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Around D-M

Anthrax

All active-duty military members are required to participate in the basic awareness education on the anthrax vaccination. Training will be provided at the base theater Tuesday, Wednesday and Aug. 25 from 7 to 7:30 a.m., 10:30 to 11 a.m. and 4 to 4:30 p.m. Members unable to attend during that time may attend the program Sept. 11, from 10:30 to 11 a.m. or 4 to 4:30 p.m. Call Maj. Lisa Bright at 8-2758, or Staff Sgt. Tracy Golliday-Champagne at 8-2759 for more information.

D-M 50 Picnic

The D-M 50, local civic leaders and base supporters, are hosting a picnic for the base at Bama Park Sept. 23. The picnic is free and open to all Davis-Monthan Air Force Base members and their families. Watch the *Desert Airman* for more information as the date grows near.

Safety slogan

The 355th Wing Safety Office is asking individuals to submit safety slogans for display on the speed monitoring awareness radar trailer. Slogans should emphasize mishap prevention and be brief. E-mail slogan inputs to michael.barnes@dm.af.mil. Call Michael Barnes, ground safety manager, at 8-5342 for more information.

Days since last D-M DUI:

05

Need a ride? Call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 850-2233.

(Current as of Thursday)

Airman 1st Class Latonia Brown

Micah Richards, pilot for a day, explores a 355th Security Forces Squadron's high mobility multi-wheeled vehicle.

Child becomes pilot for day

By Staff Sgt. J. Elaine Phillinganes
Public affairs

"Who is Micah Richards and why was his name blazed across the marquee Aug. 11?"

This is a question many people passing by may have asked themselves. It was all part of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base's Pilot-for-a-Day program.

The program originated at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, and has been adopted locally.

The purpose of this program is to make wishes come true for sick children, by letting them experience what it would be like to be a pilot.

Micah Richards, D-M's first "Pilot for a Day," started off his day by taking the pilot's oath with Col. Bobby Wilkes, 355th Wing commander, at the 354th Fighter Squadron, home of the Bulldogs.

The newly intitiated Bulldog got suited up and went through the preflight process with 1st Lt. Jason Rueschhoff, 354th FS. This was just one of many experiences for Micah during the busy day.

The 7-year-old child went through everything D-M had to offer from hanging from a parachute virtual-reality trainer to riding in a HUMVEE to flying an A-10 unit training device to using night vision goggles.

"The little boy seemed a bit scared and overwhelmed by all of the attention and number of people surrounding him at first but by the end of the day he was having a blast," said Lt. Col. Barry McCall, 355th Operations Group.

"The best part of the day was seeing Micah smile and really get into all of the activities. His favorite part seemed to be playing with Sparky, the civil engineer squadron's fire dog," said McCall.

When Rueschhoff asked Micah how he was doing in the front seat of the van, Micah leaned over in his little flight suit and replied "fine." Rueschhoff remembers Micah's grandfather turning and saying, "he always says he is fine, even when he is laying in the hospital bed." Rueschhoff said this really made him stop think about how lucky he is to be 25 and healthy. "Micah is an inspiration to all of us and a very courageous young man," he said.

Micah received everything from squadron patches to A-10 and C-130 drivers license to child size BDUs and a security forces beret.

McCall, the coordinator for the day's events, was really impressed with the way the base pulled together to make this a day Micah and his family will always remember.

"If I could change one thing I would change the name of the program to 'Airman for a Day' because everyone on base was involved and were glad to show off their sections," McCall said.

For more information or to volunteer for future "Pilot for a Day" events call Laura Williams at 8-5091.

Commander's Corner

Commander's Salute

Col. Bobby Wilkes
355th Wing Commander

This week, I salute **members of the 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron aircraft recovery shop and the 355th Transportation Squadron vehicle maintenance section,** who quickly respond whenever and wherever needed. Through their hard work, diligence and dedication, they help Davis-Monthan Air Force Base to meet its mission. Well done!

Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a common goal we all share as members of Team D-M.

Ideas, suggestions, comments and kudos are an important ingredient for continuous improvement.

The fastest way to pass along comment or to get an answer to your concern is to contact the agency chief or functional manager listed here.

Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is available 24 hours a day, at 8-4747, or you can send an e-mail to us at: 355thWing.CommandersCorner@dm.af.mil.

If you leave your name, phone number and a message, you'll receive a prompt reply, either in writing or by telephone. We will honor your confidentiality, but sometimes we need to contact callers to gather additional information. If your concern is of general interest to the base populace, the response may be published in the *Desert Airman*. Anonymous calls may not be published in the newspaper, we recommend you leave a contact phone number if you'd like us to provide an answer.

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Accounting and Finance	**8-4964**	**Legal**	**8-6432**
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Baker gate

Comment: Wouldn't the Baker gate serve as a good backup during the closure of the Wilmot Road Gate. Allowing the Baker gate to open during certain hours would alleviate a tremendous amount of traffic on the gates that are already overburdened by traffic. The traffic on Golf Links Road is bad enough, without the added burden of traffic from the Wilmot Road gate.

Response: Thank you for using the Commander's Corner and allowing us to answer your concern. To help alleviate potential traffic congestion, new operating hours for the Swan Road Gate have been established. Extended hours started Monday, and will continue for the duration of the Wilmot Road gate project. The Swan Road gate will be open 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and will be closed on weekends, holidays and wing down days.

Any time changes are made to the installation traffic plan, all options must be carefully considered, and safety is paramount in all considerations. The use of Gate 29 Bravo, the Baker gate was carefully evaluated, and it was officially designated a "special purpose" gate. This gate can only be used for hazardous cargo, munitions and fuel delivery and is not designed for heavy volumes of traffic. Again, safety is key and hazardous cargo and heavy volumes of traffic don't mix.

Front gate

Comment: I have a concern about the ever-changing rules at the front gate. I have called several times when the visitor's center was closed and the people have just taken the name of the person who I want to sponsor on base. I called this morning before 8 a.m. when the visitor's center was not open, and was told I would need to come down to the gate to sign them in. I went down there and I was told that the person had to be there. I had no idea when the person was going to be there. It just seems the rules change day by day.

Response: Thank you for your question about sponsoring people onto the base.

Currently, authorized sponsors are able to phone in visitor information so a visitor's pass can be pre-arranged. Authorized sponsors must be 18 years of age with valid military ID. However, the physical presence of the sponsor is required during the hours the visitor center is closed. Those hours are after 10 p.m. until the visitor center reopens; weekdays 6 a.m.: weekends and holidays 8 a.m. Note: Sponsors must be physically present to escort their guests during higher threat conditions. Call Master Sgt. Walt Voltz at 8-4848 if you have more questions.

Your Final Answer?

Who is your hero and why ?

Airman
Eduardo Puentes
41st Electronic Combat Squadron

"My older brother, who kept me out of trouble and was always there for me. He told me to stay out of drugs and that if I put my mind to it, I could accomplish it."

Senior Airman
Kenneth Williams
355th Component Repair Squadron

"My father, because he's a good man and works hard."

Master Sgt.
Phillip Tittle
612th Air Intelligence Squadron

"Martin Luther King, Jr. To me he defines leadership, because he was able to rally large groups of people when the odds were against him."

Tech. Sgt.
Jose Antrobus
355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron

"Jesus Christ, because of what he's done for us by giving his life on the cross so we can have eternal life."

Senior Airman
Alvin Wahl
43rd Electronic Combat Squadron

"My dad who is in Biloxi, Miss. He did everything he could to make my life happy as a child. He sacrificed and worked two jobs, and I thank him."

Staff Sgt.
Dave Embrey
355th Medical Group

"The military member. It's not just one person, but those who served before me -- those who gave their lives for their country. Also, those who serve today."

Search narrows for wing name

The 355th Wing narrows the search for a name that captures the essence of its history, mission and location during the Name the Wing campaign. Thursday, a panel of 14 people, who represented each group, took a vote on the more than 100 names submitted. The vote produced the top 10 names that will be considered by Col. Bobby Wilkes, 355th Wing commander.

The person who submitted the winning name will receive a $100 donation from the Company Grade Officer Council. In the case of duplicate submissions, the winner will be the first person who submitted the name chosen to represent the wing.

"This campaign has not only encouraged team spirit among D-M members, but a sense of wing pride that binds us all together," Wilkes said.

The top 10 names will be published in the next edition of the *Desert Airman*.

