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Dock 8 renamed to Gantzer Maintenance Facility

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MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, N.D. -- Minot Air Force Base leadership, including congressional and civic leaders, celebrated the renaming of Dock 8, a B-52H Stratofortress phase maintenance double-dock, to the Gantzer Maintenance Facility during a dedication ceremony at Minot AFB, April 21, 2017.

The facility honors Chief Master Sgt. Fredrick Gantzer, an Airman who served over a decade at Minot AFB.

Special guests at the ceremony included Senator Heidi Heitkamp and family members of Chief Gantzer.

"There are two kinds of people in this world; those who watch it happen, and those who make it happen," said Col. Matthew Brooks, 5th Bomb Wing commander. "Chief Master Sgt. Fredrick Gantzer was the latter."

Chief Gantzer, a Wheeling, West Virginia native, served a 31-year career in the Air Force,



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A B-52H Stratofortress sits outside of the Gantzer Maintenance Facility at Minot Air Force Base, N.D., April 21, 2017. Previously Dock 8, the hangar was renamed in honor of Chief Master Sgt. Fredrick Gantzer, an Airman who served for 31 years with over a decade at Minot AFB.

including operations in Vietnam, a number of Strategic Air Command successes and over a decade of service at Minot AFB.

"Chief Gantzer was in charge of several hundred Airmen, and he knew every one of them," said Brooks. "He knew what they went through, how they felt, how they thought, and when there were personal

hardships, he was right there with his Airmen."

During his time in Minot, Chief Gantzer was a board member of the Dakota Territory Air Museum, coordinated airshows, and greatly impacted the community.

Retired Chief Master Sgt. Bob Harrington, former field maintenance superintendent, worked alongside Chief



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Ceremony attendees stand for the National Anthem at the Gantzer Maintenance Facility at Minot Air Force Base, N.D., April 21, 2017. The hangar was named in honor of Chief Master Sgt. Fred Gantzer, who served at Minot AFB for over a decade.



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North Dakota Senator Heidi Heitkamp presents a flag to the Gantzer family at the Gantzer Maintenance Facility at Minot Air Force Base, N.D., April 21, 2017. The flag was flown over Washington D.C. in honor of Chief Master Sgt. Fredrick Gantzer, whom the hangar is named after.

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Gantzer at Minot AFB for almost four years, said Brooks. When asked how many people Chief Gantzer impacted in his time here, Harrington answered, "tens of thousands."

"Each of these Airmen Chief Gantzer impacted are still out there," said Brooks. "Each of these Airmen will have this leader to look back on, a leader who caused them to grow, succeed and become leaders themselves."

Fred Gantzer II, Chief Gantzer's son, had only kind words for his late father. He spoke of the Airmen Chief Gantzer invited into his home and treated as his own children.

"My father was feared by some but respected by all," said Fred. "He was the chief you wanted on your side. He gave 100 percent, but he expected 100 percent."

Many words of appreciation were spoken from the Gantzer family.

"On behalf of my family, I want you to know how appreciative we are of this monumental occasion," said Fred. "We are forever in debt to Col. Mosteller [former maintenance deputy commander] for turning this dream into reality, the political leaders for their efforts in D.C. and military personnel that made this day so special. From the bottom of our hearts, we are truly humbled by your efforts. Thank you."

A hidden gem for Airmen

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MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, N.D., --

There is a place on Minot Air Force Base where you can buy quality products for cheap, meet new people and develop social skills in the midst of hidden treasures.

The thrift shop serves multiple purposes for Airmen and families.

"The thrift shop is a great opportunity for young families and Airmen who are just starting out to be able to save money and still get what they need," said Mary Anne Kantor, thrift store manager.

The thrift shop is run by the Officers' Spouses' Club. Next year the enlisted and Officers' Spouses' Clubs are combining to create the Minot Spouses' Club, and it will run the thrift shop.

The main goal of the thrift shop is to raise funds for certain causes. Money spent at the thrift shop goes back to the community for scholarships, local charities and other organizations.

"The thrift shop's purpose is to make money to support the charitable endeavors of the spouses' club," said Kantor.

To accomplish those objectives the thrift shop relies on volunteers.

The volunteers' responsibilities are to work the register, clean up the donation area, keep the store clean and make sure the thrift shop has items stocked.

"As a volunteer, it is an amazing way to give back to team Minot while getting to know other volunteers and

shoppers," said Kantor.

Anyone can volunteer at the thrift shop every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. and Tuesday 5-7 p.m.

"I definitely feel like I get to know people a lot better, and I've met a lot of great people as the manager just through people that come in to volunteer," said Kantor. "Our new manager is coming in May and her main reason for doing this is that she wanted to get out and meet more people."

Amy Beers, a stay at home mom and mother of five children, has been volunteering at the thrift shop for six months.

"It's fun and I feel like I'm doing good for the base and so that makes me feel happier," said Beers.

Kantor agrees with Beers about how volunteering helps the base, adding other benefits of getting involved with the thrift shop.

"I think that it provides people a fun and friendly place to get out during the winter months and allows people the chance to repurpose items instead of throw things away," said Kantor. "It is also a great way for volunteers to get out of the house and feel a sense of accomplishment outside the daily grind of life and parenthood."



5 CPTS: Air Force's Best Finance Office

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MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, N.D., --

The Air Force Financial Services Office of the Year was recently awarded to Minot Air Force Base's 5th Comptroller Squadron for fiscal year 2016.

This isn't the first time this squadron has won. Senior Master Sgt. Shirley Quevedo, 5th CPTS superintendent,

added that the financial services office also won at the Air Force level for fiscal year 2013 and four times at the major command level over the last 6 years. The Financial Management Analysis Flight, also known as the Budget Office, won the Financial Management Analysis Flight of the Year for 2012 and 2014 at the MAJCOM level.

To be considered for the award, the office is judged on financial metrics, innovations and individual achievements within the work center.

"We have had the best financial metrics in this command for the last three fiscal years," said Senior Airman Iryna Sorrell, 5th CPTS special actions supervisor. "We always hold ourselves to a higher standard. If Air Force accuracy metric is 95%, ours is set to 97%, while continuing to strive for 100%."

Both military and civilian employees contributed to the award and have earned multiple quarterly and annual awards.

"We have some members who have been here for years and brand new Airmen right out of technical training," Sorrell said. "Regardless of rank or skill level, everyone in this office contributes, whether it's experience, new ideas or dedication."

