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An Air Force Artist observes from a safe distance as the 16th Special Operations Wing firefighters extinguish a blaze in the Hurlburt Field fire pit. The firefighting demonstration was one of many provided to the artists during their visit to the base March 29 - April 1. (Inset) Air Force Artists photograph an NCO with the 16th Security Forces Squadron and his dog Sarah during a military working dog demonstration.



Photos by 1st Lt. Gabe Johnson

Eglin Air Show draws several thousand

The largest Air Force base in the free world hosted its 2004 Open House and Air Show Saturday and Sunday.

More than 100,000 people visited Eglin Air Force Base during the two-day event, as the base showcased its mission and provided a forum for several other organizations to do the same.

Hurlburt Field participated in the Air Show by supplying static displays of four active aircraft: an AC-130U Gunship from the 4th Special Operations Squadron, an MC-130P Combat Shadow from the 9th Special Operations Squadron, an MH-53 PAVE LOW from the 20th Special Operations Squadron, and a C-47 from the 6th Special Operations Squadron.

Other static displays like the E-3 AWACS from Tinker Air Force Base, were also attention-getters for the crowd and not to forget the numerous memorabilia and toy booths, which allowed people to take a little token of the Air Show home with them.

The two-day event was fully packed with a schedule of events that started at 10 a.m. and ended shortly after 4 p.m.

One of the much-anticipated highlights was the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds demonstration.

The Air Force's aerial demonstration team didn't disappoint as the six F-16s took to the air to wow the audience

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AF artists to paint Hurlburt mission, people

By 1st Lt. Gabe Johnson
Public Affairs

Hurlburt Field opened its gates to the Air Force Art Program March 29 through April 1 in support of nine civilian artists who volunteered to document the 16th Special Operations Wing mission and people through artistic paintings.

The artists were sponsored by the United States Air Force as guests of the Secretary of the Air Force. The distinguished visitors traveled from various parts of the country to fly on 16th SOW aircraft and visit numerous units and facilities ranging from maintenance to medical to ensure coverage of the entire spectrum of the Air Commando mission.

"I've been involved with the program for about 15 years. I've seen a lot of bases and I think Hurlburt Field is fantastic," said Mathew Holmes, chairman of the Northwest Air Force Artists Group and freelance illustrator. "Hurlburt was different from other bases because of its structure, and despite the nature of Special Operations, we've gained a tremendous

amount of access to all of the aircraft and facilities here."

In exchange for the trip and unfettered access, each artist will paint between two to five paintings, which will be donated to the Air Force at an 'Art Presentation' hosted by the Secretary of the Air Force and the Chief of Staff at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., Oct. 29.

To provide inspiration, the 16th SOW gave the artists orientation flights on MC-130Hs, AC-130s and MH-53s as well as demonstrations organized by the wing's mission support, medical and maintenance groups.

Trading in their sketchpads for cameras, the artists photographed every detail of their visit for later use as models when they begin painting.

"I'm going to have to take a look at the photos I took when I get home," said Mr. Holmes. "I got some great twilight pictures the evening we were waiting to board a flight on the Talon so that might be the subject of one of my paintings."

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Memorial service

In remembrance of
Tech. Sgt. David Gressett

There will be a memorial service held at the Hurlburt Field Chapel at 10 a.m. today in remembrance of Tech. Sgt. David Gressett of the 16th Special Operations Squadron. The base community is invited to attend.

Share A Ride

Airmen seek transportation

Hurlburt Field will soon be providing rides for Airmen on base who don't have transportation with the help of the Share A Ride program. Signs will be posted on the east and west side of the base. If someone is waiting by one of the signs that indicates they're in need of a ride from one side of the base to the other.

Sexual Assault Survey

As part of an Air Force wide assessment, Headquarters Air Force Special Operations Command is issuing an electronic sexual assault survey to all Airmen assigned to Hurlburt Field. This mandatory survey addresses personal safety concerns at home station and deployed, and allows officials to determine whether programs, policies and practices serve to deter and prevent sexual assault. The survey will be e-mailed to all military personnel Wednesday.

Weather

Weekend forecast

Today - partly cloudy,
High 76 Low 62

Saturday - partly cloudy,
High 78 Low 59

Sunday - isolated showers,
High 75 Low 61

www.hurlburt.af.mil/milonly/weather/5day



Open Line

The Commander's Open Line is your direct line to me for questions or suggestions about subjects of concern to the Hurlburt Field community. I really appreciate your feedback.

To receive a response, leave your name, unit and telephone number. Open lines of general interest will be printed in the

COMMANDO. I'll answer the others by letter or phone call. Remember, the quickest and most efficient way to resolve a problem is to talk directly to the agency responsible. This gives them an opportunity to help you and perhaps improve their process.

However, if you're not satisfied with the answer you receive, feel free to give me a call at 884-OPEN (6736), or e-mail your concerns to commando@hurlburt.af.mil.



Col. O.G. Mannon

2004 Wing Climate Assessment

By Col. O.G. Mannon
16th SOW commander

In a few days, many of you, military and civilian, will receive a letter from me asking for your participation in a Wing Climate Assessment, which I've asked our military equal opportunity office to conduct.

If you receive the letter, you've been randomly chosen to participate in this important survey. The purpose of the Wing Climate Assessment survey is to provide all of us a useful management tool for identifying factors impacting the members of the wing and our mission.

Key focus areas include: job environment, motivation, pride, recognition, peer relationships, unit leadership, perceptions of addressing concerns, fair treatment, discrimination, and sexual harassment, plus your perceptions on several other important issues we collectively felt were critical to the success of the wing.

The survey is an Air Force-approved survey and can be

completed on your work or home computer. The accuracy of this report depends on your honest input. The survey is anonymous, with several safeguards in place to ensure it remains that way. There's also a section for written comments that you may want to include.

This survey process is an exceptional opportunity for each of us to help improve our quality of life and affect how well we take care of our people and mission here at Hurlburt Field.

Each participant will be asked to annotate certain demographic information to ensure appropriate representation of the wing's population, and not to identify you individually. I respectfully request you take the few minutes needed to complete this survey so we can continue to live and work at the best base in the Air Force.

