

Exercise tests unit's ability to survive, operate

BY MASTER SGT. JANET NEUBECKER
30th Transportation Squadron

■ While Nov. 16 was a normal duty day for the rest of the base, transportation warriors reported to duty in Mission Oriented Protective Posture level zero.

Scrutinizing their war-time strengths and weaknesses, the 30th Transportation Squadron engaged in a unit level training exercise to test their ability to survive and operate in a combat zone, commonly called as ATSO.

Under the direction of Maj. Paul Kimble, 30th Transportation Squadron commander, the combat readiness element developed a unit-level ATSO exercise.

Several scenarios were developed and executed with the initial intent of invoking a sense of urgency in squadron member's actions. While some transporters relocated in response to a terrorist threat, others were reacting to a simulated attack by donning chemical warfare gear.

These actions were accomplished without hindering customer service.

"We wanted to maintain a rigorous exercise program without sacrificing our day-to-day mission," Kimble said.

Master Sgt. Mark Losoya, 30th Transportation Squadron combat readiness and resources flight chief, said the primary objective of the exercise was to provide training rather than evaluate skills.

Once everyone understood the rules



AIRMAN 1ST CLASS AMANDA EDWARDS

Airman 1st Class James McLendon (right) helps newcomer Airman 1st Class Michael Corona don his chemical gear as they enter Mission Oriented Protective Posture level two .

of engagement, the combat readiness element assumed the role of facilitators, rather than exercise evaluators. Losoya enlisted the assistance of squadron elements to train other unit members.

One of those trainers was Staff Sgt. Aaron Celiceo, 30th Transportation

Squadron vehicle operations specialist. Using Air Force Manual 10-100, the "Airman's Manual," Celiceo assessed the performance of fellow vehicle operators, corrected deficiencies, and provided on-the-spot feedback to fix problems. However, attitude was more

important than performance in the exercise. Celiceo said that everyone's sense of urgency aided in making the exercise a huge success.

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Training Group rates 'outstanding'

BY TECH. SGT. LLOYD CONLEY
30th Space Wing Public Affairs

■ Space and missile trainers at Vandenberg recently captured the highest inspection rating given in three years to any unit in Air Education and Training Command.

More than 20 inspectors converged on the 381st Training Group during their AETC Operational

Readiness Inspection Nov. 12 to 20.

"All the hard work and preparations paid big dividends," said Col. Kenneth Van Sickle, 381st Training Group commander.

The 381st Training Group received an overall "outstanding" rating. Three of the five squadrons in the group were also rated "outstanding," while the other two were rated "excellent."

"We have not awarded any group in AETC an outstanding in three years," said Col. Olen Key, AETC inspector general team chief.

Because the unit is a training organization, the inspectors evaluated the course instructors on their knowledge of the subject matter taught, said Paulette Taylor, 381st Training Group chief of protocol. They were also evaluated on their ability to teach, she added.

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Comment

Make every day an 'inspection day'

BY COMMAND CHIEF MASTER SGT.
DON CLEVELAND
Space and Missile Systems Center

You've heard people say, "The inspector general is coming and we have to get ready!"

While we always make time to prepare for any inspection, realizing the IG is coming conjures up fear across the unit. I have a simple and time-proven solution to prevent last minute panic of any inspection. If we approach every day as an inspection day, then confidence and pride displace fear.

"If you approach every day as if it's an inspection day, you will be prepared and you and your unit will shine brightly."

Every new customer to your duty section assesses your attitude, dedication to duty, technical ability and unit pride. Let's hope they find you in a pleasant mood and willing to listen before responding.

The expression "you never have a second chance to make a first impression" captures the essence of this strategy. How

you respond to each first-time visitor to your section makes a statement about your attitude.

Don't overlook how you respond to e-mails, phone calls and other replacements to the old fashion face-to-face customer. Your attitude speaks louder than words. Each day, check your attitude and decide if this is how you want to be remembered.

Dedication to duty and technical ability go hand-in-hand. If you know the latest governing instructions, policies and procedures, your self-confidence is transmitted to your customers and coworkers.

If you can't answer a question, offer to research the issue and get back with the correct information — just don't make "I don't know" a common reply. Learn what is important to your customers and attempt to have the current information at your fingertips. If you are pressed for time, ask a co-worker to assist. Never let anyone feel that your time is more valuable than your visitor.

Your dedication to duty motivates you to work an issue during the lunch hour or after the end of the normal duty day. Your technical ability allows you



An IG inspector observes firefighters from the 30th Civil Engineer Squadron fire protection flight during the Operational Readiness Inspection in March.

SENIOR AIRMAN SUZANNE JENKINS

America's finest professionals building the best national spaceport in the world.

to demonstrate your dedication to duty.

