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# Asian-Pacific American Heritage



*Month*



*May 2010*



## Responsibility for base security is everyone's duty

by Lt Col Kenneth W. Ohlson  
6th Security Forces Squadron commander

As the Chief of Security Forces and Defense Force Commander for the 6th Air Mobility Wing I wanted to take a few minutes of your time to talk about your role in security of the installation. In the 6th Security Forces Squadron we have hundreds of trained Airmen (Active, Guard, Reserve and Civilian) to protect the base. We provide installation access control, flight line security, COCOM security, marine patrol, law enforcement and other security services. You might think that with all those people to do all those missions that no one else needs to be concerned with security; I disagree. Everybody who lives and works on the installation is part of the security apparatus; what's your role?

You might think your only job at the gate is to ensure you have your ID ready for the gate guard. I agree, that's one of your jobs, but there's more. As a valid ID card holder, your job is also to vouch for the security of your vehicle. Did you know that it is illegal to bring weapons onto the installation? During random inspections directed by the installation commander we have found numerous weapons in vehicles. According to base policy, you are not allowed to bring weapons onto the

installation unless you are enroute to your on-base residence or one of the base firing ranges. When transporting weapons onto the installation you must also inform the gate guard of the situation. Failure to do so may result in denial of access to the installation.

While you are vouching for the security of your vehicle, you are also vouching for the security of your passengers. As an ID cardholder, you are given a level of trust by the installation commander. He trusts that you, a valid ID card holder, will not sponsor unknown individuals onto the installation. When you sponsor someone onto the installation, whether it's in your vehicle or theirs, you are telling the base security forces that you are responsible for their actions and you trust them to be on the base. If someone you don't know asks you to sponsor them onto the installation, say "no" and immediately report the incident to the Base Defense Operations Center at 828-3322.

We have hundreds of trained Security Forces Airmen to secure the installation but in total we have thousands of people that are responsible for securing the installation every day. Even though we don't give each of those thousands a weapon and additional training, we still rely on each and every person to play their role in base security.



Lt Col Kenneth W. Ohlson



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**DUI this year: 1 (3 Jan 10)**

**DUIs last year: 11**

Safety is a state of mind.  
Accidents are the result of  
an absent mind.



## MacDill AFB Celebrates Asian-Pacific

by Maj. Benjamin Menges

Asian Pacific Heritage Month coordinator

This year the 6th OG is proud to sponsor Asian-Pacific Islander Heritage Month here at MacDill Air Force Base, recognizing the special role the Asian-Pacific culture has played in the history of America and its great military. The base kicked off the May celebration by competing a team in the Dragonboat Races in downtown Tampa last weekend, finishing 18th out of 66 teams and raising about \$1000 for the Moffitt Cancer Society. Team captain SSgt Steve Miles led the charge, noting that "we had a great showing for a first year team, competing with teams that are here year after year."

Like most commemorative months, Asian Pacific American Heritage Month originated in a congressional bill. In June 1977 representatives Frank Horton of New York and Norman Mineta of California called on the president to proclaim the first 10 days of May as Asian-Pacific Heritage Week. Shortly thereafter, Hawaiian senators Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga introduced a similar bill in the Senate, and on Oct. 5, 1978 President Jimmy Carter signed a joint resolution identifying the first week of May as Asian Pacific Heritage Week. This week was chosen to commemorate the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to America on 7 May 1843, as well as to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on 10 May 1869, which was accomplished primarily by Chinese immigrants. Twelve years later in 1990 President George H. W. Bush extended the celebration from a week to a month, and in 1992 the official designation of May as Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month was signed into law.

An Asian-Pacific American is generally defined as a person of Asian ancestry and American citizenship, although it may also be extended to include non-citizen resident Asians and Pacific Islanders. A rather broad term, Asian-Pacific encompasses all of the Asian continent and the Pacific islands of Melanesia (New Guinea, New Caledonia, Vanuatu, Fiji and the Solomon Islands), Micronesia (Marianas, Guam, Wake Island, Palau, Marshall Islands, Kiribati, Nauru and the Federated States of Micronesia) and Polynesia (New Zealand, Hawaiian Islands, Rotuma, Midway Islands, Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, Cook Islands, French Polynesia and Easter Island).



