

Warren

SENTINEL

Happy
Birthday
Air Force

57 years and
still going
strong

20th Air
Force
celebrates
60 years

9/11
Where were
you?



Hoops Shots

Ninety Honor Guard who were sharp as always; to our **First Responders** who laid the wreath – **Airman 1st Class Billy Garcia** (security forces), **Staff Sgt. David Rivera** (medical), **Staff Sgt. David Fulkerson** (explosive ordnance disposal), **Airman Jordan Fongaiu** (fire fighter); the **Civil Engineering** team who made Prado Park look superb; the **Comm team** for an outstanding sound system; the **Chapel staff** for a terrific program and **Lt. Col. Scott Henry** for his invocation/benediction; the two project officers who made it all happen flawlessly – **2nd Lt.s Michael McGee and Jack Anderson**; and our two speakers – **Lt. Col. Andre Shappell and Airman 1st Class Brett McCarter**. Col. Shappell's speech reminded us of the horror of that day on scene but I was most touched by Airman McCarter's remarks about joining and wanting to do something after seeing the attacks on our nation. My guess is that any young enlisted person would have made the same speech about joining the Jolly Rogers after Pearl Harbor – again, that link to the past comes full circle!

Showing that we have not broken faith with the past are two events this week – the 20th Air Force Anniversary/Air Force Birthday Dining Out and our 24-hour POW/MIA vigil at the base and state capitol flagpoles.

Finally, we shared in another historic tradition when the entire base was inducted into the Cheyenne Frontier Day's Hall of Fame. For as long as the Daddy of 'Em All exists folks will remember that we were there on the very first one over a century ago and that we have been and will be at every one since.

Let me close by saluting two tremendous leaders who are leaving us. **Chief Master Sgt. Paul Duysen** – who I've been calling Air Chief because of his enthusiasm for helicopter flights – has been an incredible force across this base both in maintenance and enlisted leadership. He's the kind of leader who is naturally humble and who lives the core values in all his actions. I will miss seeing his River Dance, but will mostly miss his leadership and humor. Also, departing from MXG is **Lt. Col. L. B. Mobley** – the founder of the Mobley Mobile Commode. Both these leaders kept our alert rates high despite incredible ops tempo. They both cared deeply for their troops and they both left us better than they found us. We wish you both godspeed in your travels and next tours and we thank you for your years of dedicated service to this unit – we will not forget you.

–Col. Hoops

I've been doing a lot of thinking about history lately; especially these past few weeks. And, no, it's not because I suddenly feel I'm growing old. I've been struck recently by a series of seemingly unrelated events that highlight the critical importance of remembering and celebrating our heritage and the craving our people have to feel connected to something bigger than themselves.

It started with my recent commander's call. I spent the majority of that session with you talking about the history of our founding group – the 90th Heavy Bombardment Group -- the Jolly Rogers. How so much of what that famous unit did in a world war is reflected in what we do now providing top cover in today's global war on terror. I've had a series of these calls in my first year here and it was this topic that created the most positive and spontaneous reactions from our newest airmen at FTAC to civil servants who've served with us for decades. Now, I'm starting to see the famous skull and cross bombs pop up everywhere and the pride is apparent. I highly encourage all our units to find a creative way to bridge to the past and keep their legacy alive even as we add to that legacy.

This last week I was privileged to attend the 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year banquet where our very own **Tech. Sgt. Teresa Mossoni** received her plaque and the honors and appreciation of the highest rollers in our Air Force. But what struck me wasn't so much the pageantry of the event, it was the clear linkage to past Outstanding Airmen winners – hundreds of them who have gone before – and how we have passed the torch of Excellence In All We Do through these generations of enlisted heroes. It also celebrated the historic partnership we've had with the **Air Force Association** – who have been our biggest and most effective advocates since the dawn of our Service. We salute the **Cowboy Chapter** of the AFA for winning the Community Partner Achievement Award and to **C. Robert Johnigan** for his Medal of Merit.

