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Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Fire Inspector Richard Campos and Sparky the fire dog visit with children at the library here on July 2 as a part of the Department of Defense Summer Reading Program, "Have Book, Will Travel!"

AF leaders stand behind civilians during tough furlough times

Acting Secretary of the Air Force Eric Fanning and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Mark A. Welsh III send the following furlough message to the Airmen of the United States Air Force:

As you all know, Department of Defense civilian furloughs began this week. With few exceptions, our civilian Airmen face involuntary furlough one day per week from the pay period starting July 8 through the pay period ending September 21.

Civilian furloughs are a measure of last resort and we deeply regret that the arbitrary



across-the-board cuts imposed by sequestration led to this result. Despite standing down combat flying units, reducing space and mobility opera-

tions, reducing weapon system support, cutting installation support and facility repairs and cancelling most travel, training and exercises, we must still take this painful action. We recognize that this action inflicts personal and financial hardships on our civilian Airmen and their families. We need all of our great Airmen to do the Nation's work, and furlough is not the way to reward our dedicated civilian workforce for their service. We're sorry this is happening.

While furloughs have real consequences for civilian Airmen, the reduction in produc-

tivity and capability resulting from this action will affect all Airmen. We appreciate your professionalism in dealing with this situation and promise we will continue to work with DoD and Congress to seek repeal of sequestration and an end to the frustration and mission impact it causes.

We could not be the world's greatest Air Force without the contributions of every part of our Total Force - active duty, Guard, Reserve, and civilian Airmen. Thank you for your service to our Air Force and our Nation. We're proud to stand beside

commentary

Are those steel-toe?

By Chief Msgt. Jose LugoSantiago,
Command Chief JBSA & 502nd ABW

In our roles as leaders, we are charged with developing and caring for people. This is no soft philosophy, believe me. Some get confused and think this is about going along, getting along...making everyone feel cozy. Nothing can be farther from the truth.

Developing and taking care of people is about taking one's responsibility seriously and taking action to correct the little things. We know our people can handle the tough and big tasks, but it is in the smallest of things that we know if we have the winning team. The old saying is true: "The extra separates the ordinary from the extraordinary."

I remember one of those caring-for-people leaders...It has been 21 years, but I still remember him. He was not the most charismatic leader but certainly extraordinary. (And yes, I didn't think of him that way back then!)

Every morning our flight chief was in

his office at least one hour before all of us young Airmen showed up to work. By the time we showed up, he had read through aircraft maintenance logs, sampled toolboxes for inspection, and walked the shop to inspect the job done the night before.

And if that was not enough, he had already taken time to get briefed by the night supervisor about everything that had happened while he was away. He was totally aware of mission priorities.

Under his leadership, it was not rare to be lined up in some sort of loose open-ranks formation weekly. I remember one of those mornings, "EVERYONE in the front lab... GET READY for inspection!"

So there we were: lined up being inspected. He would ask each one of us (all 95), "Are those steel-toe boots?" He would check our eyes to see where we have been the night before. That inspection time was his time to look at you, ask about your family, and ask you about the job assignment for the day.

Sounds odd that he would ask almost

every week if we were wearing steel-toe boots, but for him, it was important to leave no doubt. One week I was wearing new boots. He leaned and pressed the front of my boot with his finger just to confirm.

You see, the steel-toe boot is about safety, the safety of the troops when accomplishing industrial work in the shop or on the flight-line.

This chief's insistence on the little things kept us performing at the highest of standards, mishap free! And I believe, we could not have done it any other way. There were temptations, but discipline on the little things kept us from attempting to cross the line on big things.

These are old lessons I take with me every day. The little things matter. Am I prepared to begin my daily duties? Do I look at my troops often? Are they ready with the equipment needed to accomplish their jobs? If I don't walk around and face them, how would I know the answer to these questions?

Boots were made for walking. Get out of the office, look at your troops, look at their boots, and if in question, always ask, "Are those steel-toe...?"

Always motivated, Jose LugoSantiago

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NEWS IN BRIEF

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JULY 23

RETIREMENT PLANNING SEMINAR

A seminar for employees in the Federal Employee Retirement System is July 23, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Education Services Center 20, 1314 Hines Avenue.

The seminars provide information on the federal retirement system, Thrift Savings Plan, Social Security benefits, Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance and survivor benefits.

For additional information visit <http://sanantoniofeb.org>.

JULY 31

502ND ABW RECOGNITION EVENT

The 502nd Air Base Wing promotion ceremony is July 31, 3 p.m., in the Parr Officers Club at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Christina Warner at 671-5149.

AUG. 5-9

SNCO PROFESSIONAL ENHANCEMENT

A mandatory professional enhancement seminar for all master sergeant-selects is Aug. 5-9.

The seminar is designed to provide newly-selected master sergeants with an in-depth view of their increased supervisory, leadership and managerial responsibilities. It also provides assistance in making the transition to senior NCO status more effective.

Registration is on the Air Force portal and the deadline to register is July 26.

For more information, contact Master Sgts. Tracette Abney at 671-1575, Terri Harmon at 652-2525, Shokia Turner at 977-2040 or Alan Weary at 292-4308.

INFORMATIONAL

SAPR OFFERS ANNUAL TRAINING

The JBSA-Lackland Sexual Assault Prevention and Response office offers annual training every Wednesday.

The annual training is in addition to the training Community Advocates offer to units.

The classes are at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the SAPR classroom, Building 9020, Room 204.

Attendees must pre-register; walk-ins are not permitted.

To register, email 37TRW.CVK@us.af.mil.

For more information, call 671-7273.

Air Force directive prompts water conservation at JBSA

By Alex Salinas
JBSA-Randolph Public Affairs

While the San Antonio area is susceptible to extreme climate conditions of all kinds, especially drought, Joint Base San Antonio takes the lead to conserve water year-round.

"We are mandated to reduce our water use intensity by 2 percent per year from a baseline water use of 2007 to 2020," Aaron Farmer, JBSA water conservation manager, said. "The goal for the Air Force is to reduce its total water use intensity by a total of 26 percent."

To do this, all JBSA locations have tapped into recycled water.

"We purchase recycled water from the Cibolo Creek Municipality Authority on JBSA-Randolph and from the San Antonio Water System on JBSA-Fort Sam Houston and JBSA-Lackland," Farmer said. "There's also onsite water recycling, which includes reusing water at vehicle wash racks and capturing rainwater or air conditioning condensate for irrigation use."

In addition, sticking to the JBSA Drought Management Plan, which is similar to the SAWS drought restrictions, helps limit water use at locations like Randolph, where 193 million gallons of water were pumped for residential, commercial and industrial use in 2012, Ruben Ramos, Randolph energy manager, said.

While the number seems high, "our water intensity (or gallons divided by square feet) is the second lowest compared to other bases in Air Education and Training Command," which is 37 gallons per square foot, Ramos said.

Currently, JBSA is in Stage II of water restrictions. The JBSA Drought Management Plan can be viewed at <http://www.jbsa.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-120516-024.pdf>.

Water-saving projects in blueprint

Joint Base San Antonio Drought Management Plan Water Conservation Tips

- Install water-saving showerheads and faucets aerators as needed.
- Wash and dry full loads. If you are washing a small load, use the appropriate water-level setting.
- Take short showers instead of baths.
- If irrigation is permitted due to water restrictions, adjust sprinklers so that only your lawn is watered and not the house, sidewalk or street.
- Water your lawn and garden in the morning or evening when temperatures are cooler to minimize evaporation.
- Wash your fruits and vegetables in a pan of water instead of running water from the tap.
- Put food coloring in your toilet tank. If it seeps into the toilet bowl without flushing, you have a leak. Fixing it can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Teach your children to turn off faucets tightly after each use.
- Water your plants deeply but less frequently to encourage deep root growth and drought tolerance.
- Use sprinklers that deliver big drops of water close to the ground. Smaller water drops and mist often evaporate before they hit the ground.
- Repair water leaks at once.
- Wash only full loads in the dishwasher.

stages across all JBSA locations are also in place to support the Air Force mandate.