**Team MacDill competed admirably at Tampa's Dragonboat Races on 1 May, finishing 18th out of 66 teams and raising \$1000 for cancer research.**

Asian-Pacific Americans have long played a significant role in our military. One of the most decorated units in the history of the U.S. military for its size and length of service was the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, composed of American-born sons of Japanese immigrants known as Nisei. Hawaii-born Nisei, also referred to as "Buddhaheads," made up about two-thirds of the regiment, while the other third were Nisei from the mainland. In total about 14,000 men served valiantly during WWII, despite the extreme prejudice they faced back home where more than 110,000 people of Japanese ancestry were forcibly "relocated" from their homes, businesses and farms, and incarcerated in crowded tarpaper barracks in the western states. Even though their country had failed to protect their rights, these American-born Japanese men volunteered to give their lives to fight for their homeland. The 442nd ultimately earned 9,486 Purple Hearts, 21 Medals of Honor, and an unprecedented eight Presidential Unit Citations for their brave dedication and honorable service. This month let's make it a priority to remember the great sacrifices and contributions of all Asian-Pacific Americans to our great country.



## Heat is here; stay ahead of dangerous conditions

by Nick Stubbs  
Thunderbolt editor

After what proved to be one of the coldest winters on record, the heat has arrived with a vengeance, making some nostalgic for the extreme lows of just a couple of months ago.

But there's no sense wishing, as summer heat is here ahead of schedule, and the team at the 6th Air Mobility Wing's Bio Environmental Flight are on the job to make sure no one falls victim to heat-related injuries.

Heatstroke, dehydration, muscle cramps are just some of the safety hazards the MacDill population can suffer as the weather turns hotter. In extreme cases, heat combined with lack of hydration, can result in a hospital stay, or even death.

That's why it is critical to be aware of the conditions, said Maj. Michael Smith, chief of the Bio Environmental Engineering Flight.

"It's very important to watch out, stay hydrated and practice work-rest cycles," he said. "It's the time of year when you have to pay attention to the dangers."

It usually isn't hard to tell when conditions are not favorable to hard work or physical training outdoors, Major Smith said, but it can be a problem when one believes they are physically fit enough to offset the conditions.

That's where the wet bulb monitoring program of the bio environmental flight can be a life saver. Each day from now through the summer, special instruments are set up outdoors to monitor temperature, humidity and other factors to produce a wet bulb index, which is then used to issue heat index warnings circulated around the base to commanders and supervisors so that they might adjust work schedules.

"It is up to supervisors to make adjustments to meet the conditions," said Major Smith.

Those working around the concrete deck of the flight line or around paved surfaces must pay special attention, as the heat-absorbing properties of the surfaces magnify the danger, said Major Smith.

"The solar load increases," he said. "Con-



Photo by Nick Stubbs

Precision instruments are used to measure wet, direct and ambient temperatures, the readings used to calculate a wet bulb reading that is then used to determine the heat stress level. Here Senior Airman Daniel Hernandez, a bio environmental engineer, calculates the index on a sliding scale attached to the instrument box.

Table 1. Work/Rest Guidelines.

WORK/REST GUIDELINES IN INDUSTRIAL ENVIRONMENTS							
		Light Work		Medium Work		Heavy Work	
Heat Category	WBGT Temperature Range	Work/Rest Cycle	Water Intake Qt/Hr	Work/Rest Cycle	Water Intake Qt/Hr	Work/Rest Cycle	Water Intake Qt/Hr
Caution	77.0 - 86.9	No Limit	0.5	45/15 min	0.75	40/20 min	0.75
Extreme Caution	87.0 - 89.9	No Limit	0.75	30/30 min	0.75	20/40 min	1.0
Danger	90.0 +	50/10 min	1.0	15/45 min	1.0	10/50 min	1.0





## Mosquito season is here; take precautions outdoors

by Maj. Cheryl Magnuson  
Public Health Flight commander

Spring in Florida brings warm, sunny weather and increasing humidity. This year the rainfall has also been abundant. As you may have noticed by all the buzzing and biting, these conditions are prime for mosquito breeding. Mosquitoes can be more than a nuisance however; they may carry a variety of disease such as West Nile virus (WNV), St. Louis Encephalitis (SLE), and Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE). Another potentially serious mosquito-borne disease, Dengue virus, has also recently been reported in Key West. Symptoms of these illnesses may include headache, fever, fatigue, dizziness, weakness and confusion.