Quevedo agreed with Sorrell that everyone in the office plays a part regardless of their experience.

"The squadron has gone through numerous turnovers as a result of separations and personnel receiving orders to other bases,"

Quevedo said. "Their lack of experience didn't hinder them in producing the best financial metrics in the Air Force. We are fortunate that our Airmen, both military and civilian, have the right attitude, initiative and drive to excel in everything they do."

Although they have collected numerous awards through the years, Sorrell said that winning isn't the goal but more of an extra incentive.

"The goal is to get the job done right and continually improve," Sorrell said.

With consistent training, effective communication and collaboration within the office, the squadron reached their goals and continue to pursue next year's accolade.

The 5th Comptroller Squadron stands for a group photo at Minot Air Force Base, N.D., April 4, 2017. The 5th CPTS recently took home the title of the Air Force Financial Services Office of the Year.

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Storytellers sharing 'War Stories' at Prairie Village Museum's Spring Kick-Off

PRAIRIE VILLAGE MUSEUM | RUGBY NORTH DAKOTA

Prairie Village Museum kicks off its 52nd season Sunday, April 30, at the Rugby Eagles Club located at 2809 Highway 2 W Rugby, ND with a ham dinner served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a program featuring five local storytellers at 1:15 p.m.

Featured "War Stories" storytellers will be Duane Baillie, Hartley Hageness, Josh Siegler and Danielle Skjelver, all of Rugby, and Orlan Hall, Minot. Travis Gerjets, cofounder of the Minot Story Hour, will act as emcee.

This is the second storytelling event hosted by the museum. The first, "The Good Old, Bad Old Days," was presented at the museum's 2016 Spring Kick-Off. "The storytellers were so well received," says museum executive director Cathy Jelsing, "we decide to repeat the format and bring Travis back again as our storytelling coach and program host."

Inspired by the 100th anniversary of United States' involvement in World War I, over the next

two years Prairie Village Museum's programming will include a lecture series, a major museum exhibit, community book discussion, and a film series all related to WWI. Coordinated by museum collections manager Stephanie Steinke, these activities are being supported in part by an \$1,800 Library for America "World War I and America" grant funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The "War Stories" program on April 30 will span several military conflicts. Hageness, owner of Hartley's Buses, will share tales of the Great War as told to him by his father. Retired pharmacist Duane Baillie will tell how his life was impacted by service in both WWII and the Korean War. Hall, who grew up near Upham, N.D., will base his story on his experiences as a combat infantryman in Vietnam. Skjelver – a history scholar, mother of three and wife of a retired Marine veteran – will relate stories of military family life. And Pierce County Sheriff Siegler will

share his experiences as a Marine during the Gulf War.

Freewill donations for the meal and program will support the museum's Boost the Caboose campaign. Local event sponsors include Ramsey National Bank, Thrivent Financial and the Rugby Convention & Visitors' Bureau. The museum's "WWI and America" partner organizations include American Legion Post 23, Heart of America Library and the Lyric Theater, Rugby, and Dakota Territory Air Museum, Minot.

Individuals interested in renewing or purchasing Geographical Center Historical Society memberships may do so at the Kick-Off. Memberships include season passes to Prairie Village Museum and all museum events. Free admittance for active duty Military and their families.

For more information, call 701-681-9342 or email prievillagemuseum@gmail.com. The grounds open for school tours May 2 and for touring by the public May 15.

PRAIRIE ADVENTURES

BY PATRICIA STOCKDILL



"We're (North Dakota's portion of the Prairie Pothole Region) very important to breeding ducks in the Prairie Pothole Region."

- N.D. Game and Fish Department migratory bird management supervisor Mike Szymanski.

Migration is underway in full force for things with wings in all sizes. Waterfowl hunters likely focus on the fall migration but without spring migration and nesting season, they wouldn't have fall migration.

So the question for the week is "just how much do you know about spring duck migration?"

In other words – how well do you really know your ducks? How much do you pay attention to spring duck migration?

Here is a short quiz, courtesy of questions and answers from Mike Szymanski, N.D. Game and Fish Department migratory bird management supervisor:

Question No. 1: What are the earliest arriving ducks into North Dakota each spring?

*Answer: Mallards and pintails arrive in late March and early April.

Question No. 2: How late into the summer will mallards attempt to re-nest if their nest is destroyed by weather or predation?

*Answer: Mallards will attempt to re-nest as late as June, especially if their nesting area continues holding shallow wetlands into late spring and early summer.

Question No. 3: What species tend to arrive after mallards and pintails?

*Answer: Shovelers and blue-winged teal. Shovelers tend to slightly ahead of blue-winged teal, Szymanski added.

Question No. 4: How important are adequate water conditions to pintails when nesting?

*Answer: Pintails will almost give up nesting if water conditions aren't good enough. "They also don't re-nest as much," Szymanski explained.

Question No. 5: Do any duck species nest as late as August?

*Answer: Yes, gadwall and lesser scaup will attempt to nest that late into the summer, which is especially important because of grassland haying.

Question No. 6: Most ducks nest in grass but do any species nest over water in North Dakota?

*Answer: Yes, but it's generally limited to canvasbacks. Occasionally mallards will nest on a mound over water, but they much prefer to nest in grass, Szymanski described.

Question No. 7: How far will a hen duck nest from the water where she will take her brood?

*Answer: Those little ducklings had better be prepared to get their exercise and have their hiking boots securely laced because it's been recorded that a hen will take her brood 1 ½ miles from a nesting site to water. That's a lot of waddling on short little legs.

Question No. 8: How fussy are ducks about who nests nearby?

*Answer: Ducks tend to be more territorial with each other more so than other species, Szymanski explained. "Usually, 'home turf' is expressed on wetlands rather than nesting uplands, though," he added.

Question No. 9: Are there any ducks that lay their eggs in other duck's nest?

*Answer: Yes, redheads, Szymanski said. The practice is called parasitizing, when a species lays its eggs in another nest leaving unsuspecting "adoptive" parents to raise the ducklings. Redheads also tend to nest later in the spring.

And, finally, perhaps the most important question of all: What is it about North Dakota's Prairie Pothole Region that makes it so extremely important for ducks – and other wetland and grassland nesting birds?

*Answer: "Its high wetland capacity but also our history of nesting habitat," Szymanski described. The region historically had an abundance of native prairie grasslands coupled with grassland habitat through federal Farm Bill Conservation Reserve Programs.

