacteria in or around a building adjacent to the hospital.

The test samples were processed through an Environmental Legionella Isolation Techniques Evaluation (ELITE) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention laboratory, which is considered the “gold standard” for Legionella testing. Testing was conducted in the affected area as well as a wide circle of adjacent potential sources.

Earlier this month, two staff members tested positive for Legionnaires’ disease and one suspected case was identified, which was never confirmed. The staff members were treated



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*The Legionella bacteria, which causes Legionnaires’ disease, has not been found at Brooke Army Medical Center.*

and released.

Since these staff members worked in the same area, test-

ing was conducted to determine if the building was the source of the bacteria. Out of

an abundance of caution, BAMC leaders relocated all of the staff who work there to another location pending results which would take approximately 10 days to complete.

“The great news is there is no indication of Legionella bacteria,” said BAMC Commander Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Johnson. “We have a team of experienced, dedicated specialists who have gone the extra mile and we’re very proud of the work they’ve done. The safety of our staff and patients is our utmost concern.”

While the tests were negative, BAMC leaders and specialists from areas such as industrial hygiene and environmental health are going above and beyond to ensure conditions are safe, the commander said.

“As an additional safeguard, we are conducting a comprehensive series of preventive

checks, cleaning and maintenance on the building,” said BAMC Deputy Commanding Officer Col. Traci Crawford. “We want everyone on the team to feel fully confident in the safety of their work environment.”

Some of these preventive measures include inspecting and cleaning all HVAC systems, flushing of all lines and draining of water heaters.

BAMC will begin to move staff back into the adjacent building this week.

“Our technical experts will continue to evaluate and monitor the building closely to ensure the continued safety of all personnel and patients,” said Maj. Lakisha Flagg, BAMC chief, Army Public Health Nursing.

“I want to thank our world-class staff for their patience,” Johnson said. “They truly are a team of teams.”

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# Air Force highly recommends renters insurance

By Armando Perez  
AFIMSC PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Airmen and their families leasing or renting housing on or off the installation need to be aware of the importance of renters insurance.

Unforeseen fires, floods, theft or accidents can occur in anyone's residence and Airmen need to understand the importance of protecting their families from financial hardship should such losses occur.

The Air Force strongly encourages all service members, whether they rent off base or in privatized housing, to purchase renters insurance to make sure valuable items can be replaced in case of loss due to unforeseen circumstances. Property managers will not be responsible for damages to personal property.

For service members living

in privatized housing, the Department of Defense announced a policy change in December 2014 that removed the renters insurance portion of a service member's Basic Allowance for Housing, or BAH. As a result, the Air Force eliminated any rental insurance requirement from its privatized housing agreements.

The policy change doesn't negate current project obligations to provide renters insurance. It does, however, allow housing Project Owners the flexibility to independently decide if they will continue to provide renters insurance as part of a new or renewed lease. As a result, service members signing a lease to live in privatized homes may no longer be covered by Project Owner-provided renters insurance and should purchase renters insurance out of pocket, as

their colleagues who live off base currently do.

"AFCEC works with installation Housing Management Offices to ensure they provide information on not only the policy change but an understanding that renters insurance provides coverage for loss, damage, or destruction of property," said Col. Michael Beach, Air Force Civil Engineer Center Division Chief for Family Housing. "Living without renters insurance can have a substantial impact on Airmen and their families, although Air Force does not require residents to carry renters insurance on their personal belongings, it is strongly encouraged."

Before purchasing renters insurance consider the following:

▶ Know what the policy covers.

Most policies will cover the actual cash value or replacement cost of your personal belongings.

▶ Know who the policy covers.

Renters insurance typically covers spouses and immediate family members who live with you. Some policies even cover dogs.

▶ Know how much coverage you need.

A general policy may cover most of your belongings, but high-value items such as jewelry, expensive sports or musical equipment, and collectibles may need additional coverage based on appraisal amounts.

▶ Buy from an insurer licensed to do business in your state.

If you are moving to a new location, verify with your insurer that your policy is valid at your new duty station.

▶ Look for multiline discounts.

Purchasing renters insurance from a company you already have a policy with can save you money. Start with your car insurance provider, for example.

▶ Shop around and compare prices.

▶ Don't get more coverage than you need and ask for military discount options.

▶ Ensure your policy meets any minimum coverage amounts your landlord or Project Owner may require.

Renters insurance is a smart and inexpensive investment. Prior to your next permanent change of station or if you are living in on- or off-base housing, contact your local Housing Management Office by going to [housing.af.mil/](http://housing.af.mil/). The housing team can assist with contacting local insurance agents to review your personal needs.

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## MICC Soldiers support Harvey disaster relief

By Ryan Mattox  
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Five Soldiers from the Mission and Installation Contracting Command are supporting Hurricane Harvey disaster relief operations in southeast Texas.

Staff Sgts. Louis Olvera and Charles Prihoda, contingency contracting officers assigned to the 901st Contracting Battalion at Fort Hood, Texas, left for Prairie View, Texas, Aug. 30 to assist Task Force-51, the U.S. Army North's contingency command post as well as the 3rd Expeditionary Sustainment Command, a logistical unit from Fort Bragg, N.C., already in Texas assessing where the Army can assist with disaster relief.

