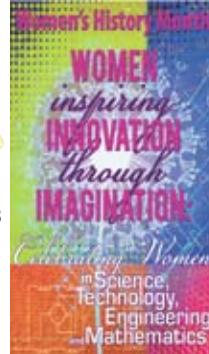


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## FSH museum moving to new home at Quadrangle

By Staff Sgt. Corey Baltos  
ARNORTH Public Affairs

The Fort Sam Houston Museum is getting a new home.

The museum is slated to move to the east side of the historic Quadrangle in the fall and reopen in January 2014; it is currently housed at 1210 Stanley Road.

The new museum will take up almost the entire east wing of the structure. Renovation is scheduled to

begin the end of February.

"Our current location was originally built as a mess hall in 1905," said Jacqueline Davis, Fort Sam Houston Museum director. "We outgrew this space years ago, but we had nowhere to move to until Army North invited us to move to the Quad."

The museum takes visitors through the history of the Army in San Antonio – from the establishment of the post at San Antonio in 1845 to the present day

Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.

"While each Army museum showcases an aspect of Army history, there are very few that cover an entire post," Davis said.

"This museum, like all Army museums, exists to train the troops – to train them on their heritage as Soldiers so they learn what is important."

Visitors and Soldiers alike can trace the evolu-

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Photo by Staff Sgt. Corey Baltos

Jacqueline Davis, director of the Fort Sam Houston Museum, points to a World War I-era field uniform as she explains how field uniforms evolved into the Army Combat Uniform.

## 59th Medical Wing, San Antonio hospital collaborate to hone nursing skills

First Lt. Casey Doll, (standing) a critical care nurse fellow with the 59th Training Squadron, works with nurses in the pediatric intensive care unit at University Health System Feb. 7. A partnership with the Air Force and UHS allows for UHS to be a clinical site for Air Force nurses and Doll is one of the first Air Force nurses to participate in the new program.

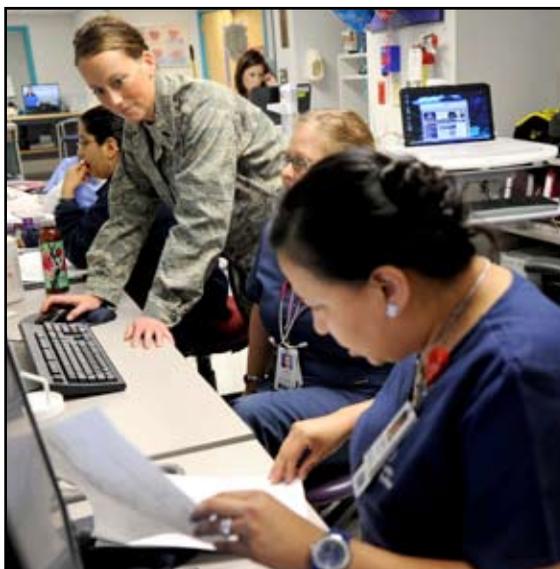


Photo by Staff Sgt. Micky M. Bazaldua

By Staff Sgt. Micky M. Bazaldua  
59th Medical Wing Public Affairs

For the first time, the Air Force has partnered with a community hospital to develop highly skilled nurses who are trained for humanitarian and peacetime missions – Airmen whose skills are proven to increase patient survival rates in theater hospitals.

Building the partnership was instrumental in meeting an increase in the demand for the clinical training of nurses at nearby San Antonio Military Medical Center on Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.

The demand was largely due to the integration of the 59th Medical Wing and Brooke Army Medical Center as part of the new San Antonio Military Health System.

Consequently, there was an ensuing increase in the number of Army, Navy and Air Force nursing students competing for clinical cases, experience, and the skill sets needed for graduation from their respective training specialties.

"The partnership with the Air Force nurse residency is a great opportunity for both organizations," said Evelyn Swenson-Brit, University

Health System director for the Center for Excellence. "We have the opportunity to have highly trained instructors share their knowledge in both our clinical setting and as guests in their lectures on critical care."

"UHS has provided clinical training for military physicians for many years and is very excited to now provide clinical sites for our nurse colleagues as well," she said.

University Hospital is a level-one trauma center, treating about 70,000 patients at its emergency room annually.

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# Black History Month: African-Americans in leadership

By Tech. Sgt. Mareshah Haynes  
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The 1950s were a tumultuous time for the United States as the winds of changes blew across the country and the social landscape was transformed as the civil rights movement went into full swing.

In 1954, the Supreme Court case ruling in *Brown vs. Board of Education* overturned laws that permitted state-sponsored segregation.

Just a few years before that in 1949, progressive and innovative Air Force leaders began paving the road to equality for all service members and ordered the service to be totally racially integrated.

Since the inception of the Air Force, African-Americans have strived to be, and succeeded, in being valuable team members and leaders in the world's greatest Air Force.

Retired Gen. Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. started his career at the Tuskegee Institute in Tuskegee, Ala., where he earned his bachelor's degree and eventually became a fighter pilot in Vietnam.

He led the famed

flight in Operation Bolo, which led to the highest total single mission kills of the war.

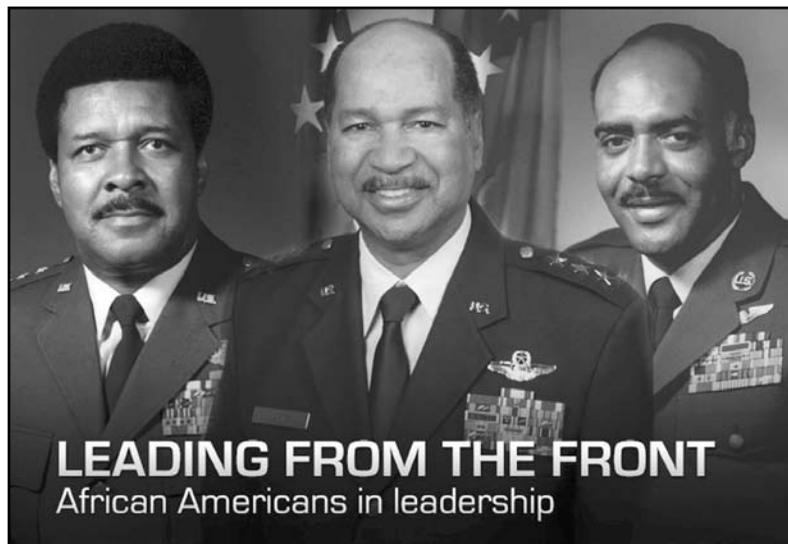
Throughout his career, James continued on his leadership path and proved himself as a leader in various assignments.

He served as the deputy assistant secretary of defense (public affairs), the principle deputy assistant secretary of defense (public affairs), commander-in-chief for North American Aerospace Defense Command/Aerospace Defense Command and special assistant to the Air Force chief of staff.

Because of his hard work and performance, James was the first African-American to earn the rank of four-star general.

James retired in 1978, but his legacy didn't end there. While he was leading Airmen in the field, there was a little Airman-in-training at home waiting to follow in his father's footsteps.

Retired Lt. Gen. Daniel James III followed his father's example and



commissioned in the Air Force in 1968.

Just one year later, he found himself fighting in the same war his father had two years earlier. The junior James made a name for himself as a pilot with more than 4,000 flying hours and 300 combat missions in Southeast Asia.

In 2002, after serving in units in Thailand, Texas, Arizona and California, President George W. Bush nominated James to be the director of the Air National Guard. The Senate confirmed James' nomination, and he became the 11th ANG director and the first African-Ameri-

can to hold the position.

African-Americans have also made significant leadership contributions on the enlisted side of the house. The contributions of one significant African-American leader impacts each enlisted Airmen as soon as they enter basic training.

To date, retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Thomas Barnes is the only African-American to hold the position of chief master sergeant of the Air Force, and was a huge proponent of professional military education for enlisted members.

He believed that no one should advance in

rank without PME. His work helped build the commitment the Air Force has to PME training today.

Although Barnes himself was African-American, he didn't set out to create equality for African-American Airmen, but for all Airmen.

Frequently, Barnes was asked what programs he would implement for

African-Americans.

"The answer was none," he said. "I told them I work for all blue suiters."

The accomplishments of Airmen like Gen. James, Lt. Gen. James and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Barnes are not those just to be celebrated by African-American Airmen, but by all Airmen.

They have proven that in the Air Force, no matter if you're an officer or enlisted member, no matter your race or origin, the only barriers you can't overcome are the ones you choose not to.

## Army Emergency Relief campaign runs March 1 to April 30

By Barron Henry  
Army Emergency Relief

The 2013 Army Emergency Relief campaign begins March 1 and runs through April 30.

The kick-off is from 10 a.m. to noon March 12 at the Warfighter and Family Readiness Center, Building 2797.

The campaign theme

is "Supporting Soldiers and their Families: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

In 2011, Army Emergency Relief provided \$77.5 million in assistance to more than 64,000 Soldiers and their families.

Under the streamlined command referral program, company

commanders and first sergeants have the authority to approve AER loans for Soldiers up to \$1,500.

In 2012, AER added four new categories of assistance to include: family member dental care, basic furniture needs, rental vehicles and replacement vehicles.

Soldiers requiring AER assistance should contact their unit chain of command.

Soldiers and families not near an Army installation can get AER assistance at an Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard installation from the Air Force Aid Society, Navy Marine Corps Relief Society,

and Coast Guard Mutual Assistance respectively, or from the American Red Cross call center at 877-272-7337 after local AER offices have closed.

Additional program information is available at <http://www.aerhq.org> or <http://www.fortsam-mwr.com/home-family.html>.

## News Briefs

### Rhoades Dental Clinic Closure

The temporary location of the Rhoades Dental Clinic will be closed Wednesday through March 6. During this time, no appointments will be scheduled. Patients going to sick call during business hours can go to the Budge Dental Clinic, 3145 Garden Ave. After duty hours and during the weekend, go to San Antonio Military Medical Center emergency room. The clinic reopens at 6 a.m. March 7 at Building 2375 on Stanley Road. For more information, call 295-4113/4156.

### SAMMC Dining Renovations

The San Antonio Military Medical Center's main dining facility and Grab-n-Go undergoes a complete renovation beginning in April. During the renovation, the Rucksack and the Café Express on the first level of the new tower will remain open. Also, several temporary dining options will be available, such as the "Market on the Green," a temporary structure located outside the Garden entrance. There will also be two new Grab-n-Go kiosks: "The Renovation Station" located near women's health clinic and "The Salad Stop," located between the pharmacy and laboratory.

### Claims Office Self-Service Kiosk

The Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston Claims Office has installed a self-service kiosk at its location in Building 153 on Wilson Way. The desktop terminal is for any service member, Army civilian or family member needing assistance in submitting their claim online via the Defense Property System website. For more information, call 221-2161/1973 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays.

### Large Troop Formations in METC Campus Area

Motorists on Garden Street in the Medical Education and Training Campus area can expect large troop movements during meal times. Motorists are advised to expect delays and avoid the area if possible as troop formations head to the dining facility for meals. In the near future, the Schofield Road access control point will be moving back near the railroad tracks and will open up other routes around

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# GITMO exercise tests abilities to deploy, set-up JTF command for contingency operations

By Spc. Chris Moore  
123rd Mobile Public Affairs  
Detachment

More than 500 personnel from U.S. Army South, U.S. Southern Command and other military units and government agencies deployed to Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba as part of exercise Integrated Advance from Feb. 7 to Sunday.

Integrated Advance is a biennial exercise during which ARSOUTH and SOUTHCOM train to support the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of State in a humanitarian crisis scenario. This year's exercise scenario focused on mass migration in the Caribbean.