We saw that link to history played out again in the best 9/11 service I have seen. In this case, it was our generation who lived through this event and it is up to us to carry forward what we saw, what we felt and what it meant to the generations that follow us before it is lost to history. Congratulations to **Mr. Tom Cook** for his stirring renditions of our National Anthem and God Bless America; the **Mighty**

Commentary

Priority check

Col. Ronald Pearson
90th Medical Group Commander

Every day there are many things pulling us in different directions. It may be a sick child or family member we're worried about, concerns about paying the bills, suspenses to meet, preparing for deployment or worry over a deployed loved one, questioning the relevance of our job, or even wondering what our next job will be.

These are just some of the things fighting for our attention, but we must stay focused. Occasionally, it may seem difficult to focus on one thing at a time. With all of my activities: family, church, golf and work, I have to keep my eye on each of the balls I'm juggling at the same time. We all have to do this, but we have to concentrate or focus on the ball that is currently in our hand. The other balls are still there, and we are aware of them, but we cannot control them once they leave our hand. We can only control the ball in our hand. That's the one to focus on.

When I have several tasks demanding my immediate attention, I have to sit back, look at them and prioritize the order at which I'm going to accomplish them. Granted, some priorities are predetermined for me, but when they aren't I have to make a decision and stick with it. When I do this, I free myself from the burden of trying to get everything done at once. I am aware of the other responsibilities, but I know that I owe my boss, my family and my country the best that I can give.

That means doing the best on the task I'm currently working on. Once you've established your priorities, the focus should fall into place. But, wait a second, what about the different things on my mind? After you've established your priorities and are carrying out your task, if you find yourself losing focus, stop

what you're doing. Do you need to let your supervisor know what is bothering you? Yes. It is everyone's responsibility to keep their bosses informed of anything that may affect their performance—especially if their work has any ties to safety.

Ask yourself if the thing that is breaking your focus is really important. If it is, then you need to re-evaluate your priorities and execute a new plan. If it isn't, then regroup, talk to someone, concentrate on what needs to be done and the outcome you're striving to obtain, then focus on achieving that goal.

We owe it to our families, coworkers, communities and country to do our very best to stay focused. In our line of work, dissipated focus may cause mission failure or loss of life. Keep an eye on what's important, set priorities and dedicate yourself to following through and you can excel.

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Gen. Lord wants you ... to Vote

General Lance W. Lord
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Voting is one of the most important rights we have as Americans. The very constitution every Airman swore to defend guarantees us that right. I challenge every Airman, civilian and family member to exercise your right to vote in the upcoming elections. Let me remind you that our most recent national election was decided by less than one percent of the overall vote, so every single vote matters!

I know military members and their families suffer unique challenges when it comes to voting.

We are usually serving our nation in assignments outside of our home states. Therefore, it is absolutely critical we provide each of you the means to exercise your right to vote. Each unit in the United States Air Force has a voting representative to assist you. Your voting representative can help you fill out applications to receive absentee ballots from your home state. I vote using the absentee ballot system and it works.

To simplify and expedite the process for obtaining absentee ballots for all our Airmen and family members, we have recently established key links for voter registration and infor-

mation on the Air Force website available via the "Airmen Votes" icon on the www.af.mil website. This link contains all the information required for every Airman, family member and Air Force civilian to register to vote in your home state with just a few clicks from anywhere in the world. The time left to register is running out, so contact your unit's voting representative today. Please pay attention to the directions on your absentee ballots and make sure you mail your ballot before the required deadline. Remember...you've earned the right to vote and every Airman vote counts...so please register and vote!

Happy 57th, AF

WASHINGTON --

Happy birthday to the Airmen of the world's greatest air and space force!

Our 57 years of history may be short, but they are packed with astounding accomplishments. We've broken the sound barrier, expanded military operations to the reaches of space, ushered stealth technology and precision-strike capability into modern warfare, delivered humanitarian aid to austere locations, jointly won the Cold War and provided decisive air and space power for wars in Korea, Vietnam, the Balkans, Afghanistan and Iraq.