Unit pride is evident when your personal appearance and your work area present a professional appearance. Look for posters or homemade signs that may sound sarcastic or offend a visitor. Replace them with statements of your customer focus policy, unit goals and mission statement.

Photos of unit activities, award winners and unit citations demonstrate unit pride. Your personal appearance also speaks volumes

about your pride and commitment to standards.

When you comply with visible standards, your pride and credibility are enhanced. Make every effort to dress like today is your first job interview or first open ranks inspection.

While the IG doesn't visit the base every day, you meet your own personal inspector that often. This counts just as much as a formal inspection report. If you approach every day as if it's an inspection day, you will be prepared and you and your unit will shine brightly.

Pool water temperatures too cold

Q I would like to make an inquiry about the base swimming pool. We have such a beautiful pool, but the water is so miserably cold that it's not usable. I wonder if we can get that temperature turned up some? Last winter they had it at 78 to 80 degrees; right now it's about 75 to 76 degrees. That's really cold. Thank you.

A Thank you for your concern. We have looked into it and you were correct, the temperature of the swimming pool was at 75.5 degrees. Base civil engineers were contacted and they

promptly raised the settings to maintain a median temperature of 78 degrees. Unfortunately, the current system does not seem to be consistently maintaining comfortable temperatures. This is being investigated to find the best possible solution. Again, thank you for your concern and we do apologize for any discomfort this may have caused you.

■ The Action Line is a direct link to the 30th Space Wing commander. It provides an avenue for people to voice their concerns, share constructive ideas or give

fellow base members a pat on the back. The Action Line is not a replacement for using the chain of command.

When people e-mail or call they should leave their name and contact number in case more information is needed. Call 606-7850 or e-mail: 30sw.pa@vandenberg.af.mil



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Poor driving habits wreck safety record

Inattentive drivers run up record number of accidents on base

BY STAFF SGT. LEE STEVENSON
30th Security Forces Squadron

When you hear sirens on emergency response vehicles, they're usually responding to another car accident. Vandenberg had 47 minor accidents, 17 major accidents, 16 animal strikes, and seven DUIs last quarter. July through September was the worst three-month period in more than a year for all kinds of vehicle incidents on base.

Major accidents, minor accidents, cars and trucks hitting animals, and DUI all affect the mission of the wing and the Air Force. Workloads increase if injuries and property damage are involved.

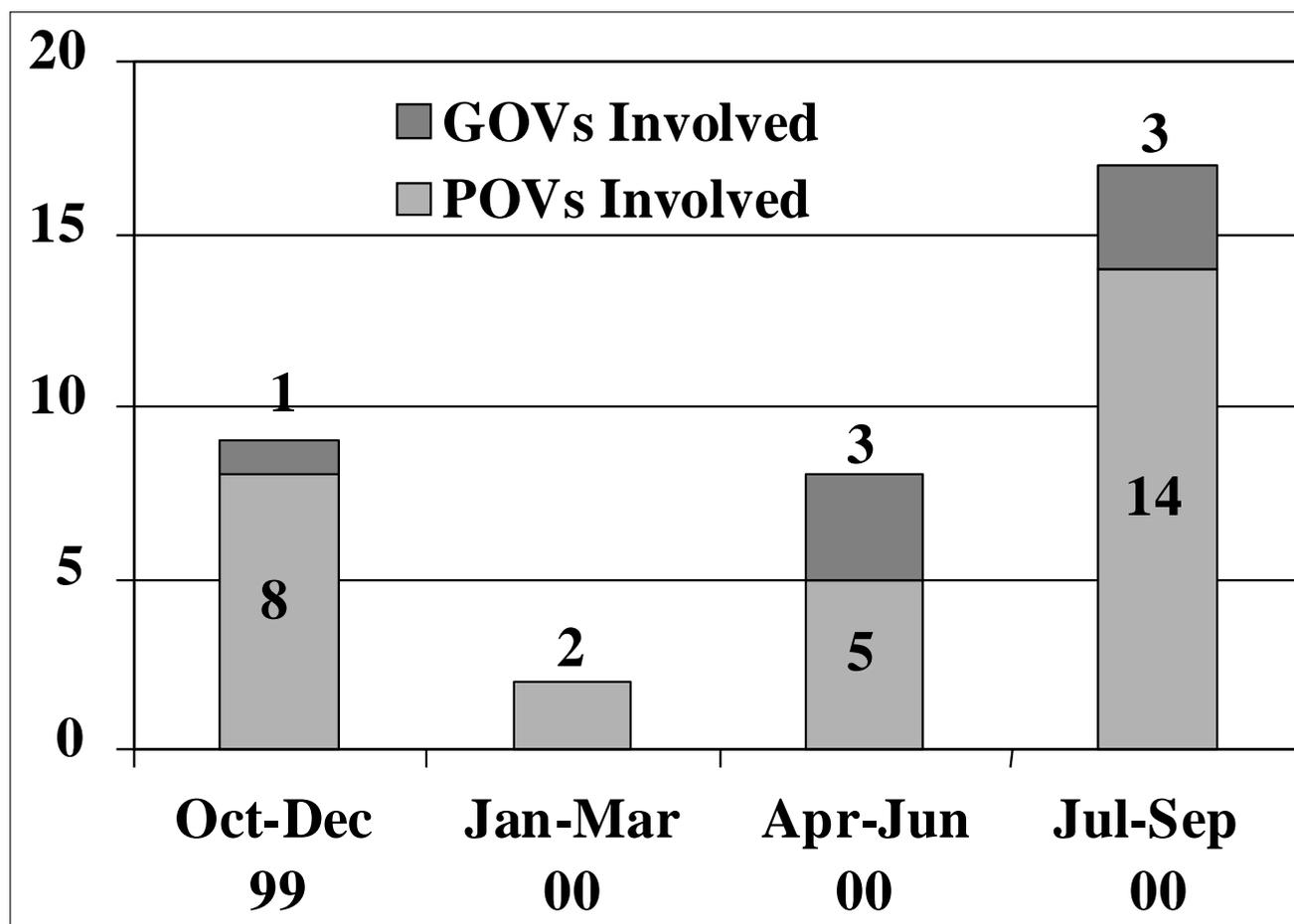
Can your shop afford to lose any people because of a vehicle accident?