Maj. Gen. Frederick



Photo by Spc. Chris Moore

Soldiers and civilians from U.S. Army South, along with military augmentees and members from other government agencies, board a commercial aircraft Feb. 9 at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland to be chartered to U.S. Naval Station Guantanamo Bay to participate in the biennial training exercise Integrated Advance 2013

S. Rudesheim, Army South commanding general, was tasked with deploying personnel from his command, along with personnel

from the other SOUTHCOM service component commands, augmentees and other government agencies to exercise the establishment of Joint

Task Force-Migrant Operations to support Homeland Security Task Force Southeast.

"The exercise focused on us being able to

deploy a command and control node, establish initial communications and then build on that

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## New garrison staff critical to expanded SHARP success

By Jade Fulce  
IMCOM Public Affairs

The U.S. Army Installation Management Command is recruiting and hiring new sexual assault response coordinators and sexual assault victim advocates as part of the Army's expanded Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program.

IMCOM will hire 135 individuals by October in support of the SHARP program, said Ebenezer Williams Jr., IMCOM's SHARP program manager.

Lt. Gen. Mike Ferriter, IMCOM commander, exempted SHARP staff from an Army-wide

hiring freeze Jan. 29, calling them mission-critical.

"I am authorizing the hiring to continue ... to ensure we continue to provide programs and services in support of critical missions, national security, safety of human life and the protection of private property," Ferriter said.

The SHARP program aims to reduce sexual harassment and assault by creating a climate of respect for the dignity of every member of the Army Family.

SHARP does this by trying to reduce the stigma associated with reporting an incident, increase prevention efforts and increase inves-

tigation and prosecution capabilities.

"Sexual harassment and sexual assault of any type will not be tolerated," said Rufus Caruthers, IMCOM director of Equal Employment and Opportunity.

"It cripples the overall operation. It will not be tolerated and will be dealt with swiftly within the command."

Changes to the program came with the 2012 National Defense Authorization Act.

The act requires all brigade-sized units, including IMCOM garrisons, to have at least one full-time sexual assault response coordinator and sexual assault victim advocate.

Additional sexual assault victim advocates may be added, depending on demographics or unit needs.

Garrison SHARP programs can also offer victims an option and continuity of care if they choose not to use their command SHARP, Williams said.

The senior commander on the installation is ultimately responsible for the program.

After Oct. 1, only armed forces members and Department of Defense civilian employees may be assigned to SHARP positions, the act states. No longer will there be contracted staff after that time.

The act also made

changes to training and certification for SHARP personnel.

"It is a requirement come Oct. 1, if you are not credentialed, then you cannot respond to a victim of sexual assault," said Sergio Perez, Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston sexual assault prevention and response program manager.

Perez said the National Organization of Victim Assistance is responsible for credentialing all Army sexual assault response coordinators and sexual assault victim advocates.

In the past, IMCOM garrisons managed the

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## NATIONAL GUARD SENIOR ENLISTED LEADERS VISIT ARNORTH, JBSA-FSH



**Photo by Staff Sgt. Keith Anderson**

Command Sgt. Maj. Brunk Conley (left), senior enlisted leader, U.S. Army National Guard, presents a challenge coin Feb. 12 to Sgt. 1st Class Wade Mitcheltree at the Warrior and Family Support Center. Conley, along with Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Denise Jelinski-Hall, senior enlisted leader, U.S. National Guard Bureau, visited with wounded warriors and care providers at the WFSC, the Center for the Intrepid, the San Antonio Military Medical Center and other locations. Mitcheltree, an infantryman in the 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, was injured in Afghanistan in August 2012.

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node in order to perform the duties of a joint task force,” Rudesheim said.

“It’s extremely important to learn from every exercise you have. Learning and getting better every day was the number one thing we focused on, and in that respect, I was extremely pleased because we got better exponentially in some cases as the exercise proceeded.”

This year’s exercise primarily tested SOUTHCOM and its service components’ abilities to develop command and control relationships required to respond to a mass migration scenario, while working and training alongside other federal agencies.

“What this exercise allows us to do is flesh-out some of the processes and resources we would need if a mass migra-

tion were to occur,” said Rear Adm. Jon G. Matheson, deputy commander of U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command and 4th Fleet and deputy joint task force commander for JTF-MIGOPS.

Mass migration operations are complex and large in scale, requiring a coordinated inter-agency U.S. government response. Integrated Advance allowed Army South and SOUTHCOM to increase interoperability with other U.S. government agencies.

“If there was a mass influx of migrants, it takes a significant effort to set up the camps. In order to ensure we have the capability and capacity to do that, it is, on occasion, appropriate to bring forces out to the actual environment where the camps would be set up,” Matheson said.

JTF-MIGOPS tested the ability of military and U.S. government agencies to work together, but after the exercise is where the participants will have to complete the hardest part, which is gathering lessons learned and integrating those principles into future operations plans.

“I saw real teamwork by coming together and building those relationships that are so important at the high-tactical, operational level,” Rudesheim said.

“However, the hard work is just beginning,” the general added. “We have to be able to take what we observed, capture those in lessons learned by actually acting on what has been observed, and then fold those into the plan as it currently exists to improve it in a number of measures of effectiveness.”



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the METC campus.

#### **Wounded Soldier and Family Hotline**

The Army chief of staff and the acting secretary of the Army established the Wounded Soldier and Family Hotline to give Soldiers and their families a place to share their concerns on the quality of care received. It also provides Army senior leadership with a valuable tool to determine if appropriate resources are devoted to solving medical-related issues in timely and comprehensive fashion. The hotline is available around the clock at 800-984-8523, DSN 421-3700 or via email at [wfsupport@amedd.army.mil](mailto:wfsupport@amedd.army.mil).

#### **Spouse's Club scholarships**

Applications for the Spouses' Club of the Fort Sam Houston Area college scholarships are being accepted. The Spouses' Club will award scholarship funds for the 2013-2014 academic year to select students with military affiliation to assist them with college expenses. Graduating high school students, dependent undergraduate students continuing their education and spouses who are current members of the Spouses' Club of the Fort Sam Houston Area as of Dec. 1, 2012 are eligible to apply. Applications need to be postmarked no later than Thursday. For more information, go to the "Scholarship" area on the Spouses' Club of the Fort Sam Houston Area website at <http://www.scfsh.com>

#### **U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations Tip Line**

Report crime or suspicious activity to the anonymous tip line by text message, online or download the smartphone app. Text AFOSI at 274637 (CRIMES) or visit <https://www.tipsubmit.com/webtips.aspx?agencyID=1111> or <http://www.osi.af.mil>.

#### **Customer Care Center at CPAC**

People looking for job information can visit the new customer care center at the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, Building 144, 2438 Stanley Road. Army civilian employees can also receive assistance with resetting passwords for the Electronic Benefits Information System or completing employee beneficiary forms. For more information, call 221-1425.

# Nation's newest dual-status commanders learn disaster response operations

By Sgt. Lee Ezzell  
ARNORTH Public Affairs

Military leaders from a score of states traveled to U.S. Army North headquarters Feb. 12 and 13 for the Dual Status Commanders Orientation Course; the event served as a forum to discuss and learn about the methods, capabilities and services federal ground forces can provide a commander.

The "dual-status commander," a position held by a senior National Guard officer, can command federal (Title 10) and state (Title 32) forces during a disaster.

Each state governor can appoint a dual status commander for his or her state, with approval of the Secretary of Defense.

The roles and responsibilities for dual status commanders can differ between states and even between different disasters or emergencies.

"If you have only

been through one disaster, then you have been through only one disaster," said Charlie Canedy, chief of AR-NORTH's commanders' action group, to the course attendees.

Agencies and entities at all levels have evolved with each event they have encountered. These continued efforts have also helped shape the DSC program more and more by tracking the lessons learned.

Lt. Gen. William Caldwell IV, commanding general, Army North and senior commander, Fort Sam Houston and Camp Bullis, described in detail the evolution of military disaster support he has seen from Hurricane Katrina relief efforts to the more recent Superstorm Sandy.

Caldwell, as the commanding general of the 82nd Airborne Division at the time Katrina made landfall, described arriving into New Orleans days after the



Photo by Sgt. Lee Ezzell

Brig. Gen. Michael Swezey, assistant adjutant general, New York Army National Guard, emphasizes a lesson he learned as the dual status commander for New York in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy.

storm and having little guidance on the division's disaster response mission.

He then compared that to the development of the National Response Framework and the interagency

and military-civilian coordination, now in place, that enabled the Department of Defense to offer lifesaving and life-sustaining capability to the states even before Sandy's landfall.

"It's about form-

ing those relationships before something happens," Caldwell said.

Brig. Gen. Mike Swezey, who served as the DSC for New York during Superstorm

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## JBSA patients given choice for refill prescription pickup

By Alex Salinas  
JBSA-Randolph Public Affairs

Beginning Monday, the 230,000 beneficiaries within the San Antonio Military Health System will have the choice to pick up prescription refills from nine locations across San Antonio by calling the new SAMHS combined line at 292-9995.

The combined line will allow patients to easily get refills at either

Army or Air Force sites, regardless of where they originally received their prescriptions.

Automated commands will ask patients to select their desired refill pickup site at Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, JBSA-Lackland, JBSA-Randolph or JBSA-Camp Bullis.

From there, patients decide to stop by the following places: Air Force Village Pharmacy (near JBSA-Lackland), Brooke Army Medical

Center Outpatient Pharmacy, JBSA-Camp Bullis Pharmacy, JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Community Pharmacy, JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Primary Care Pharmacy, JBSA-Lackland Commissary, JBSA-Lackland Satellite Pharmacy, JBSA-Randolph Satellite Pharmacy and the Wilford Hall Clinic Pharmacy.

"One consideration of any pharmacy benefit design is access, and by facilitating refill medication access to our bene-

ficiary population at any one of our nine Army or Air Force pharmacies is an enhancement to that benefit," said Army Col. Peter Bulatao, Southern Regional Medical Command pharmacy consultant and JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Department of Pharmacy chief.

Offering SAMHS beneficiaries a choice resulted from the continuing effort of military treatment facility leaders in the city focusing on their No. 1 priority:

the customer.

"This is a perfect example of the SAMHS pharmacy team hearing the suggestions of our DOD patient beneficiaries on how to improve our collective pharmaceutical care services and bringing those recommendations to reality," said Air Force Col. Jeffery Johnson, 59th Medical Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron

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# Retiree ID cards now have expiration dates

By Debbie Gildea  
Air Force Personnel Center  
Public Affairs

Blue retiree identification cards issued prior to December 2012 had the word "indef" instead of an expiration date.

Since December 2012, retiree cards issued have an expiration date effective the day before the retiree's 65th birthday. Although benefits will not automatically expire, some changes will take effect based on Medicare eligibility, Air Force Personnel Center

officials said.

"Retirees and their eligible spouses will still have access to benefits and they'll still be enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System, but the expiration date – which is one day before their 65th birthday – is a reminder to retirees that they must enroll in Medicare Part A and B to retain their TRICARE for Life eligibility," said Ed Yoder, Air Force DEERS project office.

Airmen who retired before the December card change took effect

do not need to get a new ID card just because of the expiration date change, Yoder said.

"If your ID card is worn out, unserviceable or your appearance has changed significantly enough that the picture is no longer a good likeness, you should get your card replaced," Yoder added. "But there is no mandate to replace your card with the new expiration date card."

Retirees who have the new card showing the expiration date will get a replacement card

showing the indefinite status once they turn 65, and spouses' cards will read "indef" once they turn 75.

