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## Proclamation urges community to unite

By Erin Murray  
*Army Flier Staff Writer*

Fort Rucker senior leaders and community members gathered Monday to begin a month of Domestic Abuse Awareness activities.

The reading and signing of a proclamation acknowledged the Army's efforts to prevent domestic abuse by taking united action as a community.

The proclamation, issued and signed by Maj. Gen. Anthony G. Crutchfield, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Fort Rucker commanding general, outlines the Army's commitment to providing services and support to Soldiers, Family members and Department of the Army civilians, especially those services that "create a climate of safety and respect" by "emphasizing the negative effects domestic abuse has on Family readiness."

"It was our first proclamation signing, and it went really well. Once the proclamation was signed by General Crutchfield, Col. James A. Muskopf, garrison commander, took the next step. Having those senior leaders there was so important, because they will encourage Soldiers to participate and support this effort," said Luticia Trimble-Smith, FAP manager.

After reading the proclamation, Muskopf spoke briefly about the community's commitment to preventing, reporting and supporting victims of domestic abuse. He then signed the proclamation, along with more than 90 members of the community.

"We can stop this," said Muskopf, echoing this year's theme for Domestic Abuse Awareness month "Together we can end domestic abuse: act now."

Crutchfield's proclamation stressed the importance of the many organizations available to the community, including FAP, the New Parent Support Program, Military Family Life Consultants and chaplains, stating that these partnerships can "help Families deal with the challenges that can lead to abuse."

At the event, FAP partnered



PHOTOS BY ERIN MURRAY

Col. James A. Muskopf, Fort Rucker garrison commander, signed the Domestic Abuse Awareness Month proclamation issued by Maj. Gen. Anthony G. Crutchfield, U.S. Army Aviation Center of Excellence and Fort Rucker commanding general, at a ceremony Monday.

with many other Fort Rucker organizations, including Army Substance Abuse Program, Social Work Services, Picerne Military Housing and Lyster Army Health Clinic Preventive Medicine, to provide information and representatives for the event.

"Partnering with the community is important. We can't do this alone. We want to encourage the community to make a commitment to let someone know," said Trimble-Smith

Army Substance Abuse Program, one of the partners at the proclamation signing and throughout the month of October, assisted by setting up informational awareness displays and assisting with cutting the cake provided by Picerne Housing. The partnership was because of the connection between substance abuse, mental health and domestic abuse, said Denise Clarke, ASAP Risk Reduction program coordinator.

"The proclamation signing

strengthens the Army Family because it calls our attention to the problem by showing the attendees that we're not sweeping this information under a rug, but putting it up front with the intent to end domestic violence and restore the Army Family unit. I think the greatest thing we can do is speak out against domestic violence. We need to let those around us know that domestic violence is unacceptable," she said.

Domestic Abuse Awareness Month events will continue throughout the month, with Wear Purple day Oct. 13 and the "In Her Shoes: Living with Domestic Violence" presentation for commanders and senior leaders, Oct. 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wings Chapel; and Family game night Oct. 21, 5-7 p.m. at the Commons.

For more information on Domestic Abuse Awareness events, or to find out about preventing, reporting and supporting victims of Domestic Abuse, call 255-3898.



During October, Sgt. Ted E. Bear is promoting Domestic Abuse Awareness Month with his purple super-hero inspired costume. Members of the community are encouraged to follow Sgt. Bear's lead and wear purple Oct. 13 to raise awareness.



PHOTO BY RUSSELL SELLERS

Charmeka Brown, Fort Benning, Ga., Blood Drawing Center medical technician, draws blood from Spc. Lance Swentesky, D Co., 1st Bn., 13th Avn. Regt. heavy equipment operator, during an Armed Service Blood Program blood drive at Fortenberry-Colton Physical Fitness Facility Feb. 25.

## Blood drive helps Soldiers, local Families, Lyster

By Russell Sellers  
*Army Flier Staff Writer*

Soldiers downrange can face any number of challenges, but when they need an emergency supply of blood, it can be scarce.

That's where the Armed Service Blood Program comes in. It puts

on blood drives across the country with the express purpose of supplying much-needed blood to Soldiers currently deployed to war zones, according to Karla Moorehead, Fort Rucker blood program coordinator.

The next blood drive here is Oct. 14 from noon to 8 p.m. at Fortenberry-

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## Former SMA visits, addresses NCOA grads

By Russell Sellers  
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A former Sergeant Major of the Army told the more than 100 members of the Noncommissioned Officer Academy graduates of classes 11-004 and 11-005 that he didn't get into the Army to become a leader.

At the time of his enlistment, retired Sgt. Maj. Richard A. Kidd, the ninth Sergeant Major of the Army, only intended to serve for three years, he said. But, he wound up being in for 34 years.

"I did not manage my career to become the Sergeant Major of the Army," he said. "When I came in, the position of Sergeant Major of the Army didn't exist. I got in to be all I could be, even for just that three-year period."

Kidd added that the way he was able to be successful was to make and follow three rules: Do everything you do to the best of your ability, take advantage of every opportunity, and learn from both good leaders and bad leaders.

"Some people say, 'I don't pay attention to a bad leader,'" he said. "I say that's a mistake. If you watch bad leaders, many times



PHOTO BY RUSSELL SELLERS

Retired ninth Sgt. Maj. of the Army Richard A. Kidd speaks to a group of recent NCOA graduates during a graduation ceremony at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum Friday.

they will save you from falling in a hole. Let them fall in it, and you check it off."

He continued by advising the new NCOs to be mindful of how they act once they are

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# PERSPECTIVE

## Army Family Covenant — the commitment endures

By Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch  
*Installation Management  
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General*

Four years ago this month, the Army announced the Army Family Covenant, which promised to provide Soldiers and Families a quality of life commensurate with their service.

To help Soldiers and Families stressed by years of war, the Army substantially increased funding for programs in areas such as Soldier and Family services, behavioral health, housing, child care, education and employment.

Today, headlines about defense budget cuts are prompting people to ask whether the Army is going to keep its promises.

The short answer is yes. Leaders change and situations change, but the Army's commitment to Soldiers and Families endures.

Under the AFC, the Army de-



Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch

veloped and enhanced a range of programs that build Soldier and Family strength, resilience and readiness. These programs include Survivor Outreach Services, Child, Youth and School Services, New Parent Support, the Military Spouse Employment Program, Strong Bonds and the Wounded Warriors Sports Program.

Under the AFC, the Army has provided new and renovated housing for thousands of Families and

single Soldiers, and constructed more than 150 new child care and youth centers. The Army has increased the number of Military Family Life Consultants, who provide confidential non-medical counseling for Soldiers and Families, and the number of behavioral health care providers, who provide behavioral health services before, during and after deployment.

Under the AFC, the Army has worked hard to reach the whole Army Family, including geographically dispersed Soldiers and Family members. Toward that end, the Army supports a number of services away from installations, such as community-based child care and Army National Guard Family Assistance Centers, and provides Army OneSource, which enables 24/7 access to information and services regardless of location.

At a time when the Army is restoring its balance, the AFC has been the catalyst for enhancing and standardizing the quality of support for Soldiers and Families.

And now it is time to ensure our investment has made a difference in the lives of Soldiers and Families.

Program review has been built into the Army Family Covenant from day one. It has always been part of the AFC plan to assess program effectiveness, consolidate, and make adjustments, to ensure there is no overlap or gaps between programs.

So the current fiscal situation does not change our course but it does put more gas in our tank. It intensifies the need to streamline and make sure we continue to provide the most valuable programs.

For the programs under the AFC umbrella, the majority of which are run by Installation Management Command, customer feedback is a critical part of our ongoing evaluation. We gather customer feedback partly by looking at which services are used most often, and partly by asking customers about their experiences, through garrison focus groups and surveys such as the

Army OneSource Army Family Covenant survey, just completed Sept. 1.

We will be asking for feedback again in January, when Soldiers, Family members, civilians and retirees will receive a survey on their needs, usage and satisfaction with Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation programs. I urge everyone to take this and every other opportunity to tell us about the programs and services that are valuable to you. Your feedback impacts decisions about programming.

Like every other government organization, every business, and every Family, we are taking a close look at our use of resources during this time of fiscal uncertainty. We have to determine the most efficient, most effective ways to reach out to the entire Army Family and provide support in the areas of greatest need. But we are starting from a clear, non-negotiable bottom line: the Army will keep its promise to Soldiers and Families.

## This month in Army Aviation history

This month we're spotlighting the October 1961 issue of the U.S. Army Aviation Digest. This issue features:

### The Mohawk's Martin-Baker Seat

With the advent of the AO-1-AF Mohawk into the Army's inventory, part of its equipment included the Martin-Baker ejection seat. The seat's arrival prompted an ambivalent reception. Comments ran good, bad, indifferent, comical, severe, concerned, and, last but not least, unbelieving. This article is devoted to the proponents of the latter.

### Routine Flight

On a routine mission, we filed VFR out of Managua via direct Guatemala City (280 miles) with three hours en route and four hours fuel on board our L-20. At this time our departure, destination, and en route (San Salvador) weather was definitely VFR.

### New Armament Branch Added by USAAB

The emphasis being placed on helicopter armament in military and industrial circles has brought about the creation of a new Armament Branch in the Test Division of

the U.S. Army Aviation Board, Fort Rucker.

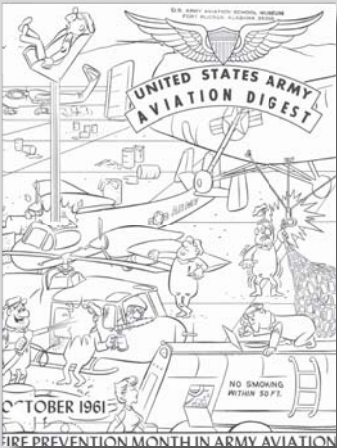
### Flight Operations Specialist Course Underway at Fort Rucker

The Army's need for a Flight Operations Specialist Course (MOS 907) was filled Aug. 16 when the first class convened at the U.S. Army Aviation School, Fort Rucker.

