

## Barksdale congratulates newest staff sergeant selects

**By Staff Sgt. Terri Barriere**  
2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs

More than 198 members of Team Barksdale were selected for promotion to the rank staff sergeant Aug. 4.

Air Force officials selected 11,337 of 26,549 eligible senior airman for promotion to staff sergeant for a selection rate of 42.70 percent this year.

The average score for those selected was 275.56, with an average time-in-grade of 1.88 years and an average time-in-service of 4.44 years. The average score was based on the following point averages: 131.68 for enlisted performance reports, 0.96 for decorations, 63.49 for the promotion fitness examination and 56.66 for the specialty knowledge test.

Congratulations to the following selectees:

Kayleigh Adock  
Albert Aragon  
Charles Arndt  
Javonda Asbell  
Brandon Ashcraft  
Melissa Baab  
Aaron Baker  
Leon Bardwell  
Anthony Barrow  
Justin Barton  
Skyler Beadle  
Justin Beaudean  
Taylor Bolden  
Anthony Bond

Dylan Brandt  
Isaac Brandt  
Jodie Brant  
Brandon Briggs  
Jeanett Brzezinski  
Andrew Bublik  
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Jessica Cameron  
Ryan Cannon  
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Jaime Castro  
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Lee Collins  
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Robert Cunningham  
Michael Davis  
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Matthew Gonzales  
James Grabbe  
Christopher Groomes  
Judy Groomes  
Joseph Hack  
Kristin Hampton  
Barry Hardy  
Matthew Hardy  
Darryl Hawkins  
Christy Hayes  
John Hebert  
Jorge Hernandez  
Antjuan Hill  
Timothy Hodge

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Dangelo Howard  
Kevin Hudson  
Tyvenskio Humphrey  
Kyle Hynds  
Fredy Imanuel  
Quentin Irvin  
Robert Jacks  
Cornelia Jackson  
Enrico Javier  
Jacob Johnson  
Joshua Johnson  
Beau Jordan  
Megan Juhnke  
Andrew Kaltenmark  
Kelsey Larson  
Lawrence Lin  
Milton Lopez  
Charlie Lord  
Jeffrey Marr  
Leonard Mask  
Steven Mason  
Shaquita Matthews  
Jeremy Mccaa

Jason McCasland  
Benjamin McRae  
Christopher Mendoza  
Christopher Miscisin  
Nicholas Mladineo  
Ebony Monroe  
Frank Moore  
Daniel Moroy  
Catherine Mulholland  
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Jared Newport  
Nicholas Niles  
Corey Nowell  
Adam Orlando  
Travis Patrick  
Brandon Penix  
Sean Phelan  
Andrew Phillips  
Michael Pistis  
Micheal Plummer  
Cardell Polk  
Kristy Polk  
James Porter  
Andres Posada  
Olivia Raines  
Soman Ramkissoon  
Alexandra Reeves  
Benjamin Reeves  
Jacob Reeves  
Todd Richey  
Ryan Ridge  
Eddie Rios  
Myesha Roberts  
Miguel Rodriguez  
Jaimielea Rountree  
Denise Russell  
Charles Sam  
Rachel Samuel  
Martin San  
Cody Sanderson  
Kourtney Saunders  
Charles Sawyer

Sean Scroggins  
Caleb Sellers  
Patrick Sellers  
Amandeep Singh  
Michael Singleton  
Lamar Sjouwke  
Alyssa Slampa  
Jeremy Smith  
Joseph Smith  
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Devin Staatswalker  
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Andrew Vincent  
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Michael Williamson  
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William Winters  
Daniel Zagar

## Trading places: 96 BS returns home as 20 BS heads out

**By Staff Sgt. Larry Moore**  
2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs

After a four month deployment to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, the 96th Bomb Squadron is in the process of returning their personnel and aircraft back home. Taking their place is its sister unit, the 20th Bomb Squadron.

The 20 BS is the latest unit to go to Guam on a rotating deployment shared by the bomber squadrons from Minot Air Force Base, N.D., and Barksdale Air Force Base, La. Their mission is to provide continuous bomber presence and rotating forward deterrence in the Pacific.

While anxious families crowded the flight line here, eager to welcome home their loved ones, another group is saying goodbye — many of them tearful.

"I just got off the phone with my wife for the third time," said Airman 1st Class William Cowles, 2nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, as he waits for his flight out. "She's been crying non-stop for hours."

Others though, while obviously hesi-

tant to leave those they love behind, are more than ready for the challenge and the change of pace their upcoming deployment to Guam is going to bring.

1st Lt. Nicholas Burg, electronic warfare officer for 20 BS Buccaneers, is what he calls a "new Bucc," having only arrived at Barksdale a few months ago.

"I've been in training for three years, so it's definitely an opportunity I'm looking forward to," Burg said.

Also a newlywed, he and his wife are about to endure the longest separation of their five-year relationship.

"It's something we've always had in the back of our minds but we're both busy with our professional lives, so I think that's going to help."

Capt. Danielle Nickerson, B-52 navigator for the 20 BS, is also about to go on her first deployment.