People who need or want to renew their retiree ID card can go to the nearest real-time Automated Personnel Identification System office (military personnel section), or call their nearest RAPIDS facility for assistance and guidance.

To find a RAPIDS ID card-issuing facility, go to <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl>.

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commander.

Refill medications will be ready to take home when beneficiaries arrive for a scheduled

pickup. New prescriptions, however, will begin to be processed once they check in at an MTF, according to Air Force Capt. David Lang, JBSA-Randolph pharmacy staff pharmacist.

"Because we have mirrored all the MTF formularies in San Antonio, if you are a patient impaneled to an MTF provider, you could still see that MTF provider but pick up your medication at

another MTF," Lang said.

The current JBSA call-in line for refills, 292-7000, will be phased out and the new combined refill number will appear on prescription labels beginning Monday.

## New co-pays for TRICARE pharmacy customers

New copayments for prescription drugs covered by TRICARE went into effect Feb. 1.

The Fiscal Year 2013 National Defense Authorization Act requires TRICARE to increase co-pays on brand name and non-formulary medications that are not filled at military clinics or hospitals. There is no increase to co-pays for generic medications.

TRICARE Pharmacy

co-pays vary based on the class of drug and where beneficiaries choose to fill their prescriptions.

The co-pay for generic medications stays at \$5 when a prescription is filled at a network pharmacy. There is no co-pay when generic prescriptions are filled through TRICARE Home Delivery.

The new co-pay for a 30-day supply of a brand name medication purchased at a retail network

pharmacy will be \$17, up from the current \$12.

Beneficiaries using TRICARE Home Delivery will pay \$13 for brand name drugs, up from \$9. However, the Home Delivery price is for a 90-day supply.

The greatest change in co-pays applies to non-formulary medications. The \$25 co-pay for these drugs increases to \$44 at retail pharmacies and \$43 through Home Delivery.

The TRICARE Uniform Formulary is a list of all the medications TRICARE covers.

For fiscal 2014 and beyond, the new law directs that co-pays increase an-

nually by the same percentage as retiree cost-of-living adjustments (<http://militaryadvantage.military.com/2012/11/2013-retiree-and-veteran-cola-announced/>).

In years when a COLA increase would total less than a dollar, it will be delayed a year and combined with the next adjustment so increases will always be \$1 or more.

Pharmacies at military hospitals and clinics will continue to provide medications with no copays. Visit <http://www.TRICARE.mil/costs> for more details.

(Source: <http://www.TRICARE.mil>)

### Basura Bash

The 3rd Annual Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston Basura Bash is at Salado Creek Park from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, with volunteer check in at 8 a.m. and a safety briefing at 8:45 a.m. For more information, call 221-4251 or 808-9624.



## SAX MAN GROOVES AT JAZZ & WINE CONCERT



Photo by Tim Hipps

Saxophonist Paul Taylor gets his jazz on during Army Entertainment's Friday Night Jazz & Wine Concert at the Fort Sam Houston Theatre Feb. 8. The next concert, featuring trumpeter Cindy Bradley and jazz guitarist Peter White, is scheduled for April 26 at the Fort Sam Houston Theatre.

## **MUSEUM from P1**

tion of the field uniform from the five-button sack coat Soldiers wore in the field in the 18th century to the present day Army Combat Uniform.

They can also learn that the first military flight took place here in 1910 as well as other interesting tidbits, such as in 1855, when Jefferson Davis, the U.S. Secretary of War, purchased camels to be used as pack animals to carry supplies from Camp Verde near Kerrville to San Antonio.

Visitors to the new museum will have the opportunity to see these exhibits and much more because the new location will be twice as large.

The move was necessitated by the U.S. Army Center of Military History, the governing body for all Army museums, which indicated the current location was not up

to standards. JBSA-Fort Sam Houston was told it either needed to move the museum or close it down. There was no place to build a new museum, and that is where Army North stepped in.

"We felt it was important to keep the museum open because it tells the history of the Army in San Antonio," said Lt. Col. James Woods, Army North deputy chief of staff. "It is also fitting that the museum is moving to the Quad because the Quadrangle is the second oldest military facility in San Antonio," he said.

The earlier structure is the famous Alamo. Although The Alamo, originally known as Mission San Antonio de Valero, began its existence as a Roman Catholic mission, the U.S. Army rented the facility and used it as a quartermaster's depot prior to the construction of Fort Sam Houston.

Davis said she is grateful that the museum will remain open.

"When we open at the Quad next year, we won't have a ribbon-cutting ceremony. We will have a bow untying ceremony because this museum is Army North's gift to the post and the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston community."

Although the museum is moving to the Quadrangle, it is, in fact, the Fort Sam Houston Museum.

"This museum tells the evolution of the Army in San Antonio," said Martin Callahan, museum specialist.

After Texas was admitted to the Union, the U.S. Army, under the command of Gen. Zachary Taylor, arrived in Texas and in 1846, Gen. John Wool assembled his army here during the war with Mexico.

Following the Civil War, the Post at San Antonio, as it was called, moved

to the outskirts of town when the city of San Antonio gave the Army 92 acres of land to build a post.

The first building constructed in 1876 was a quartermaster depot. It is the building Army North now calls home. It would be called the Post at San Antonio until it was renamed Fort Sam Houston in 1890.

Prior to the museum moving to the Quadrangle, the east wing housed Army North staff offices, so the space is being renovated to house museum artifacts.

The renovation will take several steps. The first step, undertaken by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Jamco Joint Venture LLC, the primary contractor, is to gut the inside of the east wing.

"We are going to tear out everything except for supporting walls," said

Charles Cole, senior civil engineer technician, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Fort Worth District. "We will be putting in a new heating and air-conditioning system that will make the entire museum climate controlled to protect the artifacts and exhibits."

One of the difficulties with renovating a limestone structure, such as the Quadrangle, is interior walls have to be constructed over the limestone to keep the inside a comfortable temperature.

"Limestone heats up really well, especially during a San Antonio summer," Davis said. "So without a proper ventilation system, those rocks will make a room unbearably hot in the summer."

Once the office space is gutted, the Corps of Engineers and the architects will begin constructing the museum space. The entrance to the museum will be reconstructed to

look as it did when the quadrangle was built – in 1876 – to give the museum a historic feel.

"When you walk into the museum, you will see the original limestone structure of the walls and ceiling," said Frank Cuellar, quality control manager with Jamco Joint Venture.

Construction and building of the museum is scheduled to continue until fall. Disruptions to daily business are expected to be minimal.

"We are doing everything we can to minimize our footprint," Cole said. "We don't want to disrupt the day-to-day activity of the people and animals that work and live in the Quadrangle."

The museum is scheduled to close for inventory and move to the Quadrangle in September and should open at its new location early next year.

## **NURSES from P1**

A new \$800 million, 10-story hospital tower at UHS, which is projected to be completed in 2014, will significantly increase patient volume in the emergency department and inpatient units.

"The new hospital tower will provide many more opportunities for nurses to work in a challenging environment and gain unique experiences in specialized areas not offered at SAMMC, such as surgical transplants," said Lt. Col. Susan Davis, commander of the 59th Training Squadron.

The partnership between the San Antonio Military Health System and the UHS will provide specialty training in various areas of expertise such as medical surgery, labor and delivery, operating room, emergency

room, critical care and neonatal intensive care.

Additionally, University Hospital is the only pediatric trauma center for San Antonio and south Texas, providing significant training to nurses for humanitarian and wartime pediatric care.

Training rotations at University Hospital began in January 2013 with the Critical Care and Emergency Nursing Fellowship Program.

"This experience has given me greater confidence in my ability to meet challenges, making me more independent and proficient," said 1st Lt. Meredith Peiffer, a critical care nurse fellow with the 59th TRS, doing a work rotation at UHS.

"It's inspiring to see how our civilian counterparts work, especially with the higher opera-

tions tempo," said 1st Lt. Casey Doll, also a critical care nurse fellow with the 59th TRS.

"For any nurses considering this program, this is a hands-down recommendation. No other civilian institution will dedicate the time and effort to us like UHS."

"For nurses who are interested in applying, or learning more about the fellowship program, the first step is to inform your supervisor and chief nurse," said Maj. Kathy Savell, 59th TRS director of Critical Care Emergency Nursing Fellowship.

Savell said applicants should look for the next "call for candidates" letter and update their Airmen Development Plan on the Air Force portal.

Nurses should then submit an application package through their chain of command.

# Wounded warriors take their recovery to the ice

By Elaine Sanchez  
BAMC Public Affairs

Balanced on a low-lying sled and with a stick in each hand, Army Sgt. Dorian Leon swiftly propelled himself across the ice to enter the scrimmage.

He dodged one opponent and nearly rammed into another as he fought for possession of the puck. He flipped his stick to cup the puck before passing it to an open teammate.

Cheers erupted from the sidelines and Leon's twin sons, perched on shoulders for a better view of the ice, yelled: "Go, Daddy, Go!"

Leon heard the cheers but kept his head in the game as he battled for his team's victory during the San Antonio Rampage Sled Hockey Tournament, which kicked off Feb. 8.

The three-day tournament, sponsored by the nonprofit Operation Comfort, pitted Leon's team, the San Antonio Rampage, against teams from Chicago, St. Louis, Florida and Colorado at the Ice and Golf Center at Northwoods in San Antonio.

Like Leon, the bulk of the players on the San Antonio team are wounded warriors, both active duty and retired.

The majority are new to both ice and sled hockey, but developed a passion for the game while undergoing rehabilitation at the Center for the Intrepid, Brooke Army Medical Center's state-of-the-art rehab facility.

Leon was a reluctant newcomer to the sport. He was undergoing treatment at the CFI for a spinal-cord injury suffered in Afghanistan when Fred Jesse, his physical therapist and a Rampage coach, asked him if he'd like to join the team.

"He suggested I try it out, but I said no," Leon recalled. "I had no interest in the game. I had never played ice



Wounded warriors Army Sgt. Dorian Leon, No. 18, and retired Marine Cpl. Luke McDermott, No. 6, prepare to face off against members of the Colorado Avalanche Feb. 8 during the San Antonio Rampage Sled Hockey Tournament at the Ice and Golf Center at Northwoods in San Antonio. Leon and McDermott are members of the San Antonio Rampage Sled Hockey team.

hockey or watched it."

Convinced it would be beneficial to his recovery, Jesse booked Leon a sled hockey session as a PT appointment. After one game, Leon was hooked. He's now one of two active duty players on the team. Two other wounded warriors, still patients at the CFI, are training to be on the team.

"It has fantastic benefits," Leon noted. "It helps to build core strength, which is very important with spinal cord injuries, and it gives back a sense of family, of team, to Soldiers.

Across the ice, retired Marine Cpl. Luke McDermott sat on the sidelines, poised to enter the rink. McDermott was injured in Afghanistan June 9, 2010, when the vehicle he was riding in struck a roadside bomb. The injuries resulted in the Marine's loss of both of his legs.

Like Leon, McDermott had never played hockey but his unrelenting PT, Jesse, talked him into trying it out.

"I love the sport," he said. "It's high intensity, constant action and the exercise is good for the mind and body."

McDermott now attends school in Fort Worth, Texas, but travels to San Antonio when possible to participate in games with his team.

Called into the game, McDermott sped across the ice, joining Leon in a massive clash for the puck. Their former physical therapist and now coach, Jesse, watched them both from the sidelines. Their dedication to the game isn't surprising, he said, and beneficial on many levels.

"It works on their conditioning, their balance," he said. "Plus, it gives them confidence when they're able to accomplish something they never thought they could do."