Thank you in advance for your participation and honesty on the survey. If you have questions about the Wing Climate Assessment, please contact the 16th SOW's MEO office at 884-7888 or 884-6844.

Sergeant recalls DUI incident

By Staff Sgt. Brian Lyter
16th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

I made the worst decision of my entire life Feb. 9. I made the decision to drive home after I had been drinking alcohol. I also made that decision for the three other people who were riding in the car with me. I was pulled over and arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. I was lucky that I didn't kill myself, my passengers, and especially, didn't hurt or kill anyone else on the road that night. I can't express enough how much I regret my actions; I want everyone to learn from my experience that drinking and driving isn't worth losing your life or career.

I was taken to Crestview and placed in jail after I was arrested. I want you to know that sitting in that jail cell is one of the worst feelings you can ever have. I don't think I have ever been more upset and embarrassed in my entire life.

The next couple of days were even worse when I had to see my supervisor, first sergeant and commander to explain what I had done. They told me how I had let down my subordinates, my unit and the Air Force. I think I felt at an all time low.

I had been working for eight months on cross training into the Office of Special Investigations and was just waiting for the final approval. But now, that's all gone too. All the hard work I had done had been erased in one moment.

I then had to see my group commander to explain my actions; he told me how what I had done was inexcusable. I really felt bad that I had let him down. I finally went before the wing commander; he really grilled me and explained to me the consequences of my actions. He's a man I never want to let down again. The wing commander gave me a lot to think about, especially that I wanted to work hard to try and regain the

trust that my supervisors and commanders had placed in me prior to this embarrassing incident.

I have lost all driving privileges on base and I will receive some harsh, but fair punishment from my superiors. I now have to deal with the civilian courts, and I know this will be a long, hard process whatever the outcome may be. In all, I know this is going to take a long time to get through and will be extremely expensive for me with court costs, transportation, fines, lawyer fees, insurance and other costs that I probably don't even know of yet.

I love the Air Force and feel ashamed for what I have done because it reflects poorly on the Air Force and myself. I wish I would have made a different choice that night, but I can't change what happened. I can, however, let everyone else know how damaging this can be and plead with everyone to please think before you make a conscious decision to drink and drive. Please make a plan before you decide to drink. Call a cab or a friend or just do something else before you make one of the biggest mistakes of your life by getting behind the wheel. Don't drink and drive!

Six ways to get home safe:

- Call AADD at 884-8844
 - Call your commander or first sergeant via the command post, at 884-8100
 - Call a friend to pick you up:
- Name: _____
Number: _____
- Join the *Contract of Commitment* program. For details, call Tech. Sgt. James Eddington at 884-8485.
 - Drink responsibly and use a designated driver
 - Don't drink if you have no safe means of getting home

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DUI Tracker

April 2-8: 0 DUIs

(This year: 20)

DUIs for 2003: 54

Last DUI: 16th

Maintenance Squadron

Airmen Against Drunk Driving

Don't Drink and Drive. Call 884-8844

Potential saves this year: 196

16th OG53 16th MSG49
16th MXG18 16th MDG53

As of Feb. 15, individual groups get a down day for 60 consecutive days without a DUI. Totals are current as of April 8.





Photo by Staff Sgt. Greg Davis

MV-22 Osprey landing

A Marine Corps MV-22 Osprey lands here, April 2, on its way to Eglin Air Force Base's 2004 Open House and Air Show. Air Force Special Operations Command is expected to accept 50 CV-22s, an Air Force-modified version of the MV-22, starting November 2006. Designed to conduct long-range infiltration, exfiltration and resupply missions, the tilt-rotor aircraft offers increased speed and range over other rotary-wing aircraft, and can perform missions that normally would require both fixed-wing and rotary-wing aircraft.

AFSOC announces its outstanding airmen, civilians of the year



Commander breaks ground on gym

By Capt. David Small
33rd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — Although bulldozer operators have been clearing the site for a week, the 33rd Fighter Wing officially broke ground on the Nomad gym project in a ceremony April 1.

Col. Ted Kresge, 33rd Fighter Wing commander, explained to 20 engineers of Hurlburt Field's 823rd RED HORSE Squadron the significance of their work.

"When it's all said and done, that's going to be Gold's Gym," Colonel Kresge said pointing at the old gym. "You're doing a great thing for people who deserve it."

Another point of significance is since RED HORSE's Airmen are doing the addition instead of a contractor, the 33rd FW will save an estimated \$220,000.

The 823rd RHS is building the near 3,000 square-foot gym addition as a training opportunity wedged between deployments, said Lt. Col. James Eaton, 823rd RED HORSE deputy commander. The engineers will get training on equipment operations, new building practices, concrete and masonry and vehicle operations as they work on the project. RED HORSE is also using a new building technology called Royal Building Systems, made from a poly-resin that eliminates fragmentation of concrete and hardens the structure.

"This training improves our wartime skills," Colonel Eaton said. "But, at the same time, we're using the new technology for the first time and it can be used on deployments for force protection and anti-terrorism."

Hurlburt Field hosts Earth Day

Hurlburt Field will celebrate Earth Day April 22 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Soundside entrance to the Grace Brown Nature Trail.

This year's Earth Day theme is "Wildlife Conservation: Take a Walk on the Wild Side."

Sponsors from the Gulf Breeze Zoo, Panhandle Animal Welfare Society/Safe People Safe Pets, Golden Retriever Rescue, 823rd

RED HORSE Squadron and 16th Civil Engineer Squadron entomology department will have display booths.

All base members are invited to attend and enjoy the food booths during their lunch hour.



Spotlight on ...

Forrest Webb

Rank/Duty Title: Staff sergeant/Chief, Network Administration Curriculum Development

Organization: 505th Training Squadron

Hometown: Peterborough, Ontario, Canada

Hobbies: Reading, playing tennis and spending time with family

Contribution to the mission:

Sergeant Webb has been invaluable in overseeing the development of the Air Force's first Air and Space Operations Center Formal Training Unit Network Administrator Initial Qualification course.

He participated in the initial network administrator validation class as a subject matter expert and scrutinized more than 4,000 critique items to make further improvements to the course.