### Beware of the Imps!

... and more!

Download this issue of the U.S. Army Aviation Digest at <http://bit.ly/av8-1061>



## Army Flier gets facelift to start new fiscal year

By Jim Hughes  
*Command Information Officer*

Welcome to the new look of the *Army Flier*.

The staff decided it was time for a change, and in a sense, went

back to the future with a more traditional newspaper design.

The front page of the paper is where you'll see the biggest change, where we went with a more traditional flag, moved the briefs to Page A3, and did away with the weather. Since forecasts

change so much, the World Wide Web is probably a better place to get your weather, and you can also check out Fort Rucker Weather Station's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/ftruckerwx>.

But you'll see change else-

where, as well, as each section gets a new look on the fronts, and we made a few changes to the on-post and Wiregrass pages to make them easier on the eyes.

So, take a look at the new *Army Flier*, and please let us know what you think. You can

call us at 255-1239, or drop us a note on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/ftrucker>.

Thank you for reading the *Army Flier*, and please let us know your ideas for articles, photos and areas for improvement!

## Rotor Wash

“Monday we celebrate the great discoverer Christopher Columbus. What do you consider to be one of the greatest modern innovations and why?”



Sgt. Darnell Kitchens,  
A Co. 1st Bn. 11th Avn.  
Regt.

“Airplanes, because they connected us to the rest of the world.”



CW2 Scott Kuhn,  
TDY en route from Fort  
Hood, Texas

“Technology in general—it runs everything.”



Corey Conner,  
military spouse

“There really haven't been many new discoveries, just improvements on old things.”



April Smith,  
military spouse

“Childcare innovations, like the stroller. That's what I benefit from most.”



Pat Bianco,  
retired military

“Computers and the Internet opened the whole world up to everyone.”

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# Box check returns to company-grade OERs

By C. Todd Lopez  
*Army News Service*

WASHINGTON — For company-grade officers, the senior-rater “box check” is back on officer evaluation reports.

The Army made multiple changes to officer evaluation policy to better identify officer talent and potential. Those changes took effect Saturday, and apply to OERs with a “thru” date of Nov. 1 and later.

Included among the changes are modifications to the senior-rater successive assignments list, accountability for completion of a multi-source assessment and feedback/360, a reduction in short-term evaluations, and the reintroduction of the senior-rater box check for company-grade officers. In addition, the OER support form is now optional.

The OER form — Department of the Army Form 67-9 — presents the “above center of mass,” “center of mass,” “below center of mass, retain,” and “below center of mass, do not retain” check boxes for officers above the rank of captain. But for OERs with a “thru” date of Nov. 1 and later, the box check is now displayed for all Army officers, except chief warrant officers 5 and major generals.

“We’re bringing back honest feedback both for the rater and the senior rater. It goes back to rater accountability for fairly and accurately accessing their Soldiers,” said George Piccirilli, chief, Evaluation, Selection and Promotion Division, Adjutant General Directorate, U.S. Army Human Resources Command. “When you bring back the senior-rater box check, we reinstate senior rater accountability to the company-grade officer.”

Piccirilli also said the box check better informs company-grade talent management by providing selection boards with information needed to “identify the best talent.”

The changes to officer evaluation took at the same time for all Army officers, including active duty, Army National Guard, and Army Reserve.

Raters also now indicate on the OER if an officer has completed the 360/Multi-Source Assessment Feedback. The 360/MSAF process is required of officers every three years — though Piccirilli said not all officers knew that.



PHOTO BY CPL. DANIEL EDDY

In Iraq, 2nd Lt. Aiana Janica Garin, is promoted to first lieutenant last year. Her father, Warrant Officer Romeo Garin places the new rank on her uniform. The Army made multiple changes to officer evaluation policy to better identify officer talent and potential. Those changes took effect Saturday, and apply to OERs with a “thru” date of Nov. 1 and later.

Within the 360/MSAF program, officers ask their subordinates, peers and superiors to evaluate them — the input is meant to help officers develop as leaders. While the input they get will not influence their OER — or even appear on their OER, because only the officers themselves can see the information — their participation will be noted on the OER form.

“It has no impact on the evaluation,” Piccirilli said. “It’s just a tool that says it’s important, and that you need to do one. It’s kind of a forcing function.”

One box on the OER form now asks senior raters to “list three future assignments for which this officer is best suited.”

That instruction changed, too, as a result of the policy change. Instead, senior raters are now asked to indicate “three successive assignments,” instead of three future

assignments. Senior raters are asked to look “three to five years” into an officer’s future, and suggest what their next three assignments should be.

“Some senior raters were exaggerating, telling a young lieutenant he’s the next corps commander,” Piccirilli said. “So it kind of puts reality in, focusing on the future jobs for the officer.”

The list of next assignments not only serves selection boards, Piccirilli said, but also helps personnel specialists put officers into the right jobs.

Finally, as a result of the policy change, senior raters may opt for a memorandum of input in lieu of a change-of-rater evaluation, when an officer’s rater changes. The policy change reduces multiple short-term evaluations, particularly in deployed situations.

More information about the changes can be found at: [www.hrc.army.mil/evaluations](http://www.hrc.army.mil/evaluations).

The policy change for officer evaluations helps officers by helping the Army identify the best talent in uniform, Piccirilli said.

“As we start reshaping, we have to make sure we have to identify our best officers — they are our future leaders,” Piccirilli said. “They have the potential to be the future leaders of the Army, and we have to make sure we take care of them.”

For more information, contact the U.S. Army Human Resources Contact Center at 1-(888) ARMY-HRC (276-9472) or [askhrc.army@us.army.mil](mailto:askhrc.army@us.army.mil). For questions pertaining to the 360 Assessment, please contact U.S. Army Command and General Staff College Public Affairs at (913) 684-3097 or (913) 306-6736.

## Crime prevention a year-round concern for DPS officials

By Russell Sellers  
*Army Flier Staff Writer*

October is crime prevention month, but Directorate of Public Safety officials said it’s something everyone should be mindful of every day.

Lt. Col. Madeline Bondy, DPS director and provost marshal, said those living on or off post should always make sure they aren’t setting themselves up to be victims.

“Crime prevention is a proactive stance for everyone,” she said. “It’s just like preventive medicine in that you don’t want to expose yourself to something that could be harmful

and you want to ensure you don’t leave yourself unprotected.”

She said some basic things people can do, such as adding motion sensor lights to a house and not leaving high-dollar items in a vehicle, are simple ways people can avoid being victimized.

Another issue she said both parents and children should be aware of is cyber crime. It can be more than just identity theft, she said.

“Putting things on Facebook or Google+ requires some education on what the parameters are for being responsible,” she said. “We have a responsibility, especially as military parents, to make sure we’re not putting out potentially harmful

information. It all comes back to operational security. You don’t want to put certain pictures out there, or your full name because you never know who might be out there looking for information on you or your spouse, especially if they’re deployed.”

Peggy Contreras, Community Police supervisor, said that while some events are still being planned for the month, the week of Oct. 24-28 is Red Ribbon Week, the annual event that focuses on preventing drug use among school-age children.

“We’re planning to have visits in the schools, and talk to children and parents about preventing drug abuse and other crimes,” she said. “On

Oct. 27, there’s going to be the annual Red Ribbon Week parades for the Elementary School and Primary School. We’ll have an appearance by McGruff the Crime Dog and the 98th Army Band.”

Another crime that Contreras said there was a need to focus on in schools is bullying. It’s something that can occur in person or online and is something parents should talk to their children about, she added.

“Our children are vulnerable, and we are vulnerable,” she said. “We have to think about what we’re putting out there and what kind of effect it can have later.”

While school has started again and the summer travel season is

over, Contreras and Bondy said those who are planning to travel during the upcoming holidays, or just for a vacation, should still take measures to protect themselves from thieves.

“If you go out shopping, especially at night, it’s a good idea to use the buddy system,” Contreras said. “Parking in a well-lit area is also a good idea. And if you feel like someone is following you and you’ve got an alarm on your vehicle, setting it off remotely is a good way to attract attention to yourself, which can deter someone from continuing to follow you.”

For more information on Crime Prevention Month, call 255-2222.



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## Instructors of the quarter

Fort Rucker’s instructors of the quarter pose with event guest speaker Col. Jessie O. Farrington, USAACE and Fort Rucker deputy commanding general, during an awards ceremony at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum Sept. 28. From left, CW3 Philip Kraemer, warrant officer academic instructor of the quarter; Staff Sgt. Matthew Ward, noncommissioned officer flight instructor of the quarter; Farrington; Daniel Fessler, civilian instructor pilot of the quarter; Audrey Hrinda, civilian academic instructor of the quarter.

## News Briefs

### Training run route

5700 Rm. 280. For more information on the CFC, call 255-9261.

The physical training run route that is normally closed on weekdays during physical training time will be closed from 5:30-7 a.m. Friday, a day of no scheduled activity, as well. The route will also be closed Nov. 25, another DONSA.

The route includes the four-way stop by Lyster on Fifth Avenue down to Bldg. 5700. The road will be blocked off at side entrances by traffic cones.

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### Energy Expo

Fort Rucker’s Energy Expo takes place Oct. 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the festival fields. The event features energy exhibits, giveaways, prizes food vendors, and energy saving ideas for home, work and the commute, according to Directorate of Public Works officials.

Also, a Tesla Roadster and a Chevrolet Volt will be on display during the event.