While there, Olvera and Prihoda will provide contracting support for the needs of Task Force-51 personnel from

ARNORTH and assist in the development of contracting solutions for relief requirements.

A second team of 418th Contracting Support Brigade contingency contracting officers, comprised of Lt. Col. Wyeth Anderson, Master Sgt. Maria Sierra and Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Richardson left Aug. 31 for Katy, Texas. Their mission is to coordinate contracting support for ARNORTH's Task Force-51 and other Army requiring activities, pass requirements to the 418th CSB reach-back cell in place at Fort Hood, and communicate options to mission commanders.

Hurricane Harvey made landfall early Aug. 26 as a Category 4 storm near Rockport, Texas, bringing winds of more than 130 mph and more than 50 inches of rain over the upper

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Airmen from the 502nd Air Base Wing and Soldiers from the Texas Air National Guard load supplies and equipment to be sent in support of Hurricane Harvey relief efforts Aug. 29 at Joint Base San Antonio-Kelly Field Annex. Soldiers from U.S. Army North are in the Houston area to aid communications support and the search and recovery missions.

## Army supports FEMA with Hurricane Harvey relief efforts

By Staff Sgt. Tomora Nance  
U.S. ARMY NORTH PUBLIC AFFAIRS

In the aftermath of Tropical Storm Harvey, many citizens along the Texas coastline are displaced and in need of basic necessities. Local, state and federal agencies are working together to support the affected areas of Southeastern Texas. One of those agencies is the Defense Coordinating Officer and Element, or DCO/E.

The U.S. is dissected into ten Federal Emergency Management Agency regions. Each FEMA Region has a collocated active-duty DCO/E for planning, synchronizing and incor-

porating Defense Support of Civil Authorities, or DSCA, with local, state and federal agencies.

Serving at the entry-point for all local, tribal, state, and federal requests for Department of Defense assistance, the nine-person element is FEMA's single-point of contact for DOD support.

"As a part of the Army's DSCA, furthermore as a part of FEMA region VI, we are here to support the response capability to assist civilian responders in lifesaving and life sustaining measures," said Sgt. 1st Class Rodney Frankenstein, the operations non-

commissioned officer with U.S. Army North (Fifth Army) region VI DCE.

Each FEMA region analyzes threats to its areas and deploys support based off those assessments. With citizens along the coastline of Texas inundated by massive flooding, FEMA Region VI, headquartered at Denton, Texas, jumped into action. FEMA coordinated disaster response efforts with the DCE.

FEMA Region VI Page Content encompasses five states, to include Texas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Arkansas. For FEMA, coordinating efforts is essential to

helping the American populace. Although FEMA Region VI is in the lead for Texas relief efforts, Region VII, located in Kansas City, Mo., is also supporting.

"We say at FEMA that all disasters are local, that's because the local authorities know best, they know their people, they know the area, they are intimately aware with how hard they were hit, and we need that knowledge," said Daniel Green, an external affairs officer with FEMA's Region VIII Incident Management Assistance Team based out of Denver, Colo. "This is an event unlike any other

we've seen on the Texas coast and it's an event that we are here to do anything we can to provide aid and assistance for the people of the Lone Star State."

Since mobilization, the DCE has worked tirelessly to support FEMA's relief efforts by providing military assistance, said Frankenstein.

According to FEMA officials, more than 30,000 people are in 230 shelters across Texas.

"We're here to help however possible, and we're happy to work with anyone on any level of government to make sure that happens."

# Soldier named Cyber Command's top NCO

By Steve Stover

U.S. ARMY INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY  
COMMAND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

A Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston Soldier was named one of the U.S. Army Cyber Command's best cyber warriors of 2017 on Aug. 25, after a week of intense competition at Fort Belvoir, Va.

Sgt. Kevin Beuse, assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 470th Military Intelligence Brigade at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, was named Best Warrior NCO of the Year.

Spc. Johnny Long, assigned to Detachment Hawaii, 782nd Military Intelligence Battalion, 780th MI Brigade, Intelligence & Security Command, earned Best Warrior Soldier of the Year honors.

Soldiers from multiple commands started on the road to the ARCYBER title in early spring. It has been a grueling climb to the top with each Soldier tackling at least four other best warrior competitions to reach the Army Cyber, or ARCYBER, level. And there's still one more rung to go for Long and Beuse ... representing ARCYBER at the Army-level competition in October.

Organizers of the ARCYBER event said the level of competition has never been higher, nor the physical and mental events more challenging. The Army's Soldier and NCO of the Year selection process became tougher following 9/11, when the Sergeant Major of the Army changed the process to more realistically prove the "Total Soldier" concept.



STEVE STOVER

*Sgt. Kevin Beuse of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 470th Military Intelligence Brigade, Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, completes the 12-mile road march event on day three of the U.S. Army Cyber Command Best Warrior Competition Aug. 23.*

Beuse credits his mentor, Sgt. Stephen Pritchard, for getting him to this point in the competition. He also gave equal credit to his wife, who lives in Honduras, and who he says has always believed in him and knew he would win. Alongside his preparation for the competition, which began in February, Beuse has been working to bring his wife to the U.S.

He has a tough choice to make about the Army competition, too.