Sergeant Webb is also the workgroup manager and has been key in the upgrade of the 505th TRS's computer network infrastructure in the faculty/staff offices and student classrooms/computer laboratories.

Sergeant Webb epitomizes the Air Force's core values and is a tremendous asset to his unit and the U.S. Air Force.

(Editor's Note: The Commando highlights airmen, junior NCOs, company grade officers, Department of Defense civilians and volunteers in units who do a great job, and should receive day-to-day recognition. Supervisors can call the 16th Special Operations Wing Public Affairs Office at 884-7464 for more information on nominating an individual for the "Spotlight on..." column.)

Communicators see to renovation of training school

By Master Sgt. Michael Rivera
Air Force Special Operations Command

For more than 30 years, Keesler AFB, Miss., has been the home to train communications leadership at the Air Force Communications Officers Training School. Outdated curriculum, dilapidated classrooms, and technology changes forced major changes on the school.

In 1999, career field managers began approaching major commands with a proposal to revamp the entire training environment. No longer would the training be based on basic electronics training, with a heavy emphasis on technical management. What the Air Force needed were leaders that were trained to support their specific mission. Each MAJCOM would sponsor an individual classroom and their support would help fund the renovation. All classrooms were fitted identically, but the core difference lies in the instruction being taught and the visual representation of the classroom interior.

After the headquarters functional for multimedia was tasked to make this happen, there was only one place to go - the most talented graphics artist in the Air Force, Robert Duguid, 16th Communications Squadron.

Mr. Duguid's artistic creations can be seen throughout the Special Operations community and anyone under his tutelage will grow to be the best in the craft.

Throughout a period of several months, Mr. Duguid and Airman 1st Class Gary Stevens, 16th CS, worked in partnership with other multimedia center assets to create one-of-a-kind displays to be hung in the classroom at Keesler AFB.

According to Mr. Duguid, "This was a team effort and all members of the photo lab should be proud," said Mr. Duguid. "Without images from our photographers and from our counterparts at Moody (AFB, Ga.) we could not make this happen."

This was a total team effort and the focus remained constant throughout the process. We must show AFSOC communicators in action and we must not forget our newly acquired mission, Combat Search and Rescue.

Officials discuss new civilian system in open letter

By Jim Garamone
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON - A letter signed by Defense Department leaders asks DOD civilian employees to be patient as teams work to make the new National Security Personnel System a reality.

The April 1 letter, signed by David S.C. Chu, undersecretary for personnel and readiness, and Navy Secretary Gordon England, stresses that DOD sees the new personnel system as a combined effort.

The system, passed as part of the fiscal 2004 National Defense Authorization Act, allows DOD officials to transform the civilian personnel system to make it more agile and responsive.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said the new system would make it easier for the department to make new hires and keep highly skilled employees. It also would allow DOD to move workers to shortage specialties as national security concerns change, he said.

In the letter, Mr. Chu and Secretary England state, "We are determined to take the time necessary to do the job right."

Taking time will allow the department to consult with employees, managers and unions, a DOD spokeswoman said. The letter encourages people interested in the system to present their thoughts, ideas, views and concerns.

Department officials are also working with other government agencies as they develop the new system. They are consulting with people at the Office of Personnel Management, the Office of Management and Budget and the Government Accounting Office as the new system takes shape. They are also taking lessons from the Department of Homeland Security, which built its own personnel system after it was formed last year.

Five teams within DOD are looking at process, personnel, programs, requirements and communications, officials said. A sixth team will draw recommendations from these five together in one package. That proposal is scheduled to be presented to Secretary Rumsfeld and other senior leaders in April.

Once approved, senior leaders will work with Congress on implementing the system.

Mr. Chu and Secretary England said that the system still is being formed, and few details about how the system would work are available because there is no system yet. Concepts and proposals will change over time and department leaders will do their best to keep employees informed, they said.

Information will be available on the DOD and DefendAmerica Web sites, the Pentagon Channel and local commanders' television programs. The new system also has its own Web site. (AFP)

Retiree News

Department of Defense eliminates Tricare standard non-availability statements under the 2002 National Defense Authorization Act. The DOD military health system eliminated the requirement for Tricare Standard beneficiaries to obtain a non-availability statement.

This policy change allows standard beneficiaries to receive inpatient care at civilian hospitals without obtaining prior approval from their military treatment facility.

An exception is for non-emergency inpatient mental health care services for which the statement of non-availability is still needed. For more information check: www.tricare.osd.mil.

News Briefs



Local News

Loadmaster reunion

All loadmasters are welcomed to attend the Professional Loadmaster Associations 2004 Gathering of Loadmasters May 23-27 at the Trump Taj Mahal Casino Resort in Atlantic City, N.J.

For more information, call J.P. Salisbury at (609) 893-0363 or e-mail jpandbarb@comcast.net, call Tom Kenny at (609) 754-4403 or e-mail thomas.kenny@mcguire.af.mil. Also, visit www.loadmasters.com.



Air Force News

SRB list grows

The Air Force has released the new selective reenlistment bonus

list, which contains 62 specialties. The adjustments to the list:

- Reflect stronger retention and manning numbers
 - Allow the Air Force to target limited SRB dollars to career fields still experiencing manning shortages and/or retention problems
- The SRB increases and additions became effective March 30.
- Criteria the Air Force uses to determine SRB rates include:
- Current/projected skills and manning levels
 - Re-enlistment trends and retention rates
 - Career field force structure changes
 - Inputs from functional career field managers

CBT available to all

For Air Force people wishing to further their education, the computer-based training system, located at <http://usaf.smartforce.com>, allows peo-

ple to supplement major blocks of formal education that may not be a part of an individual's current curriculum. People don't receive certification for courses offered through the system, but the training prepares students for the certification exams.

The complete system is available to all active-duty Airmen, Department of the Air Force civilians, Air National Guard members and Air Force Reservists.

The CBT program offers more than 1,700 courses encompassing both information technology and business skills including: software development; server technologies; database systems; project management; operating systems; Internet and network technologies; desktop computer skills; and budgeting. More information is available in the Air Force Print News story at <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123007149>.