The replacement of showerheads, toilets, urinals and sink faucets with more energy-efficient models is planned for 80 facilities at Lackland.

"The large fixture replacement project will save about 22 million gallons of water per year and pay for itself in two years, with annual savings of \$150,000 after payback," Farmer said.

At Fort Sam Houston, an Energy Conservation Investment Program-reuse water project will substitute potable water with reuse water at cooling towers and for irrigation purposes, Farmer said.

Randolph is looking for an economical approach to apply water for irrigation in the area inside of the south taxiway, harvest rainwater on select buildings, construct sub-soil irrigation systems

and collect condensate from heating, ventilation and air-conditioning equipment, Bruce Dschuden, JBSA resource efficiency manager, said.

While Mother Nature plays a part in reducing the amount of water used in larger, water-cooled HVAC systems and for irrigation, "most of water use is non-discretionary, which means that we continue to use the same amount of water based on mission requirements regardless of the weather," Farmer said.

"Although it seems cooler than the previous year, the reality is that we had 6 percent less heating degree days this year than last year," Ramos added.

Heating degree days are a measurement that reflects the demand for energy needed to heat a building.

"Also, the amount of cooling degree days has been 6 percent higher than last year," Ramos added.

"This data shows us that this year's winter has been warmer, but longer."

While weather officials predict a cooler summer than last year, "we would need an extraordinarily cool summer to mitigate the drought," Dschuden said.

"Changing the 'culture' is the best bang for the buck," Farmer said. "If everyone on JBSA saved 1 gallon of water a day, we could save 30 million gallons per year."

Not letting water run during hand washing or tooth brushing, reducing shower times by one to two minutes and washing larger loads of clothes at once are some methods that can save hundreds of gallons of water per month.

"It's not just about taking shorter showers or turning off the water when we brush our teeth; it's also about quickly repairing leaks, reporting water waste and teaching each other and our children to use less," Farmer said. "We need our JBSA family and mission partners to help conserve water in any and every way they can."

Straight Talk Line

For current, automated information during a natural disaster, crisis or emergency, call your local Straight Talk line.

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston: 466-4630

JBSA-Lackland: 671-6397

JBSA-Randolph: 652-7469

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Sequestration Hours

Due to the civilian furloughs affecting more than 800,000 Department of Defense employees, the following establishments will operate on reduced hours.

The commissary is closed each Monday through Sept. 30.

The USAF Airman Heritage Museum and the USAF Security Forces Museum – Closed on Mondays, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Closed weekends and federal holidays.

Fitness Centers

Chaparral-

Monday –Friday, 4:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturday –Sunday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Warhawk-

Monday –Friday, 4:30 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Closed Weekends, federal holidays and family days.

Gateway-

Monday –Friday, 5:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Closed weekends, federal holidays and family days.

Kelly -

Monday –Friday, 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Closed weekends, federal holidays and family days.

Medina –

Monday –Friday, 5 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Closed weekends federal holidays and family days.

Gillum -

Monday –Friday, 5 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Closed weekends, federal holidays and family days.

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BMT HONORS

Congratulations to the following 71 Airmen for being selected as honor graduates among the 715 Air Force basic military trainees who graduated today:

320th Training Squadron*-Flight 433*

Triston Lauck
Seth Lilly
Adam Nicotra
Zachary Perkey
Christopher Waters

-Flight 444

Michelle Loper
Riley May
Valerie Ramos
Samantha Saulsbury

-Flight 453

Anthony Comer
Alexander Figueroa
Mark Lindsay
Jonathan Lyda

-Flight 454

Eric Miranda
Isaac Olgard
Spencer Tarter
Ricardo Cano
Zachary Huber

Benjamin Mason
Ian Mcgee
Evan Nay
James Prince

321st Training Squadron*-Flight 445*

Kyle Arnett
Seth Pratt
Christopher Simmons
Andrew Wheeler

-Flight 446

Daniel Abrams
Tyler Johnson
Matthew Jones

323rd Training Squadron*-Flight 451*

Johnathan Barrow
Jeconiah Jamir
Lyndon Stoudmire

-Flight 452

Samantha Mays
Ariel Powell

324th Training Squadron*-Flight 457*

Michael Carley
Patrick Oberlin
Thomas Raines

Michael Walker
Marshall Welch
-Flight 458
Denise Miller
Kalyn Schmig
Gretchen Schmoyer

326th Training Squadron*-Flight 449*

Benjamin Kochel
Christopher Lamermayer
-Flight 450

Duncan Tyler J
Kovacik Derek W
Myers Joseph R

331st Training Squadron*-Flight 447*

David Bernal Del Agua
Kevin Dutremble
Jordan Eicher
Stephen Eigel
Joshua Hidock
Christian Jenkins

-Flight 448

Franz Konczak
Nicolas Ramirez
Benjamin Ryan
Gabriel Weinburger
Garrett Arevian

Andres Benavides
Rodney Bosserman
Cameron Jackson
John Rosales
Nicholas Stanton
Jerrett Swarr
Jason Toledo

Top BMT Airman*-Flight 455*

Andrew Howell
-Flight 456
Andrew Bartkowiak
Joel Burger
Carmelo Hernandez
Christopher Marino

Most Physically Fit*-Male Airmen*

Cameron Jackson
331st TRS, Flight 448
Colin Fisher
331st TRS, Flight 447
Alejandro Lopez
331st TRS, Flight 448
Chase Meade
331st TRS, Flight 447
Michael Snipes
331st TRS, Flight 447

-Female Airmen

Amy Ferry
324th TRS, Flight 448
Nefertede Sterling
323rd TRS, Flight 452
Ashlee Barkeloo
320th TRS, Flight 444
Melissa Dudley
324th TRS, Flight 458

-Male Flights

331st TRS, Flight 447
331st TRS, Flight 448
320th TRS, Flight 443
323rd TRS, Flight 451
320th TRS, Flight 454
321st TRS, Flight 446
331st TRS, Flight 456
326th TRS, Flight 450
331st TRS, Flight 455
320th TRS, Flight 453
326th TRS, Flight 449
321st TRS, Flight 445
324th TRS, Flight 457

-Female Flights

320th TRS, Flight 444
323rd TRS, Flight 452
324th TRS, Flight 458

Town Hall Meetings

Town Hall Meetings have been announced for housing residents, dormitory residents and senior leaders working and living on Joint Base San Antonio. Brig Gen. Bob LaBrutta, 502nd Air Base Wing and Joint Base San Antonio commander, will be on hand to address questions from the audience.

The schedule is:

- JBSA-Lackland, Wed., 6 p.m. at the Bob Hope Theater
- JBSA-Randolph, Thurs., 6 p.m. at the Foulis Theater
- JBSA-Fort Sam Houston, July 24, 6 p.m. at the Evans Theater

AROUND JBSA-LACKLAND

IAAFA commandant sits down with International SOS class



U.S. Air Force Photo by Leslie Finstein

Col. Marc Stratton, Inter-American Air Forces Academy commandant, responds to a question during an International Squadron Officer School class lecture July 3 at the IAAFA Training Center at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland. Stratton shared his experience as a commander and also spent an hour answering leadership questions – all in Spanish – with the professional military education class. Officers from 12 Latin American partner nations and eight U.S. Air Force officers make up the current class, which graduates later this month.

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Cooking Safety

Cooking brings family and friends together, provides an outlet for creativity and can be relaxing. But did you know that cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and home injuries? By following a few safety tips you can prevent these fires.

"COOK WITH CAUTION"

- » Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- » Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- » If you are simmering, baking, roasting, or boiling food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- » Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from your stovetop.

IF YOU HAVE A COOKING FIRE...

- » Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- » Call **9-1-1** or the local emergency number after you leave.
- » If you try to fight the fire, be sure others are getting out and you have a clear way out.
- » Keep a lid nearby when you're cooking to smother small grease fires. Smother the fire by sliding the lid over the pan and turn off the stovetop. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- » For an oven fire turn off the heat and keep the door closed.



Cooking and Kids

Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.

FACTS

- ! The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking.
- ! Most cooking fires in the home involve the stovetop.



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 NFFA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

Courtesy of JBSA Fire Emergency Services

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Joint Base San Antonio Gate Hours

JBSA-Lackland

Phase I - began June 17

Base Operations

Automated PIN code access entry only

Crowden Gate 4 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily

Phase III – began June 21

Luke West

Inbound 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Monday through Friday
 Outbound 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
 Monday through Friday

Security Hill

Inbound 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Monday through Friday
 Outbound 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
 Monday through Friday

Phase IV – began Monday

Selfridge West Closed

Selfridge East

Inbound 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 Monday through Friday
 Outbound 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
 Monday through Friday

JBSA-Randolph

Began Monday

Main Gate (no change) 24/7

East Gate (no change)

Inbound 6:30 to 8:30 a.m.
 Monday through Friday
 Outbound 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
 Monday through Friday

West Gate 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday through Friday
 Closed Weekends and Holidays

JBSA-Fort Sam Houston

Phase I - began June 2

Wilson Gate 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Monday through Friday
 Closed weekends and holidays

SAMMC Beach Gate

6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Monday through Friday
 Closed weekends and holidays

Harry Wurzbach West Gate

Closed

New Braunfels Outbound only
 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Monday through Friday

Phase II – began June 16

Holbrook Gate Closed

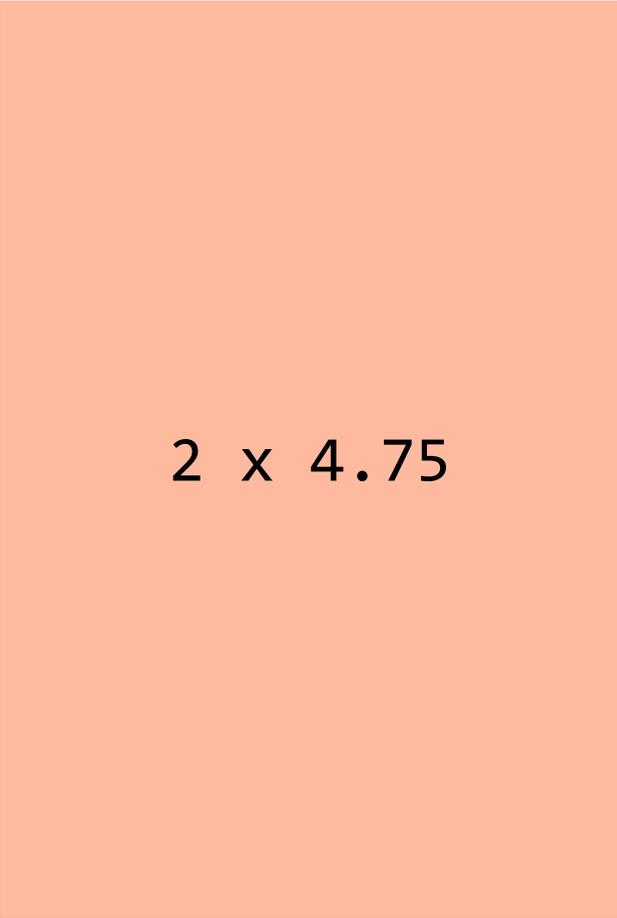
Nursery Gate

6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily

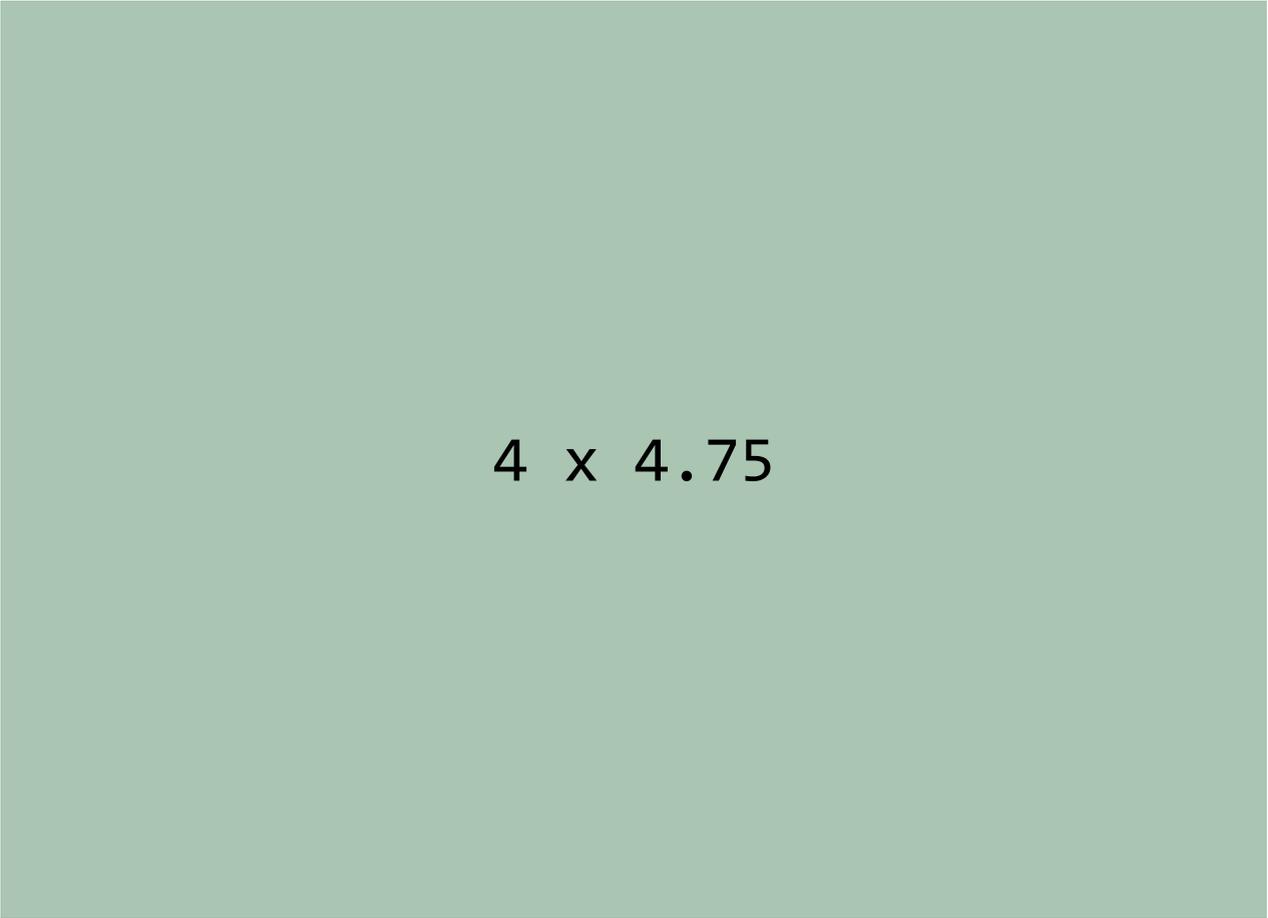
Winans Gate 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, open by a patrol 4:30 to 6 a.m. to allow house residents access to Harry Wurzbach. Winans and Nursery new hours have no impact to the elementary school bus route.