"I also have a decision to make between SLC (Army Senior Leader Course) and the DA (Department of the Army) competition — so there's a lot of things going on in my head," Beuse said. "However, representing my command and going to the DA level is a once-in-a-life-

time opportunity."

Long has a bachelor's degree in physics and joined the Army in 2013 after teaching high school because he wanted to serve. He is a Korean Linguist who aspires join Special Operations Team-Alpha, which is a signals intelligence-electronic warfare element of Army Special Forces. For Long, the BWC has been a series of opportunities, and he's had a lot of fun.

"I know that parts of it have been rougher than I expected, parts that were more fun than I expected. You never know exactly what to expect at each level," he said. "But there have also been a lot of opportunities for experiences that I wouldn't otherwise have had."

Long said those opportunities included hands-on experience with weapons that he hadn't handled since basic training; learning Army doctrine; and "definitely a lot of combat lifesaver practice." He's most looking forward to facing a selection board led by the Sergeant Major of the Army when he competes in the October event.

At the ceremony naming the winners, Command Sgt. Maj. William Bruns, ARCYBER command sergeant major, said he's very impressed with the caliber and character of this year's competitors.

"I think back to when I competed in boards, we were very knowledgeable, but the knowledge of the Soldiers today is high; the bar is very high. The future of the NCO Corps is in good hands." Bruns said. "These Soldiers are really, really exceptional. I think we're going to do really well at the next level of competition."

# BAMC provides medical support

By Elaine Sanchez

BAMC PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Brooke Army Medical Center at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston is providing medical care to evacuees of Hurricane Harvey, which triggered devastating flooding across southeastern Texas and displaced thousands of residents.

BAMC has received a total of 10 patients. Six remain hospitalized. Three were treated and released and one was transferred upon request to be closer to family.

"Our hearts go out to every family who has been affected by this natural disaster," said BAMC Commander Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Johnson. "We are humbled and proud to do our part in this time of need."

The State of Texas requested and received permission from the Department of Defense for BAMC to treat civilian patients affected by the natural disaster.

This support will not interrupt BAMC's mission as one of two Level I Trauma Centers within San Antonio, and the sole Level I center within the Department of Defense.

BAMC stands ready to aid the community, Johnson said.

"We have a long and close relationship with the first responders of San Antonio, the surrounding 22 counties and the Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council when it comes to trauma and healthcare," Johnson said. "We are more than ready to aid displaced residents who need immediate medical attention."

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Texas coast, according to the National Hurricane Center. Later downgraded, the storm again made landfall Aug. 30 near the Louisiana border. Harvey has dumped record amounts of rain across the south Texas region since making landfall and has necessitated the response of active-duty military personnel and activation of the Texas National Guard to assist with the rescue and recovery of flood victims.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are suffering through the terrible devastation caused by Hurricane Harvey," said Col. William Boruff, MICC commander. "We are prepared to put forth all of our resources to help

the citizens affected by this historic storm get back on their feet."

ARNORTH, headquartered at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, has deployed Task Force-51 to Kelly Field Annex, adjacent to nearby JBSA-Lackland and Katy to provide command and control over Title 10 assets, which will provide coordinated support to civil authorities. ARNORTH deploys Task Force-51 to conduct support for defense support of civil authorities, homeland defense, and theater security cooperation to promote the defense and security of the U.S.

The MICC is made up of two contracting support brigades and two field directorate offices responsible for 31 subordinate contracting activities across the Unit-

ed States and Puerto Rico.

The command consists of about 1,500 military and civilian members who are responsible for contracting goods and services in support of Soldiers as well as readying trained contracting units for the operating force and contingency environment when called upon.

Headquartered at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, MICC contracts are vital in feeding more than 200,000 Soldiers every day, providing many daily base operations support services at installations, preparing more than 100,000 conventional force members annually, training more than 500,000 students each year, and maintaining more than 14.4 million acres of land and 170,000 structures.



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# Summer college intern aspires to care for wounded warriors

By Dr. Steven Galvan  
USAISR PUBLIC AFFAIRS

“I believe that I was groomed to do this from a young age,” said Ryan Leone when asked about his career ambition to become an Army trauma surgeon. Leone, a student at the University of Pennsylvania, recently wrapped up a 10-week summer intern program at the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.

Leone was among 13 college interns from around the U.S. who spent their summer conducting combat casualty care research.

Leone said that he didn’t realize it at the time, but he has been around military veterans who were leaders and coaches, especially during his years as an Eagle Scout in Boy Scouts and during his week at the American Legion Boys Nation Program in 2014.

“Some of them were veterans who had been injured, so I learned about the sacrifices they made for our country. I had heard stories about their comrades who were severely injured or killed in combat,” he said. “It was during those



DR. STEVEN GALVAN

*University of Pennsylvania student, Ryan Leone, works at the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.*

years I realized I wanted to become an Army trauma surgeon to help the wounded and to do my part to save lives.”

The Long Island, N.Y., native will be

returning as a junior in the Roy and Diana Vagelos Dual-Degree Program in Life Sciences and Management at the University of Pennsylvania. He is studying to obtain two bachelor’s degrees: a bachelor of arts in the biological basis of behavior and a bachelor of science in economics with a concentration in healthcare management and policy.

David Burmeister, Ph.D., lead intern mentor and USAISR Combat Casualty Care Research scientist, said he was impressed with Leone’s work ethic from day one. “In short, he’s a go-getter with a bright future,” he said.