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Each artist expressed interest in different aspects of the visit as subject matter for paintings.

"The ride in the Gunship was a tremendous experience, really exciting and a lot of fun," said Mr. Holmes. "Being able to get out to the range, and spending time on the flightline taking pictures...all of it was fun and will prove to be a great tool for us to use in generating artwork when we return home."

Some artists said they were planning to focus their artwork on the wing's support capabilities.

"I was a combat artist in Vietnam so I'm naturally drawn to the action on the ground," said Konrad Hack, chairman for the Midwest Air Force Artists and freelance artist. "My preliminary thoughts are drawn to the Far-Forward Surgical Teams we saw from the medical group. I think the subject is a great opportunity to paint a relatively new capability."

Mr. Hack and a smaller group of artist were escorted onto the Eglin range at night to observe an Army Special Forces team call for

fire from an AC-130U Gunship. According to Mr. Hack, it was impressive to watch the live fire exercise with night vision goggles.

"This trip was fantastic," said Mr. Hack. "It was a great chance to get together with the other artists and we all got good insight into Air Force Special Ops."

The Air Force Art Program, which began in 1950, sponsors between 10 and 15 base visits each year and draws on the talents and resources from its pool of designated artists and illustrators from the private sector.

For more information about the Air Force Art Program, visit www.afapo.hq.af.mil.



Photo by 1st Lt. Gabe Johnson

Air Force Artist Mathew Holmes photographs an MH-53 PAVE LOW static display on the Hurlburt Field flightline.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Andre Nicholson

The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds perform an aerial demonstration at the 2004 Open House and Air Show at Eglin Air Force Base Saturday.

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with their speed and sharp maneuvers.

One move in particular caused for the aircraft to come within 18 inches of each other. Another move, which they call the "sneak and pass," demonstrated the speed and stealth-like capability of the jets. "That's what we call the element of tactical surprise," the announcer said, as the aircraft soared over the audience unexpectedly.

The hour-long Thunderbird demonstration not only showcased their aerial abilities, but also their unison on the ground while performing pre-flight checks.

Eglin AFB hosts the Open House and Air Show every two years.

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Month of the Military Child *Child Abuse Prevention Month*

April is Month of the Military Child and Child Abuse Prevention Month. Hurlburt Field's Commando Agencies Reaching Everyone, have planned activities to raise awareness on child abuse and to promote health and wellness of children and their families.

Today – Wear Clothing Backward Day; for more information, call 884-6937.

Monday – Project Greenhores (two-day field trip to Pensacola); for more information, call 884-6344.

Tuesday – Commando Welcome Spouse; for more information, call 884-5441.

Tuesday – Heart's Apart Welcome Home Banner Event; for more information, call 884-5441.

Wednesday – Commando Family Readiness, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; for more information, call 884-5441.

Wednesday – Bundles for Babies, 9 to 11:30 a.m.; for more information, call 884-5441.

Thursday – Black Water State Park (two-day field trip); for more information, call 884-6355.

April 16 – Pajama Day at the child development center; for more information, call 884-6937.

It's Alcohol Awareness Month

By Tech. Sgt. Heather Grant
16th Medical Operations Squadron

People have probably noticed a common theme at Hurlburt Field meetings and commanders' calls lately: don't drink and drive. This isn't a new concept, but something everyone should be familiar with.

What people may not know is how much alcohol it takes to impair someone to the point that they shouldn't drive. Think of how many times someone has said, "No really, I'm good. I've only had a few. I feel fine." Maybe this person didn't look or feel drunk, and really thought they were okay to drive. But, how much is too much?

A "drink" is considered as a one 12-ounce beer, one 5 oz. glass of wine or a 1.5 oz. shot of 80-proof liquor. According to the 2003 Positive Line Drinking and Driving Calculator, for a man weighing 160 lbs., it only takes four drinks in one hour for his blood alcohol content to reach .09; a 180 lb. man's BAC would be .08. This is the legal intoxication limit, and if a driver is pulled over for any reason, speeding, swerving, missing a taillight or an accident that wasn't their fault, they could get arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol. Even a BAC of .05 could get someone arrested for driving while intoxicated. That's equal to only two to three drinks.

If someone is under the age of 21, a .02 BAC (one drink) can at the minimum, get them a DUI; it's Florida's No Tolerance Law.

Anyone who drinks on a regular basis has built up a tolerance for alcohol. Although a person's BAC is at .08 after four drinks, they may not feel intoxicated. It's fair to say, because they may feel fine they may feel they're able to drive home safely. Whether they feel it or not, the alcohol is in their system, and it's affecting their brain function in some way. When it comes to a DUI, it's not about "how they feel," it's about what their BAC registers on a breathalyzer test.

Here's an interesting statistic: the average person who gets cited with a DUI has driven under the influence 80 times. They've done it so often that they think they're "good at it." But it only takes one time.

Everyone has options. Hurlburt Field provides an excellent Airman Against Drunk Driving program. Also, the use of designated drivers, taxis, friends and first sergeants are also available. Options don't help, if they're not used. It comes down to personal responsibility. Everyone needs to be aware of how the decisions they make will affect their careers, their lives, and the lives of others.

Once again, How much is too much? How much are they willing to pay to take the risk? People shouldn't wait until their judgment is impaired to make a decision that affects their future.

Awareness is the key. Think before you drink. Have a plan. Drink responsibly. For more information, call the Hurlburt Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention Team program office at 884-2632.

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JA releases article 15s, courts-martial, discharges

Courtesy of 16th SOW Judge Advocate

Article 15s

There were 11 people at Hurlburt Field who received Article 15s for the following reasons in January:

An airman first class from 16th Equipment Maintenance Squadron received a suspended reduction to airman and 14 days extra duty for \$500 worth of damage to government property.

A senior airman from 16th Civil Engineer Squadron received a reduction to airman first class for failing to maintain current vehicle registration and insurance.

A staff sergeant from 16th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received a suspended reduction to senior airman and 30 days extra duty for failing to obey a lawful order.

A staff sergeant from 16th AMXS received a suspended reduction to senior airman and 45 days extra duty for willful dereliction of duty for misuse of the government travel card.