Your dedication to excellence, your integrity and your faithful service is recognized and appreciated by all Americans.

Since our inception in 1947, America's Air Force has flown lead in defending peace and freedom around the world.

That legacy was made

possible by millions of professional Airmen dedicated to accomplishing critical missions with total success.

Today, you are the torchbearers of our legacy.

You are performing remarkably across the globe delivering aid to people in need and defending and protecting our great nation from emerging threats and new enemies.

Your competence, dedication to the mission and pride of service is renowned. We know you also have wonderful families who support your long hours and deployments away from home. We are grateful for their support.

You represent the strength and patriotism of our great nation. America is proud of our Air Force because of you.

Thanks for your service and again, happy birthday!

--Gen. Lance Lord

Think about it

Do you want to be responsible for killing someone's best friend?

**Air Force Space Command
News Service**
Airman 1st Class Chris Smith
460th Public Affairs

BUCKLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. - Because someone didn't think, a friend of mine is dead.

Although Kris followed every safety precaution necessary when driving his motorcycle home from work, someone was drinking and driving and Kris paid the price.

We've heard it time and again. If you're drinking alcohol, don't get behind the wheel of a car.

Although just about everyone, especially in the military, hears it constantly, it sometimes becomes like a broken record people don't pay much attention.

It would have been nice if someone had listened to that 'broken record' before drinking this week-end.

When my roommate and I got the call, we drove down to the hospital as fast as we could. We talked to Kris' father and the chaplain briefly then went to his room and saw him.

That was something I'll never forget.

Kris was lying there on the bed, needles and tubes hooked up all over his body leading to several machines placed all around him. He had bandages wrapped around his head but otherwise looked unscathed.

Still, they told me he wasn't going to live.

Standing there looking at him, I experienced different emotions. It was so sad seeing him lay there, knowing he wasn't going to wake. I felt sympathy knowing he was leaving behind a family that loved and cared for him, many of who were also there.

And I felt anger. I was angry because Kris had just recently made it back from a four-month deployment to Iraq without being harmed. He was killed when he got back home.

I'm also angry at myself because I don't know how many times I've seen people I know get into their cars after having a couple of drinks. They'd tell me they were fine or they could make it or they're just driving a couple of minutes away and I would let them go.

Most of all, I'm angry because this could have been avoided. If that driver had just been responsible and handed his keys to somebody else, my friend would still be here.

Instead, he got in that driver's seat, most likely knowing he shouldn't have, and someone else lost his life because of it.

What's unbelievable is that it happens all the time.

Somebody thinks he's okay to drink and drive and hurts somebody else in the process.

It's just plain stupid. There's no better way to put it.

This is why I say it's simple. Don't drink and drive.

You shouldn't be trying to guess if you've had too much to drink or not.

If the alcohol has touched your lips, don't risk it.

If it's someone you know, take his keys. Let him be upset with you.

You might save a life.

Don't make someone see his loved one the way I last saw my friend.

Don't let someone leave behind a family and friends that way.



Briefs

Asbestos and Lead Awareness Training!

Quarterly Asbestos Awareness training will be offered at the Base Theater today from 8 to 10 a.m.

Lead Based Paint Awareness Training will follow from 10 to 11 a.m. Annual attendance is mandatory for the following people: Civil Engineer Squadron, anyone in Communications Squadron running lines, all facility managers, all maintenance workers, all custodial workers, all project managers, Auto Hobby Shop personnel, any individuals performing self-help work, all group and squadron commanders, and all personnel that have occasion to disturb building materials.

Everyone else is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Questions may be directed to Leilani Woods at 773-5495 or Mike Zak at 773-4358.

Group and squadron commanders unable to attend may take an alternate computer based training and quiz located at O:/base information / 90 CES_ information / Environmental / Commanders Lead and Asbestos Training.