"I'm a little nervous honestly, because it's my first time going anywhere outside the continental U.S.," Nickerson said.

However, Nickerson has more than that



SENIOR AIRMAN CHAD WARREN/U.S. AIR FORCE

Airmen board a plane to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, on the flight line of Barksdale. The Airmen are beginning a four-month deployment in support of the continuous bomber presence in the Pacific region.

to be excited about; the wife of a B-52 pilot and mother of a two year old daughter at home at Barksdale, she faces the daily grind of juggling the duties of a demanding career and making time for family. After four years of being at Barksdale, she says she's happy to get some time away to concentrate on her career.

"I'm excited to finally do what I signed up for more than five years ago," she said laughing.

It's clear these deploying Airmen expect the four months away from home station will provide challenges. They are no strangers to high-tempo operations

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# Air Force Global Strike Command celebrates two years of success

**By Lt. Gen. Jim Kowalski**  
 Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command

On Aug. 7, it was two years since Air Force Global Strike Command was activated to be "a new major command focused and dedicated to the nuclear and conventional global strike mission — a key component of strategic deterrence."

When we set out on this path two years ago we understood the need to organize our force to drive discipline and professionalism consistent with the highest standards required of us as stewards of nuclear weapons. We were confident that, over time, we would have a force that not only understood the demands of this mission, but embraced the special trust and responsibility the nation has given us.

At this point we cannot declare victory. Developing an enduring culture requires a long-term commitment by all in this command, and by Air Force and Department of Defense senior leaders.

We are incredibly proud of the gains made by our Airmen and civilians, and echo the words of Lt. Gen. Frank Klotz when he

said, "Our successful stand-up was possible because of the commitment, innovative spirit and sheer hard work of Global Strike Command Airmen."

We also need to thank Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley and Chief of Staff of the Air Force Gen. Norton Schwartz for their unwavering support. They recognized that long range strike and nuclear deterrence were Air Force core functions from our earliest days as a separate service, and those functions remain critically relevant in a multi-polar and uncertain global security environment.

As we have improved our nuclear processes, we have not forgotten our significant conventional responsibilities. The command's conventional global strike and command and control capabilities were used to powerful effect during the beginning days of Operation Odyssey Dawn over Libya. We must continue to have both the discipline and flexibility to balance nuclear and conventional requirements.

Our work in our core mission areas is not without challenges. One of the biggest challenges came just last month when more



TECH SGT. REY RAMON/U.S. AIR FORCE  
 Lt. Gen. Jim Kowalski, Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command, speaks to Airmen about Global Strike Command and efforts to strengthen the nuclear enterprise at the Air Force Sergeants Association's annual Professional Airmen's Conference in San Antonio. About 600 Airmen participated in the event.

than 1,200 Airmen and family members were forced from their homes in Minot, N.D., as a result of flooding.

The support to the flood recovery efforts from across the command and the Air Force was, and continues to be, amazing. The steady and tenacious headquar-

ters staff efforts along with individual and organizational donations provide the most vivid definition of the phrase "Air Force family."

Thank you for all you have done over the past two years to 'To Deter and Assure'...it's my honor to serve with you!



**ABOVE:** Staff Sgt. Ted Daigle and Senior Airman Chad Warren record images of an 11th Bomb Squadron aircrew preparing for a sortie at Barksdale on July 26. The 11 BS aircrew was participating in the 2011 Global Strike Challenge. The competition, which is currently under way, includes bases, units and people across the country. The competition will continue through the score-posting and symposium event in November. The competition wraps up with an awards ceremony at Barksdale where trophies will be awarded to the final winners. Daigle, who is assigned to the 307th Bomb Wing Public Affairs office, was recording events to be used during the award ceremonies at the conclusion of the competition. Warren was photographing the event for a news story about the competition.



**LEFT:** Lt. Col. Richard Holt, an electronics warfare officer assigned to the 93rd Bomb Squadron, prepares for a sortie in a B-52 Stratofortress. Holt is part of the aircrew from the 93 BS competing in the 2011 Global Strike Challenge.



**RIGHT:** Maj. Noel Beavers, a radar navigator assigned to the 11th Bomb Squadron, performs a preflight check on the B-52 Stratofortress at Barksdale. Beavers is part of the 11th BS aircrew participating in the 2011 Global Strike Challenge.

## Barksdale Airmen compete in Global Strike Challenge

U.S. Air Force photos by Tech. Sgt. Jeff Walston

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# 2 BW joins conversation on Facebook, Twitter

By Maja Z. Stevanovich

2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs  
The 2nd Bomb Wing can now be found on both Twitter and Facebook engaging with fans and followers and sharing the latest happenings on base.

"Social media helps make the mission and the quality of life better for all of Team Barksdale by increasing communication, feedback, understanding and situational awareness," said Col. Tim Fay, 2 BW commander. "As a learning organization that is constantly making improvements, we must ensure we have open and honest communication channels to provide feedback up, down and laterally in our great bomb wing."

Fay said social media provides the Mighty Deuce tools for open and honest communication.

"We encourage the use of all our social media tools because they provide our Airmen and their families with the opportunity to directly and immediately engage their leadership across all levels of command," he said.