Senior Airman Amie Gannon

New commander

Lt. Col. Denise Burton, 355th Medical Support Squadron commander, presents new stripes and congratulates Senior Airman Jason Prewitt, 355th MDSS pharmacy technician, on his recent selection for promotion to staff sergeant. Burton assumed command of the 355th MDSS July 5.

DoD announces changes to government travel card

Two significant exemptions have been added to the Department of Defense's government travel card program.

Recent changes in the program now offer exemptions for infrequent travelers and costs associated with permanent change of station and house-hunting trips.

Infrequent travelers, defined as those military or DOD civilians who travel less than two times per year, are no longer required to obtain a government travel card.

Furthermore, travelers are no longer required to use their card for expenses incurred during a permanent change of station move or while on a house-hunting trip.

Frequent travelers, those who travel two or more times a year, are still required to use the card for all airline tickets, lodging and rental cars incident to official travel.

"While these changes exempt infrequent travelers from mandatory use, it does not preclude them from applying and obtaining a travel card if they desire," said Maj. George Coggins, 355th Comptroller Squadron commander.

In addition, it does not preclude members from using the card for official expenses incurred during a PCS or house-hunting trip. *(Courtesy 355th Comptroller Squadron)*

Government travel card Qs and As

The following are some "frequently asked questions associated with the government travel card program.

1. Are there any exemptions from mandatory use? Yes, there are automatic exemptions for infrequent travelers and those who have been denied a card because of financial irresponsibility. Commanders may grant exemptions during wartime or national emergencies, though they must be reported and approved. The Secretary of the Air Force may also grant exemptions (again, they must be reported). There are also limited exemptions for specific cases such as Air Force Academy cadets, basic military trainees and airmen attending technical school. However, exemptions will not be approved simply because someone does not want to use the government travel card.

2. I don't travel very often; do I have to get and use the card? No, based on new guidance, the card is not mandatory if you travel less than twice a year. You may still request and use the card if you are an infrequent traveler.

3. When do I have to use my card? The card is mandatory when on official TDY travel for transportation, lodging and rental car. However, you have the option to use it for parking fees, taxi fares, tips, meal charges, and official telephone calls. The card may also be used for PCS and house-hunting expenses, but it is not mandatory.

4. When can't I use my card? You can't use the card for personal expenses or travel not related to official business (tennis shoes, retail items, while on leave, etc.)

5. What happens if I don't pay my bill on time or I use it inappropriately? That will depend. Disciplinary action is up to each commander. They will review the circumstances and severity of the offense to determine appropriate action.

6. Can I go straight to the airport and purchase my tickets for TDY travel? No, you must go through the government contract travel office. You can't use a travel agent to get your TDY travel tickets. The base CTO must be used. If you are on TDY and have to change your official travel plans, the CTO has a 24-hour number (1-800-827-7777) travelers can call and change official travel arrangements.

7. What if the finance office doesn't pay me on time and my bill becomes delinquent? Both the traveler and the finance office staff has a responsibility in this situation. The traveler must file a "proper and complete" voucher within five duty days from return and finance have a goal of paying all vouchers within three days. If you file a "proper and complete" voucher, there won't be a problem with delinquencies.

8. My TDY is for four months; how will I pay my card bill? If you are TDY more than 45 days, you may file an accrual/interim voucher with finance every 30 days until you return. You have the option of having the funds electronically transferred to your checking account or using the split disbursement option (see item 10). Contact customer service prior to departure for the specifics.

9. What payment options are available with my individual travel card? More than you would think. You can request the finance office's travel section to send money directly to the bank from your settlement voucher. This is called "split disbursement" and is the preferred method for payment. If you would rather write a check and mail the bill the old fashioned way, that option is available. But, if you want to save money on the stamp, just contact the bank (1-800-472-1424) with your checkbook in hand. They will ask for your bank routing number off of your check and process a debit transfer from your account.

10. If I have any questions or trouble with my official travel and the credit card, where is the best place to get help and answers? The key person to help you is the Agency Program Coordinator; every base has one. The D-M APC is Master Sgt. Pamela Condino, 355th CPTS, 8-5949. However, all members are encouraged to contact their unit representatives for more information.

If you are traveling and you have trouble with your travel arrangements, you should call the 800 number provided to you at the time you get your tickets. If you are traveling and you have trouble with your credit card, you should call the 800 number on the credit card for help. *(Courtesy 355th Comptroller Squadron)*

Airman 1st Class Maryann Walker

New commander

Maj. George Coggins, 355th Comptroller Squadron commander, reviews operations at the customer service counter. Coggins assumed command July 7.

SABC class helps member save life

By 2nd Lt. Danielle Burrows
Public affairs

Self aid and buddy care training might be thought of as just another one of those yearly requirements. But, one airman at Davis-Monthan Air force Base is glad he paid attention in class.

Senior Airman Jeremy Montrose, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, was able to use the SABC training he received the day before to save the life of a 13-year-old girl.

While doing the dishes, Latoya Lupo, Montrose's girlfriend's daughter, accidentally sliced the artery and four tendons in her wrist.

"She was washing a wine glass, when it slipped from her hand and dropped to the floor. She tried to catch it before it hit, but as soon as it hit the floor it shattered. She could not stop herself in time and grabbed the shattered glass," said Montrose. "With the force of her trying to grab the glass before it hit the floor, she shoved the bottom half of the shattered glass into her wrist."

"She screamed unlike anything I had ever heard," he said. "I rushed to the kitchen and grabbed her arm, holding it above her heart and squeezing her wrist with both hands and a towel, trying to slow the bleeding from the massive cut, which was down to the bone. After calling 911, and while waiting on the ambulance, I talked to her in order to keep her calm. Talking to her played a big part in her calmness and slowing the blood flow."

Montrose said he learned how to do this during SABC.

"My recent SABC class, which was the day prior, gave me the knowledge and confidence to do what I had to do, in order help or even save her life."

Latoya is now doing fine. "She was operated on and closed up with 12 stitches, though her artery is not fully working. She is now in the process of doing hand exercises and getting ready for school. She really does not want to learn how to write with her left hand," he said.

"This has changed the way I look at SABC tremendously," said Montrose. "I used to think, 'Man, what a waste of time', but it was time well spent.

"It does not take much to change your life, and knowing SABC could save yours or someone you love."

Airman 1st Class Maryann Walker

Senior Airman Jeremy Montrose, 355th Equipment Maintenance, talks to Latoya Lupo, whose life he saved recently.

"Airman Montrose came back after going through my class to thank me for teaching him the proper way of performing SABC, which aided him in saving his (girlfriend's) daughter's life," said Staff Sgt. Lorenzo Simpson, SABC instructor.

"SABC is very important to know if you are at home or work. You never know when a life-threatening accident could occur," Simpson said.

"When I teach a class, I tend to remind the students of the usefulness of the training," added Staff Sgt. John Hayes, SABC instructor. "I say, 'You could save someone's life one day.'"

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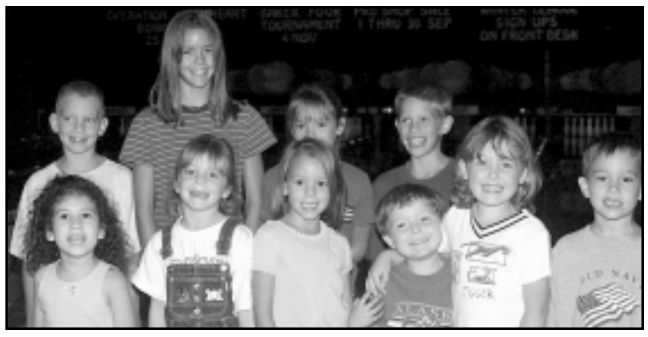
Photos by Airman 1st Class Maryann Walker



Kids Week

The Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Officers' Wives Club and Enlisted Wives Association recently hosted the fourth annual Kids' Week celebration. Four years ago the OWC had extra charitable funds at the end of the year and came up with the idea to spend the additional money on the children at D-M. They decided to call it Kids' Week and offer golf lessons, movies, bowling and fast food meals Monday through Saturday. It improves every year. Kids' Week now includes more activities for older children. The teen pool party and teen pizza party are two of the new events added by Pat English, this year's Kid's Week chairperson. This year Kids' Week was dedicated to the memory of Nicholas Burch, a D-M child who was killed in an accident earlier this year. Call Mindy Knowles at 519-8109 for more information.