Quality of life

Quality of life inputs are due. If you have concerns or issues with existing Air Force or Warren policies and procedures, or ideas for improvements, please call 773-5941 or e-mail 90MSS.DP.FFLE@warren.af.mil no later than Sept. 24.

For more information contact Mary Brown, Family & Life Skills Consultant at 773-5941.

Latin Dance night

A latin dance night is scheduled for Sept. 24 at the Trails End ballroom from 7 p.m. until midnight. This is a free event celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month.

For more information, contact Senior Airman Orlando Salas 773-4087 or Tech. Sgt. Shonna Wright 773-4583.



Photo by 1st Lt. Darrick Lee

BEAUTIES AND THE BASE COMMANDER

Cheyenne Frontier Days' Miss Frontier, Tara Vreeland, right, and the Lady in Waiting, Joanne Brewster present Col. Evan J. Hoapili, Commander, 90th Space Wing, with a plaque during the Cheyenne Frontier Days Hall of Fame induction ceremony Sept. 10. Col Hoops accepted the award on behalf of Warren Air Force Base. Warren helped start the very first Cheyenne Frontier Days over 108 years ago, and has been an integral part of each year's events ever since.

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THE CHOICE IS YOURS. CAST YOUR VOTE

With the November 2004 General Election almost upon us, time is running out to participate in the elections this year. The Secretary of Defense has decreed the week of September 3 - 11, 2004 as Armed Forces Voters Week (AAVW). This is the last week in which you can submit a Federal Post Card Application, SF 76, request for registration and/or absentee ballot and meet most state deadlines. Contact your unit Voting Assistance Officers and request your Federal Post Card Application today. Visit the Federal Voting Assistance Web site at www.fvap.gov to find "How To Do It" brochures and the "Frequently Asked Questions" page.

Your 2004 Group Voting Assistance Officers:

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- 90 OG: Staff Sgt. William Kennedy ext. 4423
- 90 SFG: 2nd Lt. Wendy Allison ext. 3881



AUTO SHOW

EPA lifts water restrictions, so...

No 0-0-1-3 on water

**Airman 1st Class
Connor F. Elayan**
Public Affairs

The Environmental Protection Agency lifted the water restrictions Sept. 1 for on-base housing, and alternative water is no longer required for any base housing units.

The Wee-Serve, which provided military families whose homes were affected an alternative water source, will close Sept. 30.

The restriction was lifted after water was tested and proven to have lead levels in compliance with EPA standards, making the water safe to drink.

High lead levels in the

drinking water affected approximately 295 homes on base, said Sara Hambright, the Water Program Manager, 90th Civil Engineer Squadron.

Housing units affected include all the homes in Carlin Heights and 33 units in the residential red bricks and MCP/Capehart areas.

High levels of lead in the solder used to connect piping were cited as the cause for the problem, Ms. Hambright added.

Water restrictions began on Oct. 4, 2002 when the base received an emergency administrative order from the EPA which included the alternative water requirement.

To temporarily fix the

problem, Wee-Serve, maintained by the 90th Civil Engineer Squadron, provided an alternative water supply at the commissary here.

"We tapped into the water line there and provided everyone with clean water," said Ms. Hambright.

To permanently correct the lead levels, a contractor was hired to begin an epoxy coating project that began in May 2003.

According to the Lead Poisoning News Website, epoxy coating when applied to the insides of household water pipes creates a protective lining that prevents the lead in the piping from contaminating the water.

The 15-month project was completed August 16.

Wanted:
Cars, Trucks, SUVs
(Classic, Modified, Special Interest)

Car Show
(Hispanic Heritage Cultural Extravaganza)

Cost: Free

When: Oct. 7

Where: LRS High Bay

POC: Senior Airman Nipun Rozario at 773-2530 or Tech Sgt. Shonna Wright at 773-4583

Prizes: 1st, 2nd Place

Please sign up by Oct. 1

Sponsored by the Hispanic Heritage Observance Committee.