Jesse spoke proudly of his team's accomplishments. Three of his players – veterans Rico Roman, Jen Yung Lee and Josh Sweeney – are on the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team. They aspire to represent the United States



Photos by Robert Shields

San Antonio Rampage sled hockey player, retired Marine Cpl. Luke McDermott, No. 6, swoops in for the puck during the San Antonio Rampage Sled Hockey Tournament at the Ice and Golf Center at Northwoods in San Antonio Feb. 8.

during the Paralympics in Russia next year, he said.

"These guys work well together," he said, wincing slightly as two players collided. "And they play hard."

J.T. Tyler, a physical therapy assistant at the CFI, agreed. "Sled hockey proves to them that they can still be

athletic and accomplish great things. They can overcome."

Thanks in part to the efforts of Leon and McDermott, the San Antonio Rampage prevailed against the Colorado Avalanche that night, 3-0. The final winner of the league contest will be determined next month in Chicago.



# Joint Base San Antonio

## FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON

### Monthly Events

### March

#### Service Member and Family Readiness

##### Airmen prepare for civilian life

Lackland Airman and Family Readiness holds a five-day Transition Assistance Program to provide military members with skills for a successful transition to civilian life. A pre-separation briefing and completion of DD Form 2648 are the prerequisites for attendance. Patrons may elect to attend March 4-8 or March 18-22. Sessions are 7:45 a.m.-4 p.m. To sign up, call 671-3722.

##### Key spouses meet at Lackland

Lackland Airman and Family Readiness holds a training session March 6, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at the Lackland Gateway Hills Golf Course for newly-appointed key spouses. For those who have already been serving in their positions, a regular meeting takes place March 27, noon, at the Skylark Bowling Center. To register, call 671-3722.

##### Members learn new resume techniques

The Randolph Airman and Family Readiness Center staff teaches new techniques for developing a resume March 6, 9-10:30 a.m. For more information, call 652-5321.

##### Key spouses continue training

The next training session for key spouses takes place at Randolph Airman and Family Readiness March 7, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. The latest ideas in how to serve as a conduit of information between the families of deployed military members and unit leadership will be covered. For more information, call 652-5321.

##### Patrons get answers on immigration

Patrons with questions about citizenship and immigration issues are encouraged to attend the forum March 12, noon-2 p.m., at the Roadrunner Community Center on Fort Sam Houston. To sign up, call 221-2418.

##### Class focuses on duty abroad

Service members and their families preparing to move overseas will find useful information at the monthly Overseas Orientation Class, March 13, 10-11 a.m. and 5-6 p.m., at the Fort Sam Houston Roadrunner Community Center, building 2797. The class offers patrons tips and information to assure a smooth transition overseas. For more information, call 221-2418.

##### Learn car buying tips

Lackland Airman and Family Readiness holds a car buying class March 14, 1-2:30 p.m. Topics include the dangers of pay day lenders, how to purchase a car at the best price and what is available from financial institutions. To sign up, call 671-3722.

##### Learn to be financially prepared

The Randolph Airman and Family Readiness Center offers a financial readiness class March 19, 9-10:30 a.m., aimed at preparing today's Airmen for financial challenges through financial education and training. The class offers attendees ways to enhance their money management skills. For more information, call 652-5321.

##### Learn about survivor benefit planning

The Randolph Airman and Family Readiness Center familiarizes the service member and spouse with the options and advantages of a survivor benefit plan March 21, 8-9:30 a.m. or 1-2:30 p.m. To sign up, call 652-3633.

##### Learn how to be a better communicator

The Randolph Airmen and Family Readiness Center hosts a class March 21, 3-4 p.m., which will elaborate on the three "C's" of communication: to communicate, to collaborate and to commit. Participants will also learn about the different aspects of verbal and nonverbal communication. For more information, call 652-5321.

##### Newcomers welcome at extravaganza

Service members and their families new to Fort Sam Houston or just needing new connections are invited to attend the monthly Newcomers Extravaganza March 26, 9:30-11 a.m., at the Sam Houston Community Center, building 1395, Chaffee Rd. The extravaganza joins military families with representatives from local businesses and activities on Fort Sam Houston. Families take home giveaways and information on the Alamo City and enjoy a complimentary brunch. For more information, call 221-2418.

##### Spouses invited to Heart Link

Spouses new to the military or to Lackland are invited to Heart Link, March 27, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at the Lackland Airman and Family Readiness Center. Topics include Air Force customs, resource referral and available programs. A light meal and free childcare are provided. To sign up, call 671-3722.

##### Instructors receive training

Armed Forces Team Building offers the Instructor Trainer Course March 27-29, 8:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., at the 502nd Mission Support Group Chapel, building 2530. Participants learn the skills required to become an instructor in an adult training environment. The prerequisite for ITC is completion of AFTB Levels One, Two and Three. To register for the course, call 221-2611 or 221-0918.

##### Classes available to support military families

Family Life focuses on enriching the lives of service members and their families with myriad classes including Helping Us Grow Securely playgroup for parents and children up to age 5, each Tuesday, 9-11 a.m., at the Middle School Teen Center, building 2515; Building Effective Anger Management Skills parts four

through six, March 5, 12 and 19, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Red Cross, building 2650; Bringing Baby Home, March 20 and 27, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Roadrunner Community Center; Scream Free Parenting, March 18, 21, 25 and 28, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Roadrunner Community Center; 24/7 Dads, March 7 and 14, noon-1 p.m., at the Roadrunner Community Center; Infant Massage, March 4, 11, 18 and 25, 10-11:30 a.m., at the Roadrunner Community Center; and a Safety Seat Clinic, March 21, 1-3 p.m., at the Fort Sam Houston Fire Station, building 3830. For more information, call 221-2705 or 221-0349.

##### Classes focus on computer skills

Patrons can take advantage of Microsoft Office classes including: Word, Access, Excel and PowerPoint. Classes are held at the Fort Sam Houston Roadrunner Community Center, building 2797, 8 a.m.-noon. Registration is required. For more information on exact class dates or to sign up, call 221-2418.

##### Financial readiness classes available for patrons

The Fort Sam Roadrunner Community Center, building 2797, is hosting several financial readiness classes aimed at saving money. The classes include Credit & Debt Management, March 5 and 19, 9-11 a.m.; Consumer Awareness, March 5 and 19, 2-4 p.m.; Mandatory First Term Financial Readiness Web-Based/Self-Paced Training, March 6, 13, 20 and 27, noon-4 p.m.; Saving and Investing, March 12 and 26, 9-11 a.m.; Budgeting, March 12 and 26, 2-4 p.m.; and First Term Financial Readiness, March 26, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. To sign up, call 221-2418.

#### Arts and Crafts

##### Learn to make a St. Patrick's Day mug

Lackland Arts and Crafts Center offers a St. Patrick's Day etched mug class March 13, 5:30-7:30 p.m. The fee is \$12 per person and all supplies are included. To sign up, call 671-2515 by March 8.

##### Patrons learn to make Fiesta wreaths

Lackland Arts and Crafts Center holds a Fiesta wreath class March 27, 5:30-7:30 p.m. The fee is \$20 per person and all supplies are included. To sign up, call 671-2515 by March 21.

#### Bowling

##### Spring break bowling specials

Lackland Skylark Bowling Center offers spring break bowling passes valid March 11-15. Each pass gives patrons one free game per day, per person. Passes are available starting March 3 at the front counter. Call 671-1234 for more information

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Make plans to visit the Randolph Bowling Center between March 11-15 and 18-22, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., for an afternoon of bowling fun. Bowl one game and get one game for free (doesn't include shoes). For more information, call 652-6271.

## Easter Bunny visits bowling centers

Visit with the Easter Bunny at the Randolph Bowling Center March 17, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The cost is \$10 per child and includes two games of bowling (rental shoes included), a goodie bag and a picture with the Easter Bunny. For more information, call 652-6271.

Lackland Skylark Bowling Center hosts Bowl with the Easter Bunny, March 23, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The price of \$7 per child includes one game of bowling, shoe rental, a snack with a drink and a goody bag. For more information, call 671-1234.

## Bowlers go cosmic

Cosmic bowling with glow-in-the-dark balls and pins, laser lights and music takes place every Friday, 9 p.m.-midnight, and Saturday, 7 p.m.-midnight, at the Lackland Skylark Bowling Center. A DJ appears the third Saturday of the month. For more information, call 671-1234.

## Clubs

### Prime rib available every Friday

Randolph's Air City Bar and Grill is offering prime rib every Friday night in March, 5-8 p.m. Coupons are accepted. For more information, call 652-4864.

### Parr Club offers special meal on the deck

The Parr Club is featuring rib eye steaks for \$10 or chicken for \$6 March 7 on the deck. Nonmembers pay \$2 more. The dinner includes a fresh salad bar, vegetables and desserts. The bar is open from 4:30-9 p.m. and the meal is available 5-7 p.m. The Rock-N-Soul" quartet will perform. For more information, call 652-4864.

### Club hosts St. Patrick's Day celebration

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day March 17 at the Randolph Parr Club with an Irish brunch. Customers that were born in Ireland and can furnish proof will get the brunch free. For more information, call 652-4864.

### Holiday meals available for take-out

Lackland Gateway Club offers Easter meals for take-out March 20-30. Customers may choose from a 9-11 pound glazed Virginia ham or 7-10 pound roast pork loin stuffed with dried fruit. Both dinners include side dishes, vegetables and desserts. The price for both types of dinners is \$65 for members or \$70 for nonmembers. To place an order, call 645-7034.

### Club members appreciated with special dinner

The Randolph Kendrick Club hosts a members' appreciation dinner March 25, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. There will be lots of door prizes. This event is open to members of both Randolph clubs in good standing but is not open to guests or children. The lunch buffet at the Kendrick Club is cancelled but Gil's Pub menu is available. For more information, call 652-3056.



### Children dine with Easter Bunny and hunt for eggs

Children enjoy a buffet with the Easter Bunny and an egg hunt March 30, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Lackland Gateway Club. The price is \$6.95 for adult members, \$4.95 for members' children, \$7.95 for adult nonmembers and \$5.95 for nonmembers' children. Children 5 and younger eat for free. Tickets are on sale at the cashier's cage. For more information, call 645-7034.

### Clubs to hold Easter buffets

Lackland Gateway Club hosts an all-you-can-eat Easter brunch March 31, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Patrons can dine on a wide variety of hot breakfast and lunch entrees, salads, side dishes, desserts and beverages. Live entertainment will be provided by the Sax on the Beach band and the Easter Bunny will make an appearance. Prices are \$18.95 for adult members and trainees, \$21.95 for adult nonmembers, \$9.95 for children ages 6-11 and children five and younger eat for free. For more information, call 645-7034.

A scrumptious Easter buffet also takes place March 31 at the Randolph Parr Club with seating times every half hour from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The price of the buffet is \$22.75 per adult for members, \$11.50 for members' children ages 6-12, \$25.75 per adult for nonmembers and \$12.95 for nonmembers' children ages 6-12. Children 5 and younger eat for free. There will be coloring contests for the children, divided by age groups, and the first place winner in each category will receive a prize. The Easter Bunny will also make an appearance to pass out candy and draw for Easter baskets for a few children. Reservations open for JBSA-Randolph club members March 5. All others can make reservations beginning March 12. For more information, call 652-4864.