“Ryan, along with all the students in the internship program, is phenomenal,” said Daniel Darlington, Ph.D., one of Leone’s mentors.

Darlington and Xiaowu Wu, Ph.D., both USAISR research physiologists, have mentored students since the program began seven years ago.

“I just wish we had more time with them,” Darlington said. “They add so much to our research and gain some invaluable experience. I know they could do a lot more if they had more time.”

Leone’s exposure this summer has him setting his sights higher than just becoming an Army trauma surgeon.

“If I could pick any job, I would strive to be the Surgeon General of the Army or the director of the Defense Health Agency,” Leone said.

He’s off to a great start. He was asked to be the first student to do a summer internship at the Defense Health Agency and he will assist in creating a formal internship program for future students there next summer.

“I’m looking forward to working under Vice Admiral Raquel Bono, the DHA director, and the other DHA executives next summer,” Leone added. “I care a lot about healthcare and want to do my part for our military and our country. My ultimate goals are to treat combat injuries and make a difference at the policy level.”

The USAISR Summer Internship Program is sponsored by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education to expose college students to a laboratory environment and provide them with invaluable research experience to assist with their educational goals.

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# JBSA-Fort Sam Houston honors World War I centennial

By Staff Sgt. Tomora Nance  
U.S. ARMY NORTH PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Soldiers and civilians gathered Aug. 25 for Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston's World War I Centennial Ceremony honoring the 90th Infantry Division in the historic Quadrangle.

As this year marked the national commemoration for the 100th anniversary of U.S. entry into World War I, military bases across the U.S. are celebrating their storied unit's involvement and accomplishments in ceremonies. Fort Sam Houston is no different.

"I'm so honored to be able to witness this ceremony; it was very humbling and emotional to witness the unfurling of the division's colors," said Jeanie Travis, daughter of retired Maj. Gen Robert H. Travis, the

last commanding general of the 90th Infantry Division. "I grew up respecting the Army because it was a part of my everyday life as a small child. And when I read the history of the division, his (her father's) stories come back to me."

For Travis, her father's commitment to the Army and the country has become a major part of her family's heritage.

Travis said after doing some research she realized that not only was this the 100th anniversary of World War I but this was also the 100th anniversary of the 90th ID.

Travis wasn't the only direct connection to the 90th ID.

"This is exciting and a real honor for me to represent my division," said retired Master Sgt. Vernon Schmidt, one of the last surviving members of the 90th ID's World War II

veterans, who is 91 years old. "Today, there were a lot of good things said about the 90th ID during the ceremony and I'm so proud that I have just a little part of serving in the 90th in combat. It's just a thrill to be here."

During the ceremony after the 90th ID colors were uncased and unfurled, Schmidt walked up to the division's colors and placed a streamer on it to signify one of the many achievements held by that unit during World War I.

"I feel blessed today; this has been a real neat occasion for me," said Schmidt, with red-watery eyes.

The uncasing and commemoration ceremony occurred 100 years to the day that the 90th Division activated at Camp Travis, what is now JBSA-Fort Sam Houston.



STAFF SGT. TOMORA NANCE

Retired Master Sgt. Vernon Schmidt (left), a 91-year-old surviving member of the 90th Infantry Division from World War II, places a streamer on the 90th ID's flag during Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston's World War I Centennial ceremony Aug. 25 honoring the 90th ID inside the historic Quadrangle at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston.

## Local select basketball team captures national title

A team of military brats goes to Las Vegas, wins trophy

Courtesy article

The South Texas Regulators Select basketball team, a team based out of the San Antonio area comprised of boys whose parents are currently serving in the military or retired from the services, won the 16U Bigfoot Hoops Las Vegas Classic in Nevada July 30. The Regulators defeated the IE Aces Select from California, 59-58, to claim the crown.

The Regulators are unique in that all the coaches and staff are volunteers and also retired or active duty military. The organization has been in existence for seven years and the turnover rate for athletes and coaches is very high due to parents answering the call of duty. Despite the frequent changes, this is the organiza-



COURTESY PHOTO

Head coach and Regulators founder E. Jamal Barner (center) talks to his team during the 16U Bigfoot Hoops Las Vegas Classic July 30 in Nevada.

tions fourth regional/national tournament championship.

Team members include Jalen Barner, Josh Butler, Ya'Monie Crawford, Aiden Harripaul, Darren Hudson, Ethan

Mahoney, Devin Oden, Warner Owens, Kahliq Paulette, Chris Smith and Nick Tucker. The team is coached by head coach and Regulators founder E. Jamal Barner. Assistant

coaches are Julian Crawford, Harold Patterson and Chris Smith. The team manager and cofounder is Rhonda Barner.

The Bigfoot Hoops 16U pool play started with 194 competitive teams from the United States and overseas during the five-day tournament. During games two and three of the championship bracket, the Regulators showed physical and mental toughness by coming back to win both games with seconds left on the clock.

In game two, Ya'Monie Crawford, a student at Robert G. Cole High School at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, knocked down a three-point shot with two seconds remaining on the clock to advance the Regulators to the championship game.