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# New Lakota variant packs punch for Guard

By Sofia Bledsoe  
Program Executive  
Office Aviation

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — Army National Guard pilots from four states trained last week on the new Security and Support variant of the Lakota helicopter.

The UH-72A S&S Mission Equipment Package, or MEP, is the newest helicopter to enter service with the Army.

The S&S MEP includes a turreted electro-optical/infrared sensor and laser pointer; EuroAvionics, EuroNav moving map system and two SkyQuest touch-screen displays; a video management system, SkyQuest digital video recorder plus additional avionics and Sierra Nevada Tacitlink Eagle data downlink system.

The helicopter is also equipped with a 30-million-candlepower searchlight that is mounted on the aft starboard step and slaved to the MX-15, and the same rescue hoist that is included in the Lakota's medevac MEP.

"I'm excited about the enhanced capabilities that it offers," said Lt. Col. Dallas Jones, a pilot with the Louisiana National Guard who is participating in a two-week course now at Madison County Executive Airport near Huntsville.

Four states, including Mississippi, Louisiana, North Carolina and Florida took part in the two-week training, which consisted of academic, and day and night flight training. The aircraft provides long-range electro-optical sensors and the ability to record and downlink data, which will aid the Army National Guard in its homeland security, counter drug and border patrol missions.

"This is a success story of the joint efforts between the National Guard and the LUH



PHOTO BY GARY JONES

A Soldier points to the new Security and Support variant of the UH-72A Lakota, which pilots from four states are trained on last week at Madison County Executive Airport in Alabama.

Product Office in reviewing the lessons learned from the field, building the National Guard's requirements, and designing a state-of-the-art mission equipment package that meets all those requirements," said Lt. Col. Dave Bristol, product manager for Light Utility Helicopters on Redstone Arsenal. "It is a success story of team work."

Jones said using the improved camera versus what he was flying with before puts him and his crew a good five miles away from a target instead of a mile away.

"They can't hear me or see me," he said.

"It allows them to really conduct drug missions in a different manner," said Maj. Jay Maher, assistant product manager for the LUH Product Office. "They can go

operate at higher altitudes, utilize maximum stand-off ranges while slewing the search light and sight system together, effectively maximizing the system when acquiring objects of interest. It's a very powerful sighting system, with both thermal and daytime capability."

There are many "firsts" with the UH-72A S&S MEP, including touch screens and soft keyboards. Jack Johnston, director of flight operations for the NET with the LUH Product Office, said that the S&S MEP is "the only Army aircraft with these capabilities. It's completely unique."

"Everything in this aircraft feeds through the video management system and in any one of the video displays," said Johnston. "So the guy

in the back could be looking at one of the sensors while these guys up front could be looking at the map while the other guy could be looking at the other sensor on the ball. It gives you complete independence throughout."

Another capability of the aircraft is being able to conduct database searches with the moving map.

"We have all the city street maps, aeronautical charts for the entire U.S., nautical charts for all the coastal areas and Instrument Flight Rules charts for all of the U.S.," said Johnston. "We can also host topographical maps for the U.S."

Conducting all of the training in Huntsville allowed the

team to consolidate and maximize all of their resources with instructors and aircraft operating from one place.

"It allows us to put more crew members back at home station qualified on the aircraft faster," said Maher.

Madison County Executive Airport was chosen since it had all the facilities and

the right amount of airspace available to conduct training in the area. Maher added that the team adhered to the Fly Friendly policy and stayed away from populated areas.

Four aircraft were used during the two-week training. Forty-nine National Guard pilots from seven states are scheduled to train by December. Alabama, Texas and Arkansas will be the next three states trained in the November and December timeframe. All LUH S&S training will occur at the Madison County Executive Airport.

In addition to the class, the Light Utility Helicopter Product Office showed off its new S&S variant of the Lakota to the news media at the airport Sept. 28.

One hundred UH-72A S&S MEP are currently on contract for production. The first 16 were retrofitted with the MEP, and the next 84 will roll off the production line at the EADS facility in Columbus, Miss.

The rapid acquisition, production and fielding of the UH-72A Lakota aircraft over the last three and a half years has allowed the Army to transfer 23 UH-60 Black Hawk aircraft to other missions that support overseas contingency operations. It also allowed the Army to retire the aging UH-1 and divest the OH-58A/C by replacing them with modern, capable aircraft, officials said.

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# NCOA: ‘Believe in your Soldiers, believe in your Army’

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in those leadership positions. “I have noticed that it’s kind of strange how people are in leadership positions sometimes,” he said. “When someone would get one of those positions, you’d hear others saying ‘this person doesn’t know what they’re doing.’ Strangely, when those people get into leadership

positions, they do the same things. Learn from that and don’t do the same things the troops don’t like.” Kidd told the NCOs and the audience what he thought makes a good leader, and it all started with one word. “I think the word ‘Hooah’ is a special word,” he said. “It’s always positive. Everything from ‘yes’ to ‘give me the task and I’ll do it.’ Love being a Soldier;

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Staff Sgt. Robert Redmond, Moleaneli Tower training supervisor and NCOA graduate, said having Kidd at the graduation ceremony was a special honor and one he would remember for the rest of his career. “I first met him back in 2000, and I thought he gave a great speech today,” he said. “He was the sergeant major when I first joined the Army.”

## Drive: ‘It’s a great thing to see so many Soldiers supporting it’

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Colton Physical Fitness Facility. “This is all about helping our troops in theater,” she said. “All blood collected goes to help them out.” Having a blood drive is especially beneficial because the Soldiers in training here aren’t as likely to have traveled around the world yet, and that means their exposure to diseases that could get them turned away will be greatly diminished, Moorehead added. “This is important be-

cause we are a training post,” she said. “Students have a lower deferral rate. That means, for example, they weren’t likely in Great Britain in the 1980s when there was a mad cow disease scare. They are prime donors and we hope they’ll want to come out and give.” Moorhead said the program has grown in popularity and that more Soldiers come out each time the drive is held. “We’ve seen a great increase in support from the leadership and from our Soldiers stationed here,” she said. “It’s a great thing

to see so many Soldiers supporting it.” The event is co-sponsored by 1st Battalion, 13th Aviation Regiment. Donated blood also goes to help local military Family members and to Lyster Army Health Clinic.

Staff Sgt. Nicholas Laye, Mobile Collection Team noncommissioned officer in charge of the ASBP Donor Center at Fort Benning, Ga., told the Army Flier in August that there’s still a desperate need for blood and that

those who have a fear of donating should think of it as saving a life, possibly their own. “There are so many people who don’t want to donate blood for fear of a needle in their arm, yet they have tattoos,” he said.

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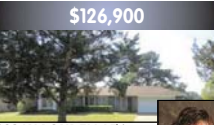
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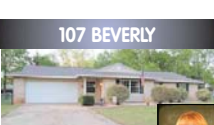
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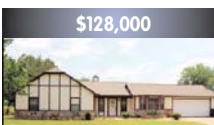
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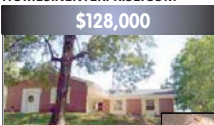
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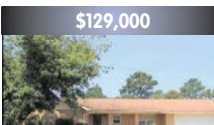
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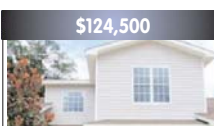
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## 6-17th CAV's on the move

By Spc. Darriel Swatts  
40th Combat Aviation Brigade

CAMP TAJI, Iraq — Soldiers of the 6th Squadron, 17th Cavalry Regiment, an Attack-Reconnaissance Squadron consisting of OH-58 Kiowa Warriors, based out of Fort Wainwright, Alaska, took the lead as the first Aviation unit in Iraq to close a Forward Operating Base.

The 6th Sqd., 17th Cav. Regt. in conjunction with the 4th Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, close FOB Diamondback in the northern Iraqi city of Mosul in October as part of the 40th Combat Aviation Brigade's reposturing of forces in preparation for the drawdown of U.S. forces in Iraq.

"The reposturing of forces in Iraq requires large formations and thousands of man hours for each battalion or squadron to move to a new location," said Col. Mitchell Medigovich, commander of the 40th CAB.

The 6th Sqd., 17th Cav. Regt. is one of five aviation battalions that fall under the 40th CAB's command.

"The 6th Sqd., 17th Cav. Regt.'s ability to maintain a positive attitude, agile mindset and a commitment to mission success allowed them to move from Mosul to Camp Taji and Kirkuk," Medigovich said. "They did so in a manner that they were able to mitigate the risk and eliminate friction and still provide first class mission support to their customers."



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Lt. Col. Michael McCurry, 6th Sqd., 17 Cav. Regt. commander, stands next to an OH-58 Kiowa Warrior on the unit's new air strip on Camp Taji, Iraq, Sept. 29.

## California Guardsmen train Iraqis on HEMTT fuel trucks



PHOTO BY SPC. MATTHEW WRIGHT

Sgt. Gilbert Britto, A Co., 640th ASB, and a San Diego, Calif., native, shows a class of Iraqi Army personnel a fueling nozzle and how it connects to the fueling module on a Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Truck at Camp Taji, Iraq, Sept. 13

By Spc. Matthew A. Wright  
40th Combat Aviation Brigade

CAMP TAJI, Iraq — Soldiers from A Company, 640th Aviation Support Battalion recently conducted a weeklong class here training Iraqi Army personnel how to operate Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Trucks in preparation for the upcoming assumption of operations by Iraqi Security Forces at the Camp Taji airfield.

The M978M HEMTT fuel truck is a 10-ton, eight-wheeled, fuel servicing vehicle. It is a bulk liquid transporter that holds 2,500 gallons of fuel and is equipped with a fuel resupply module for pumping fuel.

Soldiers from the 640th ASB trained Iraqi personnel to not only operate and maintain the fuel vehicles, but also to conduct training for other Iraqis on operating

and maintaining the HEMTTs.