Jadwin Gate Posting reduced and no privately owned vehicles

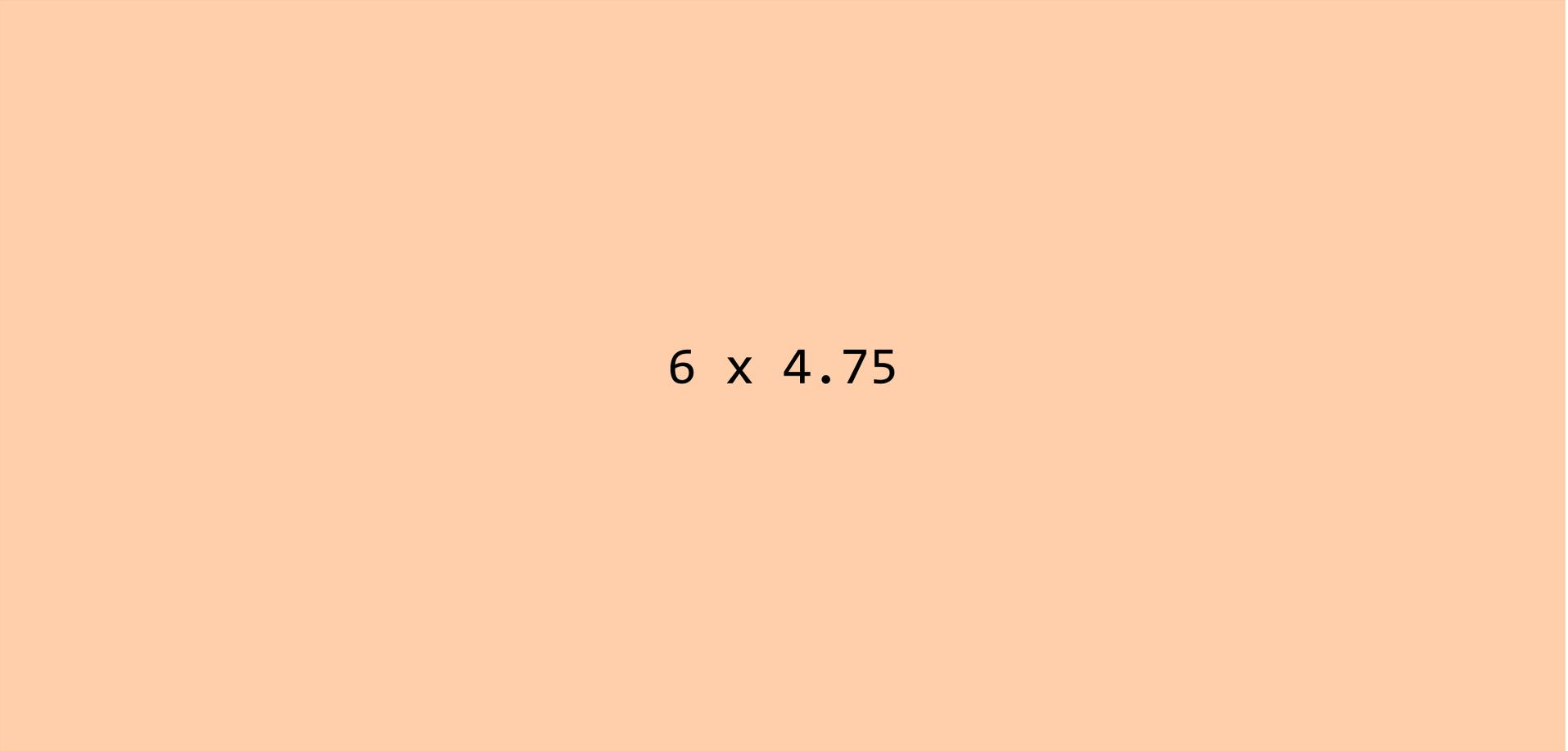
Phase III – Begins Sunday
 Personnel posted at all remaining gates will be reduced. Security patrols may be reduced as available manpower dictates.

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937th Training Support Squadron Mobile Medical Course Conducted in Lithuania

By Col Annata R. Sullivan
937th TRG

Members of the 937th Training Support Squadron conducted a mobile Expeditionary Medical Support Course during Saber Strike 2013 in Pabrade, Lithuania.

Saber Strike 2013 was a multi-national military exercise conducted from June 3-14 at various locations in Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia involving approximately 2,000 personnel from 14 countries. Major contributors to the exercise included Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Finland, France, Great Britain, North Atlantic Treaty Organization Multi-National Corps Northeast, Poland and the United States.

The goal of the exercise is to promote regional stability, strengthen international military partnerships, enhance multinational interoperability and prepare participating nations for multi-national contingency operations worldwide.



Photos by Alfredas Pliadis

U.S. and Lithuanian Medics demonstrate their Expeditionary Medical Support capability during a demonstration in Pabrade, Lithuania, during a Field Training Exercise. Lithuanian President, Dalia Grybauskait, observed the ongoing training event and was provided a guided walk-through the EMEDS facility by Maj Leticia Bland, U.S. Air Force, during a patient scenario.

The eight-member instructor team from Joint Base San Antonio-Camp Bullis included EMEDS Element Chief, Maj Roger Bermea along with Maj Leticia Bland, TSgt Melissa Rodriguez, TSgt Marketta Batiste, SSgt Adam Myers, SSgt Mohammed Huq, SSgt Jazan Harris and SSgt William Barnett.

The team conducted the formal EMEDS course for 26 airmen from the 31st Medical Group, Aviano AB, Italy, with all students and foreign military, using the EMEDS tents and equipment during the joint exercise.

Maj Bland briefed the Lithuanian President Dalia Grybauskait and representatives from 15 NATO countries. Maj Bermea and the instructors educated these VIPs during a walking tour of the EMEDS site while multi-national military students participated in patient scenarios.

The entire EMEDS cadre was coined by the Commander for Pabrade Camp, stating the EMEDS brief and walk-through was the highlight of the Lithuanian President's visit.



Saber Strike 2013 is a multi-national military exercise occurring at various locations in Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia, involving about 2,000 personnel from 14 countries. The exercise promotes regional stability, strengthens international military partnerships, enhances, multinational interoperability and prepares participating nations (Latvia, Finland, France, Estonia, Poland, Great Britain, United States and Lithuania) for multinational contingency operations worldwide.



Want to see more?

Scan code or watch online at:
<http://www.dvidshub.net/vid-eo/292961/saber-strike-2013-emeds>

344th TRS selected for Salvation Army honor

By Mike Joseph
JBSA-Lackland Public Affairs

The 344th Training Squadron was recently selected as the Military Volunteer of the Year by the Salvation Army-San Antonio Metropolitan Area Command.

The Detail Airman's Program within the squadron provides volunteers five days a week in seven-hour shifts – nearly 800 hours a month – to help the Salvation Army carry out its local mission.

"Your organization's support of the Salvation Army as we work to 'Do the Most Good' is remarkable," said Capt. Russell Czajkowski, Salvation Army area commander, in a notification letter to the squadron about the honor.

Through Salvation Army programs, the 344th TRS Airmen assist with food distribution through a joint venture between the Salvation Army and the San Antonio Food Bank, the American GI Forum-Stand Down, the Boys and Girls Club open house, the Southwest Divisional canteen inspection and deployment, the Angel Tree program, and daily maintenance.

Providing volunteer Airmen to the Salvation Army is only one program the squadron supports. The 344th TRS supplies Airmen daily for physical training detail, the Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Library, the Health and Wellness Center, and the Airman's

Attic. Airmen also work twice weekly at the San Antonio Bank.

"We oversee 180 to 200 Airmen a day," said Tech. Sgt. Laurel Maples, a 344th TRS military training leader. "During the summer, we have about 600 Airmen in the squadron and about 250 are on detail every day.

"We rotate the Salvation Army and the other ones that give volunteer opportunities to the Airmen for their Enlisted Performance Report," Maples said. "We want everyone to have an opportunity to get volunteer hours."

Airmen in the detail program have graduated Air Force Basic Military Training. On average, 40 Airmen arrive every Monday and are assigned to the squadron while awaiting medical clearance, permanent change of station orders or technical training

classes to begin.