Priyanka Sharma, MD

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Trinity Health is pleased to welcome Priyanka Sharma, MD, to our Family Medicine team. Dr. Sharma is committed to providing comprehensive, patient-centered care to adults and adolescents, and is enthusiastic to bring her expertise to our community. She is passionate about women's health, diagnosing and treating illness, managing chronic conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure, and educating patients on self-care and lifestyle changes to prevent disease.

Medical Education:

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- Served as an active volunteer and mentor for various health charities and initiatives
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- Hobbies include event planning, decorating cupcakes, and spending time outdoors with her husband, Abhinav Aggarwal, MD, a Family Medicine resident at the UND School of Medicine's Northwest Campus in Minot



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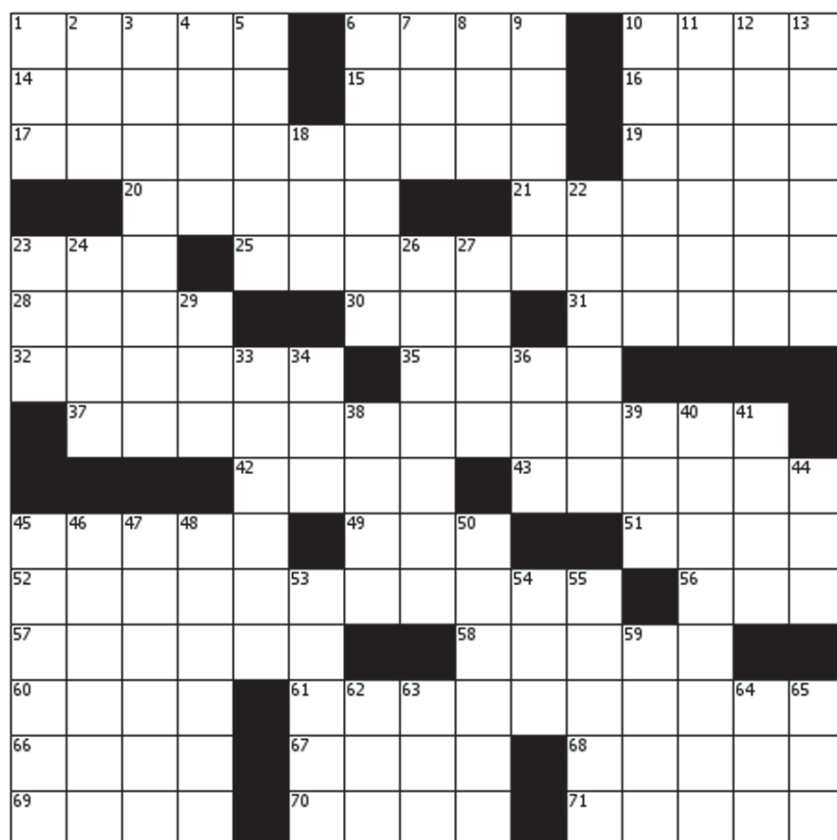
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across

1. Climb
6. Hit the books
10. Appease, as a thirst
14. Comics sound effect
15. First CinemaScope film (With "The")
16. Basic knitting stitch
17. NL home run champ, 7 consecutive seasons
19. It's bounded by the Pacific to the east
20. Adams and Falco
21. Milk container
23. Quarter-millennium
25. He made Long Island into Treasure Island
28. Styptic substance
30. Erie mule, of song
31. Force units
32. Considers carefully
35. Air freshener scent
37. This puzzle's theme
42. Not pro
43. Timepiece type
45. Not as outgoing
49. Ace, sometimes
51. Gentleman caller
52. "The Flying Dutchman"
56. Use leverage
57. Menu item
58. First in the Hebrew alphabet
60. Prefix meaning "peculiar"
61. Scourge of the West Indies
66. Magical home
67. Take it to freedom
68. Comical Kovacs
69. Confused
70. Disencumbers
71. Mention



Down

1. Old republic letters
2. Tax computer?
3. Interjection of praise
4. Friday's employer
5. Moral discipline
6. Brit's chips
7. Rolling Stones first name
8. Presidential nickname
9. Thanks. somewhere
10. Anderson or Lyle of baseball
11. Powers of spydom
12. Certain electron tube
13. Twisty-horned animals
18. Brownish-green New Zealand parrot
22. Kind of condor
23. Quote the raven?
24. Pitch symbol
26. "The Raven" sound effect

27. Et ____ (and others)
29. "GWTW" distributor
33. Like the voice of The Godfather
34. Lie on the beach
36. Org. whose members are packing?
38. Sheltered promenade
39. Filing facilitator
40. It might be African or Indian
41. Skyrocket
44. Infamous Fawkes
45. Aussie lass
46. Some motorcycles
47. Eventually
48. Mother of Minos
50. Makes into law
53. Fields' vaudeville partner
54. Soft shoe leather
55. Dissident
59. Parisian papa
62. When St. Paul reached Rome
63. Assist
64. Ipanema locale
65. Where Daniel prevailed

SUDOKU Solution to puzzle on page 14

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Solution to last week's Crossword puzzle.

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Loaded Mashed Potato Puffs



INGREDIENTS:

1 24-ounce package Simply Potatoes Traditional Mashed potatoes (about 2 ½ cups)
4 eggs
1 teaspoon granulated garlic Coupons
2 tablespoons fresh chopped chives
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
¼ cup shredded/grated Parmesan cheese
6 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled
¼ teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
¼ teaspoon Cayenne pepper
Sour cream, chives, cheese and/or crumbled bacon for garnish

INSTRUCTIONS:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Spray 12 muffin cups generously with nonstick cooking spray. *Very important to spray the pan well to avoid sticking; greasing with butter or vegetable shortening works too. In a large bowl, combine ingredients. Divide the potato mixture evenly into the 12 muffin cups. Bake in the preheated 400 degree oven for 30-35 minutes. Cool slightly before removing each mashed potato puff from its cup. Use a thin knife to loosen if necessary. Garnish with sour cream, chopped chives, cheese and bacon if desired.