Staff Sgt. Rory Huerta is the non-commissioned officer in charge of the training program.

"They will be receiving four to six of these (HEMTTs), brand new," he said. "We need to make sure that they understand how to not just drive them, but conduct preventive maintenance and services on the vehicles as well as fuel their vehicles and aircraft."

The training was an 80-hour block that was condensed to 40 hours. The training started with the 640th ASB familiarizing the Iraqis on HEMTT basic preventative maintenance. As the training continued through the week, the Iraqis received training on driving the vehicles and operating the fueling system, including the fueling of other vehicles and aircraft.

As the training progressed

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## Chaplains discuss reintegration before Soldiers head home

By Spc. Matthew A. Wright  
40th Combat Aviation Brigade

CAMP TAJI, Iraq — Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Pierre Saint-Fleur, of the 40th Combat Aviation Brigade, hosted an all-day chaplains' seminar at the Tigris River Chapel in early September to discuss techniques for supporting Soldier reintegration following deployment to Iraq for Operation New Dawn.

The attending chaplains were from different units that are scattered throughout Iraq, as well from 40th CAB units at Camp Taji. Among the attendees were United States Forces-Iraq Chaplain (Col.) Chester Egert and Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott Hammond from United States Division-Center.

The chaplains provide religious services for their Soldiers, counseling and other spiritual and emotional support. In theater, they are the key support for the troops in times of need, and help them cope with the environment and the pressures of being in a war zone.

The seminar focused on how to prepare Soldiers and their Families for resuming life when they arrive back at their homes. Participants discussed programs to help the Soldiers reintegrate back into their civilian lives as well as help their Families adjust to their return.

Chaplain (Capt.) Andrew Parker, from the 1st General Support Aviation Battalion, 171st Aviation Regiment, and a Jacksonville, Fla., native, briefed the group on the merits of a re-



PHOTO BY SPC. MATTHEW WRIGHT

Chaplains from the 40th CAB and other units in Iraq hold a seminar on reintegration hosted by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Pierre Saint-Fleur, Iraq, Sept. 1.

integration program for Soldiers and what problems could be expected for Soldiers returning from a yearlong deployment.

"The big thing about reintegration is expectations," Parker said. "In our minds, we take a snapshot of what it was like when we left and we are anticipating it to be like that when we get back."

Parker continued by discussing the problems Soldiers may

experience once they get home and after all the celebrations and the "Hollywood scenes" have ended.

He talked about three areas of concern that Soldiers have to cope with: Family, friends and work.

"First thing, with the Family ... I encourage Soldiers to ease

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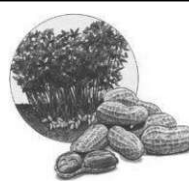


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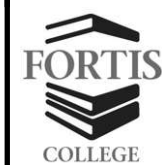


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# Places: ‘The whole move went very smoothly’

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The 6th Sqd., 17th Cav. Regt. faced a momentous challenge when its Soldiers closed FOB Diamondback and moved out. The unit not only had to move its personnel, maintenance equipment, communication packages and aircraft; but also ensure there was no drop in aerial coverage to the ground force commanders and make sure everything was in order to hand off to the Iraqis.

The handover of Diamondback, known to the Iraqis as the Mosul International Airport, had special

significance due to it being an international airport, said Lt. Col. Michael McCurry, commander of the 6th Sqd., 17th Cav. Regt. “We had to make sure it was secure and operational for civilian flights when we repostured the American presence and handed it over to the Iraqi Ministry of Transportation.”

While the 6th Sqd., 17th Cav. Regt. was moving out of Mosul, it also closed a base at Tal Afar, constructed new landing pads on Camp Taji, and made upgrades to its aircraft, all while maintaining and conducting missions

throughout United States Division–Center and North. The unit operated, at one point, out of five locations.

“The whole move went very smoothly,” said Capt. Peter Thomas, F Troop commander, 6th Sqd., 17th Cav. Regt. “The Soldiers worked very hard to get everything prepared for the move. Our Soldiers are extremely flexible. They’ve done a great job as we repostured south. These guys have been living out of their rucksacks for the majority of the deployment because of all the changes and movements they’ve had to endure.”

## Trucks: Class provides unique experience

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further, 640th ASB Soldiers taught Iraqi personnel instructional techniques for training other Iraqi troops on the HEMTTs. Captain Ali, the senior Iraqi officer in the class, was impressed with the training and its usefulness for Iraqi personnel.

“The class is providing very good information for us,” Ali said. “This experience will be good for the warrant officers and the fueling specialists that I have worked with for 25 years.”

The 640th ASB is a California National Guard unit based in four cities in southern

California: Long Beach, Los Alamitos, Torrance and El Cajon. The battalion’s mission for the last seven months during Operation New Dawn has been to provide Aviation operations support for the 40th Combat Aviation Brigade at a number of bases throughout Iraq. That support included repairing helicopters, providing security and fuel for the brigade, as well as supporting tactical communications at Camp Taji and two locations in northern Iraq. The 640th ASB is approaching the end of its deployment and will be heading back to California once it is released from its mission.

## Chaplains: Soldiers urged to take time to reconnect with Families during return

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back into it slowly,” he said.

The Families, Parker said, have learned to pay bills, take the kids to school and learned to live without their Soldier, and it takes time for them to adjust to their Soldier’s return.

He suggested the Soldiers take a few months to slowly pick up where they left off.

Parker suggested Soldiers resume communication with their children to let them know that things are different, but gradually ease back into the parental role. If a Soldier were to jump in and take the reigns as if he or she never left, it could cause additional stress on the Family.

“Having time to reconnect with each of them individually, over the course of time —

that’s a helpful way to reacquaint with each one of your children,” Parker said. “And it is certainly true as well for your spouse.”


He recommended the same thing regarding friends; to slowly reintegrate with friends and to gradually reestablish communications with them. Those friends, like Family, had to continue on for a year without the Soldier.


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## Event brings art, entertainment to community

**By Erin Murray**  
*Army Flier Staff Writer*

Fort Rucker Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation will provide arts and entertainment of all kinds at the Fort Rucker Arts Festival Oct. 15 at the festival fields from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Arts Festival will be a day of events for all ages, many of which highlight the talents of members of the Fort Rucker community including artists, actors and musicians, said Brian Jackson, DFMWR delivery system manager.

"We have over 20 vendors for our first festival. There will be a mixture of vendors selling jewelry, photographs, clothes, accessories, furniture and more. The uniqueness and creativity of this year's vendors have exceeded our expectations. This event is a great opportunity for [makers of] handmade arts and crafts to showcase their skills and sell their merchandise," he said.

Finalists from the Rockin' Ruckers talent show will perform, and there will also be a theatrical production entitled "Action News: Now with 10% more action!" from noon to 1 p.m. by the Above the Best Theater Company.

"We're excited for our talent show participants to get a chance to perform in front of a large audience, as well as our theater group to perform a live play," said Jackson.

In addition to the many performances and vendors, Bet-



ter Opportunities for Single Soldiers will host its annual car show to help raise awareness for Fort Rucker organizations promoting domestic violence prevention, child abuse prevention, suicide prevention, Exceptional Family Member Program awareness, as well as Hearts Apart and Survivor Outreach Services.

"BOSS strives to improve the quality of life for Soldiers and their Families whenever an opportunity arises," said Jackson.

Previous car shows have averaged around 40 entries,

a number that BOSS expects to exceed this year. The car show begins at 10:30 a.m. and runs throughout the day, with awards given to the best cars in the show at 3:30 p.m.

"The BOSS Car Show has proven to be a fun event and our single Soldiers are eager to see all of the entries. We plan to put on another good show for the Fort Rucker community," said Cpl. Brad Nolte, BOSS President.

Those wanting to register a car for the BOSS car show should call 379-4594.

DFMWR will also host a Student Arts Contest at the Arts Festival. Students in kindergarten through 12th grade can sign up at the Center Library on post by Wednesday to have their work displayed at the festival. According to Jackson, works can be any medium, on a color paper no bigger than 10 x 12, and can be a drawing, paintings or collages. Winners will receive ribbons and prizes at an awards ceremony at 3 p.m.

Other activities provided to festival goers will include face painting, inflatables, pony rides and the chance to take a picture in a helicopter. There will also be an all-ages video game tournament from noon until 3:30 p.m. Winners will receive trophies and awards. Jackson also stated that there will be a surprise event around 2 p.m., and he hoped many people would attend to find out about it.

To find out more information about the festival, call 255-9810 or visit the Fort Rucker FMWR page on Facebook to view artwork from vendors

## Workshop helps eliminate effects of anger, stress

**By Erin Murray**  
*Army Flier Staff Writer*

Fort Rucker's Family Advocacy Program wants to help people identify and handle anger before it affects Soldiers, civilians and Family members at the quarterly anger management workshops Oct. 18 and 25 in the Early Childhood Activity Center.

The workshops do not help prevent anger, because it is a normal part of life, but help to prevent the negative effects of anger, said Luticia Trimble-Smith, FAP manager.

"Anger is a normal emotion that if handled effectively, can lead to problem solving and accomplishing goals. If it's not handled appropriately, it can lead to problems with health, relationships and on the job," she said.

Those who attend the workshop will

learn to identify the causes and triggers of anger, and then form an anger management plan. According to Trimble-Smith, having a healthy way to handle anger can prevent many things, including high blood pressure, heart disease, substance abuse and depression.

"If you bottle [anger] up, it can come out in a negative way. We try to let people know that there are ways to express anger calmly. Eventually it will come out verbally, physically or as health problems," said Trimble-Smith.

This month's anger management workshops also help highlight Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Trimble-Smith said that handling anger can prevent small problems from becoming larger.