A senior airman from 16th AMXS received a reduction to airman first class and 45 days extra duty for willful dereliction of duty for misuse of the government travel card.

A senior airman from 16th AMXS received a suspended reduction to airman first class and 45 days extra duty for willful dereliction of duty for misuse of the government travel card.

A senior master sergeant from 18th Flight Test Squadron received a suspended reduction to master sergeant, forfeiture of \$1,000 per month for two months with \$750 of the forfeiture suspended for two months for dereliction of duty and failing to go to his appointed place of duty.

A master sergeant from 16th Services Squadron received a reduction to technical sergeant for willful dereliction of duty for misuse of the government travel card.

A staff sergeant from 20th Special Operations Squadron received a forfeiture of \$200 and a reprimand for indecent exposure.

An airman first class from Det. 1, 334th Training Squadron received a reduction to airman for willful dereliction for breaking Phase, during technical training and failing to obey a lawful order.

An airman basic from Det. 1, 334th TRS received restriction to Hurlburt Field for 30 days for going from his appointed place of duty.

There were 21 people at Hurlburt Field who received Article 15s for the following reasons in February:

A senior airman from 16th AMXS received 30 days correctional custody for willful dereliction of duty for failing to properly check out a toolbox and for failing to properly issue property to others.

An airman basic from 16th Operations Support Squadron received 45 days of suspended extra duty for willful dereliction of duty for failing to refrain from driving without a proper state issued driver's license.

A senior airman from 16th AMXS received a suspended reduction to airman first class and 30 days extra duty for violating the government computer Air Force instruction by viewing and downloading pornographic images.

An airman from 16th Logistics Readiness



Squadron received a reduction to airman basic and 30 days extra duty for willful dereliction of duty for underage drinking.

An airman from 16th Component Maintenance Squadron received 30 days extra duty and a reprimand for incapacitation for performance of his duties due to drunkenness and failing to go to his appointed place of duty.

An airman first class from 16th AMXS received 30 days extra duty for failing to go to his appointed place of duty and making a false official statement.

A senior airman from 16th AMXS received a suspended reduction to airman first class and 30 days extra duty for failing to obey a lawful order.

An airman from 16th AMXS received a suspended reduction to airman basic and 30 days extra duty for violating the government computer Air Force instruction by viewing and downloading pornographic images.

A technical sergeant from 16th OSS received a suspended reduction to staff sergeant for larceny of military property of \$500 or less.

An airman first class from 16th AMXS received a suspended reduction to airman for violating the government computer Air Force instruction by viewing and downloading pornographic images.

An airman first class from 823rd RED HORSE Squadron received reduction to airman, 45 days extra duty, and 45 days restriction to Hurlburt Field for failing to go to his appointed place of duty, disobeying a lawful command, willful dereliction for misuse of the government travel card, and for being in violation of AFI 36-2903 Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel, for not having his hair within standards.

An airman from 16th Security Forces Squadron received a reduction to airman basic and 14 days extra duty for neglectful dereliction of duty for not remaining alert on post.

An airman from 16th SFS received a reduction to airman basic and 14 days extra duty for failing to go to her appointed place of duty and for willful dereliction of duty for issuing a pass to an unauthorized individual.

An airman first class from Det. 1, 334th TRS received a reduction to airman for willful dereliction for failing to participate in mandatory training.

A senior airman from 16th CMS received a suspended reduction to airman first class and a reprimand for failing to obey a lawful order.

An airman first class from 16th CMS received a suspended reduction to airman and a reprimand for uttering worthless checks.

An airman first class from 16th AMXS received a suspended reduction to airman and 30 days extra duty for failing to obey a lawful order.

An airman basic from 16th EMS received 14 days extra duty for uttering worthless checks.

An airman first class from 16th LRS received a reduction to the grade of airman and 30 days extra duty for violating the government computer Air Force instruction by viewing and downloading pornographic images.

An airman from 16th LRS received a suspended reduction to the grade to airman basic and 30 days extra duty for wrongfully possessing an altered military ID card and for wrongful use of an altered military ID card.

An airman first class from 16th SFS received a reduction to airman and 30 days extra duty for sleeping on post.

Courts-martial

Two individuals were court-martialed in February.

A senior airman from 16th Helicopter Maintenance Squadron was tried by a general court-martial for wrongful use of cocaine on divers occasions. He was sentenced to confinement for one year, reduction to the grade of E-1, and a bad conduct discharge. A senior airman from 16th Services Squadron was tried by a general court-martial for wrongful use of cocaine on divers occasions. He was sentenced to reduction to the grade of E-1, forfeiture of \$500 pay, and a bad conduct discharge.

Discharges

During the first two months of 2004 sixteen airmen were involuntarily discharged at Hurlburt Field, including: airman basic (6), airmen (5), airman first class (4), and staff sergeant (1). Eight of the airmen were separated for misconduct, more specifically, for a pattern of minor disciplinary infractions, evidenced by multiple letters of counseling, reprimands and non-judicial punishment under Article 15 of the UCMJ.

The eight airmen discharged for misconduct were from the following squadrons: Det. 1, 334th TRS (1), 16th CES (1), 16th CMS (1), 25th Information Operations Squadron (1), 16th Communications Squadron (1), 16th AMXS (1), and 16th LRS (2).

Four were separated for entry-level performance or conduct. An entry-level separation occurs when an Airman in the first 180 days of continuous active military service demonstrates unsatisfactory performance or conduct that indicates the member is not qualified to be a productive member of the Air Force. Of the four airmen separated for entry-level performance or conduct, three were assigned to Det. 1, 334th TRS, and one was assigned to 16th CMS.

Two airmen, one from 16th HMXS and one from 16th EMS, were separated for failure to progress in on-the-job training, more specifically, for failing their career development courses. One airman from 16th LRS was separated for failure in the weight management program.

Finally, a staff sergeant from 16th AMXS was separated for misconduct and for failing to progress in on-the-job training, under joint processing procedures.

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Grounds maintenance contract awarded

Much to the likes of base facility managers and detailed Airmen, Hurlburt Field has awarded a new grounds maintenance contract.