## Community Programs

### Performing arts group presents musical theater

The Lackland Performing Arts Group presents "Don't Be Tripping-It's the '80s" at Arnold Hall, March 1, 2, 8 and 9, 7 p.m. The show centers on a downtown community center in danger of closing its doors due to funding cuts but counselors and kids work together to save the center. Music from the 1980s is featured and patrons are asked to dress in 1980s costumes. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. Ticket prices are \$20 per person, \$15 for seniors ages 65 and older, basic military trainees and technical training students and \$5 for children under the age of 12. Tickets can be purchased in advance at Arnold Hall or at the door. For more information, call 671-2619.

### Army Entertainment presents a Gospel show

The United As One Tour will make a stop at the Fort Sam Houston Theater March 2, 3 p.m. This power-packed Gospel show hosted by legendary comedian, Shucky Ducky features James Fortune and FIYA, Vashawn Mitchell, Kierra Sheard and Zacardi Cortez. Doors open at 2 p.m. Advance tickets are on sale for \$35 or will cost \$40 at the door. For more information, call 466-2020.

### Hiring Heroes opens doors for service members

The Hiring Heroes Career Fair March 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Sam Houston Community Center, building 1395, offers active-duty service members, retirees, veterans and military spouses one-on-one time with recruiters from the Department of Defense, other Federal agencies and the private sector. For more information, call Ty Redmon at 571-372-2123.

### Better Opportunities for Single Service Members schedules meetings

BOSS meets March 6 and 20, noon, at the Fort Sam Houston BOSS room in Benner Barracks. The group offers service members recreational activities and volunteer opportunities. For more information, call 295-6867 or 221-3949.

### Shoppers find bargains

The Randolph Bargain Warehouse is scheduled for March 13 in building 1139, 8-9 a.m. for E1-E6 and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for all other DOD ID cardholders. Only checks and cash are accepted as payment. A limited number of people will be allowed in the building at one time so please come prepared to stand in line. It is recommended customers bring an umbrella, a coat and some water to ensure their comfort. For more information, call 652-5142.

### Exceptional Family Member support group meets

The Exceptional Family Member Program hosts its monthly support group March 21, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at the Roadrunner Community Center, building 2797, on Fort Sam Houston. For more information, call 221-2962 or email usaf.502-fss-efmp@mail.mil.

### Gamers invited to Xbox tournament

Lackland Arnold Hall holds a free Halo Four Xbox tournament March 22, 6-8:30 p.m. Practice session begins at 5 p.m. Prizes and refreshments will be provided. The event is open to customers 16 and older. Anyone under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. For more information, call 671-2619.

### Lackland holds annual doggie Easter egg hunt

Lackland Arnold Hall holds a free Easter egg hunt March 29, 6-8:30 p.m., for dogs. Dogs will hunt for Easter eggs filled with treats and prizes and have their photo taken with the Easter Bunny. There will be several contests for the dogs to include best Easter bonnet, best Easter outfit, best Easter egg basket and most eggs found. Refreshments will be available for owners. All dogs must be kept on a leash and be current on vaccinations. For more information, call 671-2619.

## Fitness and Sports

### Rambler Fitness Center hosts 15-mile bike ride

Bikers of all ages are encouraged to get in the saddle March 2, 7:30 a.m., at Eberle Park and enjoy a ride in the beautiful Texas spring weather. For more information, call 652-5316.

### Commander's Cup tournament comes to Lackland

Lackland Fitness and Sports hosts the 2013 Commander's Cup military varsity softball tournament March 8-10, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Games are held at the Warhawk softball field and admission is free. For more information, call 671-6632.

### Gillum invites patrons to tug of war contest

Lackland Gillum Fitness Center holds a team tug-of-war contest March 14, 3 p.m. There is no limit to the number of participants per team, but total team weight must be less than 1,400 pounds. There must also be at least one female member on the team. To sign up, call 977-2354 by March 11.

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### Rambler Fitness Center holds St. Patrick's Day 5K

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a 5K run/walk March 15, 7:30 a.m., at Eberle Park. For more information, call 652-5316.

### San Antonio celebrates military members

Members of the military community are invited to participate in the Military City USA 5K run/walk March 23, 8 a.m. The starting line is at the Fort Sam Houston Aquatic Center parking lot, building 3300, Williams Rd. Participants are welcome to sign up 30 minutes prior to the start time. The top male and female finishers take home prizes. This free fun run is open to all DOD ID card holders including children but no pets. For more information, call 808-5709.

### Moms and tots get some exercise

"How We Roll" is offered every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9-11 a.m., at the Medical Education Training Campus Fitness Center at Fort Sam Houston, building 1369. Moms and tots can stroll the indoor track to win prizes for reaching milestones. To sign up, call 808-5709.

## Golf

### Fort Sam Houston Golf Club hosts monthly scramble

The monthly Wounded Warrior Four-Person Golf Tournament, March 1, 12:30 p.m., at the Fort Sam Houston Golf Club offers 18 holes and camaraderie for service members, their families and guests. The tournament costs \$35 for nonmembers and \$25 for members. The fee includes dinner and an entry to win prizes at the pro shop. For more information, call 222-9386.

### Lackland offers spring tournament discount

Lackland Gateway Hills Golf Course offers a special discount for private tournaments booked for March or April. Tournaments must have a minimum of 40 players to qualify. For more information, call 671-3466.

### Randolph Oaks Golf Course hosts Ping demo day

Golfers are encouraged to visit the Randolph Oaks Golf Course March 16, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., to try the most current Ping equipment. For more information, call 652-4570.

## Information, Tickets and Travel

### Fiesta tickets on sale at Lackland

Lackland Information, Tickets and Travel is selling tickets for the Fiesta Flambeau and Battle of Flowers parades, St. Mary's Oyster Bake, Night in Old San Antonio and the Taste of New Orleans. For more information, call 671-3133.

### ITT offers summer European tour

Lackland ITT is taking reservations for this summer's London-to-Rome Highlights group tour to London, Paris, Lucerne, Venice, Florence and Rome. The tour dates are June 13-23. Rates start at \$3,300 per person, double occupancy and include airfare. Payment plans are available with final payment due April 29. For more information, call 671-7111.

**IDOL FACTOR**

**Singers needed for JBSA-Randolph's new singing competition, Idol Factor!**

Registration is going on now through March 22. Registration packets are available on JBSA-Randolph at the Community Services Mail, Bldg. 895; at the clubs' cashier cages; and at the Randolph Inn front desk, Bldg. 112. The registration packet can also be printed from the FSS web site, [www.randolphfss.com](http://www.randolphfss.com).

The first show is A Cappella Night, March 28 in the Parr Club Sky Lounge.

Anyone with access to JBSA-Randolph (DOD ID card, active duty, family member, civilian, contractor, retiree) can register to showcase their singing talent. Prize money totals \$1,750. Registration is free. Shows begin at 6 p.m. with food and drinks available throughout the evening.

For more information, contact Steve Knechtel, Community Programs at 210-267-7358 (stephen.knechtel.1@us.af.mil).

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### Ticket Office has discount tickets

The Ticket Office in the Fort Sam Houston Community Center, building 1395, has discounted tickets for the San Antonio Spurs and Disney on Ice April 10-14. For more information, call 808-1378.

## Library

### Libraries celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday

The Lackland Library hosts the National Education Association's Read Across America Day March 1, 3:45-4:45 p.m. Families are invited to listen to guest readers in celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday. For more information, call 671-3610.

Library patrons of all ages are invited to sing happy birthday and enjoy some good books at the annual Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration March 2, 2-3 p.m., at the Keith A. Campbell Memorial Library on Fort Sam Houston. For more information, call 221-4702.

### Library provides virtual and traditional entertainment

Patrons are welcome to enjoy virtual fun at Gaming Day March 3, 2:30-5:30 p.m., at the Keith A. Campbell Memorial Library on Fort Sam Houston. The library offers Xbox 360, PS3 and Wii, along with a host of old-fashioned board games. For more information, call 221-4702.

### Kids have fun with St. Patrick's Day crafts

The Lackland Library invites children to visit the St. Patrick's Day craft table March 17, 1-3 p.m. A free craft project can be assembled at the library or taken home for completion. For more information, call 671-3610.

## Outdoor Recreation

### JBSA Recreation Park conducts boat sale

There will be a boat sale March 2, 10 a.m., on the Sunny Side at JBSA Recreation Park at Canyon Lake. They will have the following for sale:

Pontoon boats with motors, fish and ski type boats with motors, aluminum center console fishing boats without motors, ski boat with its motor parts crated up and several outboard motors in various states of repair. These boats do not have trailers so customers must come properly prepared to transport the boats. For more information, call 800-280-3466.

### Camp Bullis hosts flea market

Outdoor enthusiasts are invited to the Camp Bullis Gently-Used Sporting Goods Flea Market March 23-24, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m., in conjunction with the monthly 3-D archery shoot. Sellers can set up at an inside table for \$10 or an outside table for \$5. Guns are not permitted in the Camp Bullis Outdoor Recreation Center. For more information, call 295-7577.

### Catfish pond reopens for the season

The Camp Bullis Catfish Pond reopens March 2, Saturday-Sunday, noon-6 p.m. No license is required and the Catfish Pond operates on a "you caught it, you bought it" basis. The cost is \$3 per pound. Bait for the fishing and soda for the fishermen is available for purchase. No alcohol is allowed and fishermen are asked to please watch their children. Payment by cash or check is accepted. For more information, call 295-7577.

### Camp Bullis hosts archery shoot

Archers are invited to the Camp Bullis 3-D Archery Shooting Contest March 23-24, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. There are 30 targets at 5-55 yards. The competition categories are novice to expert, shooting in groups from 3-5 people. Snacks and beverages are available for purchase. The fun shoot is \$10 per person and the competition shoot is \$15 per person. For more information, call 295-7577.

### Sportsman Range open for target practice

The Camp Bullis Sportsman range is open Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The range offers DOD ID cardholders a place to shoot their personal pistols, rifles and shotguns. Firearms must be registered at Camp Bullis. The range may close unexpectedly because of weather or troop use. Range users should call before coming out for target practice. For more information, call 295-7577.

### It's open season on turkeys at Camp Bullis

Turkey season opens March 16, 5:30 a.m.-dark, for Camp Bullis permit holders. Permits are still available for the 5:30 a.m. lottery drawing, which takes place before each hunt. Hunters are limited to two birds, must have the appropriate license and a turkey endorsement, whether for shotgun or archery hunting. For more information, call 295-7577.

## Youth Programs

### Baseball registration is in full swing

It's time to register youth, ages 3-12, for Fort Sam Houston Youth baseball. Registration runs through March 1. Youth must

be registered at Child, Youth and School Services, Parent Central, building 2797, with a current sports physical. The cost is \$40 for T-ball for ages 3-4 and \$65 for ages 5-12. Practices begin March 25, with opening ceremonies on March 28. For more information, call Parent Central at 221-4871 or Domingo Ramos at 221-5513.

### Youth chess players wanted

A chess tournament takes place March 9, 11 a.m., at Randolph Youth Programs. It is round robin tournament play with four age categories: 6-8 years, 9-12 years, 13-15 years and 16-18 years. Awards will be given to first place in each category. To sign up, call 652-3298 by March 6.

### Spring break camp keeps kids busy

Registration is underway for spring break camp for Fort Sam Houston School Age Services and Youth Services. Spring break camp runs March 11-15, 6 a.m.-6 p.m., at building 1703 and at the Youth Center, building 1630, respectively. Youth will be entertained with fun activities like cooking, field trips and sports. The cost for the SAS camp is income based and the cost for the Youth Services camp is \$75 for the week or \$20 per day. For more information, call 221-3502.