More than ever, we, as a military family, need to take more time when we drive long distances. Accidents increase the work for our doctors, create hardship for our families, and increase the amount of work for our co-workers doing our job during the accident investigation.

How can we lower the number of traffic accidents and DUIs? Major and minor accidents can be reduced by following the posted speed limits, driving slower during inclement weather, and paying attention to your driving instead of talking on the cellular phone.

Your driving habits affect everyone.

Think before you drink and drive. If you're with someone who's drinking and tries to drive, take their



The chart indicates a total of 17 major vehicle accidents in the last quarter. Major damage involves injuries and disabling or property damage in excess of \$10,000.

keys, or give them a ride home.

If you see an animal along the side of the road, slow down. Deer on Vandenberg often wander into the road. If you're faced with a deer directly in your path, slow down while staying on the paved surface, hold firmly to the steering wheel, and don't swerve

off the road.

If you swerve to avoid an animal, more damage can be done to your vehicle, your family, and yourself than if you had hit the animal.

Let's all take a little extra time to stay safe and alive during the holidays.

14th Air Force's top chief retires

Shorette reflects on 25 years spent helping people excel

BY MASTER SGT. TY FOSTER
30th Space Wing Public Affairs

He's been a global nomad for more than 25 years.

He's drilled with the U.S. Air Force Presidential Honor Guard, guarded the president aboard Air Force One, and seen the world change because of his work as an airman.

Among those who mentored him is the first Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force, Paul Airey.

Since July 1998, Chief Master Sgt. Chuck Shorette, outgoing 14th Air Force command chief master sergeant, has given his people the benefit of the knowledge he's gained through the years.

He retired Wednesday. Before he left, he shared his philosophies and knowledge, one last time, with a group of



"Thanks to the men and women of the Air Force. I wish them the best of luck in their futures. I'm proud to have served with you!"

Chief Master Sgt. Chuck Shorette
14th Air Force command chief master sergeant

airmen, NCOs and senior NCOs.

"I've always tried to help my people be their best," he said.

During a Nov. 20 briefing about enlisted promotions, Shorette emphasized, "Take care of your people early in their careers. You can't wait until the last minute."

He said it's not just writing enlisted performance reports. Nor is it simply recognizing a job well done. He said supervisors have to play an active role in their people's careers.

There's more to taking care of your people than just making sure they have the tools to do their job, the chief explained.

Supervisors have to know what it takes for promotion, then share it.

"After taking care of your people, ask yourself, 'How can I set them up for success? What does it take for that person to be pro-



Chief Master Sgt. Chuck Shorette, outgoing 14th Air Force command chief master sergeant, receives the U.S. flag from fellow 14th Air Force members (left to right) Senior Master Sgt. Ray Gordon, Master Sgts. Vincent Wright and Mark Connelly during the chief's retirement ceremony Wednesday.

moted?" he asked.

Paraphrasing President John F. Kennedy's words, the chief said, "If you say you're going to settle for second best, that's what's going to happen to you for the rest of your life.