Clinton approves pay raises in Fiscal 2001 DOD Act

President Bill Clinton approved a 3.7 percent pay raise for military members when he signed the fiscal 2001 Department of Defense Appropriations Act recently.

In addition to the pay raise, the $288 billion bill increases DOD spending from last year by nearly $20 billion to provide funding for pay, quality of life programs, readiness and weapons modernization.

For the Defense Health Program, the bill also provides full funding for a new pharmacy benefit for military retirees over the age of 65 to ensure comprehensive prescription drug coverage. It establishes the TRICARE Senior Pharmacy Program, which guarantees Medicare-eligible retirees and their families access to the DOD's pharmaceutical mail order program and the option to fill prescriptions through regular retail pharmacies. This should make it more convenient to get prescriptions filled.

Additionally, the bill funds training, spare parts, equipment maintenance, base operations and modernization programs such as the F-22 Raptor.

Visit the TRICARE Web site at http://www.tricare.osd.mil or the F-22 Web site at http://www.af.mil/lib/airpower/index2.html for more information.

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D-M members to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Davis-Monthan Air Force Base will recognize Hispanic Heritage month from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15. This month is to recognize the achievements and contributions of Hispanic persons who have served their country faithfully and with dignity. The theme for the month is, "2000 Children: Our Hope for the Future."

A formal luncheon, scheduled for Sept. 15 at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., will start the activities on D-M. Although still in the planning stages, at least two types of entertainment during the course of the luncheon, a combination of singing and dancing, are desired. Given the theme is about children, a children's act is also being sought.

Other kinds of exhibits, such as a fashion show, an art work display, and a Hispanic American folklore display at the library and base exchange are also in the planning stages.

"We are seeking assistance for the entertainment and guest speaker portion of the luncheon. The budget is extremely limited," said Master Sgt. Rebecca Rogers, Hispanic Heritage Month activities committee chairperson. "Ticket sales are hopeful but will mainly be priced at covering the cost of the meal to accommodate the various pay grades in the Air Force."

Tentatively, a bi-lingual mass followed by a covered dish dinner and piñatas for the children are planned for Sept.16.

Another event planned for the month is a Mexican rodeo or Charreada that through ticket sales would be self-sustaining. This event would require further coordination through the 355th Services Squadron community support flight.

Call Rogers at 8-6314 or Tech. Sgt. Alejandro Solis, Hispanic Heritage Month member, at 8-3765 for more information, to volunteer or to become a member. The Hispanic Heritage committee will meet Thursday and Aug. 31 at 2 p.m. in Building 3200 Room 267. (*Courtesy Hispanic Heritage committee)*

Options available to renew IDs

By Tony Wachala
355th Mission Support Squadron

To minimize waiting time and for added convenience there are five servicing agencies with Defense Eligibility Enrollment System/Rapids ID card capabilities in the Tucson area. Their locations are as follows:

355th Mission Support Squadron, 5260 E. Granite Street, (Building 3200), Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Hours of operation: 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, Phone: (520) 228-4478; **Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Command,** 3655 S. Wilmot Road, Hours of operation: 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 8 to 11 a.m. Friday and 2 Weekends per month, Phone: (520) 228-6289; **939th Mission Support Squadron/ Air Force Reserve Command,** 3845 S. Phoenix Street, (Building 5426), Hours of operation: 6:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., Monday through Friday, and the first weekend of every month, Phone: (520) 228-2163; **162nd Fighter Wing MSF/ Arizona Air National Guard,** 1650 E. Perimeter Way (ANG Base at the Tucson International Airport), Hours of operation: 6:15 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, and one weekend per month, Phone: (520) 295-6567; **Western Army National Guard Aviation Training Site,** Silver Bell Army Heliport, Building L45-500 (Marana), Hours of operation: 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, Phone: (520) 616-5582.

Call Tony Wachala, 355th MSS military personnel flight customer support chief, at 8-4169 or Master Sgt. Danny Pickrom, 355th MSS military personnel flight customer service chief, at 8-4478 if you have any questions, or concerns.

Senior Airman Amie Gannon

Courtesy photo

Chief's Group Sharp Troop Awards

(Left) Chief Master Sgt. Gary Coleman, 12th Air Force command chief master sergeant, presents Airman 1st Class Joshua Day, 612th Combat Operations Squadron, with the first Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Chiefs' Group Sharp Troop Award. (Right) Chief Master Sgt. Ronald Kriete, 355th Wing command chief master sergeant, presents Senior Airman Reagan Breitkreitz, 355th Mission Support Squadron, the second DMCG Sharp Troop Award. Other DMCG Sharp Troop Award winners for the month of July were: Senior Airman Zachariah Wireman, 355th Transportation Squadron; Staff Sgt. Paul Bouton, 355th Component Repair Squadron; Staff Sgt. Craig Wood, 612th Air Communications Squadron; Tech. Sgt. Richard Tindall, 612th ACOMS; Tech. Sgt. Rodney Weldon, 355th MSS; Tech. Sgt. Kimberly Cooper, 305th Rescue Squadron, Air Force Reserve Command; Tech. Sgt. Jose Enchauteguipoventud, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; and Tech. Sgt. David Boutin, 355th Communications Squadron.

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Courtesy photo

SNCO induction

(Left to right) Col. Daryl Hausmann, 355th Comptroller Squadron commander, presents Tech. Sgt. Luther Eubanks, 41st Electronic Combat Squadron acquisitions operator, an induction certificate during a recent senior NCO induction ceremony. Retired Chief Master Sgt. Eric Benken, former chief master sergeant of the Air Force, Chief Master Sgt. Gary Coleman, 12th Air Force command chief master sergeant, and Chief Master Sgt. Ronald Kriete, 355th Wing command chief master sergeant, were also present during the ceremony to help induct Davis-Monthan Air Force Base's new senior NCOs.

Watering hours extended in housing areas

Lawn watering hours in family housing will be temporarily expanded for the month of August.

Members of the 355th Civil Engineer Squadron will track water consumption, and if consumption remains normal, the expanded hours will become permanent.

During the August test period, housing residents may choose to water their lawns from 5 to 8 a.m. or between 5 to 8 p.m., this will provide more flexibility for shift workers.

Even numbered houses will still water on even numbered calendar days, and odd numbered addresses will continue to water on odd numbered calendar days.

Residents are encouraged to maintain their lawns by prudent use of our water supply. Residents should not water their lawns during both time periods on the same day, or water the same lawn area for the entire three-hour watering period. Call Beth Wilson, housing facilities chief, at 8-6609, for more information.

Savings bond campaign ends in success

The recent Savings Bond Campaign at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base closed out with a 5 percent increase in bond purchases compared to last year's campaign.

This year's theme, "Invest today, enjoy tomorrow, buy savings bonds," was delivered to D-M members through the campaign's goal and accomplishment of 100 percent contact, which they accomplished.

"Thank you to all unit project officers," said 1st Lt. Ramiro Santoyo, project officer.

"Your commitment and long hours worked ensured the success of D-M throughout the campaign." (Courtesy 355th Wing Savings Bond Program Coordinators)

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Do you lead for self or selflessness?

By Chief Master Sgt. Ron Kriete
355th Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant

What makes a leader? Practically every human endeavor requires leadership. Even a man in a three-legged race would quickly see defeat if he didn't decide ahead of time who's going to lead.

But once you're in that position of leadership, what you do with it means more to those who work for you, than those whom you work for.

Of all the choices that will be asked of you during your tenure in the Air Force, there will be none greater or more difficult than the choice to lead for self or selflessness. Is the benefit for you or is it for the mission and the people? Only a "selfless leader" can confidently test the trust, loyalty and respect of his airmen.

Stand together in crisis

A confident leader can ask an airman to stand with him in crisis. Because they have a proven record of integrity first, the airmen know they are being asked to make personal sacrifices for the team and mission, and not for an individual's goal.

They are counting on you to choose the difficult right instead of the easy wrong, not just once — but time and time again.