### Free membership week gives youth a preview of activities

Youth can check out what a youth membership card offers between March 11-15 at Randolph's Youth Programs. There is no membership needed to participate in clubs, activities or open recreation during this week. Check out the preteen game room or our Teen Zone, attend a club meeting or join them for other activities (doesn't include instructional classes, league sports or School Age care programs). Stop by for a monthly calendar of Youth Programs or check out [www.randolphfss.com](http://www.randolphfss.com) to see what is offered this week. For those interested in joining, membership is only \$36 per year. For more information, call 652-3298.

### Youth Center hosts field trip

Eighth graders get a spring break field trip March 14, noon-4 p.m., before making the move to high school, and they get to choose the destination. The trip departs from the Fort Sam Houston Youth Center, building 1630. For more information, call 221-3502.

### Youth center celebrates tobacco-free kids

Lackland Youth Center takes part in the National Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids with the Kick Butts Day March 20, 4 p.m. Youth, ages 9 and older, are invited to participate in this free event with activities such as a graffiti wall, a pledge to abstain from smoking and music. For more information, call 671-2388.

### Youth hunt for Easter eggs

The annual Child, Youth and School Services Easter egg hunt takes place March 23, 10 a.m.-noon, at the Fort Sam Houston Youth Sports complex on Dodd Field. The Easter Bunny will be hopping around to give parents a perfect photo opportunity. The hunts will be held on the ball fields for children up to age 10 beginning with 2 and younger at 10:30 a.m. on field one; 3-4 year olds at 10:45 a.m. on field two; 5-6 year olds at 11 a.m. on field three; special needs children at 11:15 a.m. on field one; 7-8 year olds at 11:30 a.m. on field two and 9-10 year olds at 11:45 a.m. on field four. For more information, call 221-3502.

The annual Randolph Easter egg hunt is March 23, 9 a.m., at Heritage Park. There will be three age categories for the Easter egg

hunt: ages 2-5 yrs, ages 6-8 yrs and ages 9-12 yrs. Participants need to bring their own baskets. This is a free event for the whole family. For more information, call 652-3298.

### Parents get an afternoon off

Lackland Youth Programs and the Lackland Child Development Center hold Give Parents a Break/Parents' Day Out March 23, 1-5 p.m. Care is provided for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old. Participants will enjoy an evening of supervised fun, games and a snack. Pre-registration is required. The fee is \$15. Fees may be waived with a Give Parents a Break referral. To sign up, call the Lackland Youth Center at 671-2388 or the Lackland Child Development Center at 671-1052.

### HIRED! seeks apprentices

Apprentices may sign up now for the Spring Term, March 25-June 15, for opportunities to work at the 502nd Force Support Squadron facilities and activities on Fort Sam Houston. Registration forms are available at Parent Central, building 2797, the Youth Center, building 1630 or the Middle School Teen Center, building 2515. The apprenticeship application deadline is March 1. For more information, call 221-3386.

### Night Owls hit the hardwood

Basketball players can play the night away at Midnight Basketball March 16, 7 p.m.-midnight, at the Fort Sam Houston Youth Center, building 1630. The event is open to all middle school teens. Players will team up that night. For more information, call 221-3502.

### Patrons learn new dance moves

The Dance Club meets every Monday and Wednesday, 4:30 p.m., at the Fort Sam Houston Youth Center, building 1630. The club is open to youth interested in picking up some great dance moves, while having a great time. For more information, call 221-3502.

### Torch Club looking for future leaders

The Torch Club meets every first and third Tuesday, 4:30 p.m., at the Fort Sam Houston Youth Center, building 1630. The club offers leadership opportunities for youth who want to make their mark on the world. For more information, call 221-3502.



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# Injured bomb technician adopts former detection dog teammate

By Steven Galvan  
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Before Azza, a trained bomb detection dog, could warn her handler, Tech. Sgt. Leonard Anderson, that they had walked up to some explosives, the improvised explosive device was remotely detonated.

Anderson was hurled through the air, landing several feet from the explosion with massive wounds to his legs, abdomen, arms and hands and requiring a helicopter medical evacuation to save his life.

That was the first time the inseparable bomb detection team was separated from each other in months.

They are back together – this time for good – 5 1/2 months after the explosion that separated Anderson and Azza. On Jan. 15, Anderson met Azza, an 8-year-old Belgian Malinois at the San Antonio International Airport to take her home.

“She is going to have run of the house,” he said. “She’s going to do everything and go everywhere with me. To my appointments, on boat trips, everywhere.”

Tech Sgt. Ryan Goodrich, Anderson’s co-worker and good friend, flew with Azza



Photo by Steven Galvan

Tech Sgt. Leonard Anderson and Azza reunite at the San Antonio International Airport Jan. 15.

from Eielson Air Force Base in Alaska where they are members of the 354th Security Forces Squadron known as the “Arctic Warriors.”

Anderson submitted the necessary paperwork to adopt Azza the minute that he found out that she had been deemed ready for retirement by the squadron commander.

“Working dogs are usually always adopted by their trainers,” he said.

Once Azza had been cleared to join Anderson, he purchased plane tickets for Goodrich and Azza to fly from Alaska to

Texas.

“It’s worth every penny,” Anderson said. “Azza is with me, where she belongs, and we’re both very happy.”

These days, Anderson spends a lot of time at the rehabilitation center of the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research Burn Center located at the San Antonio Military Medical Center on Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston, where he has been a patient since early August 2012.

Despite efforts to keep his hands intact, he lost two fingers and the thumb to each hand.

“You don’t realize that everything you do is with your hands until you can’t use them,” he said.

Anderson’s physical therapy sessions are designed to strengthen the limited grip that he has on each hand.

Soon he will start agility routines to build up his legs that he almost lost. His goal is to get back to the way he was before the explosion.

“I would like to stay active duty and finish my time,” he said. “But first and foremost, I want to be able to take care of my family.”

Anderson and his wife have two children, both under 3 years old. His hands limit how much he can assist his wife

with changing diapers and their overall care.

“I want to be able to change the kids’ diapers and help with the kids as much as I can. It’s all about being able to take care of my family.”

Taking care of his family, staying on active duty, getting back to the gym and playing softball is what motivates Anderson to get his life back as close to the way it used to be. “I’m getting there,” he said. “Every little milestone is a big achievement.”

Anderson is willing to do whatever it takes to achieve his goals. He has opted to have his left hand amputated so that he can be fitted with a prosthetic and able to hold on to things.

“That’s the only way that I’ll be able to grip a bat,” he said. “If you can’t grip a bat, then you can’t play softball.”

When asked why he wants to stay active duty, Anderson said, “I love being in the military. I knew the dangers before I joined. I knew this could happen to me. It happened, and now I’m dealing with it.”

Anderson said he does not remember the day of the explosion at all. He doesn’t remember waking up, getting ready for the day, going out on the mission ... nothing.

One thing for sure, Anderson and Azza were on an explosive-finding reconnaissance foot patrol mission that was captured on film.

A crew from the television channel Animal Planet joined the team that morning to videotape the mission for a docu-

mentary title “Glory Hounds” which first aired Thursday and will be shown again at 8 p.m. Sunday.

When the IED was detonated, Craig Constant, a former Marine and Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran, was recording the foot patrol.

Constant’s initial reaction was to pick up the video camera and continue filming the aftermath of the blast.

When he realized that Anderson had landed near him and the extent of his injuries, his military training kicked in and he applied tourniquets to the groin area of his legs.

“He saved my life,” Anderson said. “I could have bled to death because my legs were mangled and I was bleeding really bad.”

Anderson and Constant, who lives in Dallas, now have a lifelong relationship. “We are good friends and we talk on the phone all the time.”

Azza and Anderson have a strong bond as well.

While Constant was placing the tourniquets on his legs, Azza laid down next to him until he was medevaced.

The once-inseparable team wouldn’t see each other for three months when Anderson was discharged from the Burn Center and was able to fly to Alaska.

“It was horrible for me to come back without her,” he said. “I wanted to bring her back with me, but I always knew that someday I’d bring her home for good because we belong together.”

## DUAL from P6

Sandy, said that DSCs must know what federal capabilities are available to the states.

“We want to make sure our state governors are informed on what ‘Title 10 activation’ means,” he continued. “It is ultimately up to the governor what Title 10 forces are used.”

Swezey said interagency relationships were also important, noting that a state in the middle of a disaster response “is not Iraq or Afghanistan.”

“The military isn’t the only

solution or even the last solution; it is part of the solution,” Swezey said.

During the meeting, there were several other leaders from Army North on hand to give advice about developing those relationships.

Maj. Gen. Charles Gailles, commanding general of Task Force-51, the operational command and control element under Army North, challenged the potential DSCs to “go back to your staff and discuss with them how you would scale up to the involvement of Title

10 forces, integrate them into your plans with all the different pieces that are involved, and then scale back down at the end of an operation.”

Gailles also challenged them on how they would work with adjacent states in a regional response because different states have different plans.

The key to successful lifesaving and life-sustaining operations in the homeland is cooperation between local, state and federal forces, he said. A disaster is not the time for bureaucratic red tape.

## SHARP from P3

sexual assault prevention and response program under the Family Advocacy Program in Army Community Service.

Col. Nancy D. Ruffin, director of the Army Family Advocacy Program manager and chief of Personal and Family Life Readiness branch, emphasized that SHARP and FAP are two separate programs with different missions.

“ACS victim advocates are still providing assistance to any victim, whether of sexual as-

sault or of domestic violence,” Ruffin said. After Oct. 1, any ACS victim advocate must have SHARP training and credentials to respond to a case of sexual assault, according to Ruffin.

ACS Family Advocacy Program personnel will continue to respond to victims of domestic and child abuse incidents.

For more information, click on <https://www.safehelpline.org> or call 1-877-995-5247, the sexual assault support number for the DOD community.



# Specially designed Monte Carlo pays tribute at Anderson Hall

By Anthony K. Grubb  
Medical Education  
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It took former Navy helicopter pilot Hank Lovato seven months of fabrication and design to complete his "Tribute to Our Heroes" project, as he redesigned his yellow Monte Carlo street rod into a "Tribute" as a way to honor military veterans.

"We wanted to do something more with our Monte Carlo than just have a street rod," Lovato said.

"We wanted to show all the men and women who have served and are now serving in the military and their families that we appreciate them."

While customizing the Monte Carlo, the Topeka, Kan., native was inspired to design the gear shifter after the

bird he flew in the skies over Vietnam and added a custom dash in typical Huey color scheme.

Special configurations were required to run the exhaust pipes to fit flush to the underbody.

He performed all the metal work and interior fabrication on the car as well as on the tow trailer, "Freedom," that serves dual duty – as a tribute to heroes and as transport.

The Freedom trailer was designed to look like a stealth bomber. It was custom fitted to the overall shape of the Monte Carlo and took three months to build. It displays the names of 2,500 veterans; the Monte Carlo displays about 400 names.

Lovato has no plans to add to his collection. "This is it," he says.

Until recently, Lovato and his wife, Deanna, along with two small



Photo by Anthony K. Grubb

The Monte Carlo "Tribute" car sits on display in front of Anderson Hall on the Medical Education and Training Campus. Tribute was converted by former Navy helicopter pilot and Vietnam veteran, Hank Lovato, into a "Tribute to Our Heroes" as a way to honor military veterans.

dogs, brought the tribute car to auto shows and veterans homes in the Kansas area.

On Feb. 6, Trib-

ute was on display in front of Anderson Hall, located at the Medical Education and Training Campus on Joint Base

San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston.

