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Photo courtesy Sgt. Jack Morse

## X-ray vision ...

Maj. Andrew Barr examines X-rays belonging to an Iraqi child during a medical assistance mission at a school near Balad, Iraq. Barr is the surgeon for the 4th Infantry Division's 3rd Brigade Combat Team. During the mission, Soldiers provided medical and dental service for about 300 children.

## Helicopter crash claims lives of 4 Carson Soldiers

Courtesy Fort Carson Public Affairs Office

Four Fort Carson soldiers were killed when a Coalition helicopter went down near the city of Amiryah at approximately 9 a.m. Sunday.

Fort Carson identified four of the Fort Carson soldiers who died in a helicopter incident. The soldiers were on Sunday in Al Fallujah, Iraq. Killed were:

Sgt. Ernest G. Bucklew, 33, of Enon Valley, Pa., was assigned to Support Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Spc. Darius T. Jennings, 22, of Cordova, S.C., was assigned to 2nd Squadron, 3rd ACR.

Staff Sgt. Daniel A. Bader, 28, of Colorado Springs, was assigned to Air Defense Artillery Battery, 1st Squadron, 3rd ACR.

Spc. Brian H. Penisten, 28, of Fort Wayne, Ind., was

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## 39th eSB readies for Iraq

by Spc. Matt Millham  
14th Public Affairs  
Detachment

While soldiers from Fort Carson rotate home from Iraq for two weeks of rest and recuperation, a major element of the Mountain Post's 7th Infantry Division, the 39th Enhanced Separate Brigade, began training at Fort Hood, Texas for a yearlong tour in Iraq.

Roughly 3,600 National Guard soldiers of the 39th began arriving from Arkansas and Illinois by bus Oct. 28 to begin six months of pre-deployment training.

The 2nd Battalion of the

162nd Infantry, 41st Infantry Brigade from Oregon has joined the 39th for the deployment.

The brigade's first real-world mission as a whole unit will be to conduct "a full spectrum of operations" in Iraq, including combat, stability and support operations, and aiding in humanitarian assistance operations, said Brig. Gen. Ronald S. Chastain, commanding general of the 39th eSB.

Although the brigade has not activated since it was formed in 1967, it has, since 1999, deployed some of its soldiers to Bosnia, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and the Sinai Peninsula.

The training the brigade has

conducted so far, said Chastain, has been in preparation for an exercise at the Joint Readiness Training Center at the beginning of 2004.

"The biggest challenge in my mind is going to be getting our people as physically fit as they need to be," said Chastain. "That's always a challenge for National Guard soldiers since you only have control of them basically two days a month."

The brigade will be attached to the 1st Cavalry Division for the deployment. The division expects to be shipped to Iraq in either March or April 2004, said Chastain.



Photo by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger

## A Red Ribbon visit ...

McGruff the Crime Dog greets children as part of a Red Ribbon Week assembly at Beacon Elementary School focusing on the dangers of tobacco Oct. 29.

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### Happenings



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### Gate Construction

Due to continuing construction, Gate 4 will remain inbound only until further notice. Gates 2 and 3 will remain open to inbound and outbound registered privately owned vehicle traffic.

Post Weather hotline:  
526-0096

# Fort Carson a great place to explore the outdoors

Commentary by Sgt. Chris Smith  
14th Public Affairs Detachment

All right, I've been here about three years now and too many times have I heard, "Fort Carson is boring." Upon further prodding, the complainers generally say the same thing, "there's nothing to do."

Are they crazy? If you're in the Army, you more than likely wanted to try something new. What better place than Colorado? With the exception of no ocean, Colorado offers everything you could want.

In this very newspaper, there is a section called Happenings produced by Nel Lampe. She spotlights different places that are suitable for day trips, how much they cost and what the fun factor is.

Maybe some of the things listed are too family oriented for your taste. Go to Outdoor Recreation. It's no secret that people have requested Fort Carson just because of the programs Outdoor Recreation offers.

I also realize that many of you would prefer not to expose your skin to too much daylight. Colorado Springs

has plenty to offer in the lines of culture and nightlife, and if that still isn't enough, go to Denver.

I could brood for days over the complaining of these people. They generally fall into the category of barracks rats. No, not the ones that live in your cupboard because you never clean, I'm talking about Soldiers who get off of work and go to the barracks, shoppette and maybe the gym. These soldiers could be stationed in the most cherry assignment and still whine about how they want to leave.

The majority doesn't care what you say; their minds are made up. But some can be helped. The next time you go out to do something (snowboard, hike, club, etc.) offer one of the rats a chance to go, sometimes they'll bite. You don't have to become their best friend; some of the rats aren't rats by choice, but bringing them along once in a while won't hurt either.

If you really don't think Fort Carson is a great place to be, I'm sure there's plenty of Soldiers who'd like to switch assignments with you, I guarantee it.

# Letter to the Editor

Dear Friends:

I hope that you will spare me a few minutes of your time to tell you about something I saw Oct. 27.

I had been attending a conference in Annapolis, Md. and was coming home Oct. 26. As you may recall, Los Angeles International Airport was closed Oct. 26 because of the fires that affected air traffic control. Accordingly, my flight and many others, were cancelled, and I wound up spending a night in Baltimore.

My story begins the next day. When I went to check in at the United Airlines counter that morning I saw a lot of Soldiers home from Iraq. Most were very young and all had on their desert camouflage uniforms. This was a change from earlier when they had to buy civilian clothes in Kuwait to fly home. It was a visible reminder that we are at war.

It was probably a scene pretty close to what train terminals were like in World War II. Many people were stopping the troops to talk to them, asking them questions in the Starbucks line or just saying "Welcome Home."

In addition to all the flights that had been cancelled, the weather was terrible in Baltimore, and flights were backed up. So, there were a lot of unhappy people in the terminal trying to get home, but nobody that I saw gave the Soldiers a bad time.

By afternoon, one plane to Denver had been delayed several hours. United personnel kept asking for volunteers to give up their seats and take another flight. They weren't getting many takers. Finally, a United spokeswoman got on the public address system and said this, "Folks, as you can see, there are a lot of Soldiers in the waiting area. They only have 14 days of leave, and we're trying to get them where they need to go without spending any more time in an airport then they have to. We sold them all tickets, knowing we would oversell the flight. If we can, we want to get them all on this flight. We want all the Soldiers to know that we respect what you're doing, we are here for you and we love you."

At that, the entire terminal of cranky, tired, travel-weary people, a cross-section of America, broke into sustained and heart-felt applause. The Soldiers looked surprised and very modest. Most of them just looked at their boots. Many of us were wiping away tears.

And, yes, people lined up to take the later flight, and all the Soldiers went to Denver on that flight.

That little moment made me proud to be an American, and also told me why we will win this war.

If you want to send my little story on to your friends and family, feel free. This is not some urban legend. I was there, I was part of it, I saw it happen.

**Will Ross**  
Administrative Judge  
United States Department of Defense

# Wanted by CID



Information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the theft of a 1998 Honda CR 250R dirt bike, black, red and white in color. VIN JH2ME0335WM003767. Also stolen, 1991 Honda CR 125 dirt bike, red and white in color. On Sept. 30, person(s) unknown stole the motorcycles from the parking lot adjacent to building 1363, Fort Carson. If anyone has information about the larceny, please contact Special Agent Jason Dailey at 524-1086 or the Military Police at 526-2333.

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# News

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## Carson's energy conservation rewarded

by Pfc. Aimee J. Felix  
Mountaineer staff

For its excellence in energy and water conservation, Fort Carson was awarded the Presidential Award Oct. 30. Fort Carson's was one of five awards, each given for excellence in a different category. Fort Carson won for its outreach and awareness programs. The Assistant Secretary of Energy Efficiency and Renewable energy at the U.S. department of Energy gave the award.

Leading up to the Presidential Award, Fort Carson also won a 25th Annual Secretary of the Army Energy and Water Management Award for the Installation Management Agency Northwest Region for its 2002 efforts. There are five IMA winners of this award.

The post also won one of three 2003 Federal Energy Management Program Energy/Efficient Management Awards for an organization. For this prestigious award, Fort Carson competed against all of the Department of Defense agencies and other federal agencies. The award ceremony was held Oct. 28 and 29 at the Wyndham Washington Hotel in Washington D.C. These two awards were given based on Fort Carson's all-encompassing conservation efforts.

According to the summary portion of its

Presidential Award submission, Fort Carson has established an effective, multi-faceted energy and water management program consisting of command emphasis, innovative management, training and public relations efforts, project implementation and the recent establishment of a sustainability program. The post takes energy and water conservation efforts a step further by developing a close relationship with the local utility company and demonstrating the Army's support of regional energy reduction and drought initiatives. The integrated efforts of the Directorate of Environmental Compliance and Management, the Directorate of Public Works and Management and post contractors are directly responsible for the continued success of this program.

Scott Clark, energy program coordinator, attributes the post's success to the community at large for taking heed to water restrictions and conserving in general.

DPW installation contractors Dan Golden and

Vince Guthrie, pushed the issue of water conservation, said Clark. Because of their continuing efforts, water usage was reduced by 10 percent in 2003.

The entire installation embarked on the establishment of a sustainability program in 2002. Mary Barber, deputy director of DECAM, and Kelly O'Neill, installation sustainability manager, were the proponents of this program. They organized a three-day conference held in September 2002 to establish 25-year sustainability goals for Fort Carson. Two hundred and fifty people from Fort Carson, the local community and the state government attended. Twelve long-term goals were established, which included goals for increased renewable energy use, increased energy efficiency and significant water usage reductions.

The work of Fort Carson's energy and water teams were instrumental in getting this awards, said Clark. For example, the DPW, managers of Fort Carson's utility bills, reviewed and accepted a new electricity rate structure called the Super Peak program, which raises rates during 100 designated hours in the year, but lowers rates for the rest of the year. The community was made aware of these peak hours through e-mails and phone calls. The program saved approximately \$50,000 in 2002.



# Emergency services activate

by Pfc. Aimee J. Felix  
Mountaineer staff

The number of Fort Carson casualties is on the rise and families search for someone to turn to for comfort, aid, and financial and legal advice.

To that end, the Emergency Family Assistance Center, a service for the family members of casualties and injured soldiers, was activated Monday at noon. It is located on the second floor of the Family Readiness Center.

EFAC consists of various organizations that come together to provide assistance to family members.

Chaplains, members of the Staff Judge Advocate General, rear detachment officers from various units, the finance department, Defense Eligibility Enrollment Reporting System, and many others are present and ready to help family members.

The staff of the EFAC is available to answer questions concerning healthcare and benefits, and to provide counseling.

Although Fort Carson leaders have trained for such a service, it is the first time, during this war, Fort Carson

has had to activate it.

The operation was implemented upon order of the 7th Infantry Division and Fort Carson commanding general, Maj. Gen. Robert Wilson.