Egg & Cheese Hash Brown Waffles

INGREDIENTS:

1 20-ounce package Simply Potatoes Shredded Hash Browns
3 eggs Coupons
¼ cup milk
1 cup shredded sharp Cheddar Cheese
¼ cup fresh chopped chives, plus some for garnishing
Salt & pepper
Sour cream, for serving, if desired

INSTRUCTIONS:

Heat waffle iron on the medium-high setting. Spray each side generously with non-stick cooking spray or brush with melted butter. In a medium-sized mixing bowl, whisk together eggs and milk. Stir in potatoes, cheese, chives and season with ½ teaspoon salt and ¼ teaspoon pepper. Depending on the size of your waffle iron, scoop a layer of the potato mixture onto the surface (for the round waffle maker, I used about 1 cup of the mixture). Spread to about ½ inch from the edges and close the waffle iron. Cook for about 5 minutes, checking every few minutes to avoid burning. When the entire waffle is golden brown in color, carefully remove from the waffle iron with a fork or tongs. *Tip: Turn your oven to the "warm" function and place finished waffles on a baking sheet in the oven to keep warm which the rest are cooking.



MSU Honor Dance: celebrates accomplishments

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Minot State University's Dome will come alive with tradition, color and movement. Native American dancers and drum groups from throughout North Dakota and neighboring states and provinces will compete during the 28th annual Native American Spring Honor Dance and Powwow Celebration April 28-29. More than 1,000 people attend annually; the event includes the acknowledgement of achievements, competitive dancing, vendor and information booths and food. The powwow is one of the largest student activities on campus.

This event, sponsored by the Native American Cultural Awareness Club, the Native American Center and the university, will honor all 2017 graduates. Typically, an average of 19 Native American students graduate from MSU each year.

"Graduations and powwows have a lot of similarities. Both recognize accomplishments, dedication and hard work," said Annette Mennem, Native American Center director and NACAC advisor. "We will celebrate the Class of 2017 April 28 and 29 and wish its members good luck in their future endeavors."

Competition registration starts both days at 10 a.m. Food booths open at 11 a.m. along with dance competitions and the sale of Native American arts and crafts. Two Grand Entries, the time when all of the dancers enter the arena, are scheduled for 1 and 7 p.m. each day. Charles Moran, Mandaree, will be the emcee and Wade Baker is the arena director, with SloughFoot as the host drum group. Myron B. Johnson/Nathan J. Goodiron Post 271, Mandaree, will be the honor guard.

Following the 1 p.m. Grand Entry on April 28, NACAC

will present a buffalo hide painting depicting the coming together of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation to Mark Fox, Three Affiliated Tribes chairman. Shantelle Carey, an art major, is currently painting on it as part of her senior capstone project.

"I'm excited," Carey said. "I did a mural for my high school, but I've never done anything this big that I had to move. The hide is nine feet tall, and it will take three people to move it."

The hide will be painted left to right in story format showing the three tribes uniting. The painting will include the Souris River as a main theme, as all three tribes used to camp along it. Carey would also like to include the symbol of the Native American Cultural Club in the painting.

To honor the graduates and their families, a buffalo meal will be served April 29 in Buckshots on the lower level of the Student Center at 5 p.m. The Mandan Hidatsa Arikara Tribal Ranch/Bufalo Project donated the buffalo. The meal is free to the public.

The Honor Parade, in which all 2017 MSU graduates are invited to participate, follows the Grand Entry on April 29 at 8 p.m.

Dance competitions will be held for elders, men, women, teens, juniors and tiny tots. The competition for men includes traditional, grass and fancy dancing. Women's dance competitions include traditional, fancy and jingle styles. Cash prizes will be awarded.

Admission to the Spring Honor Dance and Powwow Celebration is \$3 for ages 12-55; it is free to children under 12, elders and MSU students, faculty and staff.

In addition to MSU, the Three Affiliated Tribes provided support for the event.

For more information go to the 2017 powwow poster at http://www.minotstateu.edu/mss/documents/2017_powwow_poster.pdf. For questions, contact Mennem, at 858-3365 or annette.mennem@minotstateu.edu.

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The Jimmy Doolittle Center is giving moms and sons an opportunity to make a lasting memory during their Mother & Son S.T.O.M.P. (Son Takes Out Mom Party) on Thursday, May 4. The event will be held at the Doolittle Center from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The Mother & Son S.T.O.M.P. provides mothers a chance to share an evening with their son that they

will never forget. This year's event features a "Calling All Extraterrestrials" theme and includes dinner, dancing, bouncy castles, and other fun activities.

The Intergalactic menu for the Mother & Son S.T.O.M.P. has been designed to fit the tastes of the young attendees. The dinner includes Martian burgers, moon fries, corn, crater cookies, and more.

Tickets for the Mother & Son S.T.O.M.P. are \$30 per couple (mother and son) for club members and \$35 per couple for non-members. Each additional child is \$10, for moms with more than one son. Tickets can be purchased at the Jimmy Doolittle Center. A limited number of tickets are available for this event so purchase your tickets early. Tickets must be purchased by May 3, 2017. The Mother & Son S.T.O.M.P. is sponsored in part by Watne Realtors - Ric & Carrie Montoya. *No Federal Endorsement of Sponsor Intended.* For additional information, call the Jimmy Doolittle Center at 723-3731.

Enjoy Special MOMC Sunday Brunch At Jimmy Doolittle Center

The Doolittle Center is hosting a special Month of the Military Child Sunday Brunch on April 30 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Enjoy a delicious Sunday brunch while the kids visit with Dizzy the Clown for free balloon animals. During this brunch, special kids cuisine will be served and all children receive a free gift.

Something Minot AFB children always look forward to as part of the Month of the Military Child Brunch is the chance to win age appropriate boy and girl bicycles or other prizes. There are four age categories including: ages 2 and under, ages 3-5, ages 6-8, and ages 9-12.

Another giveaway as part of the Month of the Military Child Brunch is the opportunity for children to register their parents for a chance to win a prize. One lucky mom will receive a set of Sterling Silver Imperial Delta Pearl earrings valued at \$265.00. The winning dad takes home a men's Bulova stainless steel quartz watch valued at \$295.00.

The Month of the Military Child Brunch is

sponsored by Verendrye Electric Cooperative and Knowles Jewelry. *No Federal Endorsement of Sponsors Intended.*

Cost for the brunch is \$15.95 for club members and \$18.95 for non-members. Children ages 12 and under are free. For more details, call 723-3731.

Rockers Bar & Grill Invites You To Celebrate Cinco de Mayo

Rockers Bar & Grill invites you to celebrate Cinco de Mayo Minot style on Friday, May 5 starting at 4:30 p.m. Club members enjoy a free Mexican buffet and margarita specials in the lounge. Buffet cost for non-members is \$7. The buffet includes a wide array of delicious Mexican cuisine including homemade enchiladas, mini tacos, mini burritos, chips & salsa, Mexican rice, and refried beans. Adults only. Karaoke starts at 8 p.m. Make plans now to attend this fun and delicious event. Call Rockers Bar & Grill at 727-ROCK for more information.