"Go for the gusto, don't ever settle for second best," he advised.

Shorette has gone for the gusto in jobs ranging from a superintendent and executive officer at Headquarters United States European Command to the program manager at Headquarters Air Force Security Police Agency.

The former cop is proud to be part of a force whose deterrent abilities crumbled the Berlin Wall and ended the 45-year Cold War.

The chief said he's honored by the men and women who served before him. "I wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for them" he continued.

"The veterans before us put their lives on the line for the freedoms we have today," he said.

"It's our job to repay what they gave us. Today, our people are giving the same thing."

The son of an Army specialist, Shorette didn't always have his eyes set on a military career.

After graduating from Zwiebruecken American High School in Zwiebruecken, Germany, he headed off to Texas Tech University to play football. When his money for college ran out, he said his first instinct was to join the military.

"In the early '70s, I really saw how the Air Force took care of their people," he said.

So, he enlisted for six years in 1975. Nearly a year later, the newly minted cop left Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, for duty with the U.S. Air Force Presidential Honor Guard Drill Team.

"I think my first assignment is what set the tone for me to decide to stay in the Air Force,"



In 1978, Shorette, then a buck sergeant, performs a wreath laying ceremony at the Alamo in San Antonio, Texas.

the chief said.

More than half his lifetime later, he is quick to acknowledge the sacrifices his wife, Karen, sons Brian, 22, and Rob, 16, have made for him.

"The only reason that I've been able to go where I have been in my career, to do what I've done, is because my family has been there behind me. I couldn't have asked for more."

The chief has his sights set on a fresh career with a local aerospace firm.

His focus is firmly on his family. They're going to plant roots and make the Central Coast their home.

Now, for the first time in his life, he is a nomad no more.

NEWS

BRIEFS

RULES FOR BILLETING RESERVATION CHANGE

Active-duty military at Vandenberg can now make holiday billeting reservations for family and friends up to two weeks in advance from today to Jan. 4, 2001. Reservations can be made for up to seven days and cost \$18 to \$21.50 per couple per night. Active duty can call 606-1844 to make reservations now for any time from today to Jan. 4. A newsletter about vacationing at Vandenberg in December is available from Sheila Carrol via e-mail on the global address list.

'ELVES' NEEDED FOR DEC. 24 BASE VISIT

The 30th Civil Engineer Squadron rolls out its Ho Ho Wagons Dec. 24 to visit all the men and women working on base Christmas Eve. Any organization with people working Christmas Eve should call Master Sgt. Brad Staples at 606-4716 or Master Sgt. Mike Beavers at 606-4021, to make sure the elves from CES visit those workers. There are

also openings for volunteers to serve as honorary elves on the Ho Ho Wagon, first come, first served.

OP KIDS' CHRISTMAS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Team Vandenberg will host about 200 children from surrounding communities Saturday. The Operation Kids' Christmas committee needs volunteers as escorts, to set up and tear down the ballroom at the Pacific Coast Club, and to deliver food. Spanish-speaking volunteers are also needed. Call or e-mail Master Sgt. Roy Blanco at 606-9600 or Capt. James Bohren at 605-0578 today to volunteer.

OFFICIALS ANNOUNCE 2001 TESTING CYCLES

Officials at the Air Force Personnel Center announced testing windows for 2001. They are:

<u>Cycle</u>	<u>Test Dates</u>
01E6 (TSgt.)	Feb. 1 – March 15
01E7 (MSgt.)	Feb. 1 – March 15
01E8 (SSgt.)	April 1-30
02E8 (SMSgt.)	Nov. 1-10.
The board meets Feb. 5-23, 2002.	
01E9 (CMSgt.)	Sept. 4-7

TAX ADVISER PROGRAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Vandenberg's staff judge advocate is looking for unit volunteers to be tax advisers for the 2000/2001 tax season. People nominated to be unit tax advisers should be officers or senior NCOs and possess basic math and computer skills. Unit tax advisers should not have a projected TDY or permanent change of station from Jan. 1 to May 1 to complete the training and support unit tax needs during tax season.

Units should provide the tax advisers name, rank, organization and duty phone by fax, 605-8776, or e-mail to 30th SW/JA, attention Capt. Michael Christy. For more information, call 605-6220.