The Survivors Working Group, a group chaired by Col. Michael Resty Jr., Fort Carson garrison commander, made the recommendation based on the most recent tragedy in Iraq that cost the lives of four Fort Carson soldiers and injured several more.

EFAC is activated to support mass casualties or natural disasters, according to Standard Operating Procedure.

The EFAC will remain open 24-hours a day until ACS is given the order to cease by the commanding general.

Generally, the normal process lasts 72 hours, said Resty in a press conference Monday. However, the order to cease is determined by turnout and by the severity of the individual situation, he added.

An emergency phone number has also been activated, 1(866)804-8763. For more information, call Maj. Corena Gardner, ACS deputy, at 526-4590.

## Crash

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assigned to ADA Btry., 1st Sqdrn., 3rd ACR.

At about 9 a.m. Iraqi time, an Army CH-47 Chinook helicopter with 36 soldiers on board crash landed near the Iraqi city of Fallujah. Sixteen soldiers were killed and 20 injured as a result of the crash. Wounded soldiers were evacuated to combat support medical facilities.

The helicopter was transporting personnel to the Baghdad International Airport when the incident happened. An aerial quick reaction force was immediately dispatched to the scene and a ground force secured the site. The aircraft that crashed landed is assigned to the 12th Aviation Brigade, which was operating in support of the 82nd Airborne Division Task Force. The CH-47 Chinook is a medium-duty dual-rotor helicopter designed to provide medium lift and transport capability.

The cause of the incident is unknown and an investigation is under way. Memorial services for the soldiers are pending.

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# Military

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## *Space Brigade ...*

# Issues covered at prayer breakfast

by **D.J. Montoya**

**U.S. Army Space Command  
PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE,**

**Colo.** -- Terrorism, various personal problems and a sense of helplessness were the issues covered during a recent prayer breakfast sponsored by the 1st Space Brigade (Provisional) at U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command, Colorado Springs.

The guest speaker for the event was Chap. (Maj.) Andrew C. Meverden, currently assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 135th General Support Aviation Regiment of the 89th Troop Command, Colorado Army National Guard. Meverden is one of only two chaplains in the entire COANG.

Addressing a group of early risers consisting of military and civilians from the command, Meverden's subject was "When You've Got Problems That Can't be Solved."

Known as "Chaplain Andy," the rev-

erend touched upon recent experiences as chaplain of the 5th Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne) Kabul, Afghanistan from August 2002 through July of this year.

"At different times in your life you are going to find yourself in the following kind of a situation," said Meverden.

"You are going to be in the midst of a storm. A storm that you didn't cause. One that you cannot control and you have no choice but to wait out.

"These kinds of problems are the most difficult ones to face because they make us feel so helpless. This current period for those of us in the military, being faced with situations — ones we did not cause, or were forced into — sometimes relates to family separations. Other times it relates to hazardous duty. All we can do is wait out the storm."

Meverden added that other issues revolve around money, family, work and

even pet problems. But the important thing to remember about all such problems is that they are only temporary in nature.

Referring to himself as a wounded healer, Meverden said that he has been through the best and worst of life — witnessing much of both this past year in Afghanistan.

"You can endure anything if it will not last forever. That was the perspective I took when I said goodbye to my family here at Pete Field last year," said Meverden

Meverden also reminded the audience that the problems don't necessarily have to make one miserable. "We can live this life with a sense of hope and optimism."

Meverden recounted growing up with

a personal fear of the dark and how he dealt with it.

"It was our first night in Afghanistan and there was no electricity in Kabul. We had a little generator powering lights in the mess area. You take your food out

about 50 feet away to eat it so the bugs don't get into the kitchen. And here I was standing with wire around us. We had about 800 new Afghan recruits whom we knew could possibly be infiltrators from al-Qaida and the Taliban. And there I was without an assistant

— chaplains are non-combatants. I didn't have a weapon. I was standing in pitch-black darkness in Afghanistan. For some strange reason, from that moment on, I lost my fear of the dark."

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***"You can  
endure anything  
if it will not last  
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Chap. (Maj.)  
Andrew C. Meverden

# Military Briefs

## Misc.

**West Point** — The U.S. Military Academy at West Point is looking for branch-qualified company grade officers and noncommissioned officers in the rank of sergeant first class interested in an assignment to the USMA. NCOs should have drill sergeant or platoon sergeant experience with 12-15 years of service to be assigned to the staff and faculty as instructors and Company Tactical NCOs. Selected officers will normally attend advanced civil schooling for up to two years followed by a three-year tour at West Point. For application information, go to <http://www.usma.army.mil/adjutant-general> or write to Management Operations Branch, AG Division, West Point, N.Y. 10996-1926.

**U.S. Military Academy** — Regular Army Soldiers are offered admission to the U.S. Military Academy or the U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School every year. Interested Soldiers must be U.S. citizens, unmarried with no legal obligation to support dependents, not be 23 years of age or older prior to July 1 of the year entering, of high moral character and have a sincere interest in becoming an Army officer. Contact Maj. Cliff Hodges, the Soldier Admissions Officer, at (845) 938-5780/DSN 688-5780 or e-mail to [3224@usma.edu](mailto:3224@usma.edu).

**Pregnant and postpartum physical training program helps Soldiers:**

- Stay in shape, minimize weight gain.

- Exercise with other moms-to-be.
- Lose the weight.
- Learn about parenting, infant care, nutrition, pregnancy, and more.

The program is tailored to all pregnant and postpartum Soldiers.

Register now at the wellness center 526-3887, building 1526, Family Readiness Center.

**Aerobic instructors are needed** for pregnant, active duty Soldiers one day a week from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.

Volunteers will work with units during PT hours if active duty. For more information, call Capt. Cindy Craddock at 526-4393.

**Support single Soldiers** and bowl at a discounted price at the bowling center, building 1511, Saturday from midnight to 3 a.m. The cost is \$7.50 per person which includes shoes and unlimited bowling. For more information, call Sgt. Kara Hines 524-2677.

**Go Warrant Officer** — The U.S. Army is looking for highly motivated soldiers to fill its Warrant Officer ranks. Positions are open in all 45 specialties if you qualify. Soldiers with less than 12 years active federal service are encouraged to apply. For more information, contact the Warrant Officer Recruiting Team at [www.usarec.army.mil/warrant](http://www.usarec.army.mil/warrant) or DSN 536-0484/0458/0488/0478/1860/0271.

**Be a recruiter** — The U.S. Army Recruiting is seeking highly motivated and dedicated noncommissioned officers to assist in providing the strength of America's Army. Take the challenge and learn how you can become a member of the recruiting team. For more information, visit [www.usarec.army.mil/recruiter](http://www.usarec.army.mil/recruiter) or DSN 536-0215/0465/0210/0547.

## CIF Hours

**Central Issue Facility hours of operation**

**Regular business hours**  
Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 4 p.m. and Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to noon.

**Initial/partial issues**  
Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3 p.m.

**Direct exchange**  
Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

**Partial turn-ins**  
Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

**Full turn-ins**  
Appointments are scheduled

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Call 524-2006 or 526-2729.

Effective immediately:

Replacement will be scheduled Mondays, Thursdays and Friday mornings.

Demobilized units tentatively have Tuesdays and Wednesdays to schedule out processing.

Mobilization units will schedule unit direct exchange by appointment. Unit supply sergeants will collect Soldiers' DX items and schedule CIF appointments. A CIF employee will work one-on-one with supply sergeant vs. having bus loads of Soldiers arrive at CIF to exchange one or two items.

**Active-duty units** — PCS/ETS/chapters/retirees will make an initial out processing appointment (Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays) for turn-in. All follow-on appointments (14 OCIE items or less) will be scheduled if needed.

**Bulk issue and turn-ins** — By appointment only.

Appointments can be made with Connie Thompson at 526-4057 or 524-2006. POC for this information is Mark A. Rudd Sr., CIF supervisor at 526-6477.

## Briefings

**eArmyU** — eArmyU program briefings are conducted at the Mountain Post Training and Education Center, building 1117, Tuesdays at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m.

**Are you ETSing?** If you're within 120 days of end of time in service, you must immediately call 526-2607 or 526-2599 to make your appointment for your mandatory Reserve Component Briefing.

**The Commanding General's Newcomers' Brief** is the third Wednesday of each month, 1 to 3 p.m. at McMahon Theater.

## Laundry Service

**Post Laundry Service** — The Post Laundry service provides free laundry and dry cleaning service to Soldiers for government-owned property only. Items issued by the Central Issue Facility should be cleaned at the Post

Laundry prior to turn in. Soldiers are reminded to allow extra time for items to return from the cleaners. It is not recommended to pick up your equipment on the same day as the scheduled CIF appointment. The turn around for the service is 72 hours. No appointment is necessary. The Post Laundry will not clean personal items like BDUs, boots, tent pegs, canteens, entrenching tools or wet-weather gear. Material TA-50 items that can be washed include: sleeping bag assembly, chemical suits, Gortex, ruck sacks, coveralls, CVC jackets and most web equipment.

Hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 3:45 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, excluding holidays. For more information, call 526-8806 or 526-8804.

## Hours of operation

**The Mountain Post Training and Education Center's** hours for certain programs and services will change Monday.

Hours are:

eArmyU Testing center, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Army Learning Center and Basic Skills Classes, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Counselor Support Center, Monday through Thursday 7 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Friday 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

**Claims Division hours** — The Claims Division office hours are now Monday through Thursday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. The office is closed Fridays.

Personnel Claims hours:

Mandatory briefing: Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Submit DD 1840/1840R

Receive documents for filing: Submitting completed Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Claims: 1 to 4 p.m. Closed on Friday.

If there is an emergency personnel claims issue on Friday, call Tina Kolb at 526-1352 to see if it warrants an appointment.

**Editor's note:** The deadline for submitting "briefs" to the Mountaineer is 5 p.m. Friday before publication.

# Greenback

## New leave procedures for Guard, reserve soldiers

by 1st Lt. Ted Stutz  
4th Finance Battalion

Effective Oct. 1, the new automated leave accrual system for reserve component soldiers was implemented to monitor leave days earned. Manual tracking of leave will no longer be necessary. When reviewing your Oct. 31 Leave & Earning Statement, you will notice the leave balance block will now state:

LEAVE:	BF-BAL	ERND	USED
	0 2.5	0	2.5
CUR-BAL	LOST	PAID	USE/LOSE
	0	10.5	0

Soldiers with a tour start date before the conversion date, Oct. 1 and a tour stop date on or after Oct. 30 must see their Unit Administrators, Battalion S-1, PAC Clerks or first sergeant to closeout their leave

balance in order to carry the prior leave balance forward to the RC Pay System.

For Soldiers with a DMOB/REFRAD date on or before Oct. 29 no action is required — they will out process the old way, manual tracking of leave.