"Couples and Family members shouldn't wait until there's an incident of verbal or physical attack. This workshop is something that can enhance relationships. An anger management class can

help couples find a way to communicate so that anger doesn't turn into hurt and pain," she said.

After the workshop, there will also be options for those who might need more help managing anger. Multiple options will be available for these individuals.

"The workshop is not counseling, but we can refer people to Military Family Life Consultant and behavioral health," said Trimble-Smith.

FAP holds many anger management workshops each year, as well as one-on-one services for those dealing with anger issues. Trimble-Smith hopes that people will not fear the stigma associated with attending an anger management class, and will use the opportunity to enhance their lives.

"You don't have to have a problem to at-



tend an anger management class. It's something new you can learn to help you deal with everyday problems," she said.

To register or find out more information, call 255-3898.

## ACS class offers home buying, selling strategies

**By Erin Murray**  
*Army Flier Staff Writer*

Army Community Services offers assistance to Soldiers, retirees Family members and federal employees at the quarterly home buying and selling workshop Oct. 15 from 9-11:30 a.m. at The Commons, Bldg. 8950.

The workshop helps to reduce the stress of buying and selling a home by giving Families strategies that make the process easier, said Beth Gunter, ACS certified housing counselor.

"It is a big issue for Soldiers and their Families who are thinking about purchasing a home. They need to think deeply and have all the right tools to make that decision. A home is the largest pur-

chase you're probably going to make, and to have that knowledge base is really important," she said.

According to Gunter, the workshop can help anyone from first-time home buyers and sellers to those who might be returning to the housing market after owning a home for many years. Many stationed at Fort Rucker must consider their length of duty before making the decision to buy a home.

"The majority of Soldiers are not going to stay at this installation, so we want to keep them from having additional stressors when leaving. It is a big investment and often it takes about five years just to break even," she said.

The workshop starts by explaining the many documents, such as mortgages and good faith estimates, that home buyers and sell-

ers face. Gunter also covers the various aspects of financing and property insurance.

"For a first time home buyer to see all the paperwork can be overwhelming. [The workshop] makes sure they know the right questions to ask their realtors, mortgage brokers and banks so that they're better prepared when they sit down at the closing table," said Gunter.

After breaking down the paperwork, the workshop deals with the many situations a homebuyer or seller can face while navigating the market, by providing tools such as worksheets and strategies for comparing types of homes. Gunter said the workshop also addresses difficult issues such as foreclosures and short sales by providing the pros and cons.

"There's not a right or wrong answer. It all depends on the person making the decision, and we want them to have all the information," she said.

Gunter also offered a few tips for those who might already be in the process of buying or selling a home.

"Do your homework, know your credit score and don't make an impulsive buy," she said.

Attending the workshop can also connect home buyers and sellers with other ACS programs that can make the process easier, such as the Financial Readiness Program.

"Financial counselors can give them guidance on how to improve their credit score. A difference of 50 points on your credit score can make a big difference in interest

rates," Gunter said.

People who seek financial readiness assistance can set up a spending plan that will help make purchasing a home possible.

"Having an established spending plan for buying and maintaining the home helps you make sure you can afford a house," said Gunter.

She hopes attending the workshop can give confidence to those who are buying or selling homes, whether through a realtor or on their own.

"This class can really make the home buying experience enjoyable. Buying a house is making your mark within your community, so why not make it fun?"

Registration for the workshop ends Monday. To register or for more information, call 255-9639.



# ON POST

YOUR WEEKLY GUIDE TO FORT RUCKER EVENTS , SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS NOON THURSDAY FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK'S EDITION.

### Parent support program

Army Community Service's Promotion Points will start a new a parent support program Friday from 9-11a.m. at the Early Childhood Activity Center in Bldg. 3705 on Dean Street. These monthly parenting education classes are designed for Soldiers and are held the first Friday of every month.

For more information and to register, call 255-3898.

### Ladies Night

The Landing Zone hosts Ladies Night Friday. The event features dance mix by DJ Dave from 8 p.m. to midnight and specials, such as half-priced appetizers, from 7-11 p.m. The Landing Zone courtesy van offers free rides home to patrons who live on Fort Rucker. The event is open to the public.

For more, call 598-8025.

### Southern landscaping, gardening class

The Southern Landscaping and Gardening Class will take place Saturday from 1-2 p.m. in the Center Library Activities Room. The class will provide people with information on the basic requirements to achieve a healthy and beautiful garden, and a beautifully landscaped yard. Topics include: soil preparation, pest control, light and water requirements, understanding information provided on commercial plant labeling, planting times, fertilizer requirements, zone distinctions, mulch and gardening designs.

For more information or to register, stop by the Center Library or call 255-3885.

### Character Dining

The Landing Zone hosts Character Dining Tuesdays from 5-7 p.m. for youth. This Tuesday, the event features a magician. Children can also enjoy free balloons and a children's buffet. There is a limit of two children's meals per adult entree purchase. The event is open to the public.

For more, call 598-8025.

### Wear Purple Day

Purple is the nationally designated color to recognize Domestic Abuse Prevention Month and the Family Advocacy Program asks people to wear that color Oct. 13 to show their support for Domestic Abuse Prevention Month.

For more information on "Purple Day" and Domestic Abuse Prevention Month activities, call 255-3898.

### "In Her Shoes – Living with Domestic Violence"

As part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Fort Rucker Family Advocacy Program presents "In Her Shoes – Living with Domestic Violence" Oct. 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Wings Chapel. "In Her Shoes" is an educa-



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## Get R.E.A.L.

Military spouses gather for a photo after the Army Community Service and Army Family Team Building Rucker Experience, Army Learning (R.E.A.L.) monthly class in July. The class is intended to help make the transition into Army life easier. AFTB hosts the next installment of Get R.E.A.L. Oct. 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at The Commons, Bldg. 8950. The class covers military acronyms, Army customs and courtesies, military rank, community resources and more. Advance registration is required. For more information and to register, call 255-2382.

tional simulation that illustrates the many obstacles and the complex struggles that women living with domestic violence face. The presentation is designed to increase awareness, show the effect of domestic violence on the community and to prove that everyone has a role to play in ending domestic violence. This free event is for authorized patrons only.

For more information, call 255-9636 or 255-7029.

### Wanted: Outstanding Families

Army Community Service accepts nominations for the Month of the Military Family Outstanding Military Family now through Oct. 14. People who know a military Family that they would like to honor can submit a nomination in Bldg. 5700, Rm. 390. Nominations must describe specific contributions the military Family has made to improve the quality of life for the Soldiers and Families in units, organizations and the Fort Rucker community. For the specific criteria and requirements for nomination applications, call Tom Jenkins at 255-3817 or email him at Tom.C.Jenkins@us.army.mil.

### Youth art, essay contests

Fort Rucker children are invited to put their artistic and literary talents on display for the community in two separate contests in October, with the winners being announced in November.

The art contest, titled "My Military Family," invites children ages 4-11 to submit their work depicting their military Families in color drawings – pencils, Crayons or paints – on 8 ½-by-11 paper in vertical format. Family members should not be mentioned by name in the drawings.

The essay contest, titled "What being in a Military Family Means to Me," is open to all military children ages 7-12. Essays should be between 100 and 200 words, and may be handwritten or typed.

All entries should include the child's name, grade, name of parents, phone number and email address on the back of the drawing or essay. Deadline for submission is Oct. 20 to Fort Rucker Primary or Elementary School counselors. The deadline for off-post students is Oct. 21 and should be turned in at Bldg. 5700, Rm. 390 in Army Community Service.

Winners will be recognized during the chili cook-off and ACS' "Salute to Military Families" event Nov. 5 at the Fort Rucker Festival Fields.

For more on the contests, call Tom Jenkins at 255-9888 or send an email to Tom.C.Jenkins@us.army.mil.

### Cub Scout food drive

Fort Rucker's Cub Scout Pack 50 hosts a food drive Oct. 15 from commissary opening time until 5 p.m. at the commissary's exit that will benefit the post's food bank. The Scouts ask that only canned and dry goods be donated.

## DFMWR Spotlight

### Salute to Military Families Kickoff to November Month of the Military Family



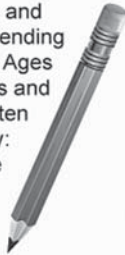
#### Art Contest "My Military Family"

Open to all Military students between the age of 4-12. Submit your color drawing depicting your Family, on 8.5"x11" paper in vertical (portrait) format. Please do not identify Family members by name on the drawings, and include on the back of the drawing: student's name, grade, name of parent(s), phone number and email address.

#### Essay Contest

##### "What being in a Military Family means to me"

For all students attending Fort Rucker Primary and Elementary schools along with Military children attending off post schools from second through sixth grade. Ages 7-12. Essay should contain no less than 100 words and no more than 200 words. Essay can be hand written or typed. Please include on the back of the essay: Student's name; grade; name of parent(s); phone number and email address.



Deadline for submission for on post students is Oct. 20th to the Fort Rucker Primary and Elementary School Counselors. Deadline for off post students is Oct. 21st to Army Community Service Center, Bldg. 5700, Rm. 390.



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# Jewish community prepares for Yom Kippur

By Rabbi Lynne Goldsmith  
Temple Emanu-EL

Ten days after the observance of Rosh Hashanah, Jews all over the world observe Yom Kippur, the most solemn of all of our Jewish holidays, and one observed by even the most secular of Jews.

Yom Kippur, or Day of Atonement, is a day when absolutely no work is done, and according to Leviticus 23:26-32, Jews are to practice self-denial. Our liturgy reminds us throughout the day that our actions up to this day will affect the judgment as to whether or not we will be written into the Book of Life.

It is noteworthy that although we confess our sins as individuals during the service, we are confessing them also as a community. Over and over again during the liturgy, we use the phrase, Al chet shetanu l'fanecha — the sin we have committed against You (God).