Receive 2 FREE Games Per Kid Per Day As Part Of Kids Bowl Free Program

Children 15 years of age and under at Minot AFB can now sign-up for 2 FREE games of bowling per day from May 1 - September 4, 2017. Rough Rider Lanes is participating in the Kids Bowl Free program which allows children to sign up at no charge to receive the free games. Simply visit the www.kidsbowlfree.com website to register your child. Then you will receive your free bowling passes each week via email. Each family will have the opportunity to purchase a "Family Pass" directly from the website for \$28.95 that allows 4 additional family members over the age of 15 to receive coupons for 2 free games of bowling per day all summer.

Register Now For Horseback Riding & Rock Climbing Trip

Looking for something fun and exciting to do for the Memorial Day weekend? Outdoor Recreation invites you to enjoy their Horseback Riding and Rock Climbing trip on May 26-29. You'll enjoy a day of horseback riding and a buffalo safari tour at Custer State Park in South Dakota. The next day will include a half-day of rock climbing and then finish the day off with fun in Keystone, SD. The trip includes transportation and three nights lodging at the Rock Crest Lodge deep in the heart of Custer, SD. You won't want to miss out on this wonderful adventure.

Cost is \$115/quad occupancy, \$160/triple occupancy, \$230/double occupancy, and \$460/single occupancy.

Registration deadline is by May 11. Participants must be 10 years of age or older. Anyone 18 years of age or under must be accompanied by a parents or legal guardian. For more details, call Outdoor Recreation at 723-3648.

Minot AFB Bowler Of The Year Tournament Set For May 6th

Calling all Minot AFB league bowlers! Do you think you're the best bowler on base? Rough Rider Lanes is giving you the opportunity to prove it during the Minot AFB Bowler of the Year Tournament on Saturday, May 6 beginning at 12 p.m.

If you bowled in a league this year and have an established average come out and show everyone. You'll bowl 6 qualifying games and the top 5 bowlers will compete for the title "Bowler of the Year". This will be a step ladder format. Handicap will be based on 90% of 210; allowing 150 average bowler to compete against 210 average bowler. Tournament entry fee is \$40 and open to current league members only. Call 723-2610 for more details.


CLUB MEMBER DRAWING ON FRIDAY, APRIL 28th WILL BE FOR \$2,000.

You must be present to win. Become a club member today to qualify. Simply visit Rockers Bar & Grill or the Jimmy Doolittle Center to obtain your application. The next weekly club member drawing will be held on Friday, Apr. 28 at Rockers Bar & Grill and the Jimmy Doolittle Center. Drawing time varies each week between 5:30-6:30 p.m.

FAMILY and YOUTH EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Applications Being Accepted For Space Camp

The Air Force Services Activity Child and Youth Programs (AFSVA CYP) is offering the Air Force Services Space Camp on July 30 - August 4, 2017 at the US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. While at camp, youth ages 12-14 years old will have an opportunity to experience one of the following: Space Academy, Robotics Academy, or Aviation Challenge Mach II. Youth ages 15-18 years old may choose from one of the following Advanced Space Academy options: Aviation Challenge (Pilot Track) or SCUBA Diving (Mission Specialist Track). For more details, call the Youth Center at 723-2838. **Applications are due May 14.**



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Apr 28 Family Pizza Night & Karaoke

Family Pizza Night returns to the Jimmy Doolittle Center on Friday, April 28 from 5-7 p.m. Build your own personal pizza from a wide array of delicious toppings, sauces, and crust. Cost is \$5 per pizza for club members of all ages and \$7 per pizza for non-members of all ages. For additional information, contact the Jimmy Doolittle Center at 723-3731.

May 1 Family Child Care Open House

Let the Family Child Care office answer your child care questions during the Family Child Care Open House on Monday, May 1 from 5-7 p.m. Whether you're looking to become a provider or want to find care for your child we're here to help. For additional information, please contact the Family Child Care office at 723-6662.

Youth Outdoor Soccer Registration

The Youth Center is holding Youth Outdoor Soccer registration for Youth Center members 3-12 years of age from May 1-31. Cost is \$30 for Smart Start ages 3 & 4 and \$40 for youth ages 5-12. Youth Center membership and a current immunization record and sports physical must be on file to register. The Youth Outdoor Soccer season begins August 1. For more information, please call the Youth Center at 723-2838.

May 12 Wine & Paint Class

The Arts and Crafts Center invites you to their Wine & Paint class on Friday, May 12 from 6-8 p.m. Cost is \$26 per person for a two-hour exciting painting experience. Step-by-step instruction will be provided. Pre-registration is required at the Arts & Crafts Center from May 2-11. There is limited seating available so be sure to register early. Class is open to adults 17 years of age and older only. Wine is not included in cost. You must provide your own wine if desired - must bring I.D. For more details, call 723-3640.

Water Safety Instructor Certification Course

Interested in teaching swim lessons? Outdoor Recreation is holding a Water Safety Instructor Certification Course. An online pre-test is required with pre-test scheduled for May 5 or May 13. You must be 16 years of age or older to register. Registration deadline is May 2. Cost for the course is \$200. For more details, call Outdoor Recreation at 723-3648.



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YOUNG AIRMEN EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Apr 28 Friday Night Karaoke

Come and show off your talent during Friday Night Karaoke at Rockers Bar & Grill on April 28 from 8 p.m. to close. Sing solo, do a duet, or grab a group! Rockers has a great karaoke selection for your enjoyment. Gather up your friends and enjoy all of the fun. For additional information, contact Rockers Bar & Grill at 727-ROCK.

Lifeguard Certification Course

Get certified at the Lifeguard Certification Course offered by Outdoor Recreation from May 5-14. There will be a skills test on May 5 from 6-7 p.m. The online course will take place from May 6-12 with the practice skills and final test scheduled for May 13 & 14 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost for the class is \$200. Registration deadline is April 28. Class size is limited so sign up today! For more information, please call Outdoor Recreation at 723-3648.