To ensure the leave balance is rolled over to the RC Pay System, the requirements for unit S-1 are as follows:

- Receive training on the RCLEAVE Program.
- Review AR 600-8-10 Leaves and Passes Regulation.
- Verify leave posted to the Leave Control Log is correct.
- Soldiers must complete 30 consecutive days of active duty to accrue leave.
- Use the RCLEAVE Program to closeout leave as of Sept. 30.

• Printout the RCLEAVE COMP sheet, acquire the commander/S-1 and Soldiers' signatures on RCLEAVE COMP Sheet.

• Submit Transmittal Letter USARC 26-R or DA 200 for the signed RCLEAVE COMP with attached DA 31s to the 4th Finance BN, RC Pay Section Bldg. 1220. NOTE: If the DA31s are missing a commander's signature, a memorandum is required.

Finance will review documentation for accuracy and code transactions to update leave balances.

Finance has only a limited time to correct the beginning leave balance. After that, the local finance office must forward request for leave corrections to the Finance Center (DFAS-IN) to process. Units will need to re-submit all DA31 for the month of October 2003 to ensure 100 percent of leaves are processed onto the new system.

## The military police blotter ...

# Many consequences to drinking, driving

### Courtesy Provost Marshal Office

Driving under the influence of alcohol is a very serious crime - a crime that can be easily prevented. Punishment for drunk driving or driving under the influence can be severe. Receiving a DUI will affect your civilian life as well as your military career. It will also be an inconvenience for you and your family members.

An Army sergeant, we will call him Sgt. John Emmett, got behind the wheel of a vehicle under the influence of alcohol. He did not feel drunk. He had only had a couple of drinks so he was sure that those drinks would not affect his driving ability. Emmett considers himself a good driver. As a matter of fact, he was sure that those couple of drinks would not affect his driving ability at all.

To his surprise Emmett was pulled over by the police. He couldn't believe that they pulled him over for going 10 miles over the speed limit. He was really scared when he saw those flashing lights behind him.

Driving under the influence was not worth the trouble Emmett had to endure. First of all, Emmett was subject to UCMJ action. He received an Article 15, extra duty, restriction and his driving privileges were suspended on-post. To make matters worse, his superiors no longer looked at him in the same light as a soldier. His reputation at work was also affected by his bad decision.

Emmett's civilian life was also affected; he lost his license so he had to trouble his family members and

friends every time he had to go somewhere. He was affected financially because he had to pay court costs, lawyer fees and alcohol rehabilitation classes. His car insurance increased drastically. This DUI cost Emmett about \$8,000. He also had to deal with the stress of possible time in jail. He missed time away from his family and work due to DUI classes, time in court and time with his lawyer. His family had to rearrange their normal schedule in order to pick him up and take him to work. Luckily, he did not have to suffer the embarrassment of his friends and family members being there to see him get arrested.

### Consequences to drinking and driving

- UCMJ action
- Civilian court fees
- Loss of license
- Degredation of character
- Increased insurance rates

Emmett has learned from his bad decisions. He will never drive under the influence again! He hopes his story will prevent another soldier from making the same mistake.

Fort Carson's traffic section usually handles about four DUIs a week. This number is fairly low because of all of the deployed units. The military police receive many leads from the soldiers manning the gates who occasionally smell alcohol in privately owned vehicles when family members and soldiers drive through the gate. The average blood alcohol content of a person charged on Fort Carson for a DUI is usually between .11 and .17 percent BAC. The limit in Colorado is .10.

It is estimated that between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day close to 2,000 people are killed in traffic crashes involving automobiles. Driving under the influence is a misdemeanor. In many states, you can be

### Traffic Roll Up

Traffic Roll Up for the periods of Oct. 16 to 29 In the past two weeks, there were 191 total citations:

- \* 55 for speeding
- \* 42 for running a stop sign or red traffic light
- \* 16 for having expired plates
- \* 4 for not having on a seatbelt.
- \* 74 for other violations (e.g.: malfunctioning equipment, lack of insurance or registration, improper vehicle operation ect. )

arrested for a DUI just if you are in physical control of a motor vehicle; even if you are asleep in a vehicle such as in a parking lot of a bar or anywhere while intoxicated. You can also be charged for a DUI if there is proof of impairment. If there is proof of impairment, then your blood alcohol content isn't really a factor if it is below the legal limit. Proof of impairment can be proven based on eye-witness testimony. Driving too fast or too slow, weaving from lane to lane and going through stop signs have all been used as evidence of impairment. Proof of impairment basically means that the amount of alcohol a person has consumed has prevented them from safely operating a motor vehicle.

Unfortunately, more Americans have died in alcohol-related traffic crashes than in all the wars the United States has been involved in since our country was founded. Hopefully, we can make a difference here at Fort Carson and, ensure that none of our soldiers and family members are behind the wheel of a motor vehicle after consuming any alcoholic beverage. Be safe and do not operate a motor vehicle when consuming alcohol.

# Dining Schedule

## Weekday Dining Facilities

43rd ASG Cheyenne Mtn. Inn (building 1040)  
3rd ACR CAV House (building 2461)  
3rd ACR Patton House (building 2161)  
10th SFG (A) (building 7481)  
3rd BCT Strikers Cafe (building 2061)

## Weekday Meal Hours

Breakfast 6 to 9 a.m. (All facilities)  
6:30 to 8:30 a.m. (Cheyenne Mtn. Inn)  
Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Dinner 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

## Week of Nov. 8 to 14

### Exceptions

- Butts Army Airfield dining facility is closed until further notice.
- 3rd Brig. and 43rd ASG are closed Saturday thru Tuesday.
- Mountaineer. Inn is closed until further notice.



## Saturday, Sunday and Training Holiday Dining Facilities

3rd ACR Cav. House. (building 2461)  
43rd ASG (building 1040)  
3rd ACR Patton House (building 2161)  
3rd BCT Strikers Cafe (building 2061)

## Saturday, Sunday and Training Holiday Meal Hours

Breakfast 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.  
Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Dinner 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.  
3 to 5 p.m. (Cheyenne Mtn. Inn)

# Travelers can donate their frequent flier miles to Soldiers on R&R leave from Iraq

by K.L. Vantran

## American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — Travelers can donate frequent-flier miles to help troops on leave from Iraq reach their destinations through Operation Hero Miles.

Service members participating in the two-week "rest and recuperation" leave program are flown free to Rhein-Main Air Base, Germany, or Baltimore-Washington International Airport by the Defense Department, but must pay for connecting flights from and back to those ports. The Atlanta and Dallas-Fort Worth airports are scheduled to be added to the pro-

gram Nov. 1, said Rhonda Paige, chief of strategic communications, G-1, Army Well-Being Division.

More than 200 soldiers arrive at BWI daily as part of the

R&R program, said Lt. Col. Robert Hagen, Army spokesman.

"I think Operation Hero Miles is a fantastic program," said Hagen, who has been the on-site public affairs officer at BWI since the R&R program began Sept. 26. He said he's even donated his miles to the cause.

Launched by Maryland Congressman C.A. "Dutch"

Ruppersberger, whose district includes the Baltimore airport, the

Hero Miles Web site lists participating airlines and provides information on how to donate frequent-flier miles and how soldiers can receive complimentary tickets.

Delta, Southwest and Alaska Airlines/Horizon Airlines have joined the operation.

"I am getting a phenomenal response to Operation Hero

Miles," said the congressman in a press release. "So many Americans want to donate their frequent flier miles to help our men and women in uniform in Iraq so they can spend quality time with their family and friends here at home. I am confident that other

airlines will want to join this effort to help our soldiers risking their lives for our country."





Photo by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger

## *Salute to the fallen ...*

Soldiers from the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment and the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division present arms during the playing of "Taps" at a memorial service held for Pvt. Benjamin L. Freeman, tank crewman, K Troop, 3rd Squadron, 3rd ACR. Freeman earned many awards during his nine months in the U.S. Army including the Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal, National Service Defense Ribbon, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal and Army Service Ribbon.



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# Community

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## Flipping your lid

### *Keeping your cool in the workplace*

by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger  
Mountaineer staff

Many things can cause anger. Anger can be the result of problems at home, financial hardship, being passed up for a promotion or doing hard work and not receiving the reward you think you deserve. The unknown can lead to anger. Deployments often cause anxiety and one of the key ingredients of anger is fear.

Anger in the workplace is common in the military. "You have people from all walks of life," said Steven A. Mitchem, health technician, The Mountain Post Wellness Center. "We sometimes have people that are not really used to authority. The military is based on discipline and authority.

"If you have a person that was in a leadership position in the civilian world and then comes to the military as a lower-enlisted Soldier, he is suddenly at the bottom of the totem pole," said Mitchem. "He has to carry out orders, and sometimes it's hard for people to adjust. Sometimes people may feel they know more than the staff sergeant giving them orders. That can cause anger." When people lose their temper, it can cause disorganization within their unit or workplace.

Most anger is derived from stress and anxiety. "Managing stress is the key to controlling your anger, identifying what's bothering you and then rectifying each problem step by step," said Mitchem. "Look at yourself and see what's going on."

The obvious anger signs are when people lash out at others, make violent gestures or create nervous tension, but there are other types of angry people, said Mitchem.

"There are people who are 'grudge savers'," said Mitchem. "Those are the dangerous people. They are usually the happy-go-lucky person, usually quiet and maybe get picked on a lot. They tend to hold grudges for a long period of time, and then, all of a sudden, they snap. Those are the dangerous people that you have to watch for."

If a Soldier notices signs that a comrade may have anger problems, there are things that Soldier can do to help. If you notice a change in a person, pull them aside and talk to them.

"Don't chastise them, but instead try to find out



*Tips for keeping your cool at work*

**Relax**

**Change your way of thinking**

**Problem solving**

**Communication**

**Humor**

**Take personal time**



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# Community Events

## Miscellaneous

### Bull Elk hunting seasons on Fort Carson —

Saturday marked the beginning of the third bull elk rifle season, which extends through today. The fourth season begins Saturday and ends Wednesday.

Bull elk licenses are available over the counter, but after the actual beginning of the seasons, licenses can only be purchased at Colorado Division of Wildlife Offices (Regional Office located at 4255 Sinton Rd., Colorado Springs, Colo. Southeast of Interstate 25 and Garden of the Gods Road). The Fort Carson Outdoor Recreation Center no longer sells hunting licenses, but they can be purchased almost anywhere hunting equipment is sold.

The Directorate of Environmental Compliance and Management Wildlife Check Station (building 9301) will be open depending on range availability from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day during the season to issue Ranges Passes. Call the Range Control Information Line at 526-4136 to determine what training areas will be available for hunting. For current information about hunting on Fort Carson, call the Wildlife Office Information Recording at 579-9318 and select Option 5. For specific questions, call 576-8074 or visit our Web site at <http://mountain-prairie.fws.gov/gmu591>.