30TH SFS REGISTERS VEHICLES AT BX

The 2000 Vandenberg base vehicle decals, Air Force Form 2219, expire Dec. 31. The security forces pass and registration section will register vehicles at the Base Exchange Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. and at the Commissary Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. People who want to renew their base



SENIOR AIRMAN JEANETTE COPELAND

Team Vandenberg Spotlight

Name/Rank: Senior Airman Suntura Nop
Assignment: 534th Training Squadron, 3rd Space Operations Squadron, satellite operations instructor.
Hometown: Jacksonville, Fla.
Time on Vandenberg: 17 months.
Time in service: Five years, 11 months.
 "Senior Airman Nop is a dedicated and energetic instructor. From the time he arrives at 6 a.m. until he leaves in the evening, he is constantly in motion. His professionalism and attitude are a shining example for all of us," said Tech. Sgt. Patrick Tomes, NCIOC Satellite Operations Training Flight.

decal need to bring their current vehicle registration, proof of insurance, a valid drivers license and military or civilian identification.

A smog check report is needed for out-of-state ve-

hicles that are four years or older.

Newly assigned people need to register their vehicle within three duty days of their arrival. Call Pass and Registration at 606-1853 for more information.

Ecstasy use gets airman two year sentence

By 2nd Lt. Karee Greene

30th Space Wing SJA Transition Student

■ An airman assigned to the 532nd Training Squadron was sentenced to two years confinement in a general court-martial held here.

Airman 1st Class Jered Farrar pleaded guilty to multiple charges of use and distribution of the controlled substance, ecstasy, a violation of article 112a of the Uniformed Code Military Justice.

The 19-year-old airman was sentenced to a reduction in grade to E-1, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, a bad conduct discharge and two years confinement.

The actions that led Farrar's incarceration began in December 1999 when he attended several rave parties with other military members in San Francisco and San Luis Obispo.

A rave is an all-night dance party in which drugs such as Ecstasy, GHB (the date rape drug), marijuana and cocaine are prevalent. Farrar used ecstasy often during these rave parties and later became a "middle man" in drug transactions between a civilian dealer and his friends, including several military members.

In March, Farrar was pulled over by San Luis Obispo police for a traffic violation. The police conducted a field sobriety test on Farrar because they suspected he was under the influence of a controlled substance. A subsequent urinalysis revealed the controlled substance ecstasy in his system. However, the police agreed not to prosecute him if he cooperated with them to help them arrest the local civilian drug dealer.

Farrar continued his illegal activities in spite of this agreement.

His actions were finally stopped when a fellow student told a military training manager about his activities.

The military training manager notified Air Force Office of Special Investigations. The subsequent investigation resulted in his court-martial.

Capt. Antony Kolenc, trial counsel in the case, later noted, "It's like my grandma used to say, 'If you dance all night, you've gotta pay the piper.' I doubt Airman Farrar ever contemplated prison as the cost of his ecstasy distribution."

Farrar is currently serving his sentence at Vandenberg Confinement Facility. Eventually, he will be transferred to the Miramar Joint Forces Corrections Facility in San Diego.

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Mission-Oriented Protective Posture or MOPP as it is called, allows commanders to escalate protective postures based on the threat of attack and balance mission continuation and force survivability.

According to Kimble, more exercises are

slated for the future to help squadron members prepare, survive and operate in any war-time contingency.

"Our Air Force is the most highly trained and effective aerospace force the world has ever known," Kimble said. "Exercises such as this will help maintain that status of excellence."

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Some of the areas evaluated were group standards and evaluations, faculty development, missile and space maintenance training, communications satellite training, missile warning training and space and ground based sensor training, Taylor explained.

The group also had 66 people recognized as "superior performers":

381st Training Group staff

Senior Master Sgt. Lawrence Savidge
Master Sgt. Lorenzo Salgado
Staff Sgt. Tracy Andersen
Tech Sgt. David Atkinson
Josie Jongsma
Shirley McGee
Paulette Taylor

381st Training Support Squadron

Capt. Edmund Bohn
Senior Airman Kevin Williams
Connie Maclelland
Iona Nance

392nd Training Squadron

Capt. Michael Bodtke
Capt. Patrick Brown
Capt. Vivian Bush
Capt. Larry King
Capt. Mitch Stefanish
Capt. Robert Thorne
Capt. Erik Chinn
Capt. Edward Coligny
Capt. W. Chadburn Engman
Capt. Steven Kimel
Capt. Stephen Mellow
Capt. Shelly Nentwig
Capt. Tommy Ray
Capt. Jeffrey Thornton
Master Sgt. Victor Morrow
Tech. Sgt. Terry Evans
Staff Sgt. Brandon Beem
Staff Sgt. Brian Blair
Airman 1st Class Roan Betuel
Airman 1st Class Buasy Nanhta
Vicente Villegas

532nd Training Squadron

Capt. Timothy Lincoln
Capt. Matthew Hughbanks
Capt. Timothy Spies
Tech. Sgt. Raoul White
Staff Sgt. Stephen Dunaway
Staff Sgt. Jack Martin
Staff Sgt. Norman Sibley