Throughout the year, the Florida Department of Health (DOH) works with partner agencies, including the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Florida Fish

and Wildlife Conservation Commission, mosquito control agencies and state universities, to monitor for the presence of diseases carried by mosquitoes. As part of this combined effort, Hillsborough county surveillance has recently detected WNV in the local mosquito population, primarily in the eastern and southern portions of the county. Fortunately no human cases have been reported yet but it may just be a matter of time. Since WNV was first identified in Florida in 2001, over 200 human cases have been confirmed including 12 deaths, half of which occurred during the peak year of 2003.

The Florida Department of Health and your local public health flight emphasize the importance of protection against diseases transmitted by mosquitoes. Taking a few simple steps can drastically reduce the chances of contracting a mosquito-borne illness.

DOH advises Floridians to protect themselves from mosquito bites by following the “5 D’s.”



**Spreaders of disease, and just an all-around pain, mosquitoes are here with the warm weather and ready to sample your blood**

### **The 5 D’s:**

- **Drainage** –Rid the area around your home of standing water, which is where mosquitoes can lay their eggs.

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# BRIEFS



## Memorial Day remembrance

On Sunday May 30, 2010 at 11:00 am the Veterans Council of Hillsborough, Inc. will hold its Annual Memorial Day Ceremony of Remembrance for all servicemen and women who have paid the supreme sacrifice in service to their country.

The event will take place at the Hillsborough Veterans Memorial Park and Museum located at 3602 US Highway 301 N. Tampa, Florida ½ mile south of the Florida Fairgrounds.

The guest of honor and keynote speaker will be Col. Don Barnes, Commander, 6th Mission Support Group, MacDill AFB. The guest soloist will be Charles Haugabrooks appearing for his 13th consecutive Memorial Day performance.

At 1 p.m. there will be a re-enactment of a World War II battle performed in the park.

## Commissioning briefing

A commissioning briefing is held the third Tuesday of every month at 8:30 a.m. in the Education & Training Section (Bldg 252, Room 209). This briefing overviews all the commis-

sioning programs available to active duty Airmen and is required before individual appointments can be scheduled with a counselor. POC: 828-3115 or education@macdill.af.mil

## CGOC Golf Tournament

The company grade officer council is hosting a golf tournament May 21. Anyone interested in participating should contact 1st Lt Andrew Vasquez at 828-4567.

## Civilian Force Development briefings

Air Force Vice Chief of Staff has directed that GS civilians, NSPS civilians and supervisors of civilians complete the Civilian Development Force (CFD) briefing located at <https://www.my.af.mil/gcssaf/USAF/ep/contentView.do?contentType=EDITORIAL&contentId=cA4057E1F27CDF7B60127E3096658054E&channelPageId=s6925EC134EE60FB5E044080020E329A9> as soon as possible.

The steps for getting to the training follow: Open website, go to the Career and Life Navigation Tab at the top of the page, select Force

Development at the drop down menu, select Civilian Force Development Reference Center, then click on main title - Civilian Force Development Center Reference Center. Scroll down, the training is listed in three parts.

After completion, send an email to your civilian training monitor to let him/her know you have completed the brief. This is a mandatory action that will be tracked at the AF and MacDill base levels. The first report on completion rates is due to AF by 14 May 10.

## Settlement of estate

Lt. Col. Kenneth Ohlson, 6th Security Forces Squadron commander regrets to announce the death of Senior Airman Joshua Madigan, formerly assigned to the 6th SFS. 1st Lt. Christopher Suhar of the 6th SFS has been appointed the Summary Court Officer to handle the disposition of personal property of SrA Madigan. Anyone indebted to or having a claim against the estate of SrA Madigan should contact Lt Suhar at 828-4693 or (727) 793-4035.



# BITES

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- DEET – Repellents containing DEET (N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide, or N,N-diethyl-3-methylbenzamide) are recommended to protect against mosquito exposure. Picaridin and oil of lemon eucalyptus are other repellent options.

- Dress – Wear clothing that covers most of your skin.
- Dusk and Dawn – Avoid being outdoors when mosquitoes are most active.

## **Tips on Repellent Use:**

- Always