Sharing information on social media platforms allows the BW to reach a wider audience and the audience to give feedback on the content posted.

In addition to finding out the latest base information and features on Barksdale Airmen, the base Facebook page has also become a place where newcomers

connect with each other and the rest of the Barksdale Facebook community.

While social media offers a platform for quick and convenient exchange of information, operational security must be remembered while engaging in these mediums.

"As a reminder, anything posted using social media tools has the potential to be seen and used by those that would do America and its Airmen harm," Fay said. "Be very careful about what you post. As always, OPSEC must be kept in mind."

Air Force social media rules of engagement can be found below:

- ▶All Airmen must abide by the ROE to ensure good order and discipline. All actions on and off duty are subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

- ▶Airmen should use their best judgment, remembering that there are always consequences to what is written, and all Airmen will take direct responsibility for what they post online.

- ▶Do not post any defamatory, libelous, vulgar, obscene, abusive, profane, threatening, hateful, racially ethically or otherwise offensive or illegal information or material.

- ▶Do not post any information or other material protected by copyright without the permission of the copyright owner.

- ▶Do not use any words,



SENIOR AIRMAN CHAD WARREN/U.S. AIR FORCE  
Senior Airman Amber Ashcraft, 2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs photographer, updates the Barksdale Air Force Base Facebook profile. The base's Facebook page is updated daily with notifications, stories, photos and upcoming events. Airmen and their families are encouraged to view and engage in 2nd Bomb Wing social media platforms.

logos or other marks that would infringe upon the trademark, service mark, certification mark, or other intellectual property rights of the owners of such marks without the permission of such owners.

- ▶Do not post classified or sensitive information.

- ▶Do not post any information that would infringe upon the proprietary, privacy, or personal rights of others.

- ▶Do not forge or otherwise manipulate identifiers in posts in an attempt to disguise, impersonate, or otherwise misrepresent their identity or affiliation with any other person or entity.

- ▶Identify to readers of a personal social media site

or post that the views expressed are yours alone and that they do not necessarily reflect the views of the Air Force. Use a disclaimer such as: "The postings on this site are my own and don't necessarily represent Air Force positions, strategies or opinions."

- ▶Airmen discussing issues related to their career field or personal experiences are acceptable, but they should not discuss areas of expertise for which they have no first-hand, direct background or knowledge.

- To 'like' or 'follow' the 2 BW on social media platforms, visit [www.facebook.com/2ndBombWing](http://www.facebook.com/2ndBombWing) and [www.twitter.com/2ndBombWing](http://www.twitter.com/2ndBombWing)



SENIOR AIRMAN CHAD WARREN/U.S. AIR FORCE  
Family members greet their loved ones in the Heritage Room at the 96th Bomb Squadron. The Airmen returned from a deployment to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, in support of the continuous bomber presence in the Pacific region.

## Trade

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and working the long hours one of a bomber unit in Air Force Global Strike Command. That experience has created a camaraderie that should come in handy for their work ahead.

"We have a really tight group," Burg said. "It seems like a close-knit family, so I think it's going to be a great experience."

"The 20 BS works very hard," Nickerson said. "I think everyone is looking forward to the change. We have so many exercises and inspections, and we do very well, but a change of its pace and environment is good for any unit."



SENIOR AIRMAN CHAD WARREN/U.S. AIR FORCE  
Airmen board a plane to Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, on the flightline of Barksdale. The Airmen are beginning a four-month deployment in support of the continuous bomber presence in the Pacific region.

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# Barksdale celebrates fourth annual National Night Out

By Senior Airman La'Shanette V. Garrett  
2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Despite temperatures of over 100 degrees, more than 200 participants and volunteers came out to celebrate Barksdale's fourth annual National Night Out Aug 2.

National Night Out is a community-police awareness-raising event and is 'America's Night Out Against Crime' which takes place on the first Tuesday of August. It's designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are prepared and fighting back.

"We, the 2nd Security Forces Squadron, felt that it was extremely important to partner with The Landings at Barksdale and other entities on base to get the message out to the community that Barksdale Air Force Base is organized and fighting back," said Senior Airman Garrett Thompson, 2 SFS crime prevention. "Also, we wanted to assure the community that we are working diligently against crime and to keep drugs off the streets of Barksdale."

The Landings at Barksdale community manager, Dreamer Dowden, started this event for Barksdale four years ago.

"I started this event for our base residents to show that we are a community just as if there were no gates surrounding us," Dowden said. "Even though we are behind these gates — there is crime and, we will work to-



Staff Sgt. Clayton Tibbets, 2nd Security Forces Squadron, narrates during the K-9 demonstration for the crowd. Several organizations collaborated for the event to increase police awareness and fire prevention education.



Staff Sgt. Kevin Smith, 2nd Maintenance Squadron, helps son Braydon Smith, 6, make fingerprints for a Child Identification Kit during the fourth annual National Night Out. The Child Identification Kit helps identify lost or missing children.