Staff Sgt. Tyler Slawson
Staff Sgt. Robert Thaxton
Staff Sgt. Jack Martin
Senior Airman Richard Duncan
Janet Bailey

533rd Training Squadron

Capt. Kenneth Bole
Master Sgt. J.P. Reynolds
Master Sgt. Benjamin Caro
Master Sgt. Gregory Hoebing
Tech. Sgt. Douglas Fields
Tech. Sgt. Ronald Kelly
Staff Sgt. Catherine Fair
Staff Sgt. Timothy King
Staff Sgt. Adalberto Velez
Staff Sgt. Robert Weinmann
Staff Sgt. Christopher Adams
Staff Sgt. Jason Campbell
Jerry Patterson
Regina Ward

534th Training Squadron

Capt. John Dipasquale
Capt. James Creese
Capt. Barry Heiling
Capt. Stacy Huser
Capt. Todd Moore
Capt. Thomas Ste Marie
Master Sgt. Brian Kennedy
Jeanne Shamburger



Team Vandenberg showcases talent



PHOTOS BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS STEPHEN SCHESTER



(Top left) Tommy Hubbard and Jason Danials celebrate after winning first place in the pre-teen division during the Family Holiday Talent Show at Minuteman Theater Nov. 24. (Above) Members of the Garcia Dance Studio perform the dance "Flemenco Y Salsa Por Tu." (Left) Deanna Chun showcases her skills on the grand piano.

Vehicle funding shifts to units

BY MASTER SGT. JANET NEUBECKER
30th Transportation Squadron

■ Transportation officials at Vandenberg are in the process of transferring financial responsibility for all Air Force general purpose vehicles from the Air Force to user organizations in 2003 when those units must begin paying for their vehicle leases and maintenance.

All general purpose vehicles in Air Force Space Command are being transferred to a Government Service Agency contract. The transfer was directed by Congress.

"The other services have already converted to GSA contracts," said Master Sgt. Alan Lindsay, Air Force Space Command's vehicle operations manager. It's expected the transfer to a GSA contract will save money for the Air Force, Lindsay explained.

The conversion program for Air Force Space Command started in 1997. Vandenberg must convert a fleet of 385 vehicles, said Master Sgt. Shane Munn, 30th TRANS fleet manager. Fifty-six vehicles were converted to the GSA contract in the first two years of the program, he said. The remaining 329 vehicles will switch to the GSA contract over the next five years.

"We're targeting high dollar vehicles first," Munn said. He added that transportation

officials are contacting organizations when their vehicle must be converted.

The conversion does not affect ambulances or specially modified vehicles.

Under a contract lease agreement, worn vehicles will be systematically replaced. Munn and Lindsay said the Air Force will enjoy huge savings because vehicle replacement and billing charges would be paid by users, not the Air Force.

But not all customers will immediately receive new vehicles, Munn added. Users are required to bring their vehicles to the vehicle operations flight for new licensing, however. Munn said customers will be notified when their new licensing must be completed. This part of the conversion program should be finished in 30 to 60 days.

The command's vehicle operations manager said customers should plan their budgets now for 2003 when they assume financial responsibility for their vehicles. For a few units, this may mean getting rid of some of their vehicles, Lindsay said.

"Historically, customers have been known to re-think resource needs when financial responsibility falls on them," he said. This action alone, he added, could save the government money.

For more information about how the conversion of vehicles at Vandenberg to a GSA contract will impact individual units, call Vandenberg's vehicle operations flight at 606-5255.





AIRMAN 1ST CLASS AMANDA EDWARDS

5K check

Col. Duane Lamb (left), 30th Support Group commander, accepts a \$5,000 check for Vandenberg's food pantry and chapel from Steve Crist, a sales representative with Duhnhan and Smith; Randy Epps, commissary director; and Dale Young, store administrator. Favorite Brands Food and the commissary pooled funds for the donation.

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FRI

A stress management class is scheduled for

today at the Health and Wellness Center. People can take a thorough look at what aspects of their life are causing stress and learn how to manage them. Call Linda Bastine at 606-9958 for registration or details.

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SAT

The sixth annual **Tournament of Champions Barbecue** is Saturday

from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$5. The varsity basketball team kicks off its tournament today. Tickets are available from any varsity basketball player or and any member of the VAFB African-American Association.

The chapel staff has scheduled an **Advent wreath making party** Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Chapel 1 annex. Children are welcome. Call 606-5773.

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FRI

Children have a place to go Dec. 8 from 6 to 9

p.m. at the Chapel 1 annex for a night of "drop and shop." Parents can drop off their

children at the chapel, then do the Christmas shopping, or stay home and relax. Call 606-5773 for information.