In addition to the permanent volunteer details, the program also provides Airmen around JBSA-Lackland for maintenance, beautification and other details at the squadron, the 37th Training Group, the 37th Training Wing, and other base organizations.

"Most requests come from outside agencies," said Staff Sgt. David Lavallee, a 344th TRS military training leader. "Some are short requests and some are one-time instances. If we have enough Airmen to support a request, we will."

Lavallee also said Airmen assigned to the squadron are encouraged to take the College Level Entrance Program test.

"The first Thursday after they arrive, we send 15 to 20 Airmen for the CLEP test," he said. "We try to keep them busy."

	Daily	22 Days	Twice a Week	3 Months
PT DETAIL	7 hrs	770		2100
Library	6 hrs	660		1980
HAWC	6 hrs	660		1980
AIRMAN'S ATTIC	6 hrs	660		1980
FOODBANK Tue/Thur	5 hrs		240	720
SALVATION ARMY	7 hrs	770		2100

Total
10860
hours



Airmen First Class

Kristopher Beard
 Jeremy Blocker
 Samantha Champion
 Simone Coburn
 Anthony Flowers
 Carlito Hernandez
 Tier Miles
 Tealicia Morton
 Alicia Morton
 George Noelle
 Alema Noga
 Charles Thompson
 Jonathan Quinn

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Jaszmyrn Arsenault
 Kyrie Brewer
 William Carr
 Gabrielle Cartagena
 Catherine Egitto
 Shayn Heath
 Tiffany Johnson
 William Landry
 Arturo Morgan
 Jacob Roberts
 Fabio Tinjaca
 Jerry Walter

Clean sweep at drill down



Airman Kyrie Brewer (far right) gives commands to the 343rd Training Squadron regulation drill team at the 37th drill down competition. Below: The 343rd TRS exhibition weapons team shows off its rifle-twirling skills at the drill down.



By Mike Joseph
 JBSA-Lackland Public Affairs

It was a clean sweep for the 343rd Training Squadron drill team in the 37th Training Group's quarterly drill down competition at the Basic Military Training Reception Center June 29.

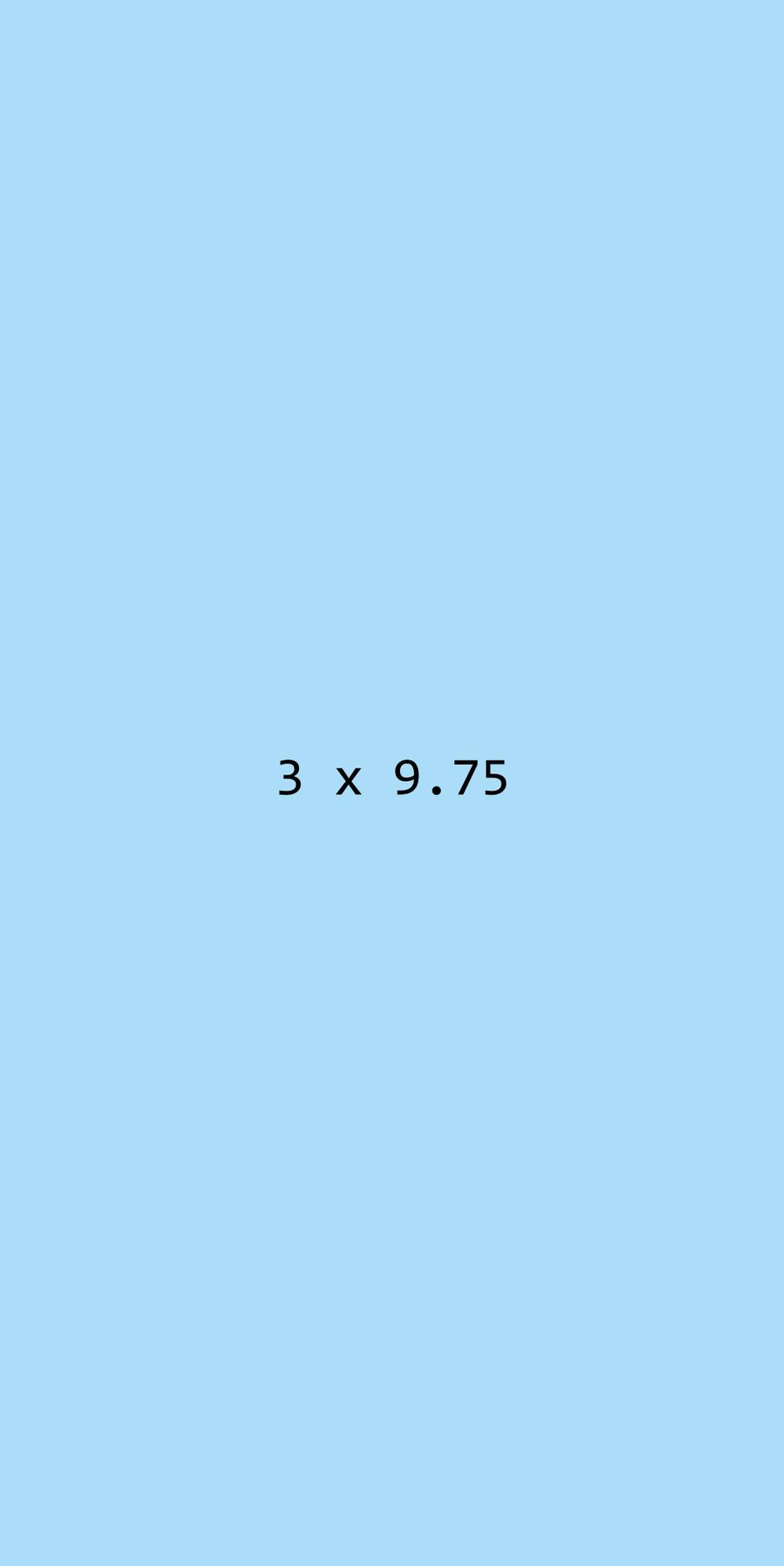
Drill teams from the 342nd TRS, 343rd TRS, 344th TRS, 324th TRS Holdover Airmen Development Program and 937th Training Group competed in the drill down. The competition is an opportunity for the drill teams to channel their discipline, engage in a competitive camaraderie, and showcase their excellence in front of nearly 2,000 fellow Airmen.

The 20-member all volunteer 343rd TRS team led by Airman Kyrie Brewer, regulation drill commander, and Airman Charles Thompson, exhibition drill commander, took first place overall and in each category of the competition: open ranks, regulation drill and exhibition weapon drill.

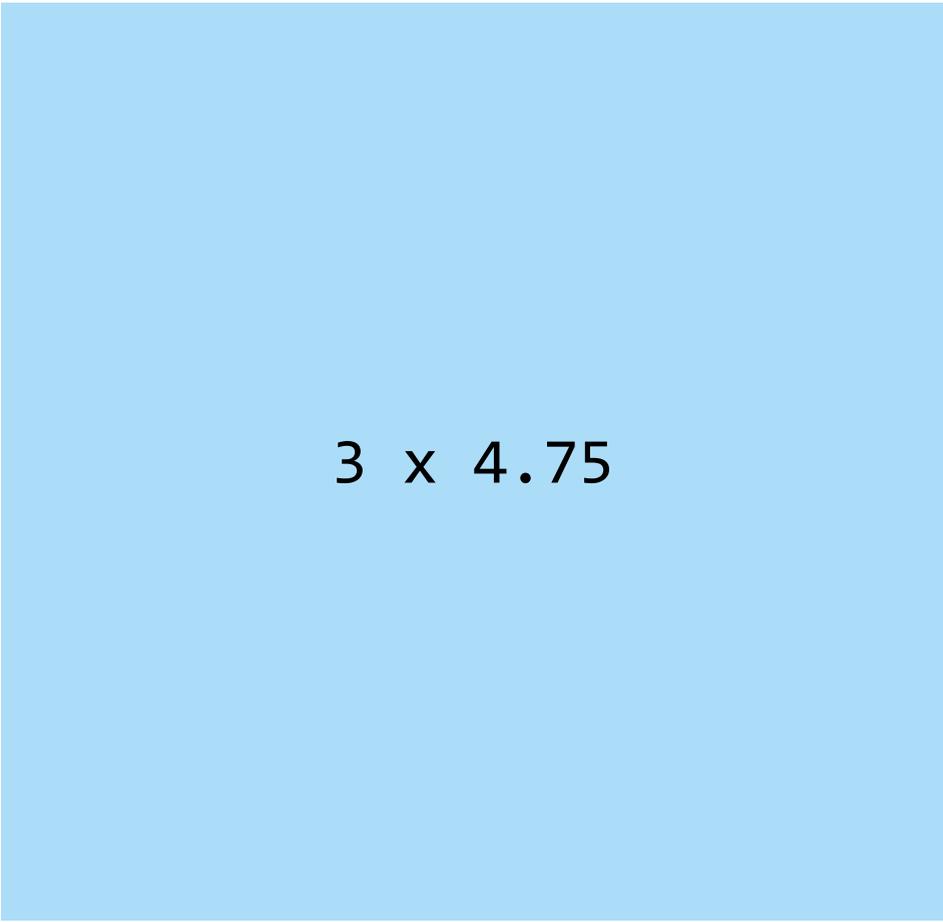
In the two months prior to the competition, the team averaged 2.5 hours of practice every day.