### Colorado provides military hunting preference for deployed soldiers —

Deployments may have prevented some active duty hunters from applying for Colorado's limited game license drawing. The application deadline for limited game licenses was April 1, 2003. As a result, the Colorado Wildlife Commission initiated a program to allow deployed servicemembers access to big game licenses and preference points.

The Preference Point Program allowed deployed servicemembers to purchase leftover hunting licenses prior to the licenses being offered to the general public Aug. 12, 2003. Although this deadline has past, military hunters are still eligible to apply for a preference point for next year's hunt.

To apply for a preference point, the soldier must have been deployed overseas in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom on or about April 1, 2003.

Documentation of the above MUST be included with submission of the application. (Photocopies are acceptable.)

The Preference Point Application is available at [http://www.wildlife.state.co.us/hunt/BigGame/military/preference\\_point.pdf](http://www.wildlife.state.co.us/hunt/BigGame/military/preference_point.pdf). The application must be received at the Colorado Division of Wildlife by Jan. 2, 2004.

It is unknown at this time if the Preference Point Program will be continued in 2004 by the Colorado Wildlife Commission. For more information, call the Wildlife Office at 579-9094.

**Delay in the flu vaccine** — Due to circumstances beyond the control of Evans Army Community Hospital, the "Flu Clinic" will be delayed for one week.

Starting Monday through Friday, Evans Army Community Hospital will be providing influenza vaccine to healthcare beneficiaries. The Flu Clinic will be located at building 1007 (TMC 9) on Wetzell Avenue from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The Flu Clinic will be closed Veterans Day.

It is our goal to vaccinate all our healthcare beneficiaries.

Active-duty servicemembers will receive influenza vaccine through their units as planned.

The pediatric clinic will be providing the influenza vaccine to "high-risk" children and adolescent beneficiaries from Thursday during regularly scheduled walk-in hours 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:20 p.m. at the Pediatric Immunization Clinic. Please call the Pediatric Clinic for further questions at 526-7653. Eligible federal employees can receive their

influenza vaccine starting Nov. 18 through January, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 11:30 a.m. from the Occupational Health Clinic located in building 2059 on Magrath Avenue.

People can call the Influenza Hotline at 526-6422 for updates.

**Alcoholics Anonymous meets weekly on Fort Carson** — Alcoholics Anonymous is an international fellowship of men and women who desire to stop drinking or remain sober. All members of the Fort Carson community are invited. During meetings the members share their experiences, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. Since 1935, AA has been working successfully for men and women from every age and kind of background. There are more than 100 meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous in Colorado Springs. The AA meeting on Fort Carson is at Evans Army Community Hospital, fourth floor wing, Room 4918 every Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. The meeting is sponsored by the Colorado Springs AA Center Office and lead by a retired Army sergeant. Call 526-2862 for further information.

**Federal Employee Health Benefits fair** — The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center will be sponsoring the annual Federal Employee Health Benefits Health Fair Nov. 13, noon to 2 p.m. at the Elkhorn Conference Center. Representatives from Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Pacificare, Kaiser, GEHA and Mailhandlers will be present. Monday through Dec. 8 is open season for FEHB. The effective date those changes will be Jan. 11. For more information, call Angelina Sanchez at 526-6971.

**Beat Air Force** — The Army-Air Force game will be Saturday at noon at the Air Force Academy's Falcon Stadium. Tickets are available at Information, Tickets and Registration, building 1532, 526-2083/5366. The cost is \$30 each. There will be a Fort Carson Tailgate party in Lot 2A at Falcon Stadium beginning 9 a.m. Saturday.

**Attention modelers:** The 4th Annual Mountain Post Armor Show will be held at the Elkhorn Conference Center. There will be figures from the 1860s through the present, dioramas, helicopters, artillery and more. Door prizes will be given as well as "best of" awards. The competition categories include: Junior (under 17), Basic (first-time competitors), intermediate (average to above average), advanced (highly skilled) and masters. Registration is from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Awards will be given from 3 to 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Steve Kiernan at (719) 282-3093 or [smkiernan@adelphia.net](mailto:smkiernan@adelphia.net).

**ACAP job openings** — Army Career and Alumni Program currently has the following job listings for interested personnel. For more information about the jobs, call 526-1002.

What: Information Operations Officer in Colorado Springs Who: People with top secret/SCI clearance.

What: Help desk level II in Colorado Springs Who: People with a high school diploma

What: QA project manager Omaha, Neb., no clearance required.

What: Equipment technician in Utah, Wyoming, Colorado Who: Soldiers, E-3 and above with no DWIs or felonies.

**Annual leave donations** — Joe Martinez, Directorate of Community Activities and Alan Wright, an employee in the Directorate of Environmental Compliance and Management, need annual leave donations to help cover absences because of illnesses and the exhaustion of available paid leave, call Robin Spencer at 526-0427.

Civilian employees willing to donate annual leave under the "Voluntary Leave Transfer Program" should call Patrick McCusker at 526-1696 or Kathy Green at 526-1729.

### Claims against the estate

Claims against the estate — With deepest



Army Community Service  
Family Readiness Center  
719-526-4590

# Christmas Unlimited



Call ACS at 526-4590  
to schedule an  
application appointment  
with a Financial  
Readiness  
Counselor.

## Deadline is Dec 5th.

regrets to the family of Sgt. Tamarra J. Ramos, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to her estate should contact Chief Warrant Officer Edward L. Buss, 526-6514 or 526-1954.

**Claims against the estate** — With deepest regrets to the family of Cpl. Darius Jennings, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact CW3 Tracy Forehand, 232-4581 or 392-0374.

**Claims against the estate** — With deepest regrets to the family of Staff Sgt. Frederick Miller, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact 1st Lt. David Rittenhouse, 559-8522.

**Claims against the estate** — With deepest regrets to the family of Sgt. Thomas Broomhead, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact 2nd Lt. Scott Weaver at 577-4096.

**Claims against the estate** — With deepest regrets to the family of Spc. Brian Peniston, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact 1st Lt. Randy Mitchell at 526-2095 or (478) 335-3531.

**Claims against the estate** — With deepest regrets to the family of Pvt. Benjamin Freeman, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact Chief Warrant Officer Eric Oleson at 526-2824 or 659-4097.

**Claims against the estate** — With deepest regrets to the family of Spc. Christy Tillman, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to her estate should contact Chief Warrant Officer Silas Bland at 930-7961.

# Absentee ballot deadline is quickly approaching

## Courtesy Federal Voting Assistance Program

The registration and absentee ballot request deadlines are quickly approaching in states holding Presidential Preference Primaries in January and February 2004. In some states, voters should submit a Federal Post Card Application (SF-76) to their states before the end of 2003 in order to vote in these 2004 elections. The following states are holding Presidential Preference Primaries on:

- District of Columbia: Jan. 13
- New Hampshire: Jan. 27
- Arizona: Feb. 3
- Delaware: Feb. 3
- Missouri: Feb. 3 (Submit FPCA Not Earlier Than Dec. 22)
- Oklahoma: Feb. 3
- South Carolina: Feb. 3
- Tennessee: Feb. 10 (Submit FPCA no earlier than Nov. 5)
- Virginia: Feb. 10
- Wisconsin: Feb. 17

Citizens who are covered by the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act who are residents of these states should register and request a ballot by com-

pleting and submitting an FPCA to their Local Election Official before the end of 2003. Voters should also submit a second FPCA after Jan. 1, 2004. FPCAs received after Jan. 1, 2004 will allow voters to receive absentee voting materials the 2004 state primary and November General Elections.

For assistance, you may contact an FVAP staff member through the Department of Defense Voting Information Center. The VIC also provides recorded messages from candidates, as well as other information concerning elections, 24-hours a day.

Citizens may reach the VIC toll-free from 59 countries using the toll-free numbers listed on the FVAP Web site, <http://www.fvap.gov>. In the United States call (800) 438-VOTE (8683) or local (703) 588-1343 or use DSN (military) 425-1343.

Questions regarding the above may also be referred to the Director, Federal Voting Assistance Program, Department of Defense, Washington Headquarters Services, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington DC 20301-1155. Additionally, the FVAP can be reached via e-mail at [votefvap@fvap.ncr.gov](mailto:votefvap@fvap.ncr.gov) and Web site <http://www.fvap.gov>.



Photo by Sgt. Chris Smith

## Memorial ...

**A memorial service was to honor Spc. Jose Luis Mora Jr. was held Oct. 30 at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel on Fort Carson. Mora, assigned to Company C, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, died while serving in Iraq.**

## Anger

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what's bothering them," said Mitchem. "Offer the person help and show concern. Let them know about the programs open to them such as anger management, mental health or the chaplain.

"Get to the root of the problem, because there may be an underlying problem that this person is afraid to talk about," said Mitchem. "If you approach them in a manner where they will speak to you, a lot of times they will open up."

The wellness center offers anger management classes. "It is a base class made up of two parts; anger management and anger communication," said Mitchem. "It deals with all the aspects of anger, what it is, how it is defined and how to communicate anger without harming others or yourself.

"I encourage interaction and discus-

sion in the anger management classes," said Mitchem. "We require everyone that comes to be in civilian clothes so there is no identification of rank. We want people to feel comfortable. When it comes to anger and stress, speaking, communicating and letting it out can often relieve the stress and anger instantly."

The wellness center also has social work services that offer stress and anger therapy, said Mitchem. "Usually they only take people who are court ordered to attend."

If a person thinks they may have an anger problem, there are many steps that can be taken to relieve stress and stop the cycle of anger.

"If you are mad at a person or a situation, take a breather, sit back and gather your thoughts, figure out what you're going to say and then approach the problem," said Mitchem.

"The main thing you can do to relieve stress is communicate," said Mitchem. "Talk to you someone you can trust; not necessarily a person you know. It could be a chaplain or someone that is non-biased, someone that will give you an honest opinion. Some people you see everyday may tell you what you want to hear, but not what you need to hear."

Exercise is very good for relieving stress and anger, said Mitchem. "Get out and get some exercise or get a hobby."

The right diet can relieve stress.

"When you are under stress or angry, your body uses up a lot of essential vitamins and minerals, so eating right can help," said Mitchem. The Mountain Post Wellness Center provides information on eating right and balanced diets.

Not taking one's self too seriously can help against office anger. "Humor releases positive endorphins and can

help relinquish anger," said Mitchem.

"It's up to the individual to be willing to change," said Mitchem. "If a person is not willing to change and is set in their ways, that can cause difficulty in their workplace.

"There is help when it comes to anger," said Mitchem. "You can go to the Mountain Post Wellness Center, you can go to the chaplain, you can go to a very good friend or a family member, but don't just sit there and try to hold everything on your shoulders and think that you're out there alone.