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SUN

The Protestant Women of the Chapel are

sponsoring a **cookie drive** for families in the base's temporary living facility. Cookie donations can be brought to Chapel 1 annex Dec. 10. Volunteers will be baking cookies Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in the annex kitchen. To help, call Jill Hembroff at 606-7718.

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TUE

The **Officers' Spouses' Club** will hold

a holiday luncheon Dec. 12 at 11:30 a.m. in the Pacific Coast Club. The luncheon is free for members and \$8 for non-members. For reservations, people with last names A-K should call Dana Babb at 734-5567, and those L-Z should call Beki Malone, 734-2668. The deadline for reservations is Dec. 10.

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WED

The chapel staff's monthly **prayer**

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A 'ton' of money for kids

A \$2,000 check for Operation Kids' Christmas is presented Nov. 28 to Capt. James Bahren, OKC chairman, by Paulette Cunningham, Vandenberg Federal Credit Union business development manager. Other members of the credit union on hand for the presentation were: (left to right) Alicia Kaplan, VFCU branch manager; Jeanette Daley, VFCU branch manager; Cunningham; Bahren; Capt. Scott Van Sant, OKC funds coordinator; and Paulette Taylor, executive committee.

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breakfast is Dec. 13 at 6:30 a.m. in the Chapel 1 annex. Breakfast ends at 7:20 a.m. Breakfast is free.

17 SUN The chapel staff will hold an Ecumenical **Christmas Cantata and potluck**

Dec. 17 at 5 p.m. in Chapel 1. Join in this musical celebration which is followed by a potluck dinner. The chapel community is asked to bring food for the potluck; those people with names A-M should bring a side dish, and people with names N-Z should bring a dessert.

22 FRI The **Hanukkah Sabbath service and potluck** dinner is Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. in Chapel 1. Call Anita Friedman for more information at 736-5822.

23 SAT The chapel community invites everyone to a night of **caroling** Dec. 23 at 6:15 p.m. Carolers should meet in the Chapel 1 annex. Anyone

who would like a "caroling visit" can call the chapel at 606-5773.

The **Catholic Vigil Mass** is Dec. 23 at 5 p.m. in Chapel 1.

24 SUN The **Children's Christmas Vigil Mass** is Christmas Eve at 5 p.m. in Chapel 1.

The Protestant community is holding a **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** at 7 p.m. in Chapel 1. The **Protestant Christmas Day Service** is at 11 a.m.



AT THE MOVIES
 Today
Pay It Forward (PG-13)
 Saturday
Little Vampire (PG) 3 p.m.
Meet the Parents (PG-13)
 Sunday
Meet the Parents
Movies start at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.



STAFF SGT. LARRY SIMMONS

Air power beats Corps

Air Force Guard Tyrone Wilson (left) outmaneuvers Marine Corps' Billy Shanks on an offensive drive. The Falcons won the game 71-59 to claim the 2000 Armed Forces Basketball Tournament.

SPORTS

BRIEFS

GOLF TOURNAMENTS ON LOCAL LINKS

The second annual **Officers' Spouses Club Yuletide Golf Classic** is today with a shotgun start at noon. The four-person scramble includes prizes and a car for a hole-in-one. Call Pam Mays, 937-0765, or Rick Vigil, 606-6262, for information.

The Vandenberg Competition Association holds the **"It's That Time Again" golf tournament** Dec. 8 at the Marshallia Ranch Golf Course. The tournament supports the 30th Space Wing's Guardian Challenge 2001 team. For information and the registration form, go to the 2nd Space Launch Squadron's website at www.vandenberg.af.mil/organizations/30sw/30og/2sls/index.html. Print and fill out the form, then fax it to 606-4344.

FLAG FOOTBALL STANDINGS

American League	W	L	Pct.
30th SFS No.1	7	0	1.000
30th OG	5	3	.625
576th FLTS	3	2	.600
614th SOPS/14 th AF	4	3	.571
30th MDG	4	4	.500
30th MSS	3	4	.429
Det. 9	2	5	.286
392nd TRS No. 2	1	6	.143
National League			
533rd TRS	5	0	1.000
30th CES	4	1	.800
30th TRANS	3	1	.750
381st TRG	2	3	.400
392nd TRS No. 1	2	3	.400
30th CS	1	3	.250
30th SFS No. 2	0	6	.000

As of Tuesday

OVER-30 SOFTBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	Pct.
576th FLTS	13	2	.867
NRO	12	2	.857
30th CES	10	4	.714
Det. 9	12	6	.667
U.S. Penitentiary	10	6	.625
614th SOPS/14 th AF	9	7	.563
30th SFS	11	9	.550
30th MSS	8	7	.533
30th LG	4	14	.222

As of Tuesday

S 30th Services NEWS



ITT PRESENTS . . .