Devin Thrower, 10, stands behind an M-240 machine gun mounted to a HUMVEE during the fourth annual National Night Out on Aug. 2. The 2nd Security Forces Squadron displayed weapons, a patrol car and a HUMVEE to give participants a closer look at the equipment and vehicles they use.

RIGHT: Davin Wilson, 10, looks through an M-68 close combat optic attached to an M-249 light machine gun during the fourth annual National Night Out on Barksdale. The 2nd Security Forces Squadron brought out three M-4 carbines, an M-24 sniper rifle and an M-249 light machine gun. All weapons on display had the bolt and bolt carrier group removed to prevent them from firing.

U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class Micaiah Anthony

BELOW: Senior Airman Andrew Phillips, 2nd Security Forces Squadron, runs away from Staff Sgt. Wesley Cox and military working dog Kuno during a K-9 demonstration. Military working dogs train regularly to hone their skills and are capable of tracking, scouting, fighting, guarding and detection.



RIGHT: Bryan Henderson, 7, talks with McGruff the crime dog and Staff Sgt. Hannah Vega, 2 SFS, during the fourth annual National Night Out.



RIGHT: Simone Rezendes watches Jeff Hikes, Drug Demand Reduction program manager, point to a small container of Ketamine, a dissociative anesthetic that has the potential to cause amnesia. The drug detaches its user from their environment and distorts perceptions of sight and sound.



RIGHT: Charlotte Hikes, community readiness technician, and Master Sgt. Frank Deviller, Airman Family Readiness Center superintendent, tell the Raybon family about programs the AFRC provides. Several organizations collaborated for the event to increase police awareness and fire prevention education.



gether as a community to prevent those crimes."

To show the Barksdale community just that, Team Barksdale celebrated through entertainment and educational activities such as free food, sno-cones, children's games, a cake walk, bounce castles, finger printing, weapons display, informational booths, the fire department along with Sparky the fire dog, military working dog K-9 demonstration and crime dog Scruff McGruff.

The Barksdale Fire Department also handed out fire hats to all the children, along with drawings and prizes given away by the Exchange and Barksdale Enlisted Spouse Group.

National Night Out not only brings the community together, but it offers information to the public about crime prevention tools that are effective in today's society, stated Thompson.

"We hope that all parents and children are more aware of different ways to prevent and report crimes and prevent drugs from making it through the gates of Barksdale."

"I would like to thank the base, its entities and the local community for participating, donating and supporting this event," Dowden said. "Last year we won the National Award for all Air Force bases across the United States."

The Barksdale community looks forward to National Night Out 2012.



Airman 1st Class Jesusa Ramos, 2nd Security Forces Squadron, poses with Sparky the fire dog.



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Maj. John Seffern, 8th Air Force plans, programs and requirements, practices in the hanging harness before making jumps at the NATO Jump School in Texel, Netherlands. Seffern is the oldest person to complete the school.

# Young at heart: Mighty Eighth major sets age record at jump school

By Staff Sgt. Brian Stives  
8th Air Force Public Affairs

Awe-inspiring. Exhilarating. Beyond fun. Serene. Contemplative. Exhausting. Numbing. Mindless. Stupid. Inane. These are all words one Airman from the Headquarters 8th Air Force used to describe the feelings and emotions he had after jumping from a plane.

"I attended, and even more amazingly, graduated from the NATO Jump School in Texel, Netherlands," said Maj. John Seffern, 8th Air Force plans, programs and requirements. "That is the good news, the bad is even though it was fun in a horrible sort of way, I don't think I would do it again."

In keeping with the traditions and heritage of former members of "The Mighty Eighth," Seffern set a goal and didn't let anything stand between him and accomplishing that goal.

"I am, apparently, the oldest person, by far, to do this (and I felt like it too)," Seffern said. "They said they didn't remember anyone in their 30s or 40s doing this, let alone me at the ripe old age of 55."

Seffern believes the Air Force's new physical training standards is what allowed him to get back into shape after retiring from the Air Force Reserves in 2003 and being recalled to active duty in September of 2010.

"I definitely have to give credit to the Air Force and the new PT standards for allowing me to almost keep up with the 19-year-old troops that were at the school," Seffern said. "When I first joined the Air Force in 1974 all we had to do was run a mile and half, then when I went into the Reserves in 1990 we had the Ergo test. The Air Force PT program definitely helped because Jump School required lots of core and upper body strength.

"It also helped with my endurance, because we had to do three jumps in one day and they were really surprised that I could land, gather my chute, run with the Danish army and be ready to jump again almost immediately" Seffern said.

Seffern currently tries to work out two times a day. He runs two and half miles or does strength training during his lunch break and also tries to go to a Zumba class three times a week after work.

While Seffern was amazing the younger generation with his physical fitness prowess, there was one person who wasn't too impressed — Mother Nature.

"The winds, for the entire time we were there, were out of limits, but they dropped us anyway. This led to some interesting outcomes, and landing locations. One French sergeant landed so far away we thought he was in Germany, and we witnessed another troop break both her legs. I managed to come back with no injuries, except to my pride ... I flared over a creek, then my canopy and I got dragged into and under the water."