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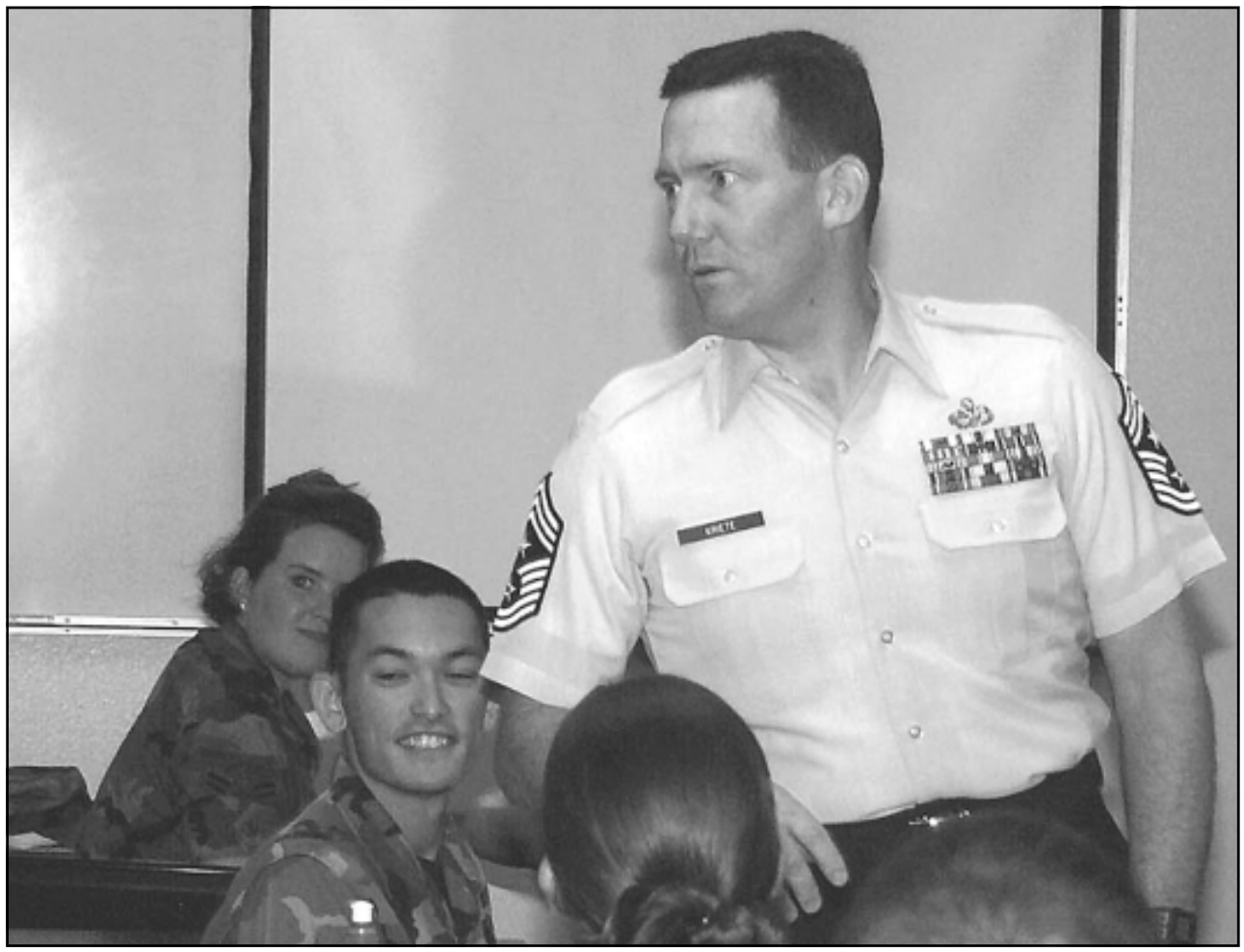


Airman 1st Class Maryann Walker

Chief Master Sgt. Ron Kriete, 355th Wing command chief master sergeant, talks leadership with a group from the First-Term Airman Center.

Welcome to Davis-Monthan

Brig. Gen. Antonio Ramos, Luxembourg NATO employee
Argentine Brigadier Gueillermo Donandille, Chief, Argentine Air Force Plans Division
Argentine Officers

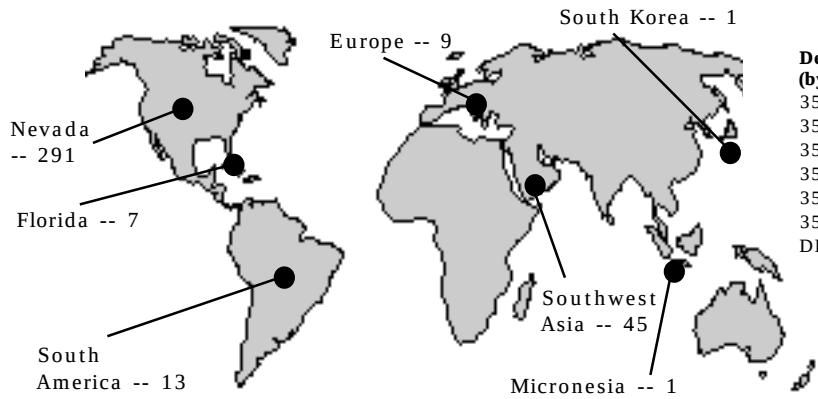
355th Wing Flying Goals

	Hours			Sorties		
	41st	42nd	43rd	354th	357th	358th
Goal	255	427	264	542	436	447
Flown	135	218	174	268	258	275
Delta	33	15	4	-1	17	31
YTD	95	49	55	99	93	50

Current as of Wednesday

Where are 355th Wing members serving?

This time last year, ***356*** *members of the 355th Wing were deployed.*



Deployed (by group):
355 OG - 90
355 LG - 51
355 SPTG - 41
355 MDG - 2
355 WG - 1
355 CPTS - 0
DET. 2 - 8

Total: 370

Other locations -- 3
Current as of Monday

Source:
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Alertness key as kids head back to school

Classes begin Monday at Smith and Borman Elementary schools on base.

Many Davis-Monthan youth will be heading back to school during commuting hours. Children will be out early in the morning and during mid-afternoon walking, biking or waiting at bus stops.

It is imperative all motorists drive with caution and obey the posted speed limits. While parents are responsible for their children commuting to and from school, it's the community's responsibility to ensure the safety of all children assigned on Davis-Monthan.

Sponsors must ensure dependents 10 years of age and older attending school off base have in their possession a DD Form 1173, Dependent Identification Card, for entry to the installation.

Air Force Instruction 31-209, Base Supplement 1, requires school buses to be stopped at all entry points. All military-affiliated students 10 years and older without an ID card will be removed from the bus. The sponsor will then be contacted to come transport the child.

Students not affiliated with the military will be monitored by the bus driver and will not be allowed to get off the bus while on the installation.

Vehicle operators must obey posted speed limits, especially the 15 mph speed limit in school zones.

Please watch for, and obey, the crossing guards at crosswalks during the hours before and after school. Motorists are required to stop when following or approaching an oncoming school bus and the red caution lights begin to flash, signaling loading or unloading.

Failure to obey will result in a citation and possible loss of base driving privileges.

More importantly, failure to obey could result in serious injury of a child.

Security Forces wishes you and your children an enjoyable school year. Please keep safety in the forefront while operating a motor vehicle near a school and while transiting military family housing. Let's have a safe and incident-free school year. *(Courtesy of the 355th Security Forces Squadron)*

Leader

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Airmen under fire rarely speak of glory. Instead, they speak of those leaders who can be counted on and those who can't.

They will talk about and remember the small and individual acts of selfless leadership — even small acts of selflessness will be remembered.

Stand together in public

A respected leader can ask an airman to stand by him in public, because a respected leader never abuses the loyalty given them unequivocally by their subordinates.

Even a leader must choose between loyalty to oneself or loyalty to a cause, policy, unit or a command.

In the Air Force, loyalty is not about an individual. It's about an institution.

An institution which sends its airmen to distant lands to secure the rights and freedoms of others.

Airmen don't follow titles. They follow courage, integrity and honor.

Just lead them through the mission and they will follow you.

Stand up in private

And finally, a leader who knows humility can, without a doubt, tell his or her airmen to stand up to him in private.

You can't earn an airman's respect if you humiliate him or her in front of their peers, or expect obedience and willingness if an airmen has not been treated with respect and dignity which fosters personal pride and teamwork.

Army Lt. Gen. Mitchell Zais once said, "The line between firmness and harshness, between strong leadership and bullying ... it's a fine line; it's difficult to define."

If you intend to lead, you must find that line and be responsible enough to allow your airmen open and respectful communication.