The 16th Civil Engineer Squadron and the 16th Contracting Squadron teamed up to develop this contract to improve Hurlburt Field's outstanding appearance, provide a consistent grounds standard, and relieve base Airmen from performing this additional detail. This contract allows troops to focus on their technical jobs and mission accomplishment. Individual mowing contracts/agreements around base should be discontinued since those areas are covered under this contract.

The 5-year contract was awarded to Saturn Landscape Plus, Inc and began April 1. The grounds contractor will maintain the majority of base grounds, from common areas up to each facility, and housing common areas. The contractor will perform all basic grounds maintenance services to include landscaping bed and irrigation system maintenance. 16th CES will continue to perform maintenance inside the flightline and ammo area, and 16th Services Squadron will maintain selected services areas. For more information or questions, call Master Sgt. David Frasier at 884-4442 or Staff Sgt. Michael Pacheco at 884-7711.

Holiday hours for Sunday

Facility	Hours
Gator Lakes Golf Course	6:30 a.m. - dusk
Marina	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Soundside Club	Reservations for buffet only
Paintball fields	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Auto Skills	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Aderholt Fitness Center	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Reef Dining Facility	B 6 - 8:30 a.m./L 11 a.m. - 1 p.m./D 4 - 6:30 p.m.
Outdoor Recreation	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
<i>All other 16th Services Squadron facilities will be closed.</i>	

If you have something you'd like to see appear in the Commando. E-mail it to commando@hurlburt.af.mil

Identity fraud on the rise

1st Lt. Wade Kornahrens
16th Comptroller Squadron

With the rising number of people victimized by identity theft and fraud, it's important to understand the seriousness of this crime.

Identity theft and identity fraud refer to all types of crime in which someone wrongfully obtains and uses another person's personal data in a way that involves fraud or deception, typically for economic gain.

Personal data – especially social security numbers, bank account or credit card numbers, calling card numbers and other identifying data such as myPay PINs – can be used if they fall into the wrong hands, to profit at your expense.

There's been a steady rise in reports that unauthorized persons have taken funds out of others' bank accounts, or taken over others' identities altogether, running up vast debts and committing crimes while using the victim's name. In many cases, a victim's losses may include substantial additional financial costs associated with trying to restore their reputation and correcting erroneous information for which the criminal is responsible.

Criminals may engage in "shoulder surfing," which consists of watching you enter your credit card number or listen in on a telephone conversation if you give your credit card information.

Some criminals engage in "dumpster diving" – going through your garbage cans or dumpster – to obtain records that obtain personal information. The Internet has become an appealing place for criminals to obtain identity data, such as passwords or banking information. In many cases "spam" e-mail promises some benefit after providing personal data. Sometimes the requester's sole intention is to lure people into providing enough information so that their identity may be stolen.

To avoid becoming a victim of identity theft or fraud, remember the acronym S.C.A.M. Be *Stingy* about giving out personal information to others unless you have a reason to trust them; *Check* your financial information regularly and look what should be there and what shouldn't; *Ask* periodically for a copy of your credit report; and *Maintain* careful records of your financial accounts.

If you think you have been a victim of identity theft or fraud, tell your first sergeant or commander immediately. For more information, visit www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/pubs/credit/idtheft.htm.

Week in History

The following is a list of extraordinary events in military history that occurred several years ago this week:

April 4, 1990 – The U.S. Air Force added to its inventory the last of 60 official KC-10A Extender tanker/cargo aircraft built by McDonnell Douglas.

April 6, 1980 – The stretched C-141B flew its first operational mission. An aircrew from the 443rd Military Airlift Wing flew it nonstop from Beale Air Force Base, Calif., to RAF Mildenhall, England in 11 hours, 12 minutes with only one aerial refueling.

April 7, 1971 – 2nd Lt. Susanne Ocobock became the first woman civil engineer in the Air Force and was assigned to Kelly Air Force Base, Texas.

April 9, 1997 – Rollout of the Lockheed-Martin-Boeing F-22 Raptor stealth air superiority fighter was designed to secure air dominance for the United States in the twenty-first century.

April 10, 1975 – The B-1 Lancer aircraft attained supersonic flight speed for the first time.

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Community

Claim

Anyone with a claim for or against Tech. Sgt. David Gressett, 16th Special Operations Squadron, who died during training at Tyndall Air Force Base, April 1, should contact 1st Lt. Stuart Tiffen at 884-6652.

Volunteer opportunity

Focus 56 is supporting a Habitat for Humanity event April 17. Those who'd like to volunteer must submit names no later than Tuesday. Lunch will be provided. For more information, e-mail Staff Sgt. Douglas Tupper at douglas.tupper@hurlburt.af.mil.

CGOC meeting

The Company Grade Officer's Council will meet at 3:30 p.m. April 16 at Connie's Hooch.

New hours

Pass and registration customer service hours will change Monday. New hours are as follows:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Line badges won't be issued after 4:15 p.m. on any day of the week. For more information, call 884-5125.

16th CPTS notice

The 16th Comptroller Squadron will close at 2 p.m. today for an official function. For emergencies, call 803-3324.

The 16th CPTS will be minimally staffed Monday through April 16; customer wait times will increase during this period. Please plan your trips to customer service for military pay and travel issues accordingly.

Technology expo

The Hurlburt Field Technology Exposition is scheduled for April 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at The Soundside. More than 20 exhibitors will be on hand with some of the latest computer hardware, software and services. For more information, call Melanie Yanon at (301) 596-8898 ext. 236 or e-mail yanon@ncsievents.com.

Clinic closure

The 16th Medical Group will close at 11 a.m. April 23 for wing training. The Eglin Air Force Base emergency room will be open. Normal clinic operations will resume April 26.

Holley-Navarre pre-registration

Holley-Navarre Primary School announces kindergarten pre-registration for children who will be at least 5 years old on or before Sept. 1 and attending school in the fall. Registration will be April 27 and 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the professional library located in the media center. Bring a birth certificate, Florida Blue Card of Immunization, school physical if less than 1 year old, social security number, proof of residency and custody papers if

applicable. For more information, call 936-6000.