May 5 First Friday 5K Fun Run

The Fitness Center is starting a Summer Series 5K Fun Run. Every First Friday from May through September, you're invited to participate in a 5K Fun Run. The first event is scheduled for Friday, May 5 with the run beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the Fitness Center. The events feature awards for the fastest male and female at each run. T-shirts will be awarded at the last run. For more information on this FREE event, call the Fitness Center at 723-2145.

May 11 WWE Summer Bowling League

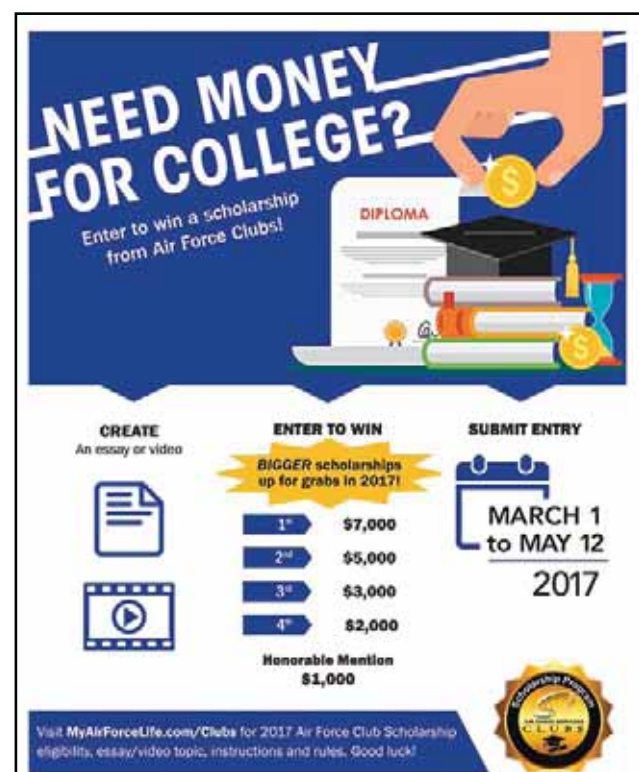
Rough Rider Lanes is hosting the WWE Summer Bowling League on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. from May 11 through July 27. Bowl 12 weeks at \$15/week and get a WWE ball or pin of your choice. Not interested in the WWE ball? Select your favorite sports team instead. Register now through May 11. Call 727-4715 for more details.



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Preparing for retirement: DOD civilians

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Two weeks ago, senior leadership at Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, coordinated with Department of Defense civilian personnel to provide four Transition Assistance Program seminars for federal employees.

The TAP, originally created and mandatory for military members separating from active duty to attend, provides information and training to ensure those transitioning from federal employment are prepared for their future.

"The 5th Force Support Squadron wanted to offer a very friendly way for civilians to transfer into retirement, so we were very appreciative that the bomb wing commander could support the request for the training," said Suong Willson, 5th FSS civilian personnel officer.

A total of 148 Minot AFB DOD civilians attended the retirement seminars.

"The training provided employees with a 360 degree view of the retirement process and how to prepare for that day," said Joan Beardsley, 5th FSS human resource specialist.

Three sessions were made for employees who are eligible to retire within the next five years; 114 total civilians attended these sessions. One session was

made for employees who are eligible to retire after five years; 34 total civilians attended this session.

"Our feedback for all TAP sessions was very positive," said Willson. "I still have 12 years left and I learned a lot. Now I can make certain choices and know that in 10 years, I will benefit from it."

The last retirement class at Minot AFB was over eight years ago. Since then, it was no longer funded due to other available online resources.

"After our civilians serve honorably for 30 plus years, the last thing we want is to tell them to go online or call 1-800-who-cares," said Willson. "The online program doesn't provide the personal touch or Q-and-A sessions that someone may need to ensure they are set for retirement."

A great turnout and positive feedback has influenced the idea of continuing civilian retirement training.

"I would recommend this training to anyone and hope that this training will be offered every year or every other year," said Beardsley.

Marissa Howard, 5th Bomb Wing chief of media relations, poses for a photo at Minot Air Force Base, N.D., April 13, 2017. When Department of Defense civilians retire, some pursue new jobs while others enjoy their time off.

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ICBM test contributes to continued deterrence

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F.E. WARREN AIR FORCE BASE, Wyo. -- The 90th Missile Wing conducted a Simulated Electronic Launch-Minuteman test here April 10-12. The SELM demonstrates the wing's capability to provide unwavering nuclear deterrence for the nation.

The 90th MW contributes to the nation's strategic defense by sustaining and operating 150 Minuteman III ICBMs and the associated launch facilities. A SELM test validates the ICBM weapon system's effectiveness in a safe and secure manner.

"The Simulated Electronic Launch of a Minuteman III ICBM is a signal to the American people, our allies, and our adversaries that our ICBM capability is safe, secure, lethal and ready," said Lt. Col. Deane Konowicz, 625th Strategic Operations Squadron commander. "It highlights the ground and airborne command and control elements of an electrically-isolated ICBM, demonstrating that our deployed ICBMs will respond to critical launch commands."

The intricate mission required extensive coordination between multiple operational and supporting agencies across the wing and Air Force Global Strike Command.

During a SELM, missileers in the launch control center send commands to the Minuteman III ICBMs in the launch facility. They work with test facilitators who provide the commands and ensure the orders are executed accurately.

"There are many moving parts involved in making a SELM test effective," said 1st Lt. Kyle Martinez, 321st Missile Squadron missile combat crew commander.

"During the test, we send series of preparation commands to the LF which ultimately lead to the launch command signaling the SELM was successful."

The SELM also validates the capability of the Airborne Launch Control System which serves as a backup command and control system, ensuring an adversary cannot carry out a decapitating first strike, said Col. Robert Billing, 595th Command and Control Group commander.

"The ALCS was developed in 1967 to counter a growing Soviet threat," Billings said. "As the number of countries with nuclear capabilities has increased while the number of U.S. nuclear weapons has decreased, the ALCS remains just as important, if not more important, than ever, providing a survivable launch capability for our ICBMs."

Long before the operators executed the launch codes, maintenance teams primed the sites for the test. Preparation began in January, said Master Sgt. Christopher Bradshaw, 90th Missile Maintenance Squadron systems NCO in charge of missile maintenance.

"It took almost two weeks to set up the LFs for the SELM. There was a lot of coordination with other agencies on base that needed to take place to get this mission done," Bradshaw said. "We worked with

security forces to ensure we had the proper security going out to do maintenance at the missile site. Wing safety and the quality assurance office also inspected our work, ensuring the SELM test was safe to be conducted."