"There is always help out there and there are people you can talk to," said Mitchem. "It's up to you to seek out help and change things."

For more information or to schedule a one-on-one interview to find out if you could benefit from anger or stress management classes, call the Mountain Post Wellness Center at 526-3887.

# Chaplain's Corner

## Christ displays supernatural powers

Commentary by Chap. (Maj.) Bill Fox  
Soldiers' Memorial Chapel

Just Friday we celebrated Halloween. There is a lot made over this holiday. Typically we associate death and the supernatural with it.

Many people today fear death and when it happens to someone they know or are close to, they fall apart. But that is not necessary if they will put their hearts in the hands of Jesus Christ. For the one who has made Jesus Christ their Lord and savior, death is but a passing from this life to their heavenly home with Jesus. It is a place where there is no pain or heartache. In fact, it is perfect. It is a glorious city. And those who trust Jesus as their savior will live in that city for eternity with him. It is a place where

there is no need for light because the light of God, the Father and his son Jesus will light the place. Putting it bluntly, it is going to be incredible.

And if you are interested in the supernatural you need go only one place and that is in the presence of the creator of the universe, Jehovah. He created supernatural. He is supernatural. When his followers gather and truly worship him and him alone, the supernatural takes place.

While I was stationed in Korea, our Bible study began to focus only on worshipping the Lord. We had no other agenda except to worship our creator. It was only a very short time thereafter that the supernatural begin to take place. We were visited by God's Holy Spirit every time we met after that. It

was incredible. People's lives were changed forever. The gifts of the spirit began to be manifest and God truly was honored and he showed us his appreciation by visiting with us and doing supernatural things.

So if you really want to see the supernatural then here is what you must do. First, you must give your heart to the Lord Jesus as savior and Lord. Then begin to worship him with all your heart. Then you will forever lose any fear of death and you will see the supernatural taking place all around you. Believe me, it is awesome. Nothing on this earth even pretends to come close to it.

May you find God to be true and experience all he has for you.

### What is Wicca?

Melissa Dalugdu  
Fort Carson Open Circle Group

The word "Wicca" is from the Old English word "wicce" which means "wise one."

Pagan comes from the roman word "paganus," meaning "country dweller."  
Wicca is a neopagan religion.

- A Wiccan is one who is in tune with nature and follows the "rede."
- Wicca is one of the fastest growing religions in the world.

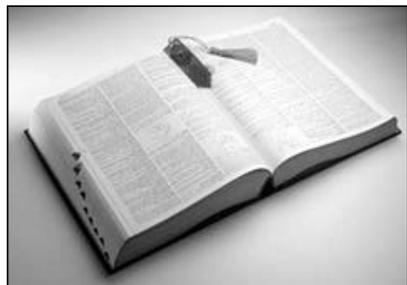
#### What do Wiccans believe?

- The divine can be seen and represented as having both male and female attributes, known as "God" and

"Goddess"

The Rede, or tenets of belief, states that followers live a life that "harms none," including self, others and the environment.

The Rule of Three relates to the belief that what you do as good or bad, comes back to you three-fold.



### Chapel

**Advent Workshop** — Ecumenical Advent Workshop Nov. 23 at 1:30 at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel

Come join us to prepare to celebrate the season of Advent. We will learn about the Advent wreath, the Jessie Tree, and the Advent Calendar. Families will be given the opportunity to make a wreath, a calendar, and Jessie Tree.

The workshop is free and for the whole family. Registration is required. Call Pat Treacy at 524-2458 to register by Sunday.

**Thanksgiving Worship Service** — There will be Thanksgiving Worship Service Nov. 27 at 10 a.m., Soldiers' Memorial Chapel.

**Youth of the Chapel** — Activities for Protestant and Catholic Middle School and High School Youth take place each Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel. Protestant High School activities include Bible Studies Sundays 9:30 a.m. and Tuesdays 6 p.m. at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel. Catholic youth classes meet at 10:45 a.m. Sundays, Soldiers' Memorial Chapel.

#### Chapel Schedule

##### ROMAN CATHOLIC

Day	Time	Service	Chapel	Location	Contact Person
M-W-F	noon	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Battiato/649-5260
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	noon	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Saturday	5 p.m.	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Sunday	8 a.m.	Mass	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Sunday	10:45 a.m.	CRE	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Pat Treacy/526-5744
Sunday	11 a.m.	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Battiato/649-5260
Sunday	12:15 p.m.	Mass	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	RCIA	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Pat Treacy/526-5744
Saturday	4 p.m.	Reconciliation	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769

##### PROTESTANT

Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Chap. Kincaid/526-7387
Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Borden/526-3711
Sunday	11 a.m.	Protestant	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Fox/526-8011
Sunday	11 a.m.	Prot./Gospel	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Byrd/526-2811
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Byrd/526-2811
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Dr. Scheck/526-5626
Tuesday	9 a.m.	PWOC	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Fox/524-1166
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Contemporary	Veterans'	Magrath & Titus	Chap. Ellison/526-8890
Sunday	6 p.m.	PYOC	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Ms. Scheck/524-1166

##### LITURGICAL

Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Lutheran	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Lloyd/526-3888
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##### JEWISH

For information and a schedule of Jewish Sabbath services, call the U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel at 333-2636.

##### WICCA

Monday	6:30 p.m.	Family University	Building 1161		Melissa Dalugdu/330-7873
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##### MORMON

Sunday	2 p.m.	LDS	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Jones/526-3718
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##### NATIVE AMERICAN SWEATLODGE

Please call the following for ceremonial information and directions. Michael Dunning at 382-5331 or cell phone 330-9537  
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For additional information, contact the Installation Chaplain's Office, building 1550, at 526-5209. Normally, free child-care is available during on-post worship services.

**Daily Bible readings:** In order to assist in regular scripture reading, the following scriptures are recommended. These scriptures are part of the common daily lectionary which is designed to present the entire Bible over a three-year cycle.

- Friday** — Psalm 127 & Micah 1-3
- Saturday** — Psalms 128 & Micah 4-7
- Sunday** — Psalms 129 & Nehemiah
- Monday** — Psalms 130 & Habakkuk
- Tuesday** — Psalms 131 & Zephaniah
- Wednesday** — Psalms 132 & Haggai
- Thursday** — Psalms 133 & Zechariah 1-5

The Army Cycle Of Prayer — Each week the Office of the Army Chief of Chaplains will highlight Army units, the Army at large, the nation and religious organizations to focus prayer. You are invited to join with the chaplain community and pray for these individuals and organizations. Please pray this week for the following: **Unit:** For the soldiers and leaders of the 1st Infantry Division ("Big Red One"), forward deployed in Wuerzburg, Germany. **Army:** For the Soldiers, noncommissioned officers and officers of the Infantry Branch. Ask God to provide leaders that will decisively train and lead their units to victory in battle. **State:** For all soldiers and families from the state of Kansas. Pray also for Gov. Bill Graves, the state legislators and municipal officials of the Jayhawk state. **Nation:** For the memory and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pray that God would lead us to realize King's vision of a land where constitutional freedoms are a reality for all, and where civility and nonviolent change become a way of life for our citizens. **Religious:** For the soldiers and families from the Moravian Church. Pray also for all military chaplains endorsed to serve on behalf of this community of faith.

For more information on the Army Cycle of Prayer, or to pray for items from previous weeks, visit the cycle's Web site at [www.usarmychaplain.com](http://www.usarmychaplain.com).

# Charities support military families

## *The Home Front Cares helps deployed, wounded military*

by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger  
Mountaineer staff

If a military family has an emergency when its loved one is deployed, life can become difficult. Fortunately, there is help.

The Home Front Cares is an organization that supports Pikes Peak Region military families who have loved ones deployed in harm's way. They do this through donations provided by individuals and businesses.

Applications for assistance are processed through Army Emergency Relief. The Pikes Peak Community Foundation holds the donations, which are tax-deductible. Each donated dollar goes to help military families in the Pikes Peak Region.

There are some guidelines to receive funds, goods and services from The Home Front Cares. Families must have U.S. military active duty, Reserve and Guard personnel who have been deployed for military operations in harm's way, they must be residing in the Pikes Peak Region, a valid military identification card and a copy of the deployment or activation orders must be presented, and families must have a financial needs assessment done by a command financial noncommissioned officer or AER, except in emergency situations.

"Everybody that goes through The Home Front Cares, comes through us first," said Capt. Jesse J. McBride, loan officer, AER. "AER is governed by Army regulations. Whatever we can't cover for that family, that's where The Home Front Cares comes in; they fill that gap.

"The Home Front Cares raises all its own money, so they have limited funds," said McBride. "If we can help a family with military programs, we will. Home Front Cares acts as a safety net."

Whenever possible, funds needed for goods and services will be paid directly to the vendor by The Home Front Cares program, through the Pikes Peak Community Foundation.

The Home Front Cares has a plethora of success stories. They have assisted military families with car repair bills, medical bills, utility bills, car payments, house payments, rent

and more.

"In many instances, AER can assist with these types of things, but because if the individual has a lot of financial debts, it would be like handing them another loan and that wouldn't help the situation," said McBride. "In those types of situation, we hand them over to The Home Front Cares so they can receive a grant instead of a loan."

The Home Front Cares also has a program called the Wounded Troops Fund. "The Wounded Troops Fund is specifically for those families that have a wounded soldier that's been transferred to Landstuhl or Walter Reed Army Hospitals," said McBride. The requirements to apply for the Wounded Troops Fund are the same as for The Home Front Cares, except that the family must have a wounded soldier.

"People want to target their donations specifically to help wounded troops and their families," said McBride. "That is the reason for The Wounded Troops Fund."

Military families with deployed loved ones and in a financial spot need not feel alone. The Home Front Cares is here to help.

The Home Front Cares is pretty much run by two individuals, two retired Air Force colonels, Robert A Carlone and Joseph Henjum.

"A lot of the people helping out, such as caseworkers or other volunteers, are retired Air Force," said McBride. "It's all volunteer, they aren't getting paid. They're not getting anything out of this except the satisfaction of helping out Soldiers.

"These guys have been doing this since our troops have been deployed and ever since then they have been working very closely with us at AER to help out the families," said McBride. "They have been doing an outstanding job and we can't thank them enough."

For assistance, to volunteer, or contribute good or services, call The Home Front Cares at 447-3838 or to make a donation, call 389-1251. For more information on The Home Front Cares check out their Web site at [www.the-homefrontcares.org](http://www.the-homefrontcares.org).

## El Pomar – gives to families of wounded

by Pfc. Aimee J. Felix  
Mountaineer Staff

A local private foundation established a fund with a \$100,000 grant to families of military personnel wounded or injured while on duty in a designated combat area.

Families of military personnel based in Colorado and whose immediate family resides in Colorado are eligible for funding.