The team practiced on personal time after training each day and on weekends with their military training leader coaches, Staff Sgts. Christopher Demery and Jonathan Silvis.

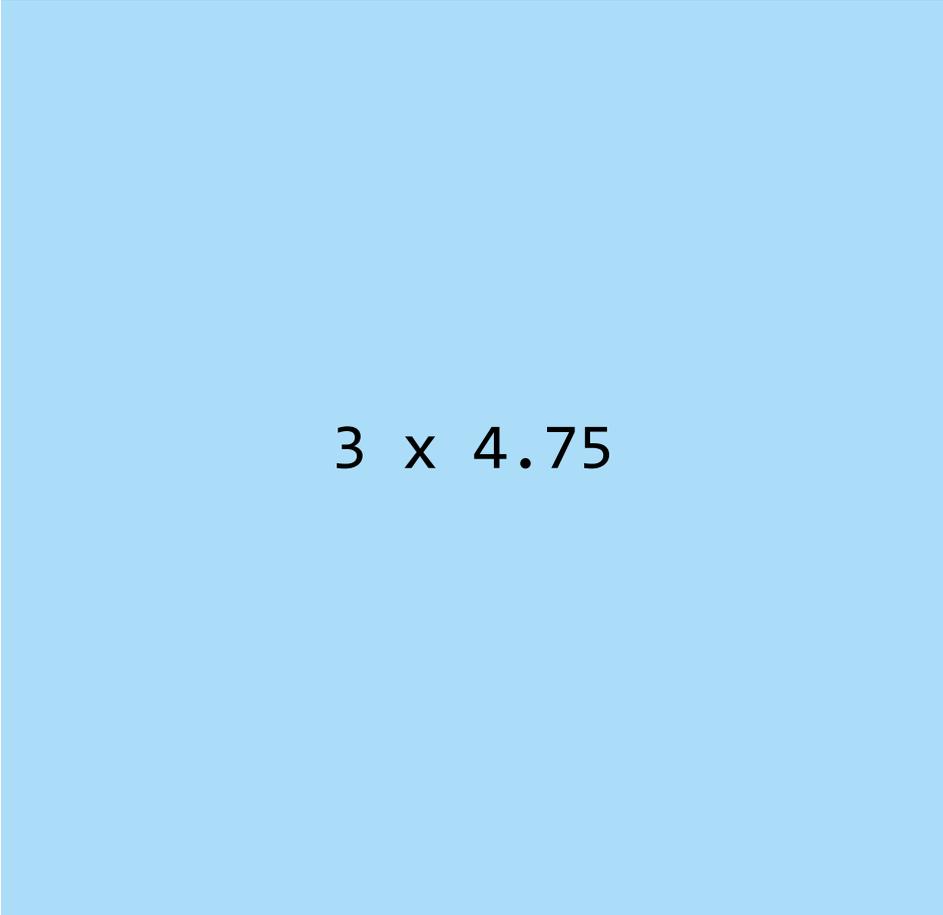
The 343rd TRS drill team also won the first-quarter competition in March.



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LOCAL BRIEFS

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MONDAY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible school at Freedom Chapel for children ages kindergarten through fifth grade begins Monday and continues through July 19, 5:30-8:30 p.m. each day.

For details, contact Rev. Beth Key at 671-6208.

TUESDAY

DROP-IN DENTAL SCREENINGS

Drop-in dental screenings by the JBSA-Lackland Pediatric Dental Department at the Dunn Dental Clinic for children of active-duty members and retirees are Tuesday, 8-10:30 a.m.. No appointment is necessary.

Children under 13 years of age will receive a dental screening exam, an assessment of the child's dental condition, and appropriate treatment recommendations or alternatives.

Parents should bring a copy of the child's treatment plan or referral letter from their private dentist.

Call 671-9836.

CUSTOMER SUPPLY TRAINING

The 802nd Logistics Readiness

Squadron's Equipment Accountability Element conducts three classes on the third Tuesday each month in the second floor conference room of Building 5160.

Tuesday's classes and start times are: Block I General Supply Training, 8 a.m.; Block II Bench Stock Training, 8:45 a.m.; and Block III Equipment Custodian Supplemental/Refresher Training, 9:30 a.m.

For additional information or to register, contact Ray Holland or Eugene Owens at 925-1140 or 671-3801.

JULY 24

RETIRED ENLISTED ASSOCIATION MEETING

Retired Enlisted Association Chapter 80 meetings are held at the Gateway Club every fourth Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m.

For details, call 658-2344.

JULY 29

CHILDREN'S THEATER AUDITIONS

Registration is under way for students entering grades 1 through 12 to audition for the Missoula Children's Theater. Pre-registration is at Arnold Hall Community Center or the Lackland Youth Center.

Auditions for "Snow White and

the Seven Dwarfs" are July 29, 10 a.m., at Arnold Hall.

Call 671-2619/2388.

INFORMATIONAL

STARBASE KELLY SUMMER PROGRAM

Starbase Kelly, sponsored by the 433rd Airlift Wing, offers a free summer educational program to children who are associated with Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, and who have completed either the fourth or fifth grade.

The program includes aircraft tours, scientific experiments, rocket building and launching, computer aided design, computer flight simulation, and teamwork and goal setting activities.

Two sessions are offered, July 15 through July 19 or July 29-Aug. 2. Program hours are 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each day.

The sessions are held at the 433rd AW ramp in Building 909. Children need to bring lunch.

Register via email by submitting the child's name, address, home telephone and grade completed this year. Include the sponsor's name, organization and duty phone, and the session requested to starbase@clear.net.

For additional information, e-mail Starbase Kelly or contact Ron Jackson at 925-5397.

FIT BLUE RESEARCH STUDY

Active-duty service members with a Body Mass Index greater than 25 may qualify for the Fit Blue research study, a partnership between the Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center and the University of Tennessee Health Science Center.

For information, call 855-FIT-NOW.

LACKLAND THRIFT SHOP CLOSURE

The Lackland Thrift Shop is closed for the month of July, and will reopen Aug. 6.

For details, call 671-3608 or visit <http://www.lacklandosc.org>.

NEW SYSTEM AT URGENT CARE CENTER

The Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center Urgent Care Center has implemented an appointment-based system.

Results from a recent survey indicated that an overwhelming majority of patients preferred an appointment-based system. The new system will allow patients to pinpoint the time they would like to be seen for

acute and non-emergency treatment, reducing wait time.

Call the Consult and Appointment Management Office at 916-9900.