The SELM preparation and execution requires an additional layer of physical security. The 790th Missile Security Forces Squadron provided all the security for the missile maintainer teams that performed the on-site SELM activities, said Master Sgt. Kimberly Rumph, 790th MSFS security support team NCO in charge.

"For SELM, we provide not only the LF security, but we posture ourselves for possible disruptions or security issues in the area," Rumph said. "Without us, the mission couldn't be pulled off securely."

The test demonstrates the missile wing's immediate nuclear response capability which serves the nation and America's allies.

"Deterrence doesn't work unless our adversaries deem our capabilities as credible," said Lt. Col. Hayley James, 625th STOS director of operations. "Each test we conduct, whether it is a test launch of an ICBM from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., or the SELM, we are sending a message that the ICBM force is ready to respond 24/7/365."



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LIVE BAND April 28 & 29: BLACKBIRD

TODAY

- Last day to apply for the Teen Aviation Camp at the Youth Center
- Last day to register for the Lifeguard Certification Course at Outdoor Rec
- Youth Center Dance Classes, Various Times, Youth Center
- TAP GPS Workshop, 0800-1600, A&FRC, Held at Professional Development Center
- Fit Family Boot Camp, 0930, Fitness Center
- Fit to Fight, 1100, Fitness Center
- Swim Lessons, 1600, 1700, 1800, Indoor Pool
- Friday Fun Members Buffet, 1630, Rockers Bar & Grill
- Youth Volleyball Camp, 1630, Youth Center
- Torch Club, 1700-1800, Youth Center
- Family Pizza Night, 1700-1900, Jimmy Doolittle Center
- Club Member Cash Drawing, 1730-1830, Rockers Bar & Grill and the Jimmy Doolittle Center
- Base Skate, 1800-1900, Youth Center
- Keystone Club, 1830-1930, Youth Center
- Karaoke, 2000, Rockers Bar & Grill
- Lights & Strikes Bowling, Every Fri, 2100-Midnight, Bowling Center
- Operation Megaphone Lock-In, 2130-0600, Youth Center

SATURDAY

- Youth Center Dance Classes, Various Times, Youth Center
- Swim Lessons, 0900, 1000, 1100, Indoor Pool
- Jiu Jitsu Training, 1100, Fitness Center
- Get up. Get out. Get Fit Together Bowling, Every Sat in April, 1700-2000, Bowling Center
- Saturday "Bowl the Night Away" with Lights & Strikes, 2000-Midnight, Bowling Center

SUNDAY

- Month of the Military Child Brunch, 1030-1330, Jimmy Doolittle Center
- Zumba, 1400, Fitness Center
- Yoga, 1500, Fitness Center

MONDAY

- Registration opens for Mother/Son S.T.O.M.P. at the Jimmy Doolittle Center
- Reservations for new owner garden plots open at Outdoor Rec
- TAP Accessing Higher Education Workshop, 0800-1600, A&FRC, Held at the Education Center
- Reintegration Briefing, 1300-1400, A&FRC
- Home Buying Seminar, 1430-1630, A&FRC
- Youth Volleyball Camp, 1630, Youth Center

TUESDAY

- Registration opens for the Picture Framing Class at Arts & Crafts
- Registration opens for the Wine & Paint Class

at Arts & Crafts

- Last day to register for the Water Safety Instructor Certification Course at Outdoor Rec
- Youth Center Dance Classes, Various Times, Youth Center
- Pre-Separation Counseling, 0800-1130, A&FRC
- Game Day, Every Tues, 1000-1930, Library
- Cycle/Yoga, 1130, Fitness Center
- Family Fun Night, Every Tues, 1700-2100, Rough Riders Pizza
- Jiu Jitsu Training, 1800, Fitness Center (18 & Older)

WEDNESDAY

- Last day to purchase Son Take Mom Out Party (STOMP) tickets at the Jimmy Doolittle Center
- Youth Center Dance Classes, Various Times, Youth Center
- Club Member Benefit, Every Wed, 0900-1400, Bowling Center
- Story Time, Every Wed, 1030, Base Library
- Parent Advisory Group Meeting, 1100, Child Development Center
- Brown Bag Book Talks, 1200, Base Library
- Pre-Deployment Readiness Training, Every Wed, 1300-1400, A&FRC
- 4-H Club, 1600-1700, Youth Center
- Members Wind Down Wednesday, Every Wed, 1630, Rockers Bar & Grill
- Boss and Buddy Draft Special, 1630, Rockers Bar & Grill
- H2O Fitness, 1645, Indoor Pool (located at Fitness Center)
- Jiu Jitsu Training, 1800, Fitness Center (18 & Older)

THURSDAY

- Youth Center Dance Classes, Various Times, Youth Center
- Cycle/Yoga, 1130, Fitness Center
- Reintegration Briefing, Every Thurs, 1300-1400, A&FRC
- Members 2 for 1 Appetizers, 1700-1900, Rockers Bar & Grill
- Mother/Son STOMP, 1730-1930, Jimmy Doolittle Center
- Jiu Jitsu Training, 1800, Fitness Center (18 & Older)

UPCOMING EVENTS - MAY 5

- Youth Center Dance Classes, Various Times, Youth Center
- First Friday 5K, 0730, Fitness Center
- Cinco de Mayo, 1030-1330, Dakota Inn Dining Facility
- Parent Art Activity, 1500-1600, Child Development Center
- Torch Club, 1600-1700, Youth Center
- First Friday Cinco de Mayo, 1600-2100,

Buffet served 1600-1800, Jimmy Doolittle Center

- Cinco de Mayo, 1630-1930, Rockers Bar & Grill
- Friday Fun Members Buffet, 1630, Rockers Bar & Grill
- Club Member Cash Drawing, 1730-1830, Rockers Bar & Grill and the Jimmy Doolittle Center
- Base Skate, 1800-1900, Youth Center
- Keystone Club, 1830-1930, Youth Center
- Karaoke, 2000, Rockers Bar & Grill
- Lights & Strikes Bowling, Every Fri, 2100-2400, Bowling Center

UPOMING EVENTS - MAY 6

- Youth Center Dance Classes, Various Times, Youth Center
- Swim Lessons, 0900, 1000, 1100, Indoor Pool
- Jiu Jitsu Training, 1100, Fitness Center
- Bowler of the Year Tournament, 1200, Rough Rider Lanes
- Give Parents A Break, 1300-1700, Child Development Center/School Age Program
- Get up. Get out. Get Fit Together Bowling, 1700-2000, Bowling Center
- Saturday "Bowl the Night Away" with Lights & Strikes, 2000-2400, Bowling Center

ONGOING EVENTS

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The University will host a peer review campus visit, October 30-31, 2017. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet HLC's Criteria for Accreditation. Minot State University has been regionally accredited since 1917. The public is invited to submit comments regarding the university to the following address: Public Comment on Minot State University Higher Learning Commission 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500 Chicago, IL 60604-1411 The public may also submit comments on HLC's website at www.hlcommission.org/comment. Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing. All comments must be received by September 30, 2017

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Is having their semi-annual Case Lot Sale Thursday, April 27 - April 30, 2017 Normal Store Hours We can't wait to see you there!