Created and funded by the El Pomar Foundation, the El Pomar Emergency Military Fund was put into effect Monday.

"Our hearts go out to these soldiers and their families who have sacrificed so much on our behalf. El Pomar trustees created this fund in partnership with the Pikes Peak United Way to show Colorado's appreciation and support during this very difficult time," said William J. Hybl, chairman and chief executive officer of the El Pomar Foundation. Hybl is also a civilian aide to the secretary of the Army.

The fund will pay a maximum \$500 per family to assist with expenses necessary to allow immediate family members to travel to the hospital to visit the wounded or injured Soldiers.

To be eligible for funding, the family member must receive an approved Invitational Travel Order from the hospital as recommended by the Soldier's physician. For spouses in dual military marriages, permissive temporary duty orders are required.

The Army Emergency Relief will serve as a liaison for Fort Carson family members applying for the grant. AER will process and screen the applications.

"It's always easier to have the military screening the military," said Capt. Jesse J. McBride, loan officer for the AER.

Family members need only provide AER with a copy of their travel orders. AER will complete the request letter and worksheet and give all three documents to the Pikes Peak United Way. Once approved, family members will receive their payment at the Pikes Peak United Way, 518 North Nevada Street.

For more information, call McBride at 526-0450.





# GHOULS' NIGHT OUT

by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger  
Mountaineer staff

The air was filled with a chill wind and the sky dark. The waning moon reflected patches of light on the ground as shadows performed a macabre dance to silent songs. Ghouls and ghosts had come to haunt the Mountain Post.

Morale, Recreation and Welfare, Directorate of Community Activities, and Child Youth Services hosted the Harvest Fall at the Fort Carson Youth Services Building Friday night. The event was free to military families and offered a variety of activities.

"The purpose of the Harvest Festival is to give the little ones a safe place to go on Halloween," said Cyndi K. Koss, programmer, Fort Carson Youth Services.

Children and adults alike came dressed as a plethora of characters for fun and treats. Students from Hogwarts's School of Witchcraft and Wizardry, fairy princesses, the Incredible Hulk, Mighty Morphin Power Rangers and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles were just a few of the creative costumes worn by the Mountain Post residents attending the Harvest Festival.

There was a large variety of carnival-style games and activities for the children to participate in. There was a basketball throwing game, face painting, ring toss, hockey puck shoot, and a several events that taught the "six pillars of character." The six pillars of character are trust, citizenship, respect, responsibility, caring and fairness.

Everyone won Friday night at the Harvest Festival. The children were given treats at every booth and had fun in a safe environment.

Fort Carson has held this event for four years and this year was a great success, said Koss. "We had roughly 1,400 people pass through our doors Friday night."

The night may have been spooky and the weather cold, but the Mountain Post community put a warm glow in the hearts of their children on this fun Halloween night.



Princess Lavender, also known as Keeley Claiborne, 9, practices her slapshot at the Harvest Festival.



Sully from Monsters Inc. has a yellow star painted on his face hoping it will help his scare tactics. On days besides Halloween, Sully is known as Joseph Jamerson, 2.



Alisha Wade, left, and Mary Wade, 4, visit Fort Carson all the way from Hogwarts's School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. Alisha and Mary participated in the "trust walk" which was part of the "six pillars of character."



Maleficent (Lisa Campanella) takes a break from guarding Sleeping Beauty to enjoy a snack at the Fort Carson Youth Services Building during the Harvest Festival.



The Incredible Hulk (Nicholas Brooks, 4) shows off his athletic prowess by "swishing" a basketball for two points at one of the many carnival-style games.

Photos by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger



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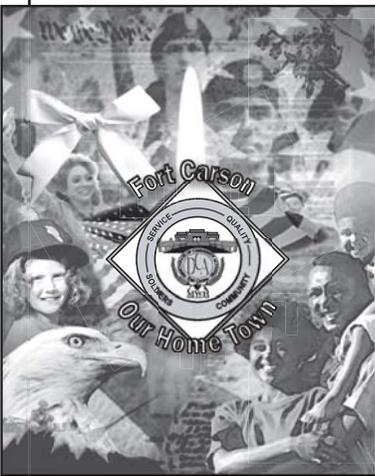
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# Sports & Leisure

## Hutchins injured

### Eagles hoopsters win season openers

by Bill Scharton  
Mountaineer staff

First, the good news. The Carson Middle School Eagles eighth-grade boys basketball team won its season opener Monday. Now, the bad news. Team co-captain, point-guard and floor leader Terrance Hutchins suffered a broken right tibia and is lost for the season.

Hutchins has experienced really bad luck on the injury front the last four months. During a pick-up basketball game in July, Hutchins broke the tibia in his left leg. This kept him on the sidelines during the Eagles 2003 football campaign. So, with the rehabilitation of the left leg complete, Hutchins was eager and ready to soar when basketball practice started Oct. 20.

The season-ending injury to Hutchins took place in the first quarter of the first game of the season Monday at Horizon Middle School. Hutchins appeared to break the bone with a bad

landing on the right leg following a drive down the lane. His immediate expressions of agony signaled the serious extent of the injury. He was taken to the hospital and the diagnosis revealed the broken right tibia. According to his mother, Sheila Hutchins, he will be in a cast and on crutches for four weeks.

The other Eagles players appeared to be stunned following the devastating injury to their team leader. The result was a sluggish first quarter but Carson still managed to maintain a 12-9 lead after one period of play.

The stunning loss of Hutchins seemed to wear off a little bit in the second quarter and the Eagles slowly and steadily increased their lead over the Horizon Panthers. A balanced scoring attack gave the Eagles a 26-18 cushion at halftime.

Guards Chris Locklin and Brandon Parks, along with forward Matt Brown, picked up the pace on offense for the Eagles in the third quarter while Shawn Artis, Austin Coleman, CJ Lacer, Dominique Smith and Jerry Ventura clamped down on defense and controlled the boards. This teamwork advanced the Eagles lead to 35-24 heading into the final quarter.

Midway through the fourth stanza, the Eagles pushed the lead to 15 points and victory number one was at the end of the tunnel. The Eagles final margin of victory was 45-34. The balanced scoring attack was led by Brown with 12, Locklin-7, Ventura-6 and Coleman-5.

"I thought Brandon (Parks) really stepped in and played well after Terrance was injured," said coach Greg Williams following the game. "Coleman was aggressive and played good defense.

"Matt Brown took charge offensively and broke it open for us in the third quarter. The game showed that we still have a lot of things to work on in practice."



Photos by Bill Scharton

**Eagles seventh-grade forward Anthony Pritchard (12) gets into position for an offensive rebound following a jump shot by teammate Devyn Harris. The Eagles won their season opener Monday with a 38-29 road win at Horizon.**

For the seventh-grade Eagles, Devyn Harris demonstrated why he will probably be as dominating on the basketball court as he was on the football field. The athletically talented Harris tallied 27 of the Eagles 38 points in the season-opening 38-29 come-from-behind win over Horizon.

The Eagles rallied in the second half following a rag-tag first half performance that led to a 24-17 halftime deficit. Lock down defense and a steady diet of Harris on offense finally gave Carson its first lead of the game, 28-26, at the end of the third quarter. The Eagles outscored the Panthers 11-2 in this decisive quarter.

A carbon copy fourth quarter pro-

pelled the Eagles to the final 38-29 margin of victory. Harris scored all 10 points for the Eagles in the final frame and he also led the team in rebounds and blocked shots. The other starters for the Eagles in this game one win were Chris Dunn, Luis Maldonado, Anthony Pritchard and Jeremy Green.

"We listened to what the coaches said at halftime," said Harris regarding the Eagles second half turnaround.

Eagles coach Justin Arnell said the halftime speech stressed tough defense along with slowing things down on offense. "It looked like the team was shellshocked at the start of the game," said Arnell. "Once they settled into it, they played a lot better."



**Point guard Brandon Parks scores from short range for the Carson Eagles eighth-grade basketball team Monday during the Eagles 45-34 season opening win at Horizon.**

# Team III wins 3-on-3 hoops tourney at Garcia

by Bill Scharton  
Mountaineer staff

Team III captured the October post-season 3-on-3 basketball tournament Oct. 30 at Garcia Physical Fitness Center. Members of the Team III championship squad included Jeremy Lovern, Theo Kweme, Ryan Curtis, Antonio Mitchell and Ben Clayton.

Team III won the title the old fashioned way the players earned it. Team III lost an early round tournament game, therefore the squad had to battle back through the loser's bracket.

This meant Team III would have to win four games on the evening of Oct. 30 in order to capture the championship. In the first game of the night, Team III won a close 11-10 decision over Team V. It would turn out to be the slimmest margin of victory for Team III all night long.

In the next outing, Team III put a licking on Team I by the count of 12-5. This win afforded Team III the opportunity to play for the title. Team VIII had also defeated Team I earlier in the evening and was waiting for Team III on the undefeated side of the tourney bracket.

To win the crown, Team III would have to defeat Team VIII two times in a row. Team III remained red hot in the first game and came away with a 14-8 win. This set the stage for the final contest of the evening for all the marbles.

Team III played tough defense in the title tilt. The tough defense limited Team VIII to a mere six-point output. On offense, Team III put 10 on the board to earn the title by the score of 10-6.

"We played some lock down defense tonight," Lovern said following the title tilt. "And Ben (Clayton) was hot offense."

"We needed him (Clayton) to be hot on offense," said Mitchell. "It was a tough game. I have several scratches to go along with a nice trophy."

Players on the second place Team VIII included Brandon Howell, James Foster, Rino Robinson and Chico-Shan'tel Ramirez.

The 3-on-3 hoops league at Garcia Physical Fitness Center for November is in abeyance at this point in time. Recreation officials are expected to make a decision this week regarding the league.

**Team III's Antonio Mitchell (left) drives for the hoop against the tough defense of Team VIII's James Foster. Team III defeated Team VIII in back-to-back contests Oct. 30 to earn the October 3-on-3 post-season title at Garcia Physical Fitness Center.**



Photo by Bill Scharton

# Army, golf were a good combination for Mann

by Bill Scharton  
Mountaineer staff

Stephanie Mann put together an impressive golf resume while active duty Army from 1996 until November 2003.

Mann played golf as a youngster and competed in high school in Farmington, N.M. After high school (1990), the clubs and bag went into the storage shed for about six years.

She joined the Army reserves in 1994 and went active in 1996. Mann's first duty station was Kaiserslautern, Germany. After arriving in Germany, she learned about the annual All-Army golf trial camp and the All-Army golf team.

This prompted her to unpack the clubs and take a shot at making the All-Army golf team. Mann filled out the paperwork and started to practice.

"Due to the long layoff, it was pretty embarrassing at first," said Mann. But she went to work on her game and headed for her first All-Army golf trial camp in the summer of 1997.