PTSD EDUCATION CLASSES

The Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center Mental Health Clinic conducts Post Traumatic Stress Disorder education classes every first and second Wednesday of the month, 3-4:30 p.m.

The walk-in, two-part classes teach participants how to recognize normal reactions to trauma and the signs of possible PTSD. Classes also provide information on what to expect with the various treatment options available.

Classes are open to service members who may or may not have yet been diagnosed with PTSD. The classes are also open to family members who are TRICARE beneficiaries of service members who may have PTSD.

No advance sign-up is required and participants do not need to be seen at the clinic to attend. Check in at the clinic's front desk on the fourth floor.

Call Senior Airman Ashlee Thoryk at 292-7361.

CHAPEL SERVICES

PROTESTANT

Freedom Chapel -Building 1528

Sunday
Contemporary Service 9:30 a.m.
Religious Education 11 a.m.
Gospel Service 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday
AWANA 6 p.m.

Hope Chapel -Building 10338

Sunday
Contemporary Service 11 a.m.
Spanish Service 12:30 p.m.

Airmen Memorial Chapel -Building 5432

Sunday
Liturgical Service 8 a.m.

DENOMINATIONAL

BMT Reception Center -Building 7246

Sunday
Church of Christ 7:30 a.m.

Gateway Chapel -Building 6300

Saturday
Seventh-day Adventist 12:30 p.m.

Education Classroom -Building 5200 Rm. 108

Sunday
Christian Science 7:30 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

Freedom Chapel -Building 1528

Sunday
Religious Education 9 a.m.
Mass 11 a.m.
Monday - Friday
Daily Mass 11:30 a.m.

Hope Chapel -Building 10338

Saturday
Reconciliation 4:30 p.m.
Mass 5:30 p.m.

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN

Airmen Memorial Chapel -Building 5432

Sunday
Religious Education 8 a.m.

WICCA

BMT Reception Center -Building 7246

Sunday
Military Open Circle 12:30 p.m.

Freedom Chapel -Building 1528

1st Tuesday
Military Open Circle 6 p.m.

JEWISH

Airmen Memorial Chapel -Building 5432

Friday
Sabbath & Kiddush 4 p.m.

Sunday
Religious Education 12:30 p.m.

ISLAMIC

Global Ministry Center -Building 7452

Friday
Jummah Prayer 1:15 p.m.

Sunday
Religious Education 9 a.m.

BMT Reception Center -Building 7246

Sunday
Buddhist 10 a.m.

Gateway Chapel -Building 6300

First, third and fifth Saturdays
Eckankar 12:30 p.m.

First, third and fifth Saturdays
Baha'i 11 a.m.

OTHER FAITH GROUPS

THE CHURCH OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Hope Chapel -Building 10338

Tuesday
Religious Education 6:30 p.m.

Thursday
LDS Institute 6:30 p.m.

Sunday
LDS Service 8 a.m.

JBSA-LACKLAND

KEY FAMILY SUPPORT RESOURCES

Air Force Aid Society	671-3722
Airman & Family Readiness Center	671-3722
Airman's Attic	671-1780
American Red Cross	844-4225
Base Post Office	671-1058
Bowling Center	671-2271
DEERS	800-538-9552
Exceptional Family Member Program	671-3722
Family Child Care	671-3376
Legal Office	671-3362
Library	671-3610
Medical Appointment Line	916-9900
MPF ID Cards	671-6006
Outdoor Recreation	925-5532
TRICARE Info	800-444-5445
Thrift Shop	671-3608

Enlisted Spouses' Club	http://www.lacklandesc.org
Force Support Squadron	http://www.lacklandfss.com
Lackland ISD	http://www.lacklandisd.net
Officers' Spouses' Club	http://www.lacklandosc.org
JBSA Public website	http://www.jbsa.af.mil
My Air Force Life	http://www.MyAirForcelife.com

For more details, contact Freedom Chapel - 671-4208 • Gateway Chapel - 671-2911 • Hope Chapel - 671-2941

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Family Support Events

ALL CLASSES, SEMINARS, MEETINGS AND EVENTS ARE HELD AT THE AIRMAN AND FAMILY READINESS CENTER, BUILDING 1249, UNLESS NOTED BELOW. CALL AFRC AT 671-3722 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

FRIDAY

- ▶ Air Force Basic Military Training spouse and parents' seminar, BMT Reception Center, Building 7246, noon. For details, call 800-973-7630.

MONDAY

- ▶ Family readiness briefing, mandatory for personnel deploying longer than 30 days or going on remote assignments, 10:30-11 a.m.
- ▶ Resume writing techniques, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ▶ Post deployment briefing, required for all Airmen returning from deployment, 802nd Logistics Readiness Squadron IDRC briefing room, Building 5160, 2:30-3 p.m.

TUESDAY

- ▶ American Veterans national service officer available by appointment, 8 a.m. to noon. For details, call 773-354-6131.

WEDNESDAY

- ▶ Newcomer's orientation briefing,

mandatory for personnel new to JBSA-Lackland, Gateway Club, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

- ▶ Federal employment process by the Office of Personnel Management, 1-4:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

- ▶ Air Force Basic Military Training spouse and parents' seminar, BMT Reception Center, Building 7246, 1 p.m. Call 800-973-7630 or 671-4057.

JULY 19

- ▶ Federal resume process, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ▶ Air Force Basic Military Training spouse and parents' seminar, BMT Reception Center, Building 7246, noon. Call 800-973-7630 or 671-4057.

JULY 22

- ▶ Five-day Transition Assistance Program: mandatory pre-separation briefing and Form 2648 are required prerequisites, 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- ▶ Family readiness briefing, mandatory for personnel deploying longer than 30 days or going on remote assignments, 10:30-11 a.m.
- ▶ Post deployment briefing, required for all Airmen returning from deployment, 802nd Logistics Readiness Squadron IDRC briefing room, Building 5160, 2:30-3 p.m.

JULY 23

- ▶ Transition Assistance Program, 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- ▶ American Veterans national service officer available by appointment, 8 a.m. to noon. Call 773-354-6131.

JULY 24

- ▶ Transition Assistance Program, 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- ▶ Newcomer's orientation briefing, mandatory for personnel new to JBSA-Lackland, Gateway Club, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

JULY 25

- ▶ Transition Assistance Program, 7:45

a.m. to 4 p.m.

- ▶ Air Force Basic Military Training spouse and parents' seminar, BMT Reception Center, Building 7246, 1 p.m. Call 800-973-7630 or 671-4057.

JULY 26

- ▶ Transition Assistance Program, 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- ▶ Air Force Basic Military Training spouse and parents' seminar, BMT Reception Center, Building 7246, noon. Call 800-973-7630 or 671-4057.

JULY 29

- ▶ Family readiness briefing, mandatory for personnel deploying longer than 30 days or going on remote assignments, 10:30-11 a.m.
- ▶ Interview with Confidence, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ▶ Post deployment briefing, required for all Airmen returning from deployment, 802nd Logistics Readiness Squadron IDRC briefing room, Building 5160, 2:30-3 p.m.

Monthly Meetings

ENLISTED SPOUSES' CLUB

The Lackland Enlisted Spouses' Club meets every third Tuesday of the month at the Balfour Beatty Community Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m. For more information, visit <http://www.lacklandesc.org>.

OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB

The Lackland Officers' Spouses' Club meets monthly. For dates and times, or more information, visit <http://www.lacklandesc.org>.

MILITARY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

The Military Council of Catholic Women meets the first Friday of the month, 9:30 a.m., at Freedom Chapel. For additional information, call 671-4208.

On the web
<http://www.lacklandfss.com>

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Fit to Wed:

NCO's spouse prepares for big day



Vivian Velez, wife of Staff Sgt. Luis Velez, Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, performs a scissors kick to workout her abdominals. Velez has been working out for the past 10 months with the goal of fitting in her wedding dress. The couple plans to officially tie the knot during a church service Saturday after a justice of the peace wedding in 2008.