Nominate yours

Airman 1st Class Lauren Sixbey
Public Affairs

Nominations for the Volunteer Excellence Award - recognizing federal civilians, family members and military and federal retirees performing volunteer service within the community - are due to the Warren Family Support Center Oct. 1.

To be eligible for the award, volunteer service must be performed either in the local civilian community or the military family community and be of a sustained and direct nature.

The volunteer service must also be significant in character, produce measurable results and reflect favorably on the Air Force. Four VEAs, an Air Force Chief of Staff award program, are presented annually.

Historically Warren presents two awards semi-annually to "spread out" the recognition of outstanding volunteers.

"This is an excellent opportunity for supervisors to highlight outstanding volunteers," said Mike Boggs, FSC consultant. "Most volunteers don't do it for the accolades, but it's important we recognize their hard work."

Supervisors wishing to nominate their volunteers can contact Mike Boggs at 773-5944.



Photo by 1st Lt Darrick Lee

CHICAGO AIN'T GOT NOTHIN' ON CHEYENNE!

Chicago may be known as the Windy City, but anyone who has been here knows that Cheyenne's winds are a force to be reckoned with. Here, a large trampoline rests between two trees on Ft. Warren Avenue after a strong gust of Cheyenne wind uprooted it from its previously-anchored position on the ground Sunday. Capt. Lee Taylor, 400th Missile Squadron, was surprised to see his family's trampoline destroyed while other toys seemed to be unharmed. The exact speed of the wind was unknown, but it was sufficient to lift the trampoline, which weighs over 200 lbs. During the winter and wind season, residents are reminded to weigh down such things as trash cans or other items that have the potential to be carried away by the wind.



Staff Sgt. Eric Pauley, 90th Space Wing chapel assistant, and daughter Caroline, reflect upon the Sept. 11 memorial wreath.



Warren's Honor Guard stands ready to deliver a 21-gun salute in remembrance of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. Around the world, ceremonies were conducted to pay tribute to the 2,749 people who perished during the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

Do you remember where you were?

Staff Sgt. Scott T. Sturkol
319th Air Refueling Wing Public Affairs

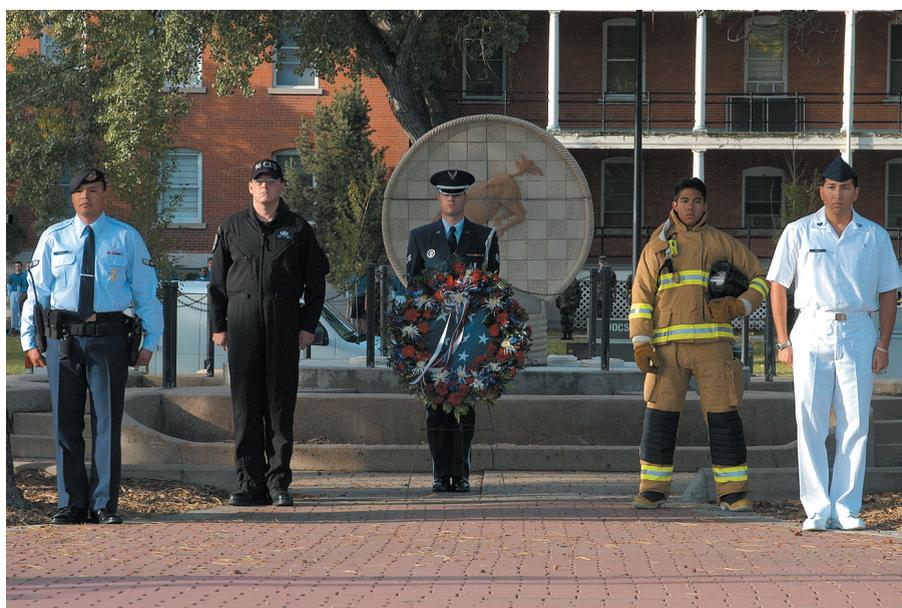
GRAND FORKS AIR FORCE BASE, N.D. -- People I have met from the World War II era still talk about where they were when the Japanese struck Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, pulling the United States into the war.