She finished second in 1997 among the female competitors and made the All-Army golf team (top two females made the team). She did not compete in 1998, but came back to place second at the trial camp three years in a row (1999, 2000, 2001).

In 2002 and 2003, Mann was the top Army female golfer at the trial camp. As a member of the All-Army golf team, she competed in the Armed Forces golf championships and finished in the top four among females four times. Her best finish in the Armed Forces championship was second in 2001. Mann also competed for the U.S. Armed Forces team in three international tournaments

(2000, 2001, 2002).

Until last January, Mann's only duty station had been Kaiserslautern, Germany. She transferred to Fort Carson in late January. She deployed to Kuwait and Iraq in March with her Fort Carson unit, 68th Battalion, 43rd Area Support Group, 183rd Maintenance Company.

Mann returned to Fort Carson at the end of August to prepare for the 2003 All-Army golf trial camp. She was once again the top Army female golfer in 2003 and she placed fourth (out of 12 female golfers) at the Armed Forces championships.

Mann went off active duty and back to the Reserves this week. Following her leave, she will work with a medical unit here at Fort Carson one weekend a month. In January, she will be a full-time student at the University of Colorado Colorado Springs, and plans to get a degree in UCCS's professional golf management school.

UCCS plans to start a women's intercollegiate golf program next fall and Mann plans to be on the team at that point in time. She is hoping it might lead to an athletic scholarship before she graduates. Mann will also be working part-time at the Fort Carson golf club in the spring and summer.

"The Army sports program is excellent," said Mann. "They have outstanding people in the Army sports program from post level to the Department of Army level.

"If I end up getting a college golf scholarship, it will be because of the opportunities provided to me by the Army."

The Fort Carson golf club will be the site for



Photo by Bill Scharton

**Six-time All-Army golf team member Stephanie Mann practices her swing at the Fort Carson golf club.**

the 2004 All-Army golf trial camp and the Armed Forces championship in late September and early October.

# Rivalry returns

## Black Knights battle Falcons Saturday

by Bill Scharton  
Mountaineer staff

So far, the Army Black Knights from West Point are winless (0-9) during this 2003 college football campaign. The Black Knights visit Falcon stadium Saturday at noon to renew their annual rivalry with the Air Force Academy (6-3).

With this being said, how could the underdog Black Knights possibly be fired up for this game? First and foremost, service academy rivalries always get these guys fired up. Secondly, believe it or not, Army can still win the 2003 Commander-In-Chief's Trophy.

If Army can pull off a win against Air Force, the Black Knights will still have a shot at the trophy. Navy beat Air Force earlier this season, so an Army win over Air Force Saturday would mean that the winner of the Army/Navy clash Dec. 6 gets the trophy this year.

Saturday's game will be the 38th time the two academies have played each other on the gridiron.

The Falcons lead the overall series, 24-12-1. Air Force is 15-2 at home, 8-9 at Army and 1-1-1 in neutral site games. The Falcons have won six straight and 13 of the last 14 against Army. The Black Knights only win during this streak came in 1996 at West Point, 23-7.

Air Force has won 12 straight home games against Army. The Black Knights last win in Falcon

Stadium came in 1977, 31-6. The first game of this rivalry was played in Yankee Stadium in 1959 and the contest ended in a 13-13 deadlock.

Tickets for the Saturday game are on sale at the post's Information, Tickets and Registration Office located in building 2429.

Mountain Post activities in support of the Black Knights get under way at 7 p.m. Friday with a pep rally and bon fire in the upper parking lot of Extremes

Entertainment and Sports Bar (building 1532 Specker Ave.). West Point cadets will be involved in the pep rally including the West Point cadet band.

The Rabble Rousers will arrive on an antique fire truck and will lead cheers. Fort Carson and West Point officials, along with a player from the Army football team,

will address the crowd. After a few more cheers, the bon fire will be lit and the Air Force mascot will be torched.

Supporters of the Army Black Knights will tailgate at Falcon stadium Saturday morning prior to the kickoff. The location will be stadium lot 2A.



Photo by Sgt. Chris Smith

**Air Force Academy Commandant of Cadets Brig. Gen. John Weida reacts in laughter as he is presented a reconnaissance photo of the Air Force Academy stadium with "Beat Air Force" emblazoned on the field by Maj. Gen. Robert Wilson, 7th Infantry Division and Fort Carson commanding general.**

## Sports Briefs

### Youth sports basketball registration

Registration for Fort Carson youth sport winter basketball and cheerleading is now underway and will last until Dec. 13. Registration is taking place at Building 5510 Hare Ave.

The age groups for basketball will be: 5- and 6-year-olds; 7- to 9-year-olds; 10- to 12-year-olds; 13- to 15-year-olds; and 16- to 18-year-olds. The season starts Jan. 17 and runs to March 6.

Youth participants must provide a medical statement signed by a licensed health professional that certifies the individual is physically fit to participate in the chosen sport(s) and addresses any pertinent medical condition(s) or constraints. This medical statement must be current the time of the first practice and remain valid through the com-

pletion date of the chosen sport season. These requirements are a condition of participation and no child will be authorized to play or practice until a valid physical is furnished.

Military ID cardholders can be volunteer coaches. Coaches receive training, continuing education and excess liability insurance coverage. Each coach is held accountable to a code of ethics when coaching.

For additional information, call the Fort Carson youth sports office at 526-1233 or 526-6810.

### Abrams Elementary School student qualifies for regional cross country meet

Michael Jenkins, a fifth-grade student at Abrams Elementary School, qualified for the USA Track and Field junior olympics Region 10 cross country meet. He qualified for the regional meet by placing 15th in the Colorado state meet Nov. 1 in Littleton. The top 25 fin-

ishers earned a spot in the regionals.

The Region 10 meet will be Nov. 22 in Albuquerque, N.M. Jenkins will compete in the 10-and-under age group and will go against runners from New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, Utah and Colorado. The top 20 regional runners will get to compete at the junior olympics national cross country meet.

### Bowling League

The Fort Carson intramural bowling league will get under way Thursday at the Thunder Alley Bowling Center.

At press time this week, nine teams had signed up for the fall and winter intramural bowling league. League action will take place each Thursday evening.

For additional information, call the intramural office at 526-6630.

### Fort Carson Golf Scramble

The next Fort Carson Golf Scramble will be at noon Thursday

at the Fort Carson Golf Course.

The entry fee is \$25 and this includes cart, greens fees, bag lunch and prizes.

The scramble is open to all military, spouses and Department of Defense employees. To pre-register a team, call 526-4122.

### Volksmarch event

The Falcon Wanderers Volksmarch Club of Colorado Springs will be sponsoring a five-kilometer and a 10-kilometer volksmarch (non-competitive walking) event Nov. 15.

The start/finish for the event is Village at Skyline, 2365 Patriot Heights in Colorado Springs.

Participants may start this event any time between 8:30 a.m. and noon. The event is free and open to the public. All participants under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

For additional information, call 392-1834.

# Dave and Buster's

## \$1 million worth of fun

Story and photos  
by Nel Lampe  
Mountaineer staff



It's a state-of-the-art arcade heaven for grown-ups and youngsters alike: a million dollars worth of video games, virtual reality, battletech, shuffleboard, golf and billiards in an upscale setting. To experience it for yourself try one of the two Dave and Buster's establishments in the Denver area.

The first Dave and Buster's is just off Colorado Avenue and encompasses 56,000 square feet, thanks to a recent expansion. It is easily accessed from Interstate 25 at the Colorado exit. With a motto "There is no place quite like it," Dave and Buster's also has race car simulators, virtual sports, electronic games of skill, hoops, skeeball and motorcycle rides.

The newer Dave and Buster's is at 104th Street, off Highway 36, known as the Boulder Turnpike, in Westminster. The Westminster Dave and Buster's is about 16,000 feet smaller and has "Chicago Shootout" and a few games not at the older place.

At either place, a family or group of friends can spend several hours in the arcade. And when you get hungry, the Midway Bar is in 1950s diner style, with chrome stools, a bar and lots of neon. A few booths and tables in the midway can be utilized by families. Waiters provide bar and food service.

The menu selection includes salads, hearty sandwiches with waffle fries as well as chicken, pasta or pizza. Sandwiches and salads are in the \$9 range. Soft drinks and bar drinks are available. Choose the Midway Bar

option if you want to stay near the action while you eat.

There's a quieter dining room if you want to eat and talk. The dining room is comfortable with table cloths, stained glass décor, plants and an extensive menu, ranging from pizza, complete meals and barbecue ribs, which are priced in the neighborhood of \$11 or \$12.

Dave and Buster's serves a brunch menu Sundays until 2 p.m.

The 21-foot long Viewpoint Bar has a 20-screen video dome featuring a variety of sports-casts.

An outdoor patio has been added by the expansion; American food fare is served.

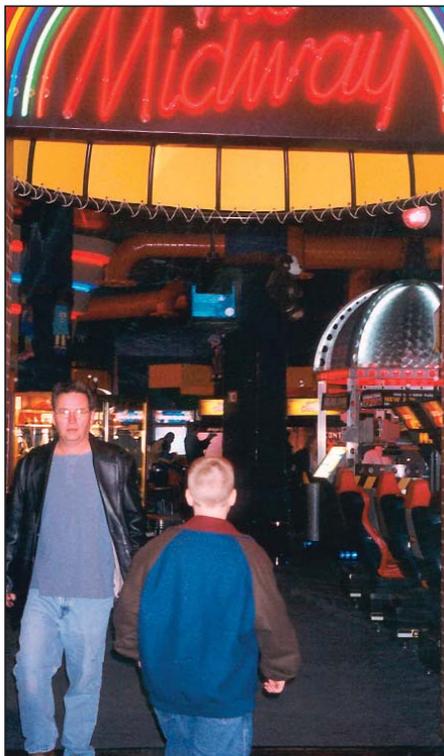
Although Dave and Buster's is listed in the restaurant section in the phone book's yellow pages, it's pretty obvious that amusement is the attraction for the hundreds of people inside. People of all ages are everywhere. Whole families, from youngsters to grandparents, enjoy the games.

Dave and Buster's is a bright, attractive, roomy place, pleasantly noisy and filled with people having fun.

When you enter the front door an attendant at the desk asks for identification and explains that Dave and Buster's is primarily a bar. Guests under 21 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Don't hesitate to bring along the family — there'll be other children in Dave and Buster's in the early part of the evening.

A printed card available at the front entry explains Dave and Buster's policy: underage guests must be accompanied while in the establishment, and must remain together. Guests older than 25 years of age may agree to be



The Million Dollar Midway, filled with rides and games, attracts visitors at Dave and Buster's.



Motorcycles rides are in the Speedway at Dave and Buster's.

responsible for up to three underage guests.