As Seffern finished his fifth and final jump to earn his Dutch jump wings, the public address announcer announced that the oldest guy to ever earn their wings at this school had just landed and was walking toward them.

"I never expected to get the applause of hundreds of strangers," said Seffern, whose career includes several other firsts. "That was the good news, but the bad is its pretty discouraging when the only record I can get starts with, 'The oldest person ever to ...'"



## Protect and serve

U.S. Air Force photos by Senior Airman Kristin High

Derrick Trotter, Pinkerton Government Services Incorporated gate guard, inspects a semi-truck at the East Gate on Barksdale. The guards inspect vehicles to ensure they are compliant with installation rules and regulations prior to allowing them entry to the installation.

## Iraq drawdown on track, USTRANSCOM official says

By Terri Moon Cronk

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — From pens to Bradley fighting vehicles, 1.7 million pieces of military equipment have been moved out of Iraq so far, as the Dec. 31 deadline for U.S. forces to be out of Iraq approaches, a U.S. Transportation Command official said this week.

"The mission is looking good," said Air Force Maj. John Rozsnyai, who heads up USTRANSCOM joint planning team for the effort.

The drawdown from Iraq, which began Sept. 1 after combat operations ceased, now stands at nearly 60 percent complete for U.S. military equipment, officials said. Transcom has five months to bring home the remaining troops and the last 1 million pieces of military equipment. Rozsnyai said he had just returned from a "tabletop" organizing meeting in Kuwait.

"Everything we're seeing is tracking well," he said.

The bulk of equipment is returning to the United States, Rozsnyai said, and the Army claims 90

percent of the load. U.S. Central Command officials decide whether equipment goes back to the United States, to the Iraqis for their forces, or is sent to Afghanistan to help the war effort there, he explained.

Meanwhile, he added, the possibility that the Iraqi government may ask for some U.S. forces to remain in Iraq beyond this year affects decisions about the equipment that has yet to be brought out.

"Part of the equipment uncertainty is whether the Iraqi government will want the United States to stay longer," Rozsnyai said. "Requirements for equipment are being balanced between [Afghanistan and Iraq]," he added.

After destinations are decided, USTRANSCOM officials begin the mammoth task of moving troops and equipment.

Iraq's terrain and infrastructure are more favorable for this type of effort than Afghanistan's rough and rocky landscape, the major said.

"It's easy to get a convoy to Kuwait [or] Jordan," he said. "The processes we have in Iraq

are working well."

Still, minor modifications would make the roads better for transporting equipment, he said, to provide "wiggle room" if it's needed in November and December. Other improvements are in the works to make Transcom's job easier, Rozsnyai said.

"We're working on improving lines of communication, and a service route for critical, sensitive cargo, to give us another option out there," he said.

But not everything has been moving out of Iraq over land, Rozsnyai said. When it became apparent last summer that one seaport had a high capacity, he explained, Transcom

planners saw it as an opportunity.

"That port's capacity will give us a really good handle on airlift capacity and our requirements with the commercial industry," he said.

Commercial air and sea carriers work with Transcom officials to assist in the moves, Rozsnyai said.

For example, he said, a commercial ship returning from taking a load of cargo to the Middle East can stop in Kuwait, fill up with U.S. military cargo, and continue on to the U.S. It's more cost-effective to use a ship already on an established route than to pull a military ship out of dry dock and prepare it to make the trips, he explained.

## TWO LOCAL BOYS



### MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Pat Holden and Charles Gibson, owners of a computer repair shop located on Youree Drive in Shreveport, credit their success to great customer service, and a \$90 flat fee (excluding the cost for parts) to fix any computer problem.

Holden, a former restaurant and nightclub owner, has over 20 years of customer service experience. Gibson, who specializes in computer forensics, has been in the industry since 1996. Both say their backgrounds have let them create a customer base that has increased through the use of Facebook and word-of-mouth advertising. \$90 price tag for services hasn't hurt business either.

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# Feds Feed Families program under way at BAFB

By Senior Airman Chad Warren

2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The national Feds Feed Families program is collecting donations of non-perishable food items at different locations here on Barksdale through August 31.

The program encourages federal employees nationwide to participate in the food drive by collecting non-perishable food and household items to offset national food bank shortages.

The Defense Commissary Agency is

sponsoring the event, which kicked off at the beginning of June. According to the commissary staff, a weaker economy and tighter budgets make programs such as this one more important than ever.

"In this economy, so many people can't afford to feed their families or even themselves," said Commissary Director Christine Spain. "No one should go to bed hungry at night."

According to Spain, the summer

months cause increased economic strain on families because many children are left without the school nutritional programs they rely on during the school year.

This year, DeCA joined with the U.S. Office of Personnel Management and the Chief Human Capital Officers Council to meet the program's increased goal of collecting 2 million pounds of non-perishable food and household items.

The Barksdale chapel staff is assist-

ing in the collection efforts, making the program more readily accessible to the base community.

"Our chapel staff likes helping the community," said Chaplain (Capt.) Molly Lawlor. "It is important for us to serve the whole person, not just their spiritual needs."