During the third and final game, Nick Tucker, also a Cole High School student, drove the length of the floor in four seconds and made a contested

layup with no time left on the clock, resulting in a 59-58 victory and championship for the Regulators.

"The boys played their hearts out," Jamal said. "I had so many emotions that I can't even explain it. A team of military brats from the San Antonio area went to Las Vegas and brought the trophy back to Texas. The boys worked hard all year and things finally came together during the tournament."

"Our motto is 'Mount Up' and the boys definitely displayed teamwork during those close games. It was a total organization effort, the coach said. "Players, coaches, parents and team moms should all be proud to say they belong to a special organization like the South Texas Regulators."

For more information about the South Texas Regulators, visit <http://www.southtexas-regulators.com> or call 210-325-9032.

# Navy research dentists focused on innovation

By Flisa Stevenson  
NAMRU-SA PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Research dentists in the Craniofacial Health and Restorative Medicine Directorate, or CH&RM, at the Naval Medical Research Unit-San Antonio, or NAMRU-SA, at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, continue a strong and proud tradition of dedicating their service to ensure dental readiness and health for service members around the globe by being at the forefront of dental research, science and innovation.

“NAMRU-SA’s research dentists are ultimately aimed at having a positive impact on the health and readiness of Sailors and Marines through treatment, detection and prevention of craniofacial disease and injuries,” said Dr. John Simecek, CH&RM director.

These research dentists conduct a variety of projects to better provide for the warfighter. “Navy dentists have a long tradition of utilizing research to improve the health of service members dating back to 1947 when the first dental research

facility was established at Great Lakes,” said Capt. Jonathan Stahl, biomedical research dentist and principal investigator, Biomaterials and Epidemiology Department.

“Currently, wound dressings used on the battlefield are traditional bandages to help control hemorrhage but do not actively help in the healing process,” Stahl said.

Stahl and his team are looking into nano-fibrous wound dressings with bioactive factors such as growth factors, antibiotics and other agents to speed up healing and reduce facial scar formation. Ideal management of skin wounds is predicated on the minimization of infection at the site of injury.

Engineers and scientists built an electrospinning device to make dressings using nanofiber technology. Biologically compatible natural and synthetic polymers are dissolved into a solvent along with bioactive agents and spun into a wound dressing using electrical forces. The electrospun fiber was successful in inhibiting both growth and attachment of *Staphylococcus*

*aureus* bacteria, which is the bacterium that causes staph infections.

“Development of the active antibacterial scaffold presented in this study is critical in providing a platform for a new generation of antimicrobial wound dressings,” Stahl said.

Ongoing projects also include investigations for rapid detection of waterborne pathogens and evaluation of antimicrobial peptides to eliminate microorganisms of military relevance caused by members of the ES-KAPE group of pathogens: *Enterococcus*, *Staphylococcus*, *Klebsiella*, *Acinetobacter*, *Pseudomonas*, *Escherichia*.

Lt. Noel Dickens, principal investigator and department head, Biomaterials and Epidemiology Department, is leading an investigation into dental emergencies and the effect they can have on the overall fighting condition of the warfighter.

While rarely life threatening, dental emergencies can either hinder or prevent a service member from completing assigned tasks, which has the potential to impact a unit’s oper-



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(From left: Lt. (Dr.) Noel Dickens; Lt. Cmdr. (Dr.) Jeffery Hoyle; Capt. (Dr.) Jonathan Stahl and Lt. Cmdr. (Dr.) Nicholas Hamlin ensure dental readiness and health for service members around the globe by being at the forefront of dental research, science and innovation.

ational or fighting capabilities.

“In order to better understand the types of dental emergencies afflicting service members we continually analyze dental emergency surveillance data,” Dickens said.

Dental disease is a significant burden on warfighter readiness. The control of dental caries early on can greatly reduce the likelihood of a dental emergency due to chronic disease, further preventing reduction in readiness. Using bacteriophage and genetic engineering approaches,

researchers are developing a novel approach to treating caries-causing bacteria specifically, as well as disrupting the biofilm, or plaque, in which they reside.

NAMRU-SA’s mission is to conduct medical, craniofacial, and biomedical research, which focuses on ways to enhance the health, safety, performance, and operational readiness of Navy and Marine Corps personnel and addresses their emergent medical and oral/facial problems in routine and combat operations.

## Commissioning a family affair for newly minted Army officer

By Derrick Crawford  
5TH ARMY MEDICAL RECRUITING  
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For Army 2nd Lt. Ashley Carrillo, 28, of Waco, Texas, her recent commissioning as a licensed clinical social worker is more than the fulfillment of a lifelong dream to serve her country. It is about joining a family of service.

Her grandfather, retired Navy Cmdr. John Hill, 80, commissioned Carrillo into the Army Medical Service Corps during a July 28 ceremony at Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio, wearing the same uniform he last wore on active duty in 1980.

“It is an honor and just a real



SGT. 1ST CLASS CHAD MCLAUGHLIN

Retired Navy Cmdr. John Hill (left) swears in his granddaughter, Army 2nd Lt. Ashley Carrillo, in a commissioning ceremony July 28 at Our Lady of the Lake University in San Antonio.

blessing,” Hill said. “Not too many grandfather’s get to swear in one of their grandchildren.”