Universal Studios Trip December 16, 2000

\$30.00 transportation only

Buy your ticket at ITT: \$30.00 Adults, \$25.00 Children

Universal Theme Parks bring Whoville to life for the first time ever with a

Grinchmas CELEBRATION!



From freak snowstorms on Mt. Crumpit to sneak-attack gift snatching (a favorite Grinch pastime to 'Whovillians! Who pudding, Who singing, and who knows what else, Grinchmas will continue through December 31st. Whoville Whobilations will abound nightly, featuring parades, real snow, a singing and dancing cast of Whovillians, more snow, a nightly tree-lighting ceremony, Who feasts, the Grinch's faithful dog Max and of course, snow!

For more information, call 606-7976

BOWLING

COMMANDER'S NIGHT - The Intramural League and Civil Engineers and Communication Squadrons will be inviting their respective Commanders to join them next week Monday through Friday during their league sessions "to get to know the boss"

ROD & GUN

Five Stand Sporting Clays - second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Open Skeet and Trap Shoot - every Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 8:30 a.m., except for scheduled events.

Visa and Mastercard now accepted at Rod & Gun Club.

GOLF

PRO SHOP DEMO CLUB SALE - Clubs go on sale Friday. No reservations. First come, first served.

Officers' Wives Club Shotgun Tournament - Friday, noon.

Open Play Shotgun - 7:15 a.m.

SERVICES CENTER

TOPS in BLUE Worldwide Talent Contest February 11-19, 2001
Application and information available at the Services Center. Deadline for applications: Today. For more information, call Capt. Pratt at 606-1315 or Lynn Warner at 605-8974.

SANTA VISITS BASE HOUSING - Sign up at Services Center. Dates: Monday through Thursday and Dec. 11 to 14 and 18 to 21. Cost: \$5 per family. Parents need to bring one small wrapped gift per child. For more information, call Kim at 606-7976.



OUTDOOR REC

RV Storage Lot Fees

Active Duty	\$15 per month
Retired	\$15 per month
DOD Civilians (working on base)	\$30 per month

Pay 11 months - get the 12th month FREE!

December Reminders...



VANDENBERG HAWKS BASKETBALL
Friday/Saturday
Tournament of CHAMPIONS at the Fitness Center

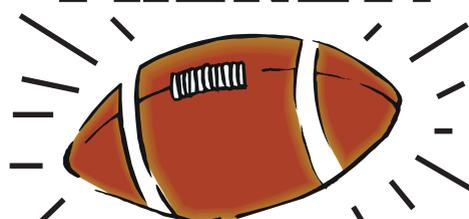
For information, call Staff Sgt. Merrett, 606-3832.



\$300 every Friday in both lounges 6 p.m.

Must be present to win.

FOOTBALL FRENZY!



Hot Dogs & Nachos Every Monday, 5 p.m.

Foggio's December Special

16" Pizza with Two Toppings \$9.75

Foggio's opens 4 p.m.

30th Services

NEWS



LUNCH SPECIAL!

HOLIDAY SAFETY



Pacific Coast Club

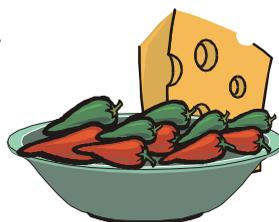
LUNCHTIME



*Unlimited Toppings and
a Small Salad*



\$3.95



30th Services Squadron

Holiday 2000-2001

Dec 2, 2000 - Jan 2, 2001

DESIGNATED DRIVER PROGRAM

If you plan to be your group's **Designated Driver**, please see the on-duty manager in the **Bowling Center, Golf Course Clubhouse, Rod & Gun Club or Pacific Coast Club**. You'll receive an entry form to be entered in the drawing to be held on Jan. 3, 2001.

In addition, you'll receive free nonalcoholic beverages throughout the evening. One entry form per **Designated Driver** each evening.

GRAND PRIZE:
\$300 Gift Certificate

to be used for any trip offered by ITT

OTHER PRIZES:

Rounds of Golf

Lines of Bowling

Rod & Gun Club Gift Certificate

Dinner at Pacific Coast Club

For more information, ask any 30th Services Squadron activity manager or call the front office at 606-5031.



Gift Idea...



Located at the Services Center

Credit cards are now accepted
Evening appointments can be made for your convenience.

Call Mary 605-4748 or 717-9088

Special Christmas Gift Certificates are available!



Youth Sports

Youth Basketball OPENING CEREMONY

Saturday, 9 a.m.
at Fitness Center
Main Gym