Zero overpricing

Do you think your organization is paying too much money for an item? Let the 16th Logistics Readiness Squadron's customer service office know about it. To schedule a presentation or to inquire about an overpricing referral form, call Senior Airman Emary Head or Staff Sgt. Amber Harrison at 884-3531 or 884-6838.

Egg Hunt

The annual Egg Hunt is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday at the Community Park. Age categories range from infant to 12 years old. Children 8 and under must be accompanied by a parent to participate. For more information, call the youth center at 884-6355.

Road closure

A portion of Letourneau Drive is closed for force protection upgrades. The affected area runs from the base pool on Mc Millian Dr. and ends at the 3-way stop adjacent to J.R. Rockers. The street will be milled and portions will be resurfaced, with turn-arounds installed. Due to force protection requirements, the final configuration of Letourneau Drive will be altered. Traffic is prohibited behind Building 90310; only foot traffic will be allowed. Services ball fields can be accessed through the parking lots for the pool and Building 90310. Additional ball field parking will be available upon completion.

Adoption seminar

Beacon House Adoption Services, Inc. is holding a seminar for anyone interested in international adoption. The seminar is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday at Pace Presbyterian Church on Woodbine Road in Pace, Florida. Beacon House is a licensed, non-profit organization. For more information, call 1-888-987-6300.

Self Help plants

The self help store is currently issuing plant vouchers to Hurlburt Field housing residents. Residents must visit the self help store to choose plants. Once a selection has been made, residents must fill out a voucher. Plants may then be picked up from Beal's Nursery on U.S. Highway 98, approximately four miles west of Hurlburt Field. For more information, visit the self help store located at Building 90327 or call 884-7130.

Vendors needed

Vendors are needed for Hurlburt Field's third annual Bridal Expo June 6. The event will be held at The Soundside from 2 to 5 p.m. For more information, call Phyllis Pettigrew at 581-3110.

Munch & Mend

All Airmen are invited to Munch & Mend Monday at the base chapel from 5 to 7 p.m. to enjoy a free dinner while having minor repairs done on one article of clean clothing. Repairs include having stripes, patches or name tags sewn on to a military uniform. For more information, call Bill White at 884-7371 or Jimmie Thomas at 881-3344.

Air Force TV and Radio News



To check out Air Force TV or Radio News visit: <http://af.feedroom.com> or www.af.mil/news and click on TV or radio to find out what's happening around the Air Force.

Hurlburt Field Chapel



Protestant Mass
Palm Sunday Services
Sunday, 8:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:45 p.m.
Maundy Thursday Service
Thursday, 5:30 p.m.
Good Friday Service
Friday, 1p.m.

Easter Sunrise Service

April 11, 6 a.m. Soundside

Continental breakfast, Soundside, 7 a.m.

Catholic Services

Palm Sunday Services

Sunday, 7 a.m., 10 a.m.

Holy Thursday Mass

Thursday, 7 p.m.

Good Friday Services, April 9

■ Stations of the Cross, noon

■ Communion Service, 3 p.m.

Easter Vigil Mass, April 10, 7:30 p.m.

■ Easter Mass, Sunday, April 11, 7:15 a.m., 10 a.m.

At the movies



Prices are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children. Movies start at 7 p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

Hurlburt Field 884-7648

Friday – (PG-13) *50 First Dates*, starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore – A veterinarian at an aquarium falls in love with a girl with short-term memory loss, but he has to keep getting her to fall in love with him every time they meet.

Saturday – (PG-13) *Welcome to Mooseport*, starring Gene Hackman and Ray Romano – A former president retires to a small town, but neighbors plead with him to fill a mayoral seat. A local plumber runs against him, setting off a fierce campaign.

Sunday – (R) *Broken Lizard's Club Dread*, starring Jay Chandrasekhar and Kevin Heffernan – A non-stop party turns weird when dead bodies start turning up suddenly and everyone looks suspicious.

Eglin 882-1066

Friday – (R) *Twisted*, starring Ashley Judd and Samuel Jackson – A detective tracks a serial killer who murders the men she dates. When she begins blacking out before each murder, she's targeted as the prime suspect.

Saturday – (PG) *Confessions of a Teenage Drama Queen*, starring Lindsay Lohan and Adam Garcia – Lola is most popular kid at her school, but when her family moves, she finds that at her new school, Carla is the "drama queen" in residence.

Sunday – (R) *Eurotrip*, starring Scott Mechlowicz and Michelle Trachtenberg – Scott thinks his German pen pal is a guy. But when he discovers that Mieke is actually a babe, Scott and his buddy head across the Atlantic to visit.

(Editor's note: Movies are subject to change. Telephone numbers are provided for patrons to confirm scheduled dates.)

CCAF graduation ceremony

The Community College of the Air Force announces a graduation commencement ceremony May 5 at 8:30 a.m. at The Soundside. The Hurlburt Field Education Services Office will be minimally staffed from 7 to 10:30 a.m.

Volunteers needed

The Hurlburt Field Airman's Council is seeking volunteers for a clean-up day at Bob Hope Village April 24 at 9 a.m. For more information, call Senior Airman Sirrena Simms at 884-4926 or e-mail sirrena.simms@hurlburt.af.mil.

Trespassing notice

The 16th Security Forces Squadron Combat Arms section reminds people not to trespass on the firing ranges and impact areas located off Red Horse Road.

Trespassing is dangerous because of potential gunfire hazards including noise, live fire and being present in the impact area when firing isn't conducted. People must have clearance to enter the impact area. For more information, call 884-7520 or 884-7205.

Volunteer opportunities

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office has volunteer opportunities available. For more information, e-mail Capt. Carol Blackington at carol.blackington@hurlburt.af.mil.

Air Commando Dining-out

The 16th Special Operations Wing is planning a dining-out May 8 at 6:30 p.m. at the Emerald Coast Conference Center. The event commemorates the 24th anniversary of Desert One operations. Tickets can be purchased through unit first sergeants.

Summer hire program

The Summer hire program is accepting applications until today. Students must be at least 16 years

old by May; must be enrolled in high school, vocational school or college and enrolled in at least a half-time course load. For more information, visit www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afjobs or call Pat White at 884-5212.