Each word of the oath Carril-

lo repeated after her grandfather brought her closer to being part of the military fabric she is now charged with strength-

ening. In addition to her grandfather, other family members have answered the call to service, with her father having served an enlistment in the Marines and a cousin currently enlisted in the Air Force.

“There really aren’t words to describe what I felt being able to repeat after him that oath that we take as Soldiers,” Carrillo said. “It was definitely a moment that myself, him and my family will definitely cherish.”

A native of Paris, Texas, Hill served a total of 33 years, including time in both active duty and Reserve components. However, he had no qualms about his granddaughter’s choice to be an Army officer, he said, especially considering that

before he ever donned Navy blue, he was a member of both the Army National Guard and Air Force ROTC while studying at Baylor University.

His service made an impact on Carrillo and ignited what she says has been a long-held desire to wear a military uniform.

“I have always been proud of his service and the accomplishments he’s had in the military,” she said. “I think a lot of the traits that I see in him, as far as being meticulous, dedicated and committed, disciplined, and respectful, are a lot of qualities I really look up to. I thought it would be an honor to serve like my grandfather and have those experiences the military can provide.”

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## JBSA AIRMEN PROVIDE RELIEF TO STORM VICTIMS AFTER HURRICANE HARVEY



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Airmen from the 59th Medical Wing prepare deployment bags for transport Aug. 30 at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland. Approximately 70 Airmen from Air Education and Training Command departed JBSA-Lackland Kelly Field Annex Aug. 30 in support of Hurricane Harvey relief efforts. The team composed of Airmen from JBSA; Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.; and Vance Air Force Base, Okla., are in route to provide medical support in Houston. A Critical Care Air Transport Team also accompanied the group to areas impacted by Hurricane Harvey. The CCAT is designed to support combat casualties being evacuated from the combat zone and also supports humanitarian assistance efforts during peacetime.



502nd Logistics Readiness Squadron personnel load pallets containing medical supplies and equipment Aug. 30 at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland.

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Staff Sergeant James Brush, 502nd Logistics Readiness Squadron, prepares more than 30,000 water bottles for transport Aug. 30 at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland.



JOHNNY SALDIVAR

Jewell Adams (left) and Norma Nieto, Alan Tharp flight kitchen contractors, prepare boxed meals Aug. 31 at Joint Base San Antonio-Kelly Field Annex. The flight kitchen prepares boxed meals that are available to flight crews and other members of JBSA-Lackland who would not be able to visit the dining facility during regular hours. The flight kitchen offers a balanced meal for military members temporarily based at JBSA-Lackland during relief efforts for Hurricane Harvey victims.

## HM-14 AIDS IN HURRICANE HARVEY RELIEF EFFORTS



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Crew members from Helicopter Mine Countermeasures Squadron 14 prepare a MH-53E Sea Dragon Aug. 31 at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland for Hurricane Harvey relief missions. The unit flew in from Key West, Fla., to support logistics missions for the Federal Emergency Management Agency by transporting food, water and supplies to storm victims.

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# 'Big Willie' hosts Soldiers traveling to Harvey relief efforts

By Staff Sgt. William Blankenship  
59TH MDW PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The 59th Medical Wing at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland is hosting roughly 500 Soldiers in the old Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center as they prepare to deploy to areas affected by Hurricane Harvey.

Less than a week after the 59th Medical Wing Command and its colors vacated old Wilford Hall, its storied history continues. U.S. Army personnel from multiple units across the nation are using old Wilford Hall as a staging checkpoint in preparation to receive further instructions for mobilization.

The Army's 1st Armored Division, Combat Aviation Brigade, are the newest long-term residents in the newly retired medical center, staying until relief efforts halt in the Houston area. They are operating from Kelly Field, while hundreds of other soldiers staying for a short time, before taking supplies with them to their assigned areas.

"This building was a miracle for us," said Army Maj. Edgar Davila, the base



STAFF SGT. KEVIN IINUMA

Two light medium tactical U.S. Army vehicles are parked outside of the old Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center Sept. 2 after dropping off 67 Soldiers at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland. More than 500 soldiers are at the location to aid in Hurricane Harvey relief efforts.

support installation manager for the Army checkpoint. "Initially, we only had 100 beds in the Gateway lodging facility, but when the Air Force said that the old Wilford Hall was available to use, that was great. We are lucky to have this type of space to use for stag-

ing our Soldiers."

Davila and his team expect to continue to process Soldiers in and out of the old WHASC building until Sept. 30, continuing to expand the number of Army personnel deployed to Hurricane Harvey relief.

"The situation and the suffering is bad," Davila said. "But I am proud to play a small part in the joint-service effort to do what we can to help those impacted by the natural disaster. The situation is awful, and no one wants to see that, but seeing the joint efforts coming together to help out is amazing. These are long hours, but if I can make a difference, that's a great feeling well worth the time."

The medical center, named after former Air Force physician Maj. Gen. Wilford F. Hall first opened its doors on June 7, 1942. The facility's first mission was to take care of the aviation cadets training at nearby Kelly Field during World War II.

The move to the state of the art new facility birthed from the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Act, which mandated that San Antonio's military medical facilities integrate into an enhanced multi-service market to improve operational effectiveness and efficiency.