A leader must be ever mindful of their authority and how they use that authority.

Know the difference

Knowing the difference and choosing a style of leadership which allows subordinates to fight for causes which benefit the mission and ensures innovation isn't stifled.

Leadership is not a goal; it's a way to reaching a goal.

What makes a leader depends upon you.

But any way you slice it, every leader works with things, ideas and people.

Without ideas, things are not created, and without people there are no ideas.

Your success as a leader will be measured not so much by the position you have reached, but by the obstacles you have overcome and how you treated your people along the way.

The legacy left behind as you walk out the door is whether you did it for self or selflessness.

"It's everyone's responsibility to help ensure the public understands the role the Air Force plays in our national defense."

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Air Combat Command commander

Staying in touch with the public is part of our mission

By Gen. John Jumper
Air Combat Command commander

Every airman deserves to feel a great sense of pride serving his/her country every day. We all show our pride by our selfless duty in heeding our nation's call around the globe and keeping our nation free. We also wear our pride on our uniform.

When most Americans think of the Air Force they think about our great men and women in uniform. Our uniform helps define us; it's what sets us apart.

So, what better way to stay in touch with the public than making our uniform more visible to them? Actions as simple as wearing your uniform when you travel on official business, when visiting family and friends can go a long way in cementing a partnership with the American people.

Time and time again I hear stories of Air Force airmen who, because they were wearing their uniform, were approached by people just wanting to simply say, "thank you for serving our country." In turn, these airmen have taken the opportunity to share their pride in serving the Nation." I can't think of a more rewarding experience that shows people do care about us, and that they appreciate our willingness to put ourselves in harm's way to protect their freedom.

We have great people in this country that would love to be part of the Air Force; to be part of something bigger than themselves. However, their knowledge of what the Air Force is all about is often limited by what they see. Wouldn't it be nice if our uniform was seen by more people who could join us and be our future leaders?

We're very fortunate to have the support of our communities. It's up to all of us to build upon that foundation. It's everyone's responsibility to help ensure the public understands the role the Air Force plays in our national defense.

Aerospace power is pivotal to the success of U.S. military commanders, both in peacetime and in war. We shouldn't be shy about telling people this fact. We certainly shouldn't be shy about showing them our uniform.

Prevent injuries to improve golf game

By Maj. Beverly Sabourin and Capt. Christina Laury
355th Medical Group

(Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series on preventing injuries to improve your golf game.)

Tucson has always been one of the nation's prime spots for golf. Approximately 22 million Americans of all ages and skill levels presently play golf.

It has been suggested that golf is the No. 1 lifetime sport of the military community, especially among retirees who are often fortunate enough to play three to four rounds per week.

With the beautiful Arizona sun days, who can resist getting out on the course? Not many it seems. The golf courses are always full of people waiting their turn to tee off or hitting bucket after bucket of golf balls in search of the perfect swing.

Relatively benign

Compared with many other sports, golf appears to be relatively benign in its potential for injury. However, the game stresses the body in unique ways that can lead to acute and chronic injuries.

Consider your swing ... imagine it ... see how the body works as a unit. Imagine the placement of your feet and the position your legs are in. Now picture your backswing ... see how the arms and shoulders are moving. Now imagine the start of the down stroke ... notice how the hips pivot ... see the strength required in the shoulders and arms. Picture your follow through.

There are several points in your swing where improper training can cause you to miss hit ... not what you want.

Though the golf stroke involves the coordinated movement of the whole body, injuries of the hands, wrists, arms and trunk are the most common. The prevalence of injuries varies depending on a number of factors, including gender and professional versus amateur status.

In a survey done in 1996, the most commonly injured sites in amateur golfers overall (by percentage of players injured at each site) were the lower back (34.5), elbows (33.1), hands and wrists (20.1), and shoulders (11.7).

Men had virtually the same percentages as the group overall, but the most common sites of injury in amateur women were the elbows, followed by the lower back, shoulders, hands and wrists.

In contrast, professional male and female golfers most often injured their hands and wrists, followed by the lower back, shoulders and elbows, though percentages differed somewhat by gender.

Injuries in amateurs, who play an average of two rounds a week, are most often due to overuse (25 percent), striking the ground with the club (hitting a "fat shot," 21 percent), and poor swing mechanics (19 percent).

"Overswinging," (swinging harder and/or faster than is appropriate for a golfer's capabilities), a poor warm-up, twisting the trunk during the swing, and grip or swing changes also contribute to amateurs' injuries.

In professionals who play many hours a day on most days, overuse accounts for 80 percent of injuries, hitting a fat shot for 12 percent, and twisting the trunk during the swing for five percent.

Professional golfers report no injuries due to poor swing mechanics, overswinging, poor warm-up, or grip or swing changes.

Total fitness and conditioning is required in the game of golf. Proper conditioning and training can improve all aspects of your game. Driving farther, better fairway play, more control and finishing stronger all adds up to lower scores ... just what you want.

Main ingredients

Your training and exercises must be specific for your game to improve. Doing the wrong exercises or performing exercises poorly can actually inhibit or ruin your game. The main ingredients to a conditioning program are low impact aerobics, flexibility and strengthening exercises.

Before beginning strength and flexibility exercises, you should perform a low impact aerobic activity for five to 10 minutes to warm-up, such as riding a stationary cycle, or fast-paced walking. Stretches should be held for 20 to 30 seconds each, performing approximately five repetitions of each stretch. Avoid bouncing, and do not force the movement.

Feel free to contact the people in the physical therapy element at 8-2886 if you have any questions concerning a conditioning program for golf.

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Sonoran Spotlight

(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the Desert Airman *that profiles a member of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base team. Members are nominated by their commander or first sergeant, and the article is compiled by the* Desert Airman *staff.)*

Tech. Sgt. Ronald Coles is a drug dealer … literally … and he's not going to jail for it.

Coles is the NCO in charge of pharmacy supply for the 355th Medical Group.

In that capacity, he oversees all the drugs and medications stocked in the pharmacy, to the tune of more than $6 million per year.

Coles joined the Air Force more than 16 years ago to "try a new experience."

His attitude of giving 100 percent to "our patients and the Air Force" has earned him a reputation his new commander has heard about on several occasions.

"Imagine this: a highly skilled, trained, pharmacy technician gets pulled out of his duty section for several months and is assigned as the facility manager," said Lt. Col. Denise Burton, 355th Medical Support Squadron commander.

"He's responsible for everything from unclogging toilets to watering the grass, to picking up trash, to keeping the air conditioned running properly … and he continues to excel. He goes out of his way for our patients and always gives that little extra that makes him stand out."

For this Vail, Ariz., native, keeping up with all the drugs during the duty day is a tough task. Combine that with the fact that when he goes home, he gets to join forces with his wife, Cindy, to care for their five children, Timothy, Jessica, Anthony, Mathew and Jacob. This is one busy guy.

And to top it all off, his hobbies include youth soccer, Little League baseball coaching, coaching the medical group softball team and playing racquetball.

Soesterberg Air Base, Netherlands, was Coles' best assignment so far, because, "it give me a better perspective on our mission and what it means to be an American."

Airman 1st Class Maryann Walker

His inspiration is his wife, because, "she challenges me to be a better person every day."

Coles said the relationship with the community is what he likes best about D-M.

Korea remembered

(Editor's note: As America recognizes its veterans (over the next three years) to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Korean War, the Desert Airman will run significant events related to the Korean War.) This week in 1950, the following significant events occurred:

Aug. 19: U.S. troops, aided by air strikes, drove North Korean forces in the Yongsan bridgehead back across the Naktong River, ending the Battle of the Naktong Bulge. Sixty-three B-29s attacked the industrial and port area of Chongjin in northeastern Korea. Nine Superfortresses of the 19th Bombardment Group dropped 54 tons of 1000-pound bombs on the west railway bridge at Seoul, called the "elastic bridge" because repeated air attacks had failed to bring it down. Thirty-seven Navy dive bombers from two aircraft carriers followed up the Air Force attack. Aerial reconnaissance revealed two spans had collapsed.

Aug. 19-20: Gen. Earle Partridge moved the Joint Operations Center from Taegu to Pusan because of enemy advances.

Aug. 22: Anti-aircraft gunners fired from across the Yalu River at RB-29s reconnoitering the border, the first hostile Chinese action against UN aircraft.