Anderson Hall, named for Navy Hospital Corpsman Third Class Chris-

topher "Doc" Anderson who was killed on Dec. 4, 2006 while serving with the Marines in Iraq, is where students in the Basic Medical Technician Program train to become Air Force medical technicians or Navy hospital corpsmen, like Doc Anderson. It is also where the BMTCP graduations take place.

On the day Tribute was on display, Doc's parents, Rick and Debra Anderson, were visiting their late son's name-sake.

Rick Anderson, a former Navy SEAL, was scheduled to speak at the BMTCP graduation.

For this special event, the Lovatos took Tribute out of Kansas for the first time to honor the Andersons and invite local "heroes" to add their names to be part of Tribute.

# Army surgeon general demonstrates new female body armor

Lt. Gen. Patricia Horoho, Army surgeon general, tries on the new tactical vest specifically designed for the female physique. While providing the same high-level ballistic protection, it has an improved quick release system, narrower shoulders, front ballistic plate insertion, more adjustability in the waist area, and a collar that can accommodate the regulation hair styles worn by women in the field.



Photo by  
Glenda S. Smith

By Rob Cain  
Army Medicine Public Affairs

It had been a complaint for years that body armor was not made for the female physique. That has changed.

The armor women had to wear in combat was ill-fitting, uncomfortable and restricted freedom of movement, which is a detriment in operational environments.

The Women's Health Task Force informed by the voices of the women serving in Afghanistan identified concerns with the body armor in use at that time.

Through the deliber-

ate efforts of the Army and Program Executive Office, or PEO, Soldier, these issues are being addressed. This particular version of the new tactical vest has been designed with women specifically in mind.

Lt. Col. Frank Lozano, Soldier Protective Equipment product manager, Maj. Joel Dillon, assistant product manager of Soft Armor, PEO Soldier, and Deana Archambault, project engineer, reviewed and discussed the improvements of the new tactical vest with Army Surgeon General Lt. Gen. Patricia Horoho Jan. 31.

Dressed in her ACUs, Horoho donned the new tactical vest.

"This is what security should feel like," Horoho said. "You should not have to think about it. It's just there. Historically the design for body armor for women was extrapolated from the anthropomorphic measurements of a standard male cohort. Not surprisingly, the fit was woefully inadequate and decremented agility in tactical environs."

Immediately after donning the vest, the surgeon general demonstrated her full range of motion in her shoulders

and arms by rotating her arms in a wide arc.

"This is amazing," she said.

Through a joint effort between Product Manager Soldier Protective Equipment, the U.S. Army Natick Soldier RD&E Center, or NSR-DEC, Anthropometry Team and the Natick Design Pattern and Prototype Team the protective vest has been fitted for today's female warrior.

While providing the same high-level ballistic protection, it has an improved quick release system, narrower should-

# Army South hosts, mentors seventh graders at JBSA-Camp Bullis

By Robert R. Ramon  
ARSOUTH Public Affairs

U.S. Army South hosted and mentored more than 35 seventh graders as they negotiated the Leader Reaction Course at Joint Base San Antonio-Camp Bullis Feb. 14.

The students from the San Antonio Academy of Texas went on the course to build confidence in their leadership and mental and physical abilities while cultivating the development of small unit cohesion, said Capt. Troy Arambula, commander of Army South's Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, Operations Company.

"We're challenging them in a small-unit environment and testing their leadership styles

and physical and mental abilities," said Arambula. "It has been an awesome day and a great experience for them to utilize their skills to become better at what they do."

The students were separated into seven different teams and worked together to accomplish various tasks as ARSOUTH noncommissioned officers observed, mentored and served as safety personnel.

A different student acted as the leader during each scenario, so individual skills in planning, organizing, decision making, supervising and communicating could be evaluated and further developed.

"The primary goals are to let the students apply and develop leadership principles while learn-

ing how to work as a team and operate under stress," said Frank Stanage, San Antonio Academy of Texas commandant.

Operating under stress, with certain limitations placed on them, played an important part in the evaluation of each student, Arambula said.

While overcoming physical obstacles, the team could not touch anything painted red and they worked under specific time constraints.

Each group had a designated leader and they could only use the equipment and resources provided.

"We want them to know not only what it is like to function as part of a team, but also how to come up with ideas and direct others in times of stress," Stanage said.

"This exercise perfectly simulates that."

The students enjoyed the experience and hope to conduct similar events in the future.

"We are grateful to Army South for putting this together for us," Stanage said. "I can see a huge benefit for our students and I certainly hope that we'll be able to continue this going forward."

The ARSOUTH Soldiers also appreciated their time with the seventh graders, according to Arambula.

"What a wonderful day it is to be able to partner with a local school here in the San Antonio area," Arambula said. "It's about giving back to the community and doing our part to develop the leaders of tomorrow."



Photo by Robert R. Ramon

Master Sgt. Patrick Lockett (right), an operations training noncommissioned officer at U.S. Army South, provides instructions to seventh graders from the San Antonio Academy as they attempt to complete the Leaders Reaction Course at Joint Base San Antonio-Camp Bullis Feb. 14. ARSOUTH Soldiers hosted the students to develop future leaders by familiarizing them with realistic resources and equipment.

# INSIDE THE GATE

## 3-D Archery Shoot

Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at JBSA-Camp Bullis. There are 30 targets at 5-55 yards on a different course each month. The competition categories are novice to expert, shooting in groups from 3-5 people. The fun shoot is \$10 per person and the competition shoot is \$15 per person. Call 295-7577.

## Polar Bear Aquathon

Saturday, 2 p.m., JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Aquatic Center, Building 3300, Williams Road. Event includes 500-meter swim in a heated pool and a 5-mile run with three categories, including men, women and a two-person relay. Cost is \$20 per person. To register, visit [http://www.fortsammwr.com/image/Of-ficialForms/Run\\_Registration-Form.pdf](http://www.fortsammwr.com/image/Of-ficialForms/Run_Registration-Form.pdf). Call 221-3593.

## Teen Poetry Slam

Saturday, 6 to 9 p.m., Military and Family Readiness Center, Building 2797, for teens 13 to 18 years old. Open to military ID card holders. Call 221-0349.

## Solitaires' Sunday Brunch

This monthly gathering of single officers (active and retired) or widow(er)s of officers is at 11 a.m. Sunday at the JBSA-Randolph Parr Club. No registration is necessary; pay as you go. Must be a member of the Alamo Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America or be willing to join at the meeting. Membership application is available at <http://www.alamomooa.org/membership.cfm>.

## African-American Heritage Month Gospel Fest

Sunday, 3-7 p.m., JBSA-Randolph Chapel 1, call 565-3736, 565-4904 or 652-2525.

## Military Saves Week Monday to March 1

For more information on Military Saves Week or help planning to improve your financial future call the Financial Programs at JBSA-Lackland at 371-3722; JBSA-Randolph at 652-5321 or JBSA-Fort

Sam Houston at 221-2380.

## LMH Residents' Town Hall Meeting

Wednesday, 6 p.m. at the Lincoln Military Housing Main Resident Center, Building 407, Dickman Road. Refreshments will be served and Sparky and McGruff will be on hand to meet the children. Call 270-7638.

## Intramural Golf Coaches Needed

DOD cardholders interested in coaching intramural golf will meet Thursday and March 6, noon-1 p.m. at the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Golf Club. Team rosters due March 6 and league starts March 18. Call 808-5710 or 221-7173.

## African-American Heritage Month 5K Fun Run/Walk

Thursday, 7:30-8:30 a.m., JBSA-Randolph Eberle Park. Call 565-3736, 565-4904 or 652-2525.

## Newcomer's Extravaganza

Thursday, 9:30-11 a.m., Sam Houston Community Center. Call 221-1628.

## Jobs & Money

Thursday, 4-7 p.m., Warfighter and Family Readiness, Building 2797. Call 221-2380.

## Baseball Registration

Children, ages 3-12, can register

by March 1 for JBSA-Fort Sam Houston youth baseball. Child must be registered at Child, Youth & School Services, Parent Central, Building 2797, with a current sport's physical. The cost is \$40 for T-ball for ages 3-4 and \$65 for ages 5-12. Practices begin March 25, with opening ceremonies on March 28. For more information, call Parent Central at 221-4871 or the sports director at 221-5513 or 221-5519.

## The 'United As One' Tour

March 2, 3 p.m., historic Fort Sam Houston Theatre. The gospel show features James Fortune and FIYA, Vashawn Mitchell, Kierra Sheard, and Zacardi Cortez, hosted by comedian Shucky Ducky. Doors open at 2 p.m. Reserved tickets on sale for \$35 or \$40 at the door. For more information, visit [ArmyMWR.com](http://ArmyMWR.com) or call 466-2020.

## Hiring Heroes Career Fair

March 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Sam Houston Community Center, Building 1395, Chaffee Road. Service members, retirees, veterans and military spouses can have one-on-one time with recruiters from the Department of Defense, other Federal agencies and the private sector. Call 571-372-2123.

## National Prayer Luncheon

March 7, 11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m., Sam Houston Community Center. Guest speaker is retired Lt. Gen.

Tom Jaco. Tickets are available with a suggested donation of \$5 for E5/GS5 and below, \$10 for all others. Call 221-2754 or 221-5007.

## Broadway Divas

Performances are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 7-April 20 at the Harlequin Dinner Theatre. Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. and the show begins at 8 p.m. Call 222-9694 for ticket information.

## Spring Break Camp

Registration is underway for Spring Break Camp for School Age Services and Youth Services. Camp runs 6 a.m.-6 p.m. March 11-15 at SAS, Building 1703, and at the Youth Center, Building 1630. Activities include cooking, field trips and sports. The cost for the SAS camp is income based and the cost for the Youth Services camp is \$75 for the week or \$20 per day. For more information, call 221-3502.

## SKIESUnlimited Classes

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children ages 18 months to 18 years include Tae Kwon Do, private piano lessons, creative dance and ballet/tap. Call 221-3381 for dates and times.

## HIRED! Program

Apprentices can sign up for the 2013 HIRED! Winter Term, March 25 to June 15, for opportunities to work at the Force Support Squadron facilities and activities on JBSA-Fort Sam Houston. Registration forms available at the Middle School Teen Center, Youth Center and Parent Central. Application deadline is March 1. Call 221-3386.

## Air Force Arts & Crafts Gallery

The 2013 Air Force Arts & Crafts Gallery Program requests submissions from artists, craftsmen and photographers in the armed forces and their family members around the world. Adults, teens ages 13 to 17 and youth ages 6 to 12 may submit 2- and 3-D art, photography and digital art. Three entries permitted per person per category.

Entries must be dropped off at the JBSA-Lackland Arts & Crafts Center, 1441 Patrick St., Building 7041. Call 671-5508 or visit <https://www.usafservices.com/ArtsCraftsGallery.aspx>.

## Golf Course Survey

Joint Base San Antonio is gathering feedback on its golf courses to improve operations and better meet the needs of patrons. The survey is online at <http://2013JBSAGolfCourseSurvey.questionpro.com>

## Central Post Gym Reopens on JBSA-FSH

MWR patrons have a new fitness center at their disposal on JBSA-Fort Sam Houston with the reopening of the Central Post Gym, Building 961, Patch Rd. The gym is open from 5 a.m.-7 p.m. weekdays and closed weekends and holidays. Call 221-3593.

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# Annual Weingarten Notice

Title 5, U.S.C., Chapter 71, is commonly referred to as the "Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute," or the "Statute" for short. It governs the Federal sector labor relations program throughout covered government agencies for more than 1.9 million employees.

One requirement of the Statute is that agencies must annually remind bargaining unit employees of their "Weingarten Rights."