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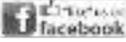
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# RANDOLPH

## FEMA stands up support base at JBSA-Randolph

By Dan Hawkins  
502ND AIR BASE WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Incident Support Base led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency stood up and began Hurricane Harvey disaster relief efforts Aug. 31 at JBSA-Randolph.

The mission of the ISB is to stage supplies such as water, meals, generators, and other equipment in areas near the impacted areas without hindering ongoing disaster relief operations.

“Standing up the (JBSA-Randolph) ISB will relieve the pressure from the JBSA-Seguin ISB location immensely,” Dale Smoot, FEMA ISB group staging manager, said. “Having two locations to stage supplies in relative proximity to one another is a huge asset for us to have.”

JBSA units, including the 502nd Air Base Wing and the 12th Flying Training Wing, assisted FEMA and the Defense Logistics Agency with logistical and security support in getting the ISB established.

Brig. Gen. Heather Pringle, 502nd Air Base Wing and JBSA commander, discussed the mindset in accomplishing this humanitarian effort.

“Our thoughts and prayers are with the families and communities in Texas and Louisiana who have been affected by Hurricane Harvey,” Pringle said. “We stand ready to continue to assist FEMA and other federal, state and local authorities address the difficult challenges posed by this natural disaster.”

“Initial operations for the ISB are focused on positioning approximately 100 shuttle drivers, who will help ferry sup-

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plies to those in need,” Maj. Jessie Holmes, DLA’s officer in charge at the ISB, said. “Overflow traffic from the JBSA-Seguin ISB can then be rerouted to the Randolph location as it fills up.”

Members of the 502nd ABW staff, 502nd Logistics Readiness Squadron, 502nd Civil Engineer Squadron and 902 Security Forces Squadron, in addition to the 12th FTW,



PHOTOS BY SENIOR AIRMAN STORMY D. ARCHER

902nd Security Forces Squadron members check in Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster relief trucks Aug. 31 at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph.

worked with FEMA and DLA planners to ready the south ramp of JBSA-Randolph to accept the first influx of vehicles at the ISB.

“Our entire team did great work setting up the ISB area on a short timeline,” Col. Tommie Miner, 502nd Security and Readiness Group commander, said. “From creating a perimeter for the ISB, setting up structures for command and control, to painting new lines on the taxiways to facilitate flying operations, everything was done with a singular focus of mission readiness.”

Col. Joel Carey, 12th FTW commander, was proud to be able to assist FEMA with the hurricane relief effort.

“(Air Force personnel) all come from different walks of life and have experienced tough times somewhere along the line,” he said. “Even though we have our day-to-day military



Staff Sgt. Pedro Rodriguez, 902nd Security Forces Squadron entry controller, checks in Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster relief trucks Aug. 31 at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph. FEMA assets are being staged at JBSA-Randolph to assist Hurricane Harvey relief efforts across the south Texas region.

mission to accomplish and there will some challenges to work through, there is a great

need to support our neighbors during this difficult time and that’s what we’re going to do.”

# Red River Army Depot firefighters aid Harvey relief efforts

By Dan Hawkins  
502ND AIR BASE WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Firefighters from the Red River Army Depot arrived at JBSA-Seguin Auxiliary Airfield Aug. 31 to aid the support effort for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Hurricane Harvey relief efforts.

Roy Johnson and Jeff Duncan, both with the RRAD Fire Department, volunteered to help augment the 502nd Civil Engineer Squadron firefighters at FEMA's Incident Support Base.

"The mission of the ISB is to stage supplies such as meals, water, generators and other equipment as close as possible to the affected area without hindering disaster relief operations," said Col. Dave Edwards, a 1st Air Force emergency preparedness liaison officer.

Both firefighters drove the



MELISSA PETERSON

Members of the Red River Army Depot Fire Department from Texarkana join forces with firefighters from the 502nd Civil Engineer Squadron Sept. 1 at Joint Base San Antonio-Seguin Auxiliary Air Field.

467-mile one-way trip for the opportunity to aid the Texas and Louisiana families and

communities hit hard by the storm.

"It's the right thing to do,"

Johnson said. "We couldn't wait to get here and start helping out. It's what Texans

do...we help each other."

"It feels good to jump in and be able to help those in need," Duncan said. "I'd hope others would do the same thing if we were in need. I'm proud to be here."

The firefighters expect to be in Seguin for about two weeks.

Red River Army Depot, located in Texarkana, Texas, was originally established as an ammunition facility; however, due to the demands of World War II, the mission was expanded to include general supply storage and tank repair. Today, a dedicated workforce of more than 4,500 people are engaged in work ranging from producing timber to remanufacturing the Mine Resistant Ambush Protected Vehicle. The depot occupies 18,703 acres and is host to ten tenant organizations. RRAD has risen to the challenge of every United States military conflict since 1941.

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Federal Emergency Management Agency and Defense Logistics Agency in-process trucks containing Hurricane Harvey disaster relief supplies Aug. 30 at Joint Base San Antonio-Sequin Auxiliary Air Field.

## JBSA-Sequin ISB supports disaster relief efforts

By Kimberly Parker  
502ND AIR BASE WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

In support of Hurricane Harvey relief efforts, the 502nd Air Base Wing, Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Defense Logistics Agency stood-up an Incident Support Base at JBSA-Sequin Auxiliary Airfield Aug. 24.