Our generation, however, has another date that lives in "infamy" -- Sept. 11, 2001.

I have met people from New York who are still angry their city was attacked. I have met and talked with people who were in Washington, D.C. on that day and remember being scared to death they would be the next victims.

In September 2002, I went to see the charred steel I-beams from the World Trade Center set up as a 9-11 memorial at the International Peace Gardens near Denseith, N.D.

The reminders of that day are everywhere, but I think the more important memories about Sept. 11 are what we as servicemembers and Americans have done in response to those attacks. We have shed a lot of tears and



Photos by Bernie Ernst

Warren members, including the honor guard, stand in respect of the heroes who lost their lives in the attacks.

remembered the families of the victims. We, as a nation, have made strikes on all fronts to protect our homeland and its people. We have become accustomed to a new mindset that our security is dependent on the vigilance of our people and their ability to adjust to change. Americans have reacted with strength.

Operation Enduring Freedom began on Oct. 7, 2001, effectively

starting the global war on terrorism in the backyard of the terrorists. It is an easy date for me to remember because Oct. 7 is also my wife's birthday. So while I celebrate my wife's birthday with her, I also get to celebrate freedom and how on that day we began what eventually became the liberation of Afghanistan from the Taliban. I was in Afghanistan a little more than a year ago. I went to Bagram

Air Base and saw how the Air Force, Army, Marines, Navy, Coalition forces, and Afghani nationals were taking steps toward a democracy in that country. As a matter of fact, Afghanistan will hold its first democratic national elections in October. That alone is a positive result of Sept. 11.

Also last year I went to Iraq, where I served as a security escort for Arab media from England, including Iraqi journalist and novelist Khalid Kishtainy.

At that time, Mr. Kishtainy had not set foot in his homeland since 1989 when his life was threatened by Saddam Hussein. During a stop in Basrah, he said, "Thanks to America, I can come home once again."

Mr. Kishtainy's words alone said to me that we are winning the fight in the global war on terror. He later told me in an interview that he, like many others, was shocked when the events of Sept. 11 unfolded.

I took a trip through Canada in early August. I remember stopping at a rest stop near a small town in Ontario where I struck up

Remember, page 23



Bowl your way to school

Warren Lanes youth program offers scholarships to kids

Cori Ziemann
90th Civil Engineer Squadron

The 2004 Warren Youth American Bowling Alliance Program started last Saturday at Warren Lanes and runs through Apr. 9.

Don't worry, if you can't start right away you can sign up anytime during the season.

New in town?

The youth bowling league is exciting and an excellent way to get involved.

It gives children a great opportunity to meet others.

The program gives the youth opportunities to compete in tournaments such as city, state and international events.

There are also other exciting events that are held throughout the season.

Jack and Agnes Colvin have been running the youth bowling program for 12 years at Warren and have been involved with the Youth American Bowling Alliance Program for thirty years.

They love working with children and have a great interest in bowling.

They set up exciting events that all ages can enjoy, such as "Beat Your Coach" competitions, only one of the many events they organize.

One-on-one training is there for those who need to brush up on their bowling skills or who have never bowled before.

There will be a certified coach on each lane to help guide and teach correct techniques.

Getting involved in youth bowling gives the children an opportunity to earn scholarships.

All children ages seven to 21 receive a scholarship each year, which can be used once they graduate from high school for college or tech school.

This is an entertaining and easy way to earn money for school. Come out and get involved and bowl your way to school.

All Department of Defense ID cardholders are welcome to attend.

Sign up! Bowling is a great cure for the end of summer blues.

For more information call Warren Lanes at 773-2210.



Master Instructor Jack Colvin assists young bowler Aaron Crocker during a Young American Bowling Alliance Saturday morning session at Warren Lanes last season. YABA started last Saturday but it's not too late to join. Call Warren Lanes at 773-2210 for more information.