Aug. 23: Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur set Sept. 15 as the date to invade Inchon. The 19th BG flew the first Razon mission, but with the exception of one bomb that hit the railroad bridge west of Pyongyang, the World War II-era control equipment failed to guide the bombs to the target.

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A and A Days: Cockpit notes

By Karen Halstead
Public affairs

Aviator Nick Anderson will fly his Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) Marchetti plane during Aerospace and Arizona 2000 Days air show Nov. 4 and 5.

Anderson, who has flown in airshows for many years, wants to reach out to the youth of the nation and help them to understand their potential. He makes that possible through his flying at airshows.

He created a program – Promoting Responsibility for one's behavior, Obligation and Unity in the community, all with Diligence (PROUD)– so that he could connect his program with one used by many law enforcement agencies around the nation. He says, "I am PROUD to promote the GREAT program."

He uses his program to prevent youth crime violence, and gang involvement while developing a positive relationship among law enforcement, families and young people to create safer communities.

Through local law enforcement agencies he couples his PROUD program to both the nationally taught GREAT program and the Young Eagles program so he can teach kids about gang awareness.

Courtesy photo

The desired results are a sense of competency, usefulness and personal empowerment needed to avoid involvement in youth violence, gangs and criminal activity.

The Tucson Police Department promotes the GREAT program at several Tucson schools. Oro Valley and Marana also have GREAT programs in some of their schools, Anderson said.

"The GREAT program was actually an initiative of the Alcohol, Firearms and Tobacco agency," he said.

The Young Eagles program was developed by the Experimental Aircraft Association Foundation to welcome young people into the world of aviation. Aviation is exciting and vital to our nation's future, according to the EAA's mission statement. The foundation strives to provide each child with a safe and enjoyable flight experience that gives the child new perspectives on the world and life in general. Participation in the Young Eagles program helps children to understand that an individual's potential is unlimited.

Anderson is no stranger to the Air Force. After flight training he was an active-duty pilot from 1984 to 1995 when he joined the Air National Guard's 162nd Fighter Wing in Tucson. He's flown more than 3,700 hours in F-16s. According to Anderson, plans are still being worked out for him to have the opportunity to provide flights to interested children during the Friday events of the air show. His 1982 Italian Marchetti has a reciprocating engine and is considered a war bird. You can see more of Anderson at his Web site: www.greateagles.com.

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Incline press works upper pecs, ties to pectoral mass

(Editor's note: This is the third in a series of articles on body-building and weight lifting. The series is designed to give the beginning or average weightlifter some insight on training and weight selection to ensure maximum results without over-training. If you are happy with the results you are currently getting from your present routine, please continue training the way you are. The articles are being produced jointly by the 355th Wing Public Affairs Office and Bill Sibole, former Army weightlifter and body builder. The primary reference is "Getting Stronger – Weight Training for Men and Women" *by Bill Pearl and Gary Moran.)*

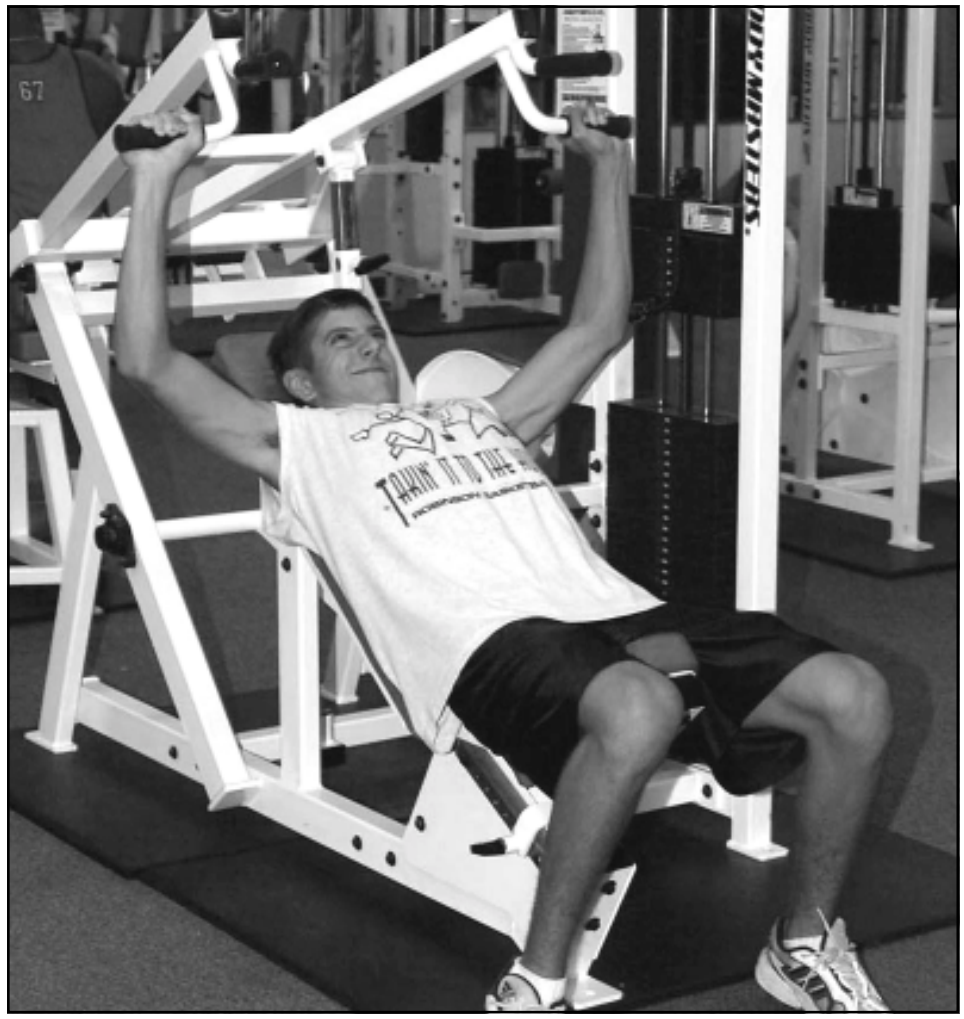
The incline press is an exercise designed to work the upper pectorals (chest) and helps tie into the pectorals mass. This helps with the overall pectoral development.

A good grip is about six inches beyond shoulder width. This can vary depending on body structure and desired stretch. The more inward the grip, the more central mass and the wider the grip, the more outer mass. The same applies to the bench press. You can also use dumbbells and achieve good results.

I suggest using a warm up weight as in all exercises. You can use the four sets of eight to 10 reps method using one set as the warm up. Vary your workout using light, medium and heavy weights in one training week.

Do not use the same weight in each workout. This again takes away from your energy level.

Not training heavy in every workout does not mean you are not "working out." It's natures way to help you grow and see results with out depending on heavy weights to gain when it's not called for.



Airman 1st Class Maryann Walker

Mark Biagi lifts using an incline press machine at the fitness center.

If you want a power routine, try five sets of five reps once a week.

I have been at the gym and see others who have been training for many years and are still lifting the same weight. Like a lot of us, they're over-training. The "more is better" approach is not working, because you tend to lose form and focus.

When doing the incline press, keep your feet on the ground as it releases the tension of the spine and lets the weight go up better. Having the feet up tends to compress the spine.

Everything will look better by working all of the body parts to blend. Not doing shoulder work and just doing bench will of course give you big pectorals, but it won't help the overall appearance. It's like having 22-inch arms and no shoulder development.

I recommend you do one exercise for each body part.

Talk to other weightlifters, especially those who've been lifting a while, and get their advice on exercises and weight selection.

Another factor is how you lift the weight, and that depends on development and not the amount of weight.

Poundage comes with time and really is not a big part of development. Poundage along with development can be considered the end result.

There are many well-developed body builders who have achieved fine results with out using heavy weights.

You can employ all kinds of weight training to improve in what ever sport you choose. It's also been proven that people who are in sports do better with weight training.

Also, people who want to have good cardiovascular fitness can combine that with weight training.

Finally, remember that how you lower the weight during an exercise is just as important as how you push the weight. You always want to get the maximum effect from each lift.

In the next article, we'll move from the chest to the shoulders. As always, if you have questions, feel free to call Bill Sibole at 296-8044.

Sports Shorts

Golf clinics

Adult golf clinics continue throughout August, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Ladies attend Tuesdays, and Thursdays are open to everyone. Clinics cost $10 each. Register at the pro shop, or call 8-3734 for further information.