There's a dress code at Dave and Buster's — no tank tops — and clean, appropriate attire. No snuff or chewing

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The Winners' Circle has a large selection of gifts to be redeemed for tickets.

# Happy Dinings



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## Dave and Buster's

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tobacco is allowed and no pipe or cigar smoking is allowed. Smoking is permitted in designated areas only.

Upon entry you'll be given an official navigation guide to Dave and Buster's — better known as a map. It'll help you find your way around the huge establishment on your first visit.

If you want to play golf at famous golf courses, sign up at the front desk for the 19th Hole.

Virtual World is a popular attraction at the Colorado Boulevard Dave and Buster's. Virtual travelers are given a pre-flight briefing before entering the travel pod. After the flight, riders can review their flight and get a printed log of the trip.

In either Dave and Buster's, make your way to the Million Dollar Midway — follow the flashing lights and sounds. To make playing games more convenient, buy a "power card" at a power station. The card costs a dollar, then you pay for \$5, \$10 or \$20 worth of games. Most games on the midway use the power card. When your card runs out of money, there are recharger stations throughout the midway where you can add more money to your powercard.

There are a few games which require "coins." Wide carpeted aisles, flashing lights, bells,



After a session on the virtual reality ride, Chris and Cliff Kelley watch the tape of their ride.

whistles and sounds are reminiscent of a casino. People walk around with "change cups" filled with ticket strips before heading to the Winners' Circle to exchange tickets for prizes. The Winners' Circle has a huge selection of stuffed animals and other prizes.

If you're looking for logo-type clothing, T-shirts, jackets, caps and similar items, check the selection at the desk in the entry.

How did this grown-up playground get started? In the '70s Buster was running a restaurant in an old train station in Little Rock, Ark. Nearby, Dave ran an entertainment place for adults called "Slick Willie's World of Entertainment." Customers frequently went back and forth between the two places. Dave and Buster started wondering what would happen if they combined the two businesses.

The two men found an empty 40,000 square foot warehouse in Dallas and renovated it, putting together an entertainment and eating place. They opened the doors in 1982 to the very first Dave and Buster's and found the concept worked.

A few years later the second Dave and Buster's opened in Dallas, with others to follow. There are now 30 Dave and Buster's in the continental United States and others in Mexico, Canada, Hawaii and Taiwan.

Dave and Buster's is open from 11:30 a.m. until midnight during the week and until 1 p.m. weekends. There's a \$3 cover after 10 p.m. on weekends. There's no other entrance fee but take plenty of money for games and refreshments. There's an Automated Teller Machine.

Dave and Buster's also has a theater where live shows are presented.

Birthday parties, reunions, receptions and business or private parties can be arranged at Dave and Buster's; call (303) 759-1515.

Dave and Buster's is located at 2000 S. Colorado Ave. in Denver. To reach Dave and Buster's from Fort Carson, take Interstate 25



Dave and Buster's has games for all ages in the Million Dollar Midway.

north to Denver, then take the Colorado Avenue exit, number 204. Take a left as soon as you can, Dave and Buster's is on the south side of I-25.

Watch for the large beige-colored building with a large round blue and orange Dave and Buster's logo. It's next to a multi-screen United Artists' theater. There's parking nearby.

The newer Denver-area Dave and Buster's is located off Highway 36, north of Interstate 70, on the road to Boulder. Get off Highway 36 at 104th Avenue. Dave and Buster's is located at the northwest corner of the Westminster Promenade Shopping Center, next to the 24-theater complex. There's free parking nearby.

In the words of Dave and Buster: "There is no place quite like it."

### Just the Facts

- **Travel time** One hour
- **For ages** families, adults
- **Type • Fun factor** ★★★★★ (Out of 5 stars)
- **Wallet damage** up to you; games and refreshments

\$ = Less than \$20  
 \$\$ = \$21 to \$40  
 \$\$\$ = \$41 to \$60  
 \$\$\$\$ = \$61 to \$80  
 (Based on a family of four)



A guest enjoys the Star Wars Racer in Dave and Buster's.



There's a lot of fun to be had at the Denver Dave and Buster's establishment.

## Get Out!

### Academy football

The Air Force Academy Falcons take on the West Point Knights Saturday at Falcon Stadium. See about tickets at Information, Tickets and Registration and join the pep rally at 7 p.m. today at Xtremes and the tailgate party Saturday in Parking Lot 2A.

### Veterans Day Activities

The annual Veterans Day Parade begins at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, in downtown Colorado Springs.

Pueblo's Veterans Day Parade is at 10 p.m. Saturday, in downtown Pueblo.

Veterans Day Ceremony in Memorial Park in Colorado Springs is at the Veterans Memorial. The Air Force Academy Band's "Stellar Brass" will participate. Lt. Gen. Eric Findley, deputy commander in chief, North American Aerospace Defense Command, Canadian Support Forces will speak.

**Veterans Day Dance** — "Remembering the USO Canteen — Celebrating All Military Veterans" is the theme for a Veterans Day Dance Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m. in the B-24 Museum hangar at Pueblo Memorial Airport. Music is provided by Bob Alexander and the Promises. Admission is \$15.

### Academy's Arnold Theater

"A Christmas Carol" is Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at Arnold Hall Theater. Tickets start at \$15. Call the box office at 333-4497.

### Art show

The Denver Art Museum has one of its best ever special exhibits: "El Greco to Picasso," through Jan. 4. The art features artists Picasso, van Gogh, Monet, Renoir and Degas. Special admission is \$14.75 for adults, \$11.75 for students and \$6 for youths 6 to 18. Tickets include general admission to the museum. Exhibition hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays, and from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The museum is closed Mondays. The museum is on 13th Avenue in downtown Denver. Go online at

[www.denverartmuseum.org](http://www.denverartmuseum.org) or call (720) 865-2000.

### Pikes Peak Center

Michael Martin Murphey's "Cowboy Christmas" is set for Dec. 5, 8 p.m.

Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker is set for Wednesday.

San Diego Nutcracker Ballet is Nov. 28, 29 and 30.

Brian Setzer Orchestra "Christmas Extravaganza" is Dec. 9.

Call Ticketmaster, 520-SHOW or 520-9090 for tickets.

### Pikes Peak theater

"Lend Me a Tenor" is the Pikes Peak Masquers Theatre Troupe's production Nov. 19 to Dec. 3. Times vary, call 540-7418 for times and reservations. The comedy is at PPCC Main Stage Theater, 5675 S. Academy Blvd. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$7 for military and \$5 for students.

### Buell Children's Museum

Called "Handprints Around the World," hands-on activities help children learn about customs, language and clothing of seven continents. Admission to the Buell Children's Museum at 210 N. Santa Fe Ave., is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Admission includes entry to the Arts Center and White Galleries. Take Interstate 25 south to Pueblo, Exit 98b.

### Bear in a blue house

"Bear in the Big Blue House Live!" ends its run at the Pikes Peak Center Sunday. Call 520-9090 for tickets, which begin at \$13.50.

### Art exhibition openings

The Fine Arts Center has four new exhibits featuring well known Western artists, photographs of the early West, tourism and marketing; and an exhibit of prints by Gene Kloss. To see the exhibits, go to the Fine Arts Center at 30 W. Dale St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays. The center is free on Saturdays; other days, admission is \$2 to \$5.

### Rock Ledge Ranch

Rock Ledge Ranch historic is open Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A program called "Oink to Oven" demonstrates getting ready for winter in the

1870s. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students and \$1 for children 6 to 12.

### Dinosaurs

Dinosaur World Tour is at Denver's Pepsi Center through Nov. 16, Sundays through Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and weekends until 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children to see museum-quality fossils, interactive exhibits and life-size animatronics. Call (303) 830-TIXS or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.dinosaurworldtour.com](http://www.dinosaurworldtour.com).

### Broadway shows

Tickets are on sale for Pikes Peak Center's Broadway series. "Grease" is Dec. 17 and 18, tickets starting at \$25, "Cats," is Jan. 23 to 25, with tickets starting at \$29. "Fame," is Feb. 17 and 18, and tickets start at \$26.50. "Rent," is set for March 16 and 17, and tickets begin at \$31.50. Call 520-SHOW or 520-9090 for tickets.

### Children's theater

Missoula Children's Theatre production of "Tales of Hans Christian Andersen," is in Sangre de Cristo Arts Center, 2100 N. Santa Fe Ave. in Pueblo Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tickets are \$6; call (719) 295-7222.

### Pueblo Symphony

The Pueblo Symphony's second concert is Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in Hoag Recital Hall on the Colorado State University-Pueblo campus. The concert features pianist Dickran Aramian. Tickets are \$20 and \$25. Call the box office at (719) 545-7967.

### Denver concerts

Shania Twain is playing the Pepsi Center Dec. 1. Tickets begin at \$2; call 520-9090.

Bill Engvall is as the Paramount Theatre Nov. 21 in Denver. Call Ticketmaster, 520-9090 for tickets.

### Upcoming concerts

Colorado Springs World Arena is selling tickets for upcoming events. "Matchbox Twenty" is Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. "Bill Gauthier" is Nov. 21 at 7 p.m.; "Trans-Siberian Orchestra" Nov. 22, at 7 p.m., "Charlie Brown and Friends" is Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. and "Christmas from the Heart" is Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. . Call 576-2626 for tickets to any event.



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## Veterans Day ...

The annual Veterans Day Ceremony at Veterans Memorial, Memorial Park, is Tuesday at 11 a.m. Open to the community, the ceremony includes a band, wreath-laying and a military speaker.

Program Schedule for Fort Carson cable Channel 10, today to Nov.14.

Special Program from ACS: Operation Ready: Making Your Reunion Work. Airs at 6:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

Army Newswatch: includes stories on World Class Athlete Program coach named Olympic boxing coach, Adopt-A-Village in Afghanistan and stories from Iraq. Airs at 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Navy/Marine Corps News: includes stories on the USS Enterprise, changes in TriCare and the Bon Odori Festival in Japan. Airs at 8 a.m., 1 p.m., 8 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Air Force News: includes stories on Defender Challenge, an Air Force fencer and recruiting

(repeat). Airs at 8:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m.

Channel 9 daily broadcasts SCOLA, foreign language news broadcasts. Access the schedule at the Fort Carson Web site.

If you have comments on Channel 10 programming or wish to coordinate a broadcast on Channel 10, please contact Chief of Command Information at 526-1241 or via e-mail at [CommandInfo@carson.army.mil](mailto:CommandInfo@carson.army.mil).

Program times will be published in the *Mountaineer* provided coordination is made one week prior to publication.

If you wish to have a training videotape shown on Channel 9 only, contact the Regional Training Support Center at 526-5111.

For additions to the Community Calendar, please submit an e-mail or clean, typewritten copy of the information to the Public Affairs Office, room 2180, 6151 Specker Ave., Fort Carson, CO 80913 or fax information to 526-1021 no later than the Friday before airing time.