For those who wish to donate, collection points for the program are set up at each commissary exit, as well as Chapel one and Chapel two.

# Barksdale opens base housing to single Airmen

By Staff Sgt. Terri Barriere

2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Single Airmen stationed at Barksdale looking for a place to stay now have to look no further than base housing.

The Landings privatized housing company on base is renting homes to Airmen eligible to move out of the dorms or live off base.

Interested Airmen will be offered one year leases on three or four bedroom duplexes, which can be shared amongst roommates.

Dreamer Dowden, family housing property manager, said once a development falls below 95 percent occupancy for 30 consecutive days, the company begins filling the units in a waterfall manner. Tier A

of that waterfall allows single service members, guardsmen, reservists and their families the opportunity to move on base. All Tier A residents are then moved into the vacant section of the development in order to maintain demographic integrity — in this case, that area is the senior non-commissioned officer historical housing.

The homes will be rented at the SNCO dependent rate of \$1,707 but occupants are allowed to split the cost with as many roommates as there are rooms in the homes. Each roommate is then billed separately and responsible for their portion of the rent, allowing them to pay significantly less than if they lived alone and not be penalized if one roommate does not pay.

Dowden does however advise that groups wanting to room together should go in to the office together to apply. Individual applicants risk being placed in units with other tenants they don't know or having to pay the rent in its entirety if choosing to live alone.

New occupants will enjoy the same perks as other base housing residents including free utilities, trash service and lawn care.

"A lot of people rent on base because they like the comfort of knowing their neighbors are military members ... the waterfall residents will have that comfort as well," said Starla Wilson, community director.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about the benefits of living on base or to apply for base housing, call The Landings at Barksdale at (318) 747-2723.



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## Checking it twice

Airman Nolan Petty, 2nd Security Forces Squadron patrolman, double checks to make sure Airman 1st Class Caitlin Dziron, also of the 2nd SFS, has properly cleared her weapon prior to returning it to the armory. Security forces Airmen check weapons and ammunition out of the armory each day before their shift and return the items at the end of their shift. The weapons must be properly cleared before being stored.

# Retroactive coverage closing for TRICARE Young Adult program

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — The opportunity to purchase retroactive TRICARE Young Adult, or TYA, coverage expires on Sept. 30. Retroactive TYA provides coverage for young adults back to Jan 1, or the day they became eligible if that was after Jan 1.

TYA allows eligible adult children to purchase TRICARE coverage after their eligibility for "regular" TRICARE coverage ends at age 21, or 23 if enrolled in a full course of study at an approved institution of higher learning.

TYA-eligible beneficiaries may choose to purchase retroactive coverage if they've had significant health care expenses that weren't covered by other insurance. Once enrolled in TYA, beneficiaries may file a claim for reimbursement of costs for covered care. Additionally, young adults in the Continued Health Care Benefit Program may elect to purchase retroactive TYA coverage and receive a refund for their CHCPB fees.

Those interested in purchasing retroactive TYA coverage must ensure their application form is received by the regional or overseas health care contractor by

Sept. 30. All premiums, both retroactive and the initial three-month payment, must be submitted with the application. The application and payment can be dropped off at a TRICARE service center, or mailed or faxed to the regional or overseas health care contractor.

To be reimbursed for covered services, receipts for care must be included when a claim is filed.

TYA launched in May 2011, and has shown a steady increase in enrollment numbers. As of July 31, almost 6,600 young adults have purchased TYA, which currently offers TRICARE Standard coverage for \$186 a month. To qualify for TYA, ununiformed services dependents must be under 26, unmarried and not eligible for their own employer-sponsored health care coverage.

A premium-based TRICARE Prime benefit is scheduled to be available later in 2011.

Before choosing to purchase TYA, beneficiaries should carefully consider all of their health care coverage options and balance all the costs. Complete information and application forms are available at [www.tricare.mil/tya](http://www.tricare.mil/tya).



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# Developing X-rays from the bat cave

Article & photos by  
Senior Airman Amber Ashcraft

2nd Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Sitting in a small white room with no windows on a cold examining table, metal instruments everywhere, is a nervous male patient, uncomfortably dressed in a too-small floral fabric gown.

A young doctor comes into the room, holds up a black and white image excitedly in front of the patient and says, "Bad news is your X-ray showed a broken rib. Good news is we fixed it with Photoshop."

Long before the invention of touch screen digital cameras or even the advent of the digital computer for that matter, photographic glass plates were used to produce most radiographic images. Now, more than a century after one of the first X-ray images was taken in 1895, X-rays are produced within milliseconds and can be electronically stored.

"An X-ray is universally used by doctors to help determine the cause of an individual's ailment," said Senior Airman Sean McCarty, 2nd Medical Support Squadron diagnostic imaging technologist.

"It's not just a picture to hang on

the wall. The X-ray allows the doctor to get a real-time view of what's going on inside the patient which leads to properly treating or medicating the patient."

Producing an average of 30 X-rays a day, the radiology technicians perform an essential duty for Barksdale's active-duty Airmen, retirees, reservists and their dependents and the quality of their health care.