Youth bowling signups

Signups for the fall youth bowling leagues are Saturday, and Aug. 26 from noon to 2 p.m., at D-M Lanes.

League bowling begins Sept. 9. Call Beth Barksdale at 790-4447 for more information.

Friday Nite Fun league

The Friday Nite Fun bowling league is in search of bowlers for their fall league. An organization meeting is Aug. 25 at 6:30 p.m. at D-M Lanes. League bowling starts Sept. 8. Call Judy Thorne at 747-7587 for more information.

Lady golfers coffee

The Davis-Monthan Women's Golf Association invites all 18-hole lady golfers to a welcome coffee Aug. 30 at 9 a.m. in the Eagles Nest. Call Katy Marr at 299-2385 for more information.

League bowling

Winter leagues start Sept. 5 at the D-M Lanes.

Teams compete mornings, afternoons and evenings, every day except Sunday. Early registration assures best team selection; sign up now at the D-M Lanes, or call 8-3461.

Sports guard mania

Are you active duty? Do you play contact sports, such as football or basketball? Do you lift weights or box? The 355th Dental Squadron is holding its annual sports guard mania Sept. 6 and 7 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the dental clinic. The squadron wants athletes to keep their smile and protect their teeth with a custom-fitted sports guard. No appointment is necessary. Sports guard mania is available for active duty only.

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Rugby players sought

Players are needed for the upcoming rugby season, which starts in the fall and continues until the spring. Call Jay Gregson, 8-2136; Larry Bates, 8-4874; or Dick Battock, 886-7003, for more information.

Golf/lunch special

Golfers buying lunch any weekend get a second meal (equal or less value) at no charge, just by showing their golf receipt. This two-for-one special is valid Saturdays and Sundays, at the Eagle's Nest Restaurant. Call the pro shop, 8-3734, or restaurant, 8-7066.

Aerobics, exercise classes

The staff at the Haeffner Fitness and Sports Center offer a full lineup of exercise and aerobics classes each week.

Monday - 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Marie); 12:20 to 1 p.m. - Spinner (Steve); 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Aerobics (Rumiko); 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. - Kajukenbo (Paul)

Tuesday - 8 to 9 a.m. - Senior aerobics (Corinne); 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica/ Rumiko); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Circuit training (Corinne); 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. - Kyokushin (Idris)

Wednesday - 10:10 to 11 a.m. - Spinner (Corinne); 11 a.m. to noon - Step aerobics (Veronica); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Kick box (Corinne); 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. - Belly dancing beginners (Basheera); 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. - Belly dancing advanced (Basheera)

Thursday - 10 to 11 a.m. - Senior aerobics (Corinne); 11:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. - Step aerobics (Marie); 12:10 to 1:10 p.m. - Training (Corinne); 5 to 6 p.m. - Step aerobics (Rumiko); 6:10 to 8:10 p.m. - Kyokushin (Idris)

Friday - 11 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. - Step aerobics (Veronica); 12:10 to 1 p.m. - Spinner (Steve); 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Kajukenbo (Paul)

Saturday - 10 to 11 a.m. - Step aerobics (Rumiko); 11 a.m. to noon - Spinner (Corinne)

Bowling promotion

Win thousands of dollars in cash and prizes, including a $500 D-M grand prize during Bowling for Bucks at D-M Lanes. Bowling for Bucks continues through Aug. 31. End-of-program drawings are Sept. 8. Learn more about summer bowling at D-M Lanes, 8-3461.

Scoreboard

Bowling

Tuesday Doubles

(Week 10)

Team	W-L
Team 6	54-26
Team 3	50-30
Team 1	47-33
Team 7	36-44
Team 2	36-44
Team 5	34-46
Team 8	27-53
Team 4	24-56

High Scratch Game - Men: Lloyd Lee, 249; Jason Bauer, 247
High Scratch Game - Women: Joyce Vaughn, 225
High Handicap Game - Men: Lloyd Lee, 266; Jason Bauer, 264
High Handicap Game - Women: Joyce Vaughn, 261; Pearl Pelley, 242
High Scratch Series - Men: Jason Bauer, 671; Lloyd Lee, 663; Earl Teer, 618
High Series Scratch - Women: Joyce Vaughn, 572; Pearl Pelley, 387; Mary Jane Combs, 290
High Series Handicap - Men: Jason Bauer, 722; Lloyd Lee, 714; Floyd Vaughn, 676
High Series Handicap - Women: Pearl Pelley, 684; Joyce Vaughn, 680; Mary Jane Combs, 629

Have-A-Ball

Bag & Shoe

(Week 17)

Team	W-L
Heart Attacks	78-50
Yeah Right	76-60
Exterminators	73-63
Stayin' Alive	69-67
Lefties	66-70
Alley Oops	63-73
The Gutterballs	62-74
Yustom Snowmen	57-79

High Game - Men: A.J. Johnson, 214; Arnold Nunes, 213; Scott Kerr, 204
High Game - Women: Barb Nunes, 146; Val Schreiterer, 141; Lisa Kerr, 133
High Series - Men: Scott Kerr, 598; Arnold Nunes, 583; Steve Willis, 560
High Series - Women: Barb Nunes, 410; Val Schreiterer, 385; Candy Gregory, 380

Youth-Adult

(Week 12 - FINAL)

Team	W-L
F-117 Stealth	68-28
Team 1	60-36
Cheaters	54-42
Team 2	54-42
Team 5	52-44

High Game - Men: Tom Cross, 186; Lynn Parker, 185; Tony Martinez, 154
High Game - Women: Candy Gregory, 167
High Series - Men: Lynn Parker, 555; Tom Cross, 452; Tony Martinez, 417
High Series - Women: Candy Gregory, 425

Golf

Intramural - Tuesday

(as of Aug. 8)

Team	W-L
COMM	44-14
EMS	44-20
SUPS #2	43-13
MSS	41-13
43 ECS	39-25
SVS	33-5-29.5
42 ACCS	31.5-32.5
MDG	31-25
41 ECS	28-28
12 AF #1	27-29
LSS	17.5-38.5
12 AF #3	11-53

Intramural - Wednesday

(as of Aug. 9)

Team	W-L
SUPS #1	60-20
CRS	59-21
12 AF #2	58-22
TRS	53.5-26.5
CES	47.5-24.5
Det 2 67 IG	44.5-35.5
25 OWS	39.5-40.5
SFS	36.5-35.5
OSS	29-51
CPTS	29-51
TRANS	10.5-69.5
42 ACCS #2	7-73

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Chapel events

Protestant schedule

Today: Aim High Bible Study, 7 p.m., Chapel 1 annex. Call 889-1715 for more information.

Saturday: Couples' Bible Study, 7 p.m., call 749-5550 for more information.

Sunday: Contemporary Worship Service, 8:30 a.m., Chapel 1; Sunday School, 10 a.m., Chapels 1 and 2; Traditional Worship Service, 11:15 a.m., Chapel 2 annex; Inspirational Gospel Worship Service, 11:15 a.m., Chapel 1.

Tuesday: Singles' Bible Study, 7:30 p.m., Building 3220.

Wednesday: Midweek Bible Study, noon, Chapel 1; Prayer and Teaching Time, 7 p.m., Chapel 1; Youth Night, for middle and high school groups, Chapel 1, 7 p.m. Call 8-5411 for more information.

Catholic schedule

Saturday: Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel 1; Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Joseph's Church, 4 to 5 p.m.

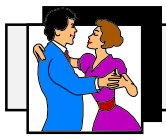
Sunday: Mass, 7:30 and 10 a.m., Chapel 1; Sacrament of Reconciliation, 9:15 to 9:45 a.m., Chapel 1; there will be no Confraternity of Christian Doctrine until September.

Monday through Friday: Rosary, 11:10 a.m., Chapel 2; Mass or communion service, 11:30 a.m., Chapel 1.

Wednesday: Rite for Christian Initiation 7 to 8:30 p.m., Chapel 1.

Islamic schedule

Today: Prayer service, noon to 2 p.m., Building 3220, third floor-west; educational classes, 6 to 8 p.m., Building 3220, third-floor west. Visit the chapel's Web site at www.dm.af.mil/chapel for more information.



On-base clubs

Officers Club

Today: Burger Burn, 5 to 7 p.m.

Saturday: Prime rib for two, $19.95

Sunday: Mini-brunch is 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Monday: Club, barbershop close at 2 p.m.