“The mission of the ISB is to stage supplies such as: meals, water, generators, and other equipment as close as possible to the affected area without hindering disaster relief operations,” Col. Dave Edwards, 1st Air Force emergency preparedness liaison officer, said.

Edwards explained that the JBSA-Sequin Auxiliary Airfield location can stage approximately 700 trailer trucks at a time and they are currently processing about 250 trucks through the location per day. To date, approximately 2.1 million meals and 2.2 million liters of water have processed

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through the ISB to disaster relief areas.

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Edwards and Lt. Col. Vince Schons are the two EPLOs assigned to the incident support base and coordinate with JBSA, other federal agencies, state and local agencies to ensure FEMA and DLA have all the resources they need to accomplish their disaster relief

missions.

“What we really want is to get the aid to the people that need it as quickly and efficiently as possible,” Schons said. “Nobody wants bad things to happen, but we are trained and ready to respond when they do and we want to help.”

Both Edwards and Schons are Air Force reservists and expressed their willingness and readiness to serve during this time of disaster.

“To the people of Houston and all the affected areas, my thoughts and prayers are with you,” Edwards said. “Joint



Tech. Sgt. Daniel, 350th Battlefield Airmen Training Squadron, assists with air traffic control Sept. 1 at the Federal Emergency Management Agency Incident Support Base on Joint Base San Antonio-Sequin Auxiliary Airfield. Airmen from the squadron are providing guidance to military and civilian aircraft entering and departing the field as part of Hurricane Harvey relief efforts.

Base San Antonio stands ready to support in anyway necessary to help and will provide every resource we can to alleviate the suffering and put things back together for you.”

Schons echoed the sentiment of readiness.

“The effort and the can-do attitude from the entire community is a wonderful thing to see and be a part of,” Schons

said. “It fills me with pride to see the American people coming together and the outpouring of support during this time of crisis.”

During normal operations, Seguin Auxiliary Airfield is owned and operated by JBSA and serves as a flying training location for pilots from the 12th Flying Training Wing, located at JBSA-Randolph.

## FORT SAM HOUSTON BRIEFS

### JBSA-Camp Bullis notice

The Spc. Taylor J. Burke Clinic at Joint Base San Antonio-Camp Bullis has limited services available and is not equipped as an emergency or trauma facility. When active-duty members working or training at JBSA-Camp Bullis sustain minor injuries, the clinic can assist, but all emergencies should be transported by ambulance to a full-service medical facility, in accordance with JBSA-Camp Bullis range control instructions.

### JBSA Ruck/Run for Life events

**Date/Time:** Sept 9, 10 and 16  
**Locations:** JBSA installations  
 "Run for Life" events to promote suicide awareness and prevention begin 8-9:30 a.m. Sept. 9 at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph's Heritage Park featuring a 5K family bike ride. A second event takes place 8-9:30 a.m. Sept. 10 at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston's MacArthur Parade Field featuring a 5K ruck and a food drive. The final event is a 5K run 8-9:30 a.m. Sept. 16 at JBSA-Lackland.

### Hiring Heroes career fair

**Date/Time:** Sept. 20, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Location:** Sam Houston Community Center  
 Attendees will network with employers from the Department of Defense, other Federal agencies and private sector firms with positions available for wounded, ill, injured and transitioning service members, Veterans, their spouses and primary caregivers. Registration is not required. For additional information, call the Transition Assistance Program at 210-221-1213.

### Hiring Fair

**Date/Time:** Sept. 21, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
**Location:** Military & Family Readiness Center, building 2797  
 This two-day career development event is open to military spouses, Gold Star Spouses and military members. The following day will feature a hiring fair with employers. Register online at <https://www.hiringourheroes.org/events/hiring>.

## LACKLAND BRIEFS

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a 5K run.

### Save the Date: JBSA Air Force Ball

**Date/Time:** Sept. 29, 6 p.m. social, 7 p.m. dinner  
**Location:** Hyatt Hill Country Resort, 9800 Hyatt Resort Drive  
 Save the date for the 2017 Joint Base San Antonio Air Force Ball, which features retired Gen. Mark Welsh III, the 20th Chief of Staff of the Air Force as guest speaker. This is also the 70th anniversary of the U.S. Air Force. More information will be published as it becomes available.

## RANDOLPH BRIEFS

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### Munitions Flight closure

The 12th Flying Training Wing Munitions Flight and munitions storage area will be closed to normal business the week of Sept. 11-15 to conduct its semiannual 100 percent inventory of ammunition and explosives. Only emergency issues can be honored during this period. Contact 12th Flying Training Wing MXMW munitions personnel at

652-6780 or 652-3361 for any questions or concerns.

### American Fighter Aces Reunion

**Date/Time:** Sept. 8, 3-7:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Parr O-Club, JBSA-Randolph  
 Joint us for an evening to honor American fighter aces. Aces will recount their acts of valor followed by a meet and greet social.

### Military USA Team Challenge

**Date:** Sept. 9  
**Location:** JBSA Recreation Park at Canyon Lake  
 The Military USA Team Challenge takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sept. 9. Those interested in participating must sign up by Aug. 24. This event is open to EI-E5 and O1-O2. Bus transportation is available upon request at all three JBSA locations. For more information, call 652-7355 or 652-2740.

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