The responsibility we have for our own individual actions extends to the community as a whole. The service



ends at sundown with a loud blast of the shofar.

The members of Temple Emanu-el invite Jewish personnel to join us in our community's observance of Yom Kippur. We are located at 188 North Park Ave. in Dothan. Erev Yom Kippur, or Kol Nidre, occurs this year on Friday and the service begins at 8 p.m. The Yom Kippur day service begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday. Services continue

throughout the day. We will break the fast as a community at the end of the concluding service.

If you wish to join us, call the temple office at 792-5001. We look forward to having you join us.

### Celebration of Sukkot at Temple Emanu-el

When the shofar blast

ends the Yom Kippur service, observant Jews break their 25-hour fast and begin to build their Sukkah. Sukkot, which is the plural of the word sukkah, is a joyous holiday beginning less than a week after Yom Kippur, which celebrates both the fall harvest and the 40 years of the Israelites' wandering in the desert after they were rescued from Egypt by God.

It is also one of the three Pilgrimage holidays celebrated in ancient days when the Israelites were commanded to travel to Jerusalem to make their sacrifices there.

Today, we erect a sukkah in commemoration of the flimsy booths our ancestors dwelled in during their wanderings in the desert, and usually we try to eat at least one meal in it.

During Sukkot, we are also commanded to take up the four species and use them to rejoice before the Lord. These species are represented by willow, myrtle, palm and etrog.

This year, the Temple Emanu-el community will celebrate Sukkot Oct. 13 with a Family dinner and concert with Dan Nichols and his band Eighteen.

We would like to invite any Jewish service personnel to join us in the joyous

celebration of Sukkot. If you would like to attend, call 792-5001.

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## DALEVILLE

**ONGOING** — The Fort Rucker chapter of the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are in the Daleville VFW Post Ballroom.

**ONGOING** — Daleville Chamber of Commerce meets the second Wednesday of each month at 11 a.m. at the Chamber of Commerce office in the Daleville Cultural and Convention Center. For more information, call 598-6331.

## DOTHAN

**OCT. 28** — The Wiregrass Museum of Art will host a free Night at the Museum from 6-8:30 p.m. This is a free outdoor harvest costume party with food, movies, demonstrations and art activities for kids. For more information, visit <http://wiregrassmuseum.com>

## ENTERPRISE

**ONGOING** — Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6683, John Wiley Brock Post membership meetings are at the post headquarters, located on County Road 537, every third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call Paul Kasper at 389-5434, Bob Wills at 347-8297 or Bob Cooper 347-7076, or visit the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6683 on *Facebook*.

## GENEVA

**ONGOING** — The Geneva County Relay for Life meets the last Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at the Citizens Bank. For more information, call 248-4495.

## MIDLAND CITY

**ONGOING** — Residents are invited



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## The Atlanta Pops Orchestra

The Atlanta Pops Orchestra performs Hollywood Hits to Concert Hall Masterpieces Oct. 13 at the Enterprise High School Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. under the direction of Principal Conductor Dr. Jason D. Altieri. The orchestra performs a program including George Gershwin's "Strike Up the Band" and "Rhapsody in Blue." Other selections are "A Tribute to Henry Mancini," march from "Raiders of the Lost Ark," a TV Westerns Medley, "St. Louis Blues," "Hello Dolly," "What a Wonderful World," Johann Strauss waltzes and the finale, "Alabama Jubilee." For more information, call 406-2787 or visit [www.CoffeeCountyArtsAlliance.com](http://www.CoffeeCountyArtsAlliance.com).

to Town Hall meetings the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, 1385 Hinton Waters Ave.

For more information, call 983-3511.

## NEW BROCKTON

**ONGOING** — Adult education classes are offered in Rm. 12 at New Brockton High School, 210 South Tyler St., Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 9 p.m.

All classes are free for individuals 16 years old or older who are not enrolled in public school.

Individuals must take an assessment test prior to attending class. Call 894-2350 for more information.

## OZARK

**SUNDAY** — St. Michaels Episcopal Church will celebrate St. Frances Day on Sunday, with a blessing of the animals service at 4 p.m. Pet owners are welcome

to bring their pets for a blessing. Be sure that dogs, cats, and other animals are under control — on a leash, in a cage, or being held. Please also bring a bag of pet food to be donated to the Dale County Humane Society. The church is located at 427 Camilla Ave. behind Wal-Mart.

**OCT. 21**— A luncheon will be held at the Ozark Civic Center Oct. 21 with a keynote address from Richard Marcinko, who founded U.S. Navy SEAL Team 6. The event will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and are on sale through Oct. 18 at The Ozark Civic Center Business Office, Ozark Chamber of Commerce and Ozark City Hall. For more information, contact Denise Ellis at 774-2618

## PINCKARD

**ONGOING** — The public is invited to the Cross Country Workshop every Sunday at 6 p.m. at the Pinckard United

Methodist Church.

For more information, call 983-3064.

## SAMSON

**ONGOING** — The Samson City Council meets monthly on the first and third Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Samson Community Center.

**ONGOING** — American Legion Post 78 meets monthly on the second Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

## TROY

**ONGOING** — Troy Bank and Trust Company sponsors senior dance nights every Saturday night from 7-10 p.m. at the J.O. Colley Senior Complex.

The complex is transformed into a dance hall and features music from the 40's, 50's, and 60's, finger foods, and refreshments. For more information, call Janet Motes at 808-8500.

## Beyond Briefs

### Sundown Concert Series

The Sundown Concert Series, featuring local and regional artists, is held at Kiesel Park in Auburn every Thursday through October. Guests can bring a picnic, lawn chairs or a blanket and the family dog to an evening of entertainment. For more information, call (334) 501-2940 or visit [www.auburnalabama.org/parks](http://www.auburnalabama.org/parks).

### Boaz Harvest Festival

The 47th annual Boaz Harvest Festival will be held in downtown Boaz this Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is a free outdoor event that includes a variety of arts, crafts and food vendors; a farmer's market; the Miss Harvest Festival Pageant and a moon pie-eating contest. For more information, call (256) 593-8154 or visit [www.boazchamberofcommerce.com](http://www.boazchamberofcommerce.com).

### Alex City Oktoberfest

The Charles E. Bailey Sr. Sportplex in Alexander City hosts the 31st annual Oktoberfest Saturday. This is a day-long celebration with vendors from all across the southeast, featuring local arts and crafts, food, entertainment, Kid-Fest children's activities, sports programs, antique car show and more. A Native American artifact show is a new event at Oktoberfest. For more information, call (256) 234-3461 or visit [www.alexandercityonline.com](http://www.alexandercityonline.com).



### Bruce Phillips "Different Perspectives" Exhibit

Troy University's Rosa Parks Museum is showing the work of Tuskegee University professor and artist Bruce Phillips through Oct. 14 in the museum's exhibit hall. The museum is free and open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call Viola Moten at 241-8701.

### Kentuck Festival

The city of Northport hosts the annual Kentuck Arts Festival Oct. 15-16 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Kentuck offers a variety of artistic styles ranging from folk to contemporary arts as well as traditional crafts. Daily tickets are \$10 a person and admission is free for children under 12. For more information, visit <http://www.kentuck.org/festival.html>.

### ArchiTreats Lecture

The Alabama Department of Archives and History hosts the ArchiTreats: Food for Thought lecture on Alabama history Oct. 20 at the Alabama Archives in Montgomery. Doug Seroff will present "The Legacy of Alabama African American Gospel Quartets" and the Four Eagles Gospel Quartet will perform. This presentation is in conjunction with the Department of Tourism's Year of Alabama Music. Coffee and tea will be provided by the Friends of the Alabama Archives. For more information, call 353-4726 or visit <http://www.archives.alabama.gov/>.

### Main Street Alexander City Farmer's Market

Local growers will exhibit and sell their fruits, vegetables, plants, specialty products and baked goods at the Broad Street Shopping Plaza in Alexander City Saturdays through Oct. 28, from 7-11:30 a.m. For more information, call (256) 329-9227 or visit [www.mainstreetac.org](http://www.mainstreetac.org).



### Eclectic Trade Days

Local vendors sell antiques, artwork, clothing, baked goods and farm fresh produce on the second Saturday of every month through December at The Warehouse in Eclectic from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Throughout the day, activities such as music, contests, educational displays

and Family activities will accompany the trading. For more information, call 541-2148.

### Elberta festival

Elberta Town Park hosts the bi-annual German Sausage Festival Oct. 29 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. This fundraiser benefits the Elberta Volunteer Fire Department. The fire department sells nearly 7,000 pounds of sausage and boasts nearly 30,000 visitors each festival. For more information, call (251) 974-1510 or visit <http://sausagefest.elbertafire.com/>.

### Jazz in the Park

Jazz in the Park Birmingham features performances by local jazz enthusiasts and takes place Sundays from 8-10 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. Visit [www.magiccitysmoothjazz.com](http://www.magiccitysmoothjazz.com) for details and complete list of locations and performers or call (205) 616-1735.



### Green and Gray Saturday

The National Park Service hosts a free green living program on the second Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. at Little River Canyon National Preserve in Fort Payne. Dates through the rest of the year are Saturday, Nov. 11 and Dec. 10. For more information, call (256) 845-9605 or visit [www.nps.gov/liri](http://www.nps.gov/liri).

### Alabama Charity Championship Horse Show

The 20th annual Alabama Charity Championship Horse Show will be held at the Morgan County Celebration Arena in Decatur Oct. 13-15. This is one of the largest saddlebred shows in the Southeast with over 700 horses entered in the competition. Proceeds from the competition benefit the Junior League of Morgan County and the new handicap accessible playground, "The Playground for All Children." For event times and more information, call (256) 654-014 or visit [www.asha.net](http://www.asha.net).