Education survey

The Hurlburt Field Education Services Center is conducting a survey through April 30 to help determine the needs of students. The survey is available at <https://afvec.langley.af.mil/afvec>.

Classes

FSC classes

For more information on the following family support center classes call 884-5441.

Employment Orientation – Monday, 10 a.m.; reservations required

Sponsorship Training – Monday, 1 p.m.; reservations required

Résumé Workshop – Monday, 1 p.m.

Commando Welcome Spouse – Tuesday, 9 a.m.

Heart's Apart – Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.

Moms, Pops and Tots – Tuesday, Wednesday; 10 a.m.

Bundles for Babies – Wednesday, 9 a.m.

Commando Heart Link – Thursday, 9 a.m.

HAWC classes

To reserve a seat in the following Health and Wellness classes, call 884-4292.

Healthy Living Workshop – Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 1 p.m.

Body Composition Improvement Program – Tuesday, 1 p.m.

Lean on Me – Wednesday, 10:30 a.m.

Eating Heart Healthy – Tuesday, 10:30 a.m.

Body Composition Improvement Follow-up – Friday, 9 a.m.

A savings plan for deployed service members

ARLINGTON, Va. – Deployed uniformed service members have the chance to earn a guaranteed 10 percent interest on their savings annually.

Defense Finance and Accounting Service in accordance with the Department of Defense implemented the Savings Deposit Program in August 1990, for members serving in the Persian Gulf Conflict.

The act progressively changed to include troops assigned to areas of operation outside the United States. This includes Operation Iraqi Freedom service members assigned to a combat zone or in direct support of a combat zone.

"A service member can contribute up to \$10,000, but interest of 10 percent won't accrue after that amount," said Roger Castillo, program director for the Savings Deposit Program. "A member can participate if they're serving outside the United States or its possessions in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and has served at least 30 consecutive days in an area that has been designated as a combat zone or in direct support of a combat zone.

"Members serving on a permanent duty assignment outside the United States or its possessions in support of contingency operations and serving on active duty in the designated area for more than 30 days can also participate," he said.

To make a deposit into the fund, troops must contact their financial office. Withdrawing the money before leaving the combat zone isn't authorized, unless there's an emergency. The last day to make a deposit into the fund is the date of departure from the assignment; however, interest will accrue up to 90 days after the return from deployment.

"This is a great opportunity for service members to accrue at a higher interest rate than at an average interest rate of two or three percent," said Patrick Shine, acting director of DFAS.

DFAS will post the savings deposit balance of active-component members to their leave and earnings statement.

For more about DFAS, visit <http://www.dfas.mil>. (AFPN)

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Youth baseball: *Getting the swing of things*

Story and photos by Vanessa Adame
Public Affairs

It's been called one of America's favorite pastimes and the Hurlburt Field Devil Rays swung into it when they faced off against Eglin Air Force Base's Diamondbacks youth baseball team here Tuesday.

But, unlike competitive sports where teams focus mainly on the outcome of the game, youth baseball teams like the Devil Rays have a much larger focus.

"It's not about winning, it's about skill development and having a good attitude," said Devil Rays' Head Coach James Dean, who fosters positive reinforcement with high-fives and encouraging words at all times.

Sports like T-ball have prepared most of the young players for the next step in baseball, Coach Dean added.

"It takes a lot of practice and parent

involvement to keep the young players in tune with the game," he said.

Though the team is making strides, their main challenge, according to Coach Dean, is having the 9 and 10 year old players pay attention to the field to know what direction to go with the ball.

"At this age, you just focus on getting the kids to every position and try to give everyone a chance to do everything," he added. "Their thought process is basically changing on a game-by-game basis."

After a close game Tuesday, the Devil Rays, who lost 5-6, are preparing for another challenge, and that's to substitute a pitcher for their pitching machine.

"It's going to be an adjustment, but we're ready for it," said coach Dean, who by the looks of it has already achieved his goal of teaching the kids the fundamentals of the game and surpassed it by teaching them the most important lesson: to enjoy the game.



A Devil Rays player swings at the ball during Tuesday's game. The Devil Rays lost 5-6 to the Eglin Diamondbacks.



A Devil Rays player (left), tries to tag-out an Eglin Diamondbacks player. (above) Head Coach James Dean winds the pitching machine as umpire Mark Wheaton looks on.

Sports shorts

Rugby match

A rugby match between the Okaloosa Islanders and the Cruise-A-Matics, a Fort Benning, Ga. area team is scheduled for 1 p.m. tomorrow at Fort Walton Beach High School. The Okaloosa Islanders is made up of military members from Hurlburt Field and Eglin Air Force Base. For more information about the match or about the team, call Senior Airman Justin Lordy at 884-2717.

Bob Hope golf tournament

The first Bob Hope Memorial Charity Golf Classic is April 18-20 at Indian Bayou Golf and Country Club in Destin, Fla. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Air Force Enlisted Village, a non-profit organization providing housing and services to widows of Air Force enlisted mem-

bers. Entry fee is \$150 per person; \$300 per team, with a \$600 first prize purse.

Golfer amenities include 36 holes of golf and cart; daily driving range privileges; limited edition gifts of appreciation; and a private Nashville music concert and social.

Entry forms are available at all Fort Walton Beach and Destin golf courses, and on the Air Force Enlisted Village Web site at www.afenlistedwidows.org, or by calling 651-3766. Player registration must be received no later than Monday.

Table tennis club

The Eglin Table Tennis club meets every Monday from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Federal Prison Camp Training Facility at Eglin Air Force Base. All table tennis enthusiasts are invited. For more

information, call Dennis Rackard at 882-8680.

Women's varsity softball

Players are needed for the women's varsity softball team. For more information, call the Aderholt Fitness Center at 884-6884.

5K Run/Walk

The Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office is sponsoring a 5K run/walk tomorrow at the Fort Walton Beach Landing. A children's Easter egg hunt will follow the event. For more information, call Mary Rominger at 651-7438 or e-mail mrominger@sheriff-okaloosa.org.

Steam room renovation

The men's steam room at the Aderholt Fitness Center is closed for renovations through May 5.