28TH ANNUAL SPRING HONOR DANCE AND POWWOW CELEBRATION 4/28/2017 10:00 AM

Minot State University Dome. MSU Native American Center and Club will host this 2 day event, one of the largest student led events, where they will honor the 2017 graduating class.

IMAGICON 4/28/2017 - 4/30/2017 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Holiday Inn Riverside. Minot's comic/gaming convention is back. This year's event will be held April 28-30, 2017, at the Holiday Inn-Riverside and features Cosplay contests, artists, board and video gaming, LAN parties, shopping, and more. Early bird tickets on sale now at www.imagiconnd.com.

GAME ON! 4/21/2017 4:30 PM

Ward County Public Library. The Ward County Public Library will be offering gaming systems every Friday from 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 1 pm starting April 21st. The last day will be June 3rd. We will have a Wii and an Xbox 360 with Kinect. Bring your friends because we are sure to have a fun time! For more information, please contact the library at 701-852-5388.

STEP'S WEE FUNDRAISER (SERENITY THERAPEUTIC EQUINE PROGRAM) 4/29/2017 9:00 AM

All around Minot. Serenity Therapeutic Equine Program is doing a "Wee" fundraiser to help raise money for Ridership for the riders who will be participating in the program this summer. What is a ridership? This is money raised to help cut the cost for families program fees. (It costs around \$240 per 6 week session per participant). How can you help? Let's keep the toilet planter from appearing in your yard! Pay before the day of the event and get \$5 off insurance or sending the beautiful toilet to a friend.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK 4/29/2017 - 5/06/2017 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Main Street Books; 8 Main Street South. Children's Book Week is here! Join a host of downtown businesses in this Week Long Scavenger Hunt looking for award winning books all over downtown. The fun starts at Main Street Books on Independent Bookstore Day, April 29th. Come in to get your Scavenger Hunt Map and your 1st clue. Follow the clues to the next store and book and receive a stamp to signify you found it! Every store will have a clue to the next book and store. When you finish, you'll receive a page of coupons for downtown businesses and will be able to register to win a basket of award-winning books worth \$75.00. To celebrate the conclusion of Children's Book Week, join us on Saturday, May 6th at 11:00 a.m. for our Curious George Event. Come to meet Curious George, eat goodies, play games and win prizes. There will also be a storytime and craft, so come on down and party with your favorite books and friends in your favorite bookstore ever.

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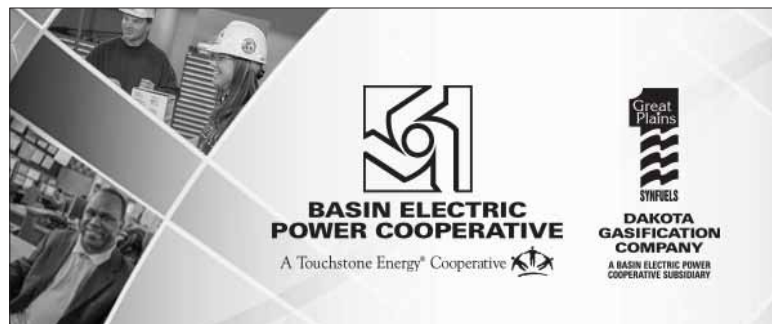
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705 MUNS, 49 TES team up during WSEP

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MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, N.D. -- Members with the 705th Munitions Squadron from Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota and 49th Test and Evaluation Squadron from Barksdale AFB, Louisiana, worked together on the nuclear weapon system evaluation program at the Dugway Proving Ground in Utah March 18-31, 2017.

The purpose of the WSEP, also known as Combat Sledgehammer, is to accurately assess the effectiveness and suitability of Air Force Global Strike Command's nuclear-capable

weapon systems.

The WSEP program occurs two to three times a year. Members of the 705th MUNS and the 49th TES worked together to evaluate operational readiness of nuclear-capable weapon systems in AFGSC's arsenal. Throughout the 12-day process, the Airmen were responsible for all scheduled and unscheduled missile maintenance.

"We do all we can to ensure the weapons system is reliable and that everything works as planned," said Tech. Sgt. Dustin Deaton, 705th MUNS missile maintenance bay chief. "We

do everything from engine inspections and fueling to missile testing."

Deaton described how members with the 49 TES assisted his unit.

"Once the missiles were loaded onto the aircraft, the 49 TES ran an interface test on the aircraft," Deaton said. "We troubleshoot and fixed any issues they might have found. When those interface tests passed and everything was good, we deemed those missiles ready for launch."

He also explained other tasks the unit accomplished while at the proving ground.

"When we were at the site, we waited for the missile to launch and impact its target," Deaton said. "Then we went out in a work-recovery team while ensuring not to leave any classified material on the test range."

Deaton described his feeling watching the missiles launch successfully.

"I feel proud when I'm on the test range watching the missile impact its zone after its three-hour flight," Deaton said. "Knowing we've worked on these missiles throughout our entire careers and seeing them launch successfully gives me a sense of satisfaction."

Likewise, Tech. Sgt. Douglas Hull, 705th MUNS missile maintenance bay

chief, feels gratitude when watching the missile systems have an effective launch.

"It's always nice to see the fruits of our labor," Hull said. "Nothing makes me more proud than hearing the missile system we work on had a successful test launch. It means every Airman helped get the missiles fully mission capable."



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Members of the 49th Test and Evaluation Squadron from Barksdale Air Force Base, La., perform maintenance at Minot AFB, N.D., March 13, 2017. Members of the 49th TES helped the 705th Munitions Squadron evaluate Air Force Global Strike Command's nuclear-capable cruise missiles and gravity-based weapon systems.

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