Story and photo by Jose T. Garza III
JBSA-Lackland Public Affairs

As a spouse of a staff sergeant writhes in pain from doing abs and leg exercises, she knows that the aches she experiences after each set will be worth it in the end.

Vivian Velez, wife of Staff Sgt. Luis Velez from the Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency, has been working hard in the gym to prepare for a day every woman dreams about: Her official wedding day.

She has been training under the tutelage of Mike White, Kelly Fitness Center trainer, for 10 months with the goal of shedding weight to fit in her wedding dress.

The couple was married five years ago by a justice of the peace, but they plan to reaffirm the marriage during a church ceremony Saturday.

Her goals carry beyond Saturday though. Velez also wants to continue building muscle and staying fit after halting exercise for a few years. She is currently in the 130-pound range.

Her dedication toward achieving her goals has been worthwhile after struggling with exercises early on. "I've gained muscle and toned since taking the class," Velez said. "I don't want to lose too much weight because I don't want to get too tiny.

"I remember when I started, it was hard, but he would let me do a variation of an exercise until I had the strength to do it fully. You have to keep trying to do the exercise; you can't just get the variation of it and stick with it.

"For example, I could not do situps without someone holding my feet, so (White) would put his foot on my feet. He had to help me out with that because, if he didn't, I couldn't do situps. After awhile, I asked him if I could try 10 situps by myself. I did 10 by myself, took a break, and did another 10 situps by myself. Eventually, I got to the point I could do 20 pushups by myself.

White jokes that he tricks Velez and other clients to do different exercises that

they have never done before. He likes mixing up the routine for his clients.

"I always try to keep it new," White said. "They give me the motivation to create exercise programs for them."

The fitness trainer incorporates full body workouts that strengthen the core and upper body, arms, and legs in a 30-45 minute span. He also implements strength-training exercises where clients perform squats and lunges with weights along with leg presses, extensions and curls. They perform various exercises on repeat with new ones implemented during each set of the session. Breaks after each exercise and set are far and few.

Velez joked that she does not like White much after class because of the continuous exercises, but she would recommend people take his classes.

"He has a lot of knowledge as far as what people can do to achieve their fitness goals," Velez said. "He is also a good motivator and has a lot of patience with us because some trainers get upset when you complain about being hurt. He tells you, 'you will be fine and remember that you got your wedding coming up.'"

White gets gratification from witnessing progression in class.

"I feel proud that I have done something good for someone," he said. "To see someone work hard for something, I feel very proud. It validates what I do (as a fitness trainer) because I'm instructing someone to attain a better quality of life."

If you are looking for a personal trainer to help you with your fitness goals, call White at the Kelly Fitness Center at 925-4848 for information.

AROUND JBSA-LACKLAND

Retired Chief Attends Great-Grandson's Graduation from Security Forces Academy



Courtesy photo

Airman 1st Class Codie Carlson with his great-grandfather, retired Chief Master Sgt. Robert Smiley at the 343rd Training Squadron, Team 7 graduation here June 28. Smiley retired from the Air Force in 1974 after serving 21 years. Thirty-nine years after his retirement, Smiley watched his great grandson Carlson graduate from the Air Force Security Forces Academy. Carlson will be assigned to Whiteman AFB, Mo.

UPCOMING

YOUTH BASKETBALL

The Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Youth Center needs volunteer scorekeepers for the upcoming summer basketball program from Saturday to Aug. 23.

Volunteers are also needed on Saturdays between the hours of noon and 5 p.m. and on some Thursday evenings in August.

Contact Johnny Bailey at 210-394-0437 or Ruben Rodriguez at 671-2611 for additional information.

9/11 COMMEMORATIVE RUN

The Robert D. Gaylor NCO Academy will host the Joint Base San Antonio 9/11 Commemorative Run Sept. 11 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the 1.5 mile track on JBSA-Lackland.

The run is open to all JBSA Department of Defense cardholders and dependents. Call Tech Sgt. Debra Flowers at 671-3766 or Tech Sgt. Melissa Nyman at 671-0321 for additional information.

SPORTS PHYSICALS AVAILABLE

Avoid back to school rush and schedule your sports physical today. There will not be a mass physical day held at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland this year. Many extra appointments are available so contact your clinic via phone, Relay Health, or call the appointment line at 210-916-9900 to book with your primary care provider.

MIXED MARTIAL ARTS CLASS AVAILABLE

The Chaparral Fitness Center offers a mixed martial arts class Mondays and Fridays at 6 p.m. Call the Chaparral at 671-2401 or ask the front desk for more details.

GROUND COMBAT.

The Chaparral Fitness Center offers a Ground Combat class Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p.m. Call 671-2401 or ask the front desk for additional information.



New changes to emergency 911

There are important changes to the Emergency 911 system here.

For many years the JBSA-Lackland community has used the local emergency phone number 671-0911 to report an emergency from your cell phone and off-base lines such as Privatized Family Housing phones. As of Aug 1, this line will be disconnected.

The only emergency phone number for JBSA-Lackland will be the standard 911.

The Emergency Communication Center updated the 911 system with efficient time saving features. The new system will

accurately pin point the geographic location of the caller.

Always remember that in an emergency, call 911 immediately from any landline or mobile phone. An emergency is any situation that requires immediate assistance from the police, fire department or ambulance.

If you are not sure whether the situation is a true emergency, call 911 and dispatcher will determine whether you need emergency assistance.

When you call, be prepared to answer the dispatcher's questions, which may

include:

- Location of the emergency
- Your phone number
- Nature of the emergency
- Details about the emergency

Remember, the dispatcher's questions are important to get the right kind of help to you quickly. Do not hang up until the 911 dispatcher instructs you to do so. Follow the dispatcher's instructions.

If you have any questions, please call the JBSA-LACKLAND fire department at 671-2921 for clarification or guidance.

JBSA youth teams participate in PGA-sponsored junior golf league

By Alex Salinas
JBSA-Randolph Public Affairs

A team of youngsters from each Joint Base San Antonio location hit the links for competition in a local PGA Junior Golf League, an experience that not only enhances their golf skills but teaches teamwork.

This is JBSA's first year participating in the league, which ends in July.

Three teams from JBSA and two other clubs from the city play against each other in a handful of weekend matches. Upon the league's ending, JBSA golf officials plan to assemble an "all-star" team of players to send to a regional meet in August.

"The program is unique because it operates like Little League Baseball and lets kids work together in a team setting," Troy Gann, JBSA-Randolph golf course manager, said.

Gann said his squad of 16 youth practices every Thursday and rotates in two-person groups during matches so each child gets playing time.

"The idea is to send out twosomes who substitute every three holes (called a flag)," Joseph Mendez, JBSA-Fort Sam Houston golf course director, whose team consists of 13 players, said.

Pairing children not only reinforces their reliance on a team, but prepares them for middle school and high school golf competition, Brandon Ellis, JBSA-Lackland golf course operations manager, said.

"The league is open to all skill levels, so each child can go as far as he or she wants," Ellis said. "But it's all modeled from the team concept."

Mendez said the junior golf league's debut benefits Air Force members and their family for two reasons: It helps socialize children in the manner of a club, and it gives parents an affordable option.

"At \$50 per child, parents are excited to have kids involved in a sport that is considered cost-prohibitive," Mendez said. "The cost covers practices, matches and trophies."

The first match pitted Randolph against Fort Sam Houston, while Lackland played the Northcliffe Golf Club, based in Cibolo.

"I anticipate this getting bigger next year," Gann said. "The kids are all smiles and the parents are having a great time watching them on the greens."

For more information, call the Fort Sam Houston golf course at 222-9386, Lackland golf course at 671-2517 and Randolph golf course at 652-4653.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Alexandria Slade
Sophia Jinenez, PGA Junior Golf League member, putts the ball June 27 at the Randolph Oaks Golf Course, while her teammate, Karina Duran, waits for her turn.