Left:
243rd quarterback Paul Farrell lets one fly to a receiver downfield.

Below:
243rd receiver Shawn Reuth scrambles past 790th defenders for extra yardage.

Down ... Set ... Hike

THE 243RD OVERTOOK 790 A IN FLAG FOOTBALL SEPT. 8 MAKING THEM 8 AND 0 FOR THE SEASON.



Med Group NCO loves Warren, Jimmy Buffett and her heroic husband

Tech. Sgt. Laura Pennell, 90th Medical Group, sat down with a cup of coffee and Airman 1st Class Tessa Cubbon to talk about Jimmy Buffett, acting bold and having a hero for a husband.

What do you do?

I oversee the orderly room functions for the medical group.

Do you love it?

Yes I do.

What do you like best about the Air Force?

It's kind of everything: opportunities I've had, places I've been, people I've met. It all rolls together. I've had a blast for the last 11 years.

What places have you been?

Upper Heyford, England, which closed in '94. Keesler and Spangdahlem.

How was Spangdahlem?

Busy.

Other than Warren, what's the coolest place the Air Force has taken you?

Warren is one of the cooler ones, but I'd say England. But I love it here.

What's your favorite part about Warren?

The community. It's just a great place to live, I've made the best friends here, and it has some of the best people I've worked with.

What's your favorite part about your job?

It's knowing that what I do directly impacts people's careers. I guess I should say in a positive way, huh?

Right.

Do you see yourself still in, in five years?

Oh yeah, definitely still in, and

probably still at Warren.

If you could have dinner delivered to you from any where in the world, where would it be from?

I wouldn't want it delivered, but I'd want a big crawfish boil.

What do you have on your desk right now?

An OPR, a med group instruction, coffee mug and a bowl of coins. My coins were on my dresser at home, but my daughter made me this bowl, put my coins in it and told me to take it to work.

How old is your daughter?

She's nine.

What was the last movie you saw in the theatre?

Shrek 2.

Did you like it?

Yeah, it was okay.

In your opinion, what's the greatest book ever written?

A Pirate Looks at Fifty. It's Jimmy Buffett's autobiography.

Who's your hero?

My husband because he's always there for me. He always takes care of everything that needs to be taken care of. He's the best dad ever and definitely someone I look up to.

What's something people you work with would be surprised to know about you?

Nothing really. I pretty much wear everything on my sleeve.

What do you think civilians misunderstand about being in the military?

I think they have a complete understanding of what we're doing.

Do you wish on shooting stars?

No. But I did see one last



summer.

What's your life's motto?

Think big, act bold; or never regret anything only regret not doing anything at all

What did you do before you joined the military?

I worked construction, and I waited tables.

What's the greatest honor you've ever had?

When I was PCSing from Germany, HQ USAFE sent

someone from the USAFE/SG office to Spangdahlem just to coin me before I left.

When you were little, what did you want to be when you grew up?

I think I had the ambition every little girl has of being a teacher. Or a rock star.

What would you do if you were president for a day?

I don't think you could do it all in one day, but I'd want to go to the desert and visit the troops.

Drew Carey Tickets

Outdoor recreation has group discount tickets to *Drew Carey and the Improv All Stars* that will perform at the Union Colony Civic Center, Greeley, Colo. Oct 2 at 5 and 8 p.m. The tickets are \$33 each and in the B section of the center that seats 1,700. ODR will also offer transportation for \$5 per person on a first come first served basis. For more information call ODR at 773-2988.

Club Membership Drive Kicks Off

How would you like to win \$3,000? Well you can, just by joining the club during the fall club membership drive until Nov. 30.

The Air Force is giving each command cash prizes to encourage us to join and participate in Air Force Clubs. There will be a drawing for new members who join during the drive and current members in good standing as well. A kick off party will be held today at 5 p.m. at the club.

Squadrons who bring a new member to the party will be entered into a drawing for a club party credit for their squadron.