However, some may not know what a "Weingarten Right" actually stands for. A duly recognized Union is entitled to represent bargaining unit employees in meetings with management in connection with an investigation.

The Federal Labor Relations Authority, the federal agency charged

with the administration and enforcement of the Statute, has consistently held that three conditions must be met for a meeting to be considered a "Weingarten" meeting: (1) one or more agency representatives are examining (questioning) a bargaining unit employee in connection with an investigation; (2) the employee reasonably believes that the examination may result in disciplinary action against the employee; and (3) the employee requests Union representation.

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 7114(a)(3), agencies shall annually inform its employees of their rights under paragraph 7114(a)(2)(B) to request Union representation in meetings with management in connection with an investigation if the criteria set forth above are met.

(2) An exclusive representative of an appropriate unit in an agency shall be given the opportunity to be represented at—

(B) any examination of an employee in the unit by a representative of the agency in connection with an investigation—

(i) the employee reasonably believes that the examination may result in disciplinary action against the employee; and

(ii) the employee requests representation."

Questions regarding "Weingarten Rights" or general questions regarding the Federal Service Labor-Management Relations Statute may be directed to 808-0205 or 808-7571.

(Source: 502nd Mission Support Group)

## Weekly Weather Watch

	Feb 22	Feb 23	Feb 24	Feb 25	Feb 26	Feb 27
San Antonio Texas	72° Mostly Cloudy	77° Mostly Cloudy	77° Mostly Sunny	70° Sunny	72° Mostly Sunny	68° Showers
Kabul Afghanistan	46° Scattered Snow	49° Scattered Snow	55° Mostly Sunny	51° Scat Showers	46° Scattered Snow	49° Scattered Snow

(Source: The Weather Channel at [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com))

## Edwards Aquifer Level

in feet above sea level as of Feb. 19

**CURRENT LEVEL\* = 652.2'**

\*determines JBSA water conservation stage

<b>Normal - above 660'</b>	<b>Stage III - 642'</b>
<b>Stage I - 660'</b>	<b>Stage IV - 640.5'</b>
<b>Stage II - 650'</b>	<b>Stage V - 637'</b>

For water restrictions, visit <http://www.502abw.af.mil>.



# OUTSIDE THE GATE

## City Manager's Step Up to Wellness 5K Run/Walk

The 6th annual City Manager's Step Up to Wellness 5K Run/Walk will be at 8 a.m. Saturday at Sea World. Registration fee is \$35, with free parking before 8 a.m. For more information, visit <http://fitcitysa.com/>.

## Alamo City Run Fest

The Alamo City Run Fest March 3 will feature a 5K, 10K and half marathon. Visit <http://www.alamocityrunfest.com> for registration information.

## Griffin Golf Tourney

Volunteers from the 470th Military Intelligence Brigade host a golf tournament at the Olympia

Hills Golf Course, 12900 Mount Olympus, Universal City. Check-in from 6:30 to 7 a.m. March 8. Tournament starts at 8 a.m. Registration deadline is today. Entry fee of \$70 each includes a barbecue brisket and chicken lunch. Prizes awarded for the longest drive and the closest to the pin. Call (703) 725-4630.

## Johnson City Walk

The Selma Pathfinders volksmarch club is hosting a 5k and 10k walk Saturday starting at The Benini Galleries and Sculpture Ranch, 377 Shiloh Road, Johnson City. Walks start between 9 a.m. and noon, finish by 3 p.m. Call 496-1402.

## MOAA Luncheon

The Alamo Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America will hold a luncheon 11 a.m. March 21 at the Air Force Village I Sky Lounge, 4917 Ravenswood Dr. The guest speaker is Gen. Loyd

"Chip" Utterback. Cost is \$20 per person. Register by March 18 at <http://www.alamomoaa.org/event-registrationluncheon.cfm>.

## Van Autreve Sergeants Major Association

The SMA Leon L. Van Autreve Sergeants Major Association meets at 5 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Longhorn Café, 1003 Rittiman Road. All active duty, Reserve, National Guard and retired sergeants major are invited and encouraged to attend. Call 539-1178.

## Foster a Puppy

The Department of Defense dog breeding program needs families to foster puppies for three months. Potential foster families need time and patience to raise a puppy age 12 weeks to six months, a stimulating and safe home environment and a desire to help raise a military working dog. Call 671-3686.

## School Liaison Office

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston School Liaison Office can assist patrons in registration, provide information about the local school system and community, educate parents on school policies, procedures, programs and schedules and home schooling. Visit <http://www.fortsammwr.com/youth/slo.html> or call 221-2214/2256.

## Thrift Shop Open

The JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Thrift Shop at 3100 Zinn Road, run by the Spouses' Club of the Fort Sam Houston Area, is open to all DOD cardholders and full of clothing, shoes, housewares, toys, books, furniture, jewelry and more. Hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and the third Saturday of each month. Consigned items are taken from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations are taken anytime during regular business hours. Call 221-5794/4537 or click on <http://www.scfsh.com>.

## Pet Consult Services Available

The JBSA-Lackland Veterinary Treatment Facility provides animal behavior consult services for family pets. The VTF's military animal behavior resident is scheduling



**FOR SALE:** Living room set, multicolored sofa, glass coffee table, matching inner table, \$175; Frigidaire stainless steel refrigerator, great condition, \$300; NuCool stainless steel refrigerator, 2.8 cubic feet, \$50; beige four-drawer metal filing cabinet with lock, \$40; stackable washer and dryer, electric and gas, \$275. Call 241-1291.

**FOR SALE:** New men's black Stetson Cavalry hat, never worn, size 7 1/4, \$65. Call 619-8256 or 490-3048. To submit a Fort Freebie, e-mail [news.leader@conus.army.mil](mailto:news.leader@conus.army.mil) or fax to 221-1198. Freebies run for one week unless the submitter calls to renew. Limit of five items per entry. For more information, call 221-0546.

appointments. The Army resident can assist pet owners with understanding their pet's behavior, and preventing, managing, or resolving pet behavioral problems. Common problems may include aggression, fear, anxiety, hyperactivity, inappropriate elimination and tail chasing. Call 671-3631/2245.

## Story Time at the Library

Preschool children are invited to the weekly story time at 10 a.m. Thursdays, at the Keith A. Campbell Memorial Library, Building 1222 on Harney Path. Call 221-4702.

## Education and Training Office

The 502nd Force Support Squadron Education and Training Office offers a variety of military testing, including Professional Military Education, Career Development Courses and Defense Language Proficiency testing. PME Testing is conducted on Tuesdays, CDC on Wednesdays, and DLPT on Thursdays. Education and Training also offers Armed Forces aptitude testing such as the Armed Forces Classification Test and Armed Forces Officer Qualification Test. Tests scheduled on an as-needed basis. To schedule military testing at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, call 221-0852.

## CHAPEL WORSHIP SCHEDULE

### PROTESTANT SERVICES

**Sundays**  
**Main Post (Gift) Chapel**  
Building 2200, 1605 Wilson Way  
8 and 11 a.m. - Traditional  
**Dodd Field Chapel**  
Building 1721, 3600 Dodd Blvd.  
8:30 a.m. - Samoan  
10:30 a.m. - Gospel  
**Army Medical Department Regimental Chapel**  
Building 1398, 3545 Garden Ave.  
9:20 a.m. - 32nd Medical Brigade Collective Service  
**Brooke Army Medical Center Chapel**  
Building 3600,  
3851 Roger Brooke Rd.  
10 a.m. - Traditional  
**Evans Auditorium**  
Building 1396, 1396 Garden Ave.  
11:01 - Contemporary  
"Crossroads"

### CATHOLIC SERVICES

**Daily Mass**  
Brooke Army Medical Center Chapel  
Building 3600,  
3851 Roger Brooke Rd.  
11:05 a.m., Monday through Friday

**Main Post (Gift) Chapel**  
Building 2200, 1605 Wilson Way  
11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday  
**Saturday**  
**Main Post (Gift) Chapel**  
4:45 p.m. - Reconciliation  
5:30 p.m. - Evening Mass  
**Sunday**  
8 a.m. - Morning Mass, AMEDD  
8:30 a.m. - Morning Mass, BAMC  
9:30 a.m. - Morning Mass, MPC  
11:30 a.m. - Morning Mass, BAMC  
12:30 p.m. - Morning Mass, DFC

### JEWISH SERVICES

8 p.m. - Jewish Worship,  
Friday, MPC  
8:30 p.m. - Oneg Shabbat,  
Friday, MPC

### ISLAMIC SERVICE

1:30 p.m. - Jummah, Friday,  
AMEDD

### LATTER DAY SAINTS SERVICES

1 p.m. - LDS Worship, Sunday,  
AMEDD

### BUDDHIST SERVICES

1 p.m. - Buddhist Services,  
Sunday, AMEDD

*For worship opportunities of faith groups not listed here, please visit the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Chaplain's website at <http://www.samhouston.army.mil/chaplain>.*

## ARMOR from P17

ders, front ballistic plate insertion, more adjustability in the waist area, and a collar that can accommodate the regulation hair (bun) styles of female Soldiers.

PEO Soldier has manufactured 100 of the new female Improved Outer Tactical Vests, known as IOTVs, thus far.

In August and September of 2012, the female IOTV was field tested by 19 Female Engagement Team, or FET, Soldiers at Fort Campbell, Ky.

Vests were also fielded to FET team Soldiers in 1st Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, at Fort Stewart, Ga., in November 2012.

Numerous vests have also been provided to

Special Operations Command for evaluation.

Many of these FET Soldiers have since deployed to theater and are continuing to evaluate and provide feedback on the vests.

PEO Soldier is planning to have adequate female IOTVs produced to begin fielding deploying units in early fall 2013.

In December 2011, the surgeon general directed the establishment of a Women's Health Task Force to evaluate issues faced by female Soldiers, both while deployed and while stationed in the continental United States.

This task force serves to amplify the collective voice of women in uniform.

## INSIDE from P19

### San Antonio Australian Football Club

High school and college athletes are invited to play in the San Antonio Australian Football Club. Practices held on Saturdays from 11-11:30 a.m. on JBSA-Fort Sam Houston at the fields between Artillery Post, New Braunfels, Stanley, and Liscum Roads. Call 382-5305, 830-556-9397 or 426-7655.

### JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Ticket Office

The ticket office has discount tickets for Disney on Ice "Rockin' Everafter," April 10 through 14, \$14 for plaza seating and \$44 for second-row floor seating. Discounted tickets for Spurs regular-season games are also available. The ticket office is located in the Sam Houston Community Center and is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Call 808-1378.

### Sportsman Range

The range is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. DOD card holders may shoot their personal pistols, rifles and shotguns. Firearms must be registered at JBSA-Camp Bullis. The range may close unexpectedly because of

weather or troop use. Range users should call before coming out for target practice. Call 295-7577.

### Theater Arts Program

Children, ages 4 and up, can take the stage after a long day at school in the Theater Arts Program at School Age Services, Building 1705. The cost is \$80 for a month of biweekly classes. Classes are 4-5 p.m. for ages 4-6; 5-6 p.m. for ages 7-10; and 6-7 p.m. for ages 11 and up. Call 221-3381.

### Home Child Care Providers Needed

Family Child Care on JBSA-Fort Sam Houston is looking for family members interested in providing licensed child care in their homes. Providers can earn additional income at home, full or part time. Call 221-3828.

### Before and After School Care Registration

Register your child for before and after school care at JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Parent Central, 221-4871. Warriors in Transition and their family members should register at Soldier Family Assistance Center or call 916-6377. Registration is ongoing until full.