"We've definitely come a long way with the forms of medical applications like computed tomography (CT) scans, which take three-dimensional images of patients," said Senior Airman Brandon Bolen, 2nd MDSS diagnostic imaging technologist.

According to Bolen, without the X-ray a radiologist technician took, surgeons wouldn't be able to precisely perform operations, and orthopedic doctors wouldn't be able to reduce fractures and check on a bones healing process.

"We provide imaging to help specifically diagnose broken bones, cardiopulmonary/respiratory problems and help doctors see problems in a patient's alimentary system," he said.

Common examples of X-rays performed include the chest, which can be used to identify pneumonia and lung cancer and the abdominal X-ray, which can detect intestinal obstructions. X-rays may also be used to detect gallstones or kidney stones.

"The technicalities and use of X-rays are just the start of what we need to be good at," McCarty said. "We also need to be good at interacting with the patients. A typical X-ray room is like a cave. You have this patient wearing a gown in a dark room with some guy they don't know and silence is awkward. Talking with the patients and making them feel at ease is one of the best parts of my job. We're here to help them get better, not make them feel like a

test rat hiding in the corner of the cave."

The training for these technicians is a two-phase program. The Air Force Diagnostic Imaging program, or Phase 1, is a 14-week apprentice course. Phase II is 38-weeks of clinical education.

"In great detail, we learned about the electronic circuitry, anatomy of bones, cardiopulmonary system, digestive tract, reproductive organs, the brain and circulatory system," McCarty said. "We performed CTs and digital radiology and fluoroscopy, which is live video of the inside of the body."

The technicians are well-versed in their areas of expertise, hence the doctors heeding their advice.

"I can easily call our radiology department here and give them the specifics of a patients ailments and what I'm trying to accomplish," said Capt. J Chapman, 2nd Medical Group Director of Family Health. "I ask what they recommend instead of blindly ordering imagery, and they let me know whether it's even necessary to X-ray or if there's another procedure we can simply perform."

Being readily available to perform X-rays, phone consultations with doctors and even working late are just a few of the tasks technicians take on.

"I can call them at 4:25 p.m. and ask for a CT scan," Chapman said. "Instead of saying, 'we're closed', they work a bit later to help out with the patients. If they weren't willing to do that, we'd have to send reluctant patients to urgent care to get their X-rays. Our radiology technicians have never let me down, they're absolutely indispensable. Not many people know the lengths our medical Airmen will go for them, it goes without a 'thank you' but they're still willing to go the ex-



Senior Airman Sean McCarty, 2nd Medical Support Squadron technician, arranges a patients arm before an X-ray at the Barksdale Air Force Base clinic. The Air Force diagnostic imaging technologists, or radiologist technicians, attend a 52-week technical training program to learn about the entire anatomy of the body, including the electronic circuitry, cardiopulmonary system, digestive tract, reproductive organs, the brain and circulatory system. They also perform computed tomography scans and digital radiology.

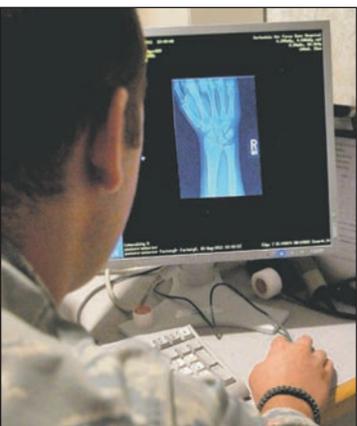
tra mile."

Despite their regular duties and going the extra mile, the technicians find a little humor in their job.

"We work so often in that cave of a room, that when someone turns the lights on, we're kind of like bats. We scatter immediately and shield our faces," McCarty said with a laugh.

In the end, without the Air Force's unique diagnostic imaging technologist's, the medical and digital worlds would be very different.

After all, when you're fixed up by the doctor and sent home, you could use that X-ray as your new profile picture on Facebook, without the Photoshop edits of course.



Senior Airman Sean McCarty, 2nd Medical Support Squadron technician, views the digital X-ray of a patient's wrist at the Barksdale Air Force Base clinic.



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**Landings August events**

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There is a Senior NCO Professional Enhancement Course Aug. 22-26 for master sergeant selects. To sign up, go to <https://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/Team-BarksdaleCAA>.  
For questions, call or e-mail Master Sgt. Kimberly Owens at (318) 458-4700 or [Kimberly.owens@us.af.mil](mailto:Kimberly.owens@us.af.mil).