Tuesday: Prime rib for two, 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday: Crud teams, sign up now for the ACC event.

Thursday: Two-for-one beef or chicken fajitas, $11.95.

Desert Oasis Enlisted Club

Today: Prime rib for two, 5 to 8 p.m.

Saturday: Sports Bar opens at 5 p.m.

Sunday: Cabana delivers, 1 to 8 p.m.; call 747-3234.

Tuesday: Two-for-one steak night, 4:30 to 8 p.m. Bingo starts, 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Dollar Off Night!

Thursday: $1.75 beverage specials.

Crud is coming

Enter your three-person team into the 3rd Annual Air Combat Command Crud Challenge.

Playoffs start in three weeks at the Officers club. The winner of the playoffs travels, expenses paid, to Nellis AFB, Nev., to represent D-M at the ACC finals, Oct. 25-27. All Officers club members – active duty, retiree, reservist or civilian – are encouraged to join or form a team. Teams can be male, female or mixed.

Volunteer playoff judges are needed now. They must be familiar with Crud rules, and be members of the O' Club. Players get a Crud Challenge T-shirt, and members of D-M's top team each get a $100 club credit. The top three teams at the ACC level win grand prizes: a $1,000 travel voucher for first-place team members, a $500 voucher for second, and a $250 voucher for third place.

ACC's national sponsor is Allied Domecq Spirits USA, makers of Canadian Club and Lava (no federal endorsement of sponsor intended). There's no charge to register or play. For entry or playoff schedule information, call club manager Sandy Velazquez, 748-0660.

Dining facility closed

The Desert Inn Dining Facility is closed through Sept. 30 for renovation. During the closure, enlisted personnel will be on Basic Allowance for Subsistence at the daily rate of $8.54. For dining facility information, call the food service office at 8-3030. Get answers to pay-related questions by calling military pay at 8-5111.

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Community events

Today: Win $25 at Colorama at D-M Lanes, 6 to 8 p.m. Adult Cosmic Bowl, 9 p.m. to midnight.

Saturday: Shop Nogales, call 8-3700. Outdoor Rec trail ride, call 8-3736.

Monday: Drive carefully; school starts.

Tuesday: Pool open weekends only, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Ladies golf clinic, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., call 8-3734.

Wednesday: Yoga is 6 to 7 p.m., at the community center, call 8-3717

Thursday: See Karchner Caverns with ITT; call 8-3700 for tour date. Adult golf clinic, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., call 8-3734

Calligraphy

Beginning students can learn calligraphy in a two-part class at the skills center. Sessions meet Thursday and 31, 4:30 to 7 p.m. Instructor Patty Roeske teaches required strokes, pen position and how to write the alphabet. Cost for the two-part course is $20 plus supplies. A supply list can be picked up at the skills center, Building 4531. For class information, contact the skills center, 8-4385.

Arts, photo contests

All ages are invited to enter the U.S. Air Force Artist-Craftsman and Photography Contests, conducted locally by the skills center.

D-M contest winners go on to Air Combat Command and Air Force contests, in November and December. Entries must be received by Sept. 8. Categories of both contests are unchanged from previous years.

Artist-Craftsman entries can be in Fine Art, Textile Art, Industrial Art or Multicraft/Pattern Art. Photographs can be black & white or color, or submit Color Slides or Digital photos, in one of five categories: Military Life, People, Nature/Scenic, Creative Effects or Computer Enhancement. Contact the Skills Center at call 8-4385, or come to Bldg. 4531.

Family support

Saturday: Hearts Apart Swim Party, 6 to 8 p.m., base pool; Give Parents A Break, 2 to 6 p.m., child development center and youth center.

Monday: Financial Briefing, 8 to 11 a.m., community center, Building 4201.

Tuesday: Right Start Orientation, 8:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. community center, Building 4201; Time for Tots, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1.

Thursday: Fun Time activity group, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1.

Strengthening Step-families

The family support center is offering "Strengthening Step-families," an educational course, Aug, 25, 2 to 4 p.m. in the community center.

It help parents with step-families increase their knowledge, skills, and effectiveness in handling stepfamily issues.

Some areas of discussion are: communicating more effectively, resolving conflicts, recognizing unrealistic expectations, building your couple relationship, helping children adjust to sharing a parent, and many more. Call 8-5690

Smooth Move

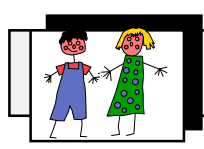
The family support center conducts its next smooth move briefing on Sept. 6, 8 to 11 a.m. at the community center, Building 4201. This briefing covers many topics related to making a permanent change of station move. To meet the needs of those traveling with their pets, additional information will be provided at the Pets are Family Too workshop from 11 a.m. to noon. Both briefings are open to military members, Department of Defense employees, and their spouses. Reservations are required. Call 8-5690 for reservations.

VA Benefit Briefing

Any individuals who are 180 days from separating or retiring should attend one of the monthly transition assistance program seminars and receive the veterans affairs briefing on loans, education, and disability benefits. The family support center conducts an extra Veterans Affairs benefit briefing each month for members who are unable to attend the primary one. The next briefing is Thursday, Sept. 7, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., community center, Building 4201. Call 8-5690 for reservations.

Trip Planner

Getting ready to move? Traveling by vehicle? The relocation assistance program at the family support center has trip planner software available to help military, DoD civilians, and their families. To find out more or to make an appointment for this service, call the family support center at 8-5690.



Youth programs

Today: Wiz of the West, 1:30 and 7 p.m.; call 8-8844

Saturday: Teen basketball, 10 p.m., youth center

Monday: Teens can earn Teen Bucks, youth center

Tuesday: NFL Monopoly, Aug. 31, youth center

Wednesday: Torch Club meets, 6 to 7 p.m., youth center

Thursday: Get youth sports information at 8-8373

Wiz of the West performed

See the Missoula Children's Theatre production of The Wiz of the West at the Base Theater.

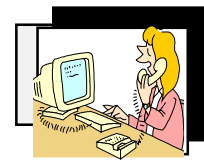
Performances are today at 1:30 and 7 p.m. Admission for all ages is $1 at the door.

More than 50 D-M youngsters are cast in starring roles. The young actors have been rehearsing all week under the supervision of actor/directors from the children's theatre.

For further information, call the community center at 8-3717.

Movie theater

Tonight: Me, Myself and Irene, (R), 7 p.m.
Saturday: Fantasia 2000, (G), 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Sunday: Me, Myself and Irene, (R), 7 p.m.
Aug. 25: The Perfect Storm, (PG-13), 7 p.m.
Aug. 26: Chicken Run, (G), 7 p.m.
Aug. 27: The Perfect Storm, (PG-13), 7 p.m.



Other agencies

AWC representative visits

Lt.Col. Robert Kane from the Air War College will be visiting D-M Thursday and would like to meet with AWC correspondence students at 4:30 p.m. in the support group conference room, Building 3200, second floor. Please contact Ronalyn Akcadogan at 8-5191.

Community center CDC care

Hourly child care is available starting Tuesday, in the child development center's hourly care room at the community center, for ages 2 to 6. CDC caregivers are on duty Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. The service is $3 per child, per hour. Special scheduling arrangements can be made for larger groups. Hourly care is not drop-in care. Reservations should be made as early as possible. Call the CDC at 8-3336.

Home buying workshop

The housing management flight will be sponsoring a home buying workshop on Aug. 25, from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club Building 3885 in the ballroom. Representatives a local utility company will provide information on energy efficient homes, a local building association will provide information on new home construction and future housing trends for the year 2000 and a mortgage banker will provide mortgage services information. Refreshments will be served. Call Tina West at 8-5548 for reservations.

OWC meeting

The Officers Wives Club is holding its annual Special Activities Coffee Thursday, 9:30 a.m. at the Officers Club. Coffee is free to all members. Newcomers are welcome. Call Marla Howes at 751-9155 to make reservations.

Wilmot gate closure

A two-phase improvement project has begun at the Wilmot gate. During construction, the Wilmot gate will be closed. Traffic is routed to the Swan gate; hours for the gate are 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday during this phase. The Swan Road gate will be closed weekends, holidays and during 355th Wing down days.

During the second phase the Wilmot gate will be open and the Swan gate will return to its normal operating hours. Call Master Sgt. David Wilson at 8-2426 for more information.