### Religious Services

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• Catholic Mass, 5:00 p.m., Saturday  
• Catholic Mass, 9:30 a.m., Sunday.  
• Liturgical Service, 8:00 a.m., Sunday.  
• General Protestant, 11:00 a.m., Sunday.

**WINGS CHAPEL (BLDG 6036)**  
• Contemporary Protestant Service, 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m., Sunday.

**SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER (BLDG 8939)**  
• Protestant Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., Sunday.  
• CCD (except during summer months), 10:45 a.m., Sunday.

#### ADULTS GROUPS

- Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC) meets every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. at Wings Chapel. Childcare provided.
- Military Council of Catholic Women (MCCW) meets every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Spiritual Life Center. Childcare provided.
- Catholic Adult Fellowship (CAF) meets regularly throughout the year. For more information, call 255-9894.

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The Fort Rucker Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers will be hosting an awareness car show for Suicide Prevention, EFMP awareness, Domestic Violence, Child Abuse Awareness, Hearts Apart and Survivor Outreach Services programs at the Fort Rucker Arts Festival. Judging will begin at 1 pm & awards will be handed out at 3 pm.

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# Officials aim to manage TRICARE costs, preserve future benefits

By Sgt. 1st Class  
**Tyrone C. Marshall Jr.**  
*American Forces  
Press Service*

WASHINGTON — Modest increases to certain aspects of military health care will help to responsibly manage costs and ensure benefits for future service-members, the assistant secretary of defense for health affairs said Monday.

“The truth of the matter is the spiraling cost of health care requires us to adjust some fees and co-pays — fees and co-pays that really have not been adjusted since the TRICARE program was put into place in 1994,” Jonathan Woodson said. “This allows us to responsibly manage our costs while providing access to high-quality care and ensuring the benefit is there for those that might serve in the future.”

Effective Oct. 1, military retirees enrolling in the TRICARE Prime health plan began paying slightly higher annual fees, Woodson said.

“The [TRICARE Prime] fee increases for an individual has only gone up, essentially, \$2.50 a month,” he explained. “And for a Family, \$5 a month. [The

total cost is really modest in terms of the overall cost of the entire year.”

Those enrolled before Oct. 1, however, won’t see an increase in cost until fiscal 2013, he added.

Woodson said two groups of TRICARE beneficiaries would not experience any increases: people who are medically retired and survivors of deceased active duty sponsors.

Defense Department officials recognize the potential concerns regarding fee increases during tough economic times, he said.

“We understand, particularly in the current economy and set of fiscal realities, any increase in [out-of-pocket] costs would cause some concern,” he said. “But I would remind everyone there have been no fee increases since 1994.”

Woodson also noted that not all co-payments and fees have risen.

“There have been some adjustments in co-pays,” he said. “In one category, actually, the fees have gone down, so [for] those individuals who have mail-order pharmacy benefits [and] previously paid \$3 for generic drugs, that fee will go away.”

Beneficiaries will see

modest increases in other co-payments for brand-name drugs, particularly at

the retail level, which will go from \$3 to \$5, he explained. Nonformulary drugs will

rise from \$22 to \$25 for both retail and mail-order pharmacies. For brand-name


drugs, the cost will remain the same — \$9 for the mail order pharmacy.



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Second Lt. Michael Spears, Fort Rucker Army 10-Miler Team, makes his way across the finish line during the Hispanic Heritage Month Gate-to-Gate run Saturday. Spears was the overall winner with a time of 24:01.

# Gate-to-Gate

## Run celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

By Russell Sellers  
Army Flier Staff Writer

More than 200 participants came out to make the journey from Fort Rucker's Ozark gate to its Daleville gate Saturday during the annual Hispanic Heritage Month Gate-to-Gate run.

Paula Bair, 1st Aviation Brigade equal opportunity adviser, said the number of people who came out this year was higher than previous years, and showed a lot of community growth and unity.

"It goes to show that there's a lot of community involvement here," she said. "While the run itself was here before Hispanic Heritage Month, it worked well as a way to celebrate diversity because so many different people enjoy doing this."

Bair added that the outside communities also came out to participate, indicating that the annual event has a longer reach than just the Fort Rucker communities.

"It really brings the community, inside and outside, Fort Rucker together," she said. "The more diverse cultures you have at an event, it means more people are learning, and getting outside their own culture and learning something new."

While the event was meant to be part of a larger goal of unity, the run was still a competition and those with more running experience definitely showcased their talents.

The overall winner of the event was 2nd Lt. Michael Spears, Fort Rucker

Army 10-Miler team member, with a time of 24:01.

Spears and several other members of the 10-Miler team competed as a way to judge where they stood in terms of being ready for the Army-wide competition in Washington Sunday.

Spears said the first mile was the easiest part of the race, but when the hills started in the second mile, things started to get more challenging.

"It started to hit us in the second mile," he said. "In the first mile we all tried to keep the same pace and stay together, but the hill probably slowed us down about 20 seconds in the second mile. After the first mile, we realized that if we wanted to get the times we wanted, we had to increase the pace a bit."

By the end of the race, three of the top four times were from the Fort Rucker Army 10-Miler team, according to 1st Sgt. Jeffery Herzog, team coach.

He added that being able to do this event well showed the team is more than ready for the competition in D.C.

"I feel outstanding because we took those top spots," he said. "If that's any indication of what's to come, I'm very excited."

Spears added that he thought the event was also a great way for people of various backgrounds to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.

"I think it's great for the community," he said. "It's great to see so many people, including a lot of people from the Hispanic community, coming out to participate and share their heritage with us."

# Penalties mire otherwise good week in NFL

By Russell Sellers  
Army Flier Staff Writer

Just how many penalties can a team accrue and still manage to win a game? Let's ask the Houston Texans after their impressive display of defensive force against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

If anyone thought that Houston was "soft" before now, they should really think about changing that tune. If you still don't believe it, go ask Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger how he's feeling right now.

This week Houston gets to stay home again and take on the Oakland Raiders, who are coming off a disappointing loss to New England.

Don't count the Raiders out, though. This little-team-that-could just might win this weekend. It is a stretch seeing as Houston is on a bit of a hot-streak right now and it doesn't show many signs of cooling down.

Penalties and stupid mistakes kept the Raiders from taking the game away from a much-better-looking-than-last-week Tom Brady and company. Still, this is a team

that put the New York Jets away a couple of weeks ago. Despite how things have been for the Jets lately, that's still no easy task.

Raiders QB Jason Campbell just needs to keep his head in the game next time and not get so rattled in the pocket. You can't keep throwing into coverage and expect good things to happen. Not all receivers, especially Oakland's, are miracle workers.

Speaking of working miracles and the Jets, some real divine intervention is probably going to be needed if New York expects to take one away from the Pats this weekend.

Jets QB Mark Sanchez watched all his worst nightmares come true as he threw three interceptions that turned into touchdowns for the Baltimore Ravens Sunday



night. Luckily for the Jets, the Ravens were having an almost equally terrible night on offense, so the score was only 34-17 by the end.

Brady wasn't intercepted once in the Pats game against the Raiders this past weekend. He also threw for 226 yards and two TDs.

Yeah, the Jets are in some serious trouble and Coach Rex Ryan might just pop a blood vessel or two after this one.

Speaking of things exploding, how about two explosive defenses taking the field when Detroit hosts Chicago Monday?

I don't know about everybody else, but this is one game I'm getting excited about.

Now, Detroit is still undefeated and Da' Bears have already dropped two this season, to Green Bay and New Orleans, but I'm still putting my money on Chicago, figuratively speaking.

One reason being that, despite plenty of defensive power, Detroit is just not good at pressuring a quarterback in the pocket, which is strange considering how many great players it has.

The Lions can't expect to win if they give Bears QB Jay Cutler plenty of time to think. I mean, the guy probably needs longer than most QBs in the game today, but that's no reason to slack off.

However, the Lions seem to work best when playing from behind. They erased a 24-point, third quarter deficit against the Dallas Cowboys last week to take a 34-30 win. That's incredible, regardless of the fact that it was the Cowboys.

But it's not the Bears passing game Detroit should be worried about. It's two simple things: Matt Forte. If the Lions can't stop this powerhouse running back, then Chicago is going to run circles around them all day long.

Don't forget about Da' Bears' all-star special teams, either. If Chicago's defense shows up to play, then you might just see some more stellar performances from punt returner Devin Hester, who just set a

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# PIGSKIN PICKS

	New Orleans vs. Carolina	Oakland vs. Houston	Buffalo vs. Philadelphia	Tampa Bay vs. San Francisco	N.Y. Jets vs. New England	Green Bay vs. Atlanta	Chicago vs. Detroit
 <b>Jim Hughes</b> Fort Rucker Public Affairs (22-6)							
 <b>Master Sgt. Jimmy Lindsey</b> DPTMS NCOIC (22-6)							
 <b>Russell Sellers</b> Army Flier Staff Writer (20-8)							
 <b>Capt. Mike Simmons</b> Directorate of Public Safety (20-8)							
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# DOWN TIME



## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

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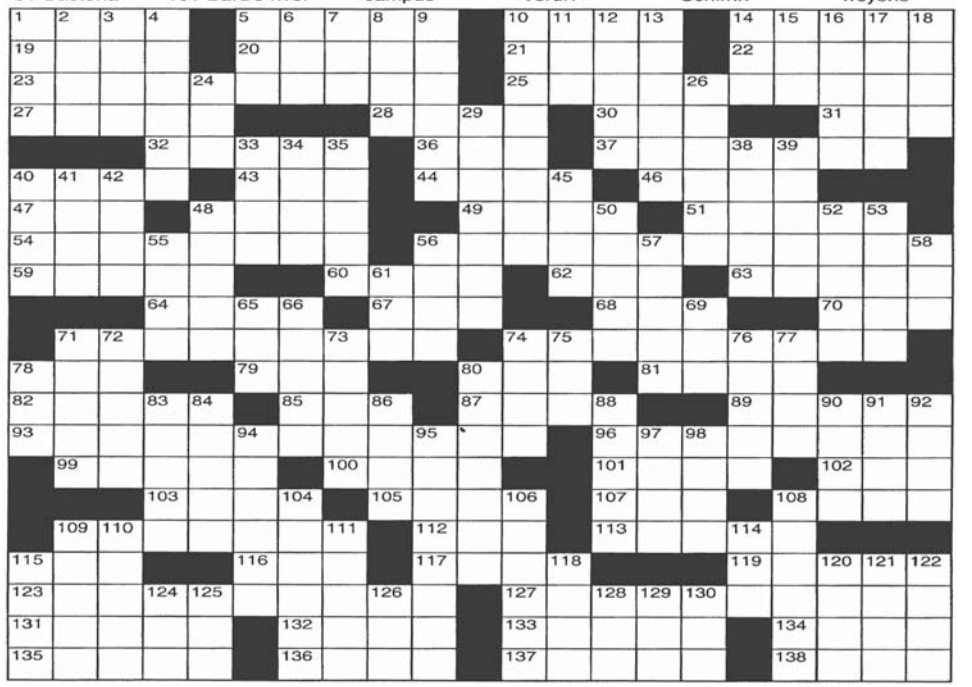
1. MOVIES: What famous Hollywood couple starred in the 1967 movie "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?"
2. TELEVISION: What was Lurch's job on "The Addams Family"?
3. MUSIC: What is Jo Jo's hometown in the Beatles' song "Get Back"?
4. RELIGION: On what date is All Saints Day celebrated in Western Christianity?
5. PHYSICS: Who is known as "the Father of the Hydrogen Bomb"?
6. PRIZES: Who won the 1939 Pulitzer Prize for history with his biography "Abraham Lincoln: The War Years"?
7. HISTORY: Which French king abdicated during the Revolution of 1848?
8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: When did the first Yankee Stadium open?
9. INVENTIONS: Who invented the electric battery?
10. LITERATURE: Where does Shakespeare's play "Romeo and Juliet" take place?

See Page D3 for this week's answers.

## Super Crossword

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  - 111 Bamboo muncher
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  - 120 Castle ditch
  - 121 Tivoli's Villa d'—
  - 122 Spare fare
  - 124 Actor Tognazzi
  - 125 Half of us
  - 126 "M\*A\*S\*H" extras
  - 128 Trail
  - 129 "Hi, Horace!"
  - 130 Berlioz's "— Trojans"



See Page D3 for this week's answers.

### Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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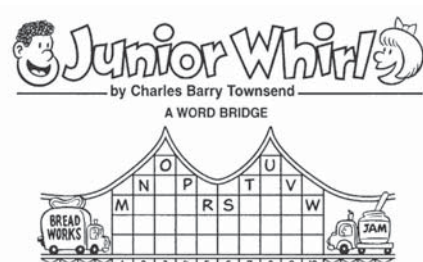
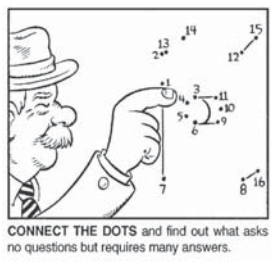
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 Shane Jones, Network Enterprise Center (24-11)							
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GRIDIRON CORNER

Auburn rises, Aggies blow it in Week 5

By David C. Agan Jr.  
Fort Rucker Public Affairs

Saturdays in the fall have a lot in common with raising a toddler: exhausting and emotional, but a lot of fun and, usually, full of surprises.

Did anyone think that the Auburn Tigers would be able to go on the road and beat the No. 10-ranked South Carolina Gamecocks? Could anyone have possibly known that Texas A&M was going to blow a

double-digit lead at half-time for the second week in a row? And who would've guessed Clemson would still be undefeated after traveling to Blacksburg, Va., and not only beating No. 11 Virginia Tech, but keeping the Hokies from scoring a touchdown at home for the first time in 16 years?

Judging from last week's picks, I was able to guess all of those things.

I'm not bragging or anything. I just had an inclination that, under the right circumstances, Auburn

stood a fairly good chance against a South Carolina team that has a porous defense and a schizophrenic quarterback. But, then, I'm an Auburn fan; I was certainly hoping for those circumstances. And having just watched the Clemson Tigers lay waste to Auburn's own porous defense a couple of weeks ago, I was also inclined to believe that those other Tigers from South Carolina were, in fact, for real.

But Texas A&M giving up a huge lead for the second week in a row? How is

that possible? That's a collapse of legendary proportions. Two weeks ago, the Aggies were ranked No. 8 in the AP poll and had the No. 7 Oklahoma State Cowboys against the ropes. The Cowboys scored 27 points in the second half to win, 30-29. Over the last few years, though, a photo-finish has practically become a staple of this rivalry, so let's chalk that one up to a bad half of football.

But then the Aggies go on the road to Arkansas and do it again! It was 35-17 in the Aggies' favor at the

half. Surely they wouldn't toss that kind of a lead two weeks in a row would they? Could they?

They could, and they did. Arkansas quarterback Tyler Wilson shredded the Aggies, throwing for over 500 yards and two touchdowns. In their last two games, Texas A&M has been outscored in the second half 52-12. I wouldn't call this their "Welcome to the Southeastern Conference" moment just yet, though. That's coming in 2012.

With Week 5 of this season in the books, let's take

a look at what's on tap for Week 6.

It's time again for what many who live outside the state of Alabama consider to be the most heated rivalry in college football: the Red River Rivalry between the Oklahoma Sooners and the Texas Longhorns.

This year's edition finds Oklahoma looking to prove they're deserving of their No.3 rank in the AP poll. They didn't do much to earn their preseason No. 1 ranking. They haven't really

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NFL: Green Bay Packers come close to being unstoppable

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record for his 11th punt return for a touchdown against the Carolina Panthers last week.

There are plenty of other games going on this weekend, but none that tear my loyalties like Green Bay at Atlanta.

Clearly the dirty birds haven't performed up to their previous

preseason hype. In fact, not even close.

Matt Ryan and company have really let their fans down over the last few weeks and this weekend isn't looking any better. The Pack is on the road to repeat as Super Bowl champions and unless someone can find a way to derail the Aaron Rodgers train, it's going to roll right on through

Atlanta Sunday.

It might not be as bad as I'm making it out to be, though. Atlanta has shown flashes of greatness recently with Tony Gonzalez and Julio Jones putting up some impressive numbers and coming down with what can only be called miracle-catches. Too bad the Atlanta defense only shows up to play occasionally.

Green Bay, on the other hand, has looked impressive from Day 1 and shows no signs of slowing down. This team has all-but run over everybody in its path, including Chicago and former Super Bowl champs New Orleans.

Just last weekend, the Packers stomped the Denver Broncos into the ground, 49-23. That's just brutal, folks. Rodgers passed for

over 400 yards and rushed for 36 on his own. This guys is the real deal. Never underestimate his timing and his ability to be the field general for the Packers.

I don't want to call them unstoppable, because frankly nobody is, but what other word can I use for the Pack right now? I'm stumped.

**BRIEF**

**Hunter Education Course**

A hunter education class will take place Oct. 13 at 5:30 p.m. in Adams Hall, Bldg. 5419, Rm. 120. The class accepts a maximum of 60 students. Attendance of this class requires completion of internet or CD course prior to class. Participants must bring a printed report to class (report does not need to be notarized). Online registration for this class is ongoing.

For more, call 255-4305.

**Couples Invitational**

Silver Wings Golf Course hosts

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For more, call 598-2449.

**Winter Golf Intramurals**

Winter Golf Intramurals begin Nov. 13 with a 1 p.m. Shotgun Start at Silver Wings Golf Course. The format is a four-person scramble. Costs are a \$10 one-time league fee and a \$5 cart fee per player per outing.

For more information about the league or questions about eligibility, call 598-2449.

**Youth basketball registration**

Youth basketball registration for boys and girls ages 6 to 18 takes place now through Oct. 31 at the Youth Service Gymnasium. Children must have met the age requirements by Sept. 1.

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# Auburn: Red River Rivalry headlines Week 6 action

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beaten anyone of note this season except for Florida State, who played most of that game without their star quarterback E.J. Manuel. Sure, they're loaded with talent and they will most likely go on to win the Big 12, but are they really as good as the hype suggests? No. 11 Texas is coming into this weekend fresh off a victory against previously undefeated Iowa State. They're trying to find their spot in the Big 12 this season and, of course, still trying to climb back into the national college football conversation. Texas quarterback Case McCoy is very inexperienced, but he's serviceable and hasn't thrown any picks this season. I don't think they've got what it takes this year to take down the Sooners, but I have a feeling it will be closer than most think. The Florida Gators head to Baton Rouge to face the No. 1-ranked LSU Tigers. Last weekend, the Gators got absolutely smashed by the Alabama Crimson Tide to the tune of 38-10. Adding injury to insult, Florida's starting quarterback John Brantley was sidelined with a lower leg injury that will keep him off the field this weekend. The Gators didn't stand much of a chance against Alabama once Brantley left the game and, quite frankly, they won't stand much of a chance this weekend against the Tigers. Florida

has freshman quarterback Jeff Driskel set to start but there are two other freshman quarterbacks preparing to take snaps in Death Valley. Things could, and most likely will, get dicey early for the Gators. What's most interesting about this game isn't necessarily the matchup between LSU and Florida.

Florida's quarterback situation leaves them little to no chance against the Tigers and their unforgiving defense. But it's an opportunity to see how the No. 1 and No. 2 teams in the country fare against the same opponent in consecutive weeks. It's just too bad for the Gators that it has to be them.



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