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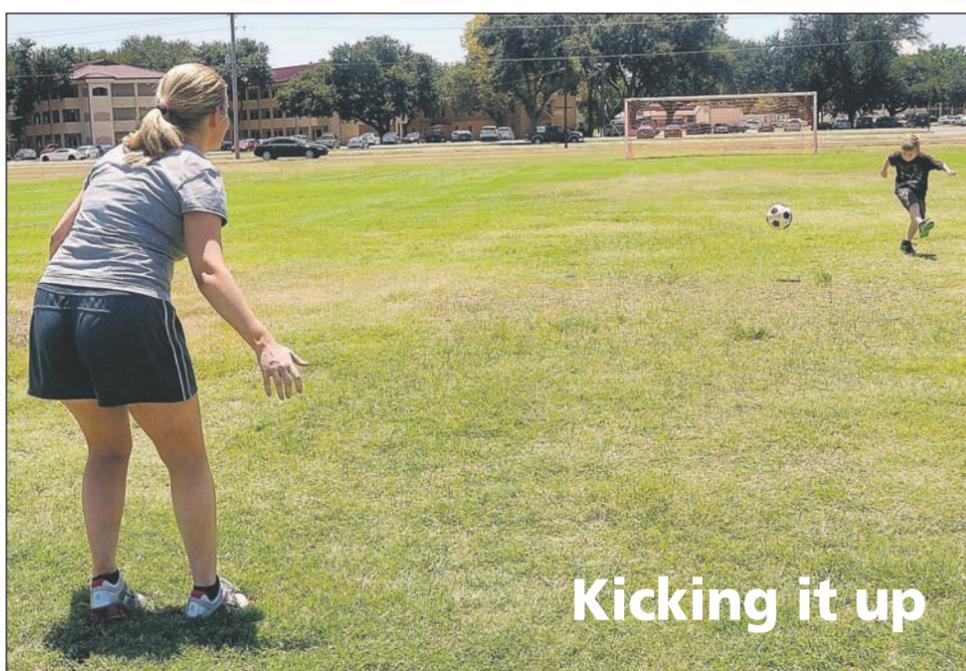
The Airman's Attic will now be open on the first and third Monday of each month from 6 to 7 p.m. This is to try to give those active duty members who are on shifts an opportunity to utilize the Attic since they are not able to get there during normal hours. Therefore, during these special hours dependents will only be allowed if they are accompanied by active duty member.

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**Kicking it up**

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Camilla Craig, wife of retired National Guard Command Sgt. Maj. Kelly Craig, prepares to stop the soccer ball her son Gage Daniel kicked at the Barksdale Air Force Base Fitness Center field. Despite the Louisiana heat, Craig and her son enjoy the outside summer activities before school starts.

**Get One Now has benefits: Miranda Lambert**

**By Tech. Sgt. Jeff Walston**  
307th Bomb Wing Public Affairs  
Miranda Lambert will take the stage at the CenturyLink Center in Bossier City on Sept. 29. Among the audience could be a few lucky Airmen from the 307th Bomb Wing at Barksdale who could meet the recording star thanks to the Air Force Reserve "Get One Now Refer a Friend Tour."  
"The program is designed for Air Force Reserve members to refer people to the AFR to join. The program rewards those AFR members for

their referrals by offering different incentives like coins and other unique prizes," said Master Sgt. Steven Bender, 307th Bomb Wing assistant senior recruiter.  
"Roughly, only 17 percent of a given population is tentatively eligible to join the AFR, and it seems that Get One Now leads are coming from more of that percentage than outside of it. So, AFR members are helping people change their lives by referring them to a recruiter," Bender said.  
The program not only benefits unit recruiters; it also provides the kind of incentives for Airmen, who refer their friends for service in the Air



Force Reserve, like their own service memories that can last a life time.  
For questions about the Get One Now program, contact Senior Master Sgt. Williams M. Jones at (318) 529-3026 or visit [www.get1now.us](http://www.get1now.us) or [www.afreserve.com](http://www.afreserve.com).



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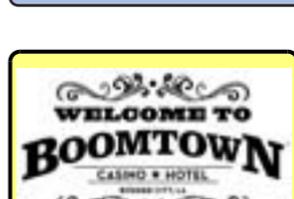
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 Featuring: Dr. Frances Swayzer Conley, author of "Home to Holly Grove: Cherishing Our Rich Heritage."  
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**COMEDIAN MARTIN LAWRENCE**  
 When: 7 p.m. CenturyLink Center, 2000 CenturyTel Center Drive, Bossier City.

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**TNT TROLLEY EXPRESS**  
 When: 5 p.m. Artspace, 710 Texas St., Shreveport.  
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**FIFTH ANNUAL DRAW DOWN**  
 When: 5:30-9 p.m. East Ridge Country Club, 1000 Stewart Drive, Shreveport.  
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**COMEDY NIGHT**  
 When: 4 J's Java and More, 605 Texas St., Shreveport.  
 Featuring: comedian Lee Marvin Adams.  
 Admission: \$15.

Info: (318) 221-7221.

**MOVIES & MOONBEAMS**  
 When: 8:30 p.m. Hattie Perry Community Park, 4300 Ledbetter St., Shreveport.  
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**SHREVEPORT-BOSSIER CAPTAINS VS. FORTH WORTH CATS**  
 When: 7:05 p.m. Aug. 19-20, 22; 6:05 p.m. Aug. 21. Fair Grounds Field, 2901 Pershing Blvd., Shreveport.  
 Featuring: a minor league baseball game.  
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**ANNUAL GEM & MINERAL SHOW**  
 When: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Aug. 20; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 21. Bossier City Civic Center, 620 Benton Road, Bossier City.  
 Admission: \$4, daily; \$1, students; free, 6 and younger.  
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