Each squadron who gains 5

percent in club membership during the three month drive is entered into a club party credit drawing at the closing party, Dec. 1. Three squadrons will win a party. For more information, contact 773-3048.

Football Frenzy 2004

You can come to Monday Night Football at the club, but you must be a club member to win!

The prizes you can win include trips for two with game tickets, air transportation, hotel, local attraction tickets and local transportation to the Atlanta/Tampa Bay game, the Super Bowl and the Pro Bowl. Other prizes are a plasma TV and an X-Box game system with the new Madden 2005.

The more Monday night games you enjoy at the club, the more chances you'll have to win.

The Wrangler Lounge opens at 4 p.m. and games start at 7 p.m. Nightly prizes include hats, T-shirts and coolers.

Base Library offers Story Time

Children and parents are invited to children's story times at the base

library. Story times are Saturday 1 p.m. The library will be closed Sunday through Wednesday for inventory. Books and videos may be returned in the book drop. CDs and DVDs should be returned to the circulation desk as soon as possible after Sept. 8. All outdoor projects are subject to weather conditions.

Mount Rushmore trip

Outdoor Recreation has planned a day trip to Mount Rushmore Sept. 25.

All active duty, guard, reserve, DoD civilians and family members are welcome to come.

The tour will depart at 7 a.m. and will not be back until midnight. Pack your camera and plenty of film as this tour will take you to two of our nation's treasures: Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse monument. Call Outdoor Rec at 773-2988 for more information.

Swimming Sessions

Open swim sessions at the Aquatic Center offer a great opportunity for back to school children to enjoy some indoor swimming pool fun. Families

may want to plan an after-dinner swim with the kids. Open swim times are 6:30 - 8 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday and 1 - 5 p.m., Saturday.

Children may want to join the swim team or take swimming lessons that are also offered after school.

Adults can participate in the free lap swimming that is offered 11 to 12:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, and two evenings per week.

Water exercise classes, adults only swimming lesson and massage therapy are also part of the adult programs offered at the Aquatic Center.

Call 773-3195 for more information or visit www.90svs.com/Aquatic.htm.

It's a Baby Swap Meet

Nobody should ever have to buy new baby clothes and toys.

Buy and sell baby clothes and toys at the Swap Meet Sept. 25 from 8 a.m. until noon at the base lake pavilion. The cost for a table is \$10. Stop by and get some great deals.

Call outdoor recreation at 773-2988 for more information.

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a conversation with a Canadian police officer from Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Even though it was almost three years after the fact, he expressed how he and many of his countrymen were appalled by the attacks.

This police officer said my haircut gave me away as being a military man, so he asked me what it's like to be in the U.S. military. I told him it was an honor to serve alongside a lot

of brave and steadfast people and I handed him an extra Air Force recruiting key chain I had with me. When I crossed back over the bridge into Michigan from Canada, a U.S. Border Patrol agent took a look at my military ID and said a simple, "Thanks for what you do." All I could say back was, "Thanks for what you do too." After all, he had just as important a job in protecting our homeland. The lessons of Sept. 11 are all

around us and are always on our mind. For our military families, it has been just as much of a sacrifice. Since that fateful day, military families in all the services have sacrificed much and have adjusted to a war-time mindset. More frequent and longer deployments are just some things they have endured. But, like the toughness of the warriors on the frontline, military families are winning the battles on

the home front and doing their part. As a nation, we can never forget that day. But if we always remember where we were, what we were doing, and who we were, it will always serve as our battle cry. As the terrorists lose, we will know that Sept. 11 will be remembered as a day that America, and the world, heard freedom's call once again.



50 Years Space and Missile Trivia

What was the name of the project that brought 127 German missile experts, including Wernher von Braun in January 1946?

ICBM's from Vandenberg Air Force Base? 1979

Want to learn more about space and missile history?

Last week's question:
In what year did the wing participate in the only simultaneous launch of two

Check out AFSPC's anniversary Web site www.peterson.af.mil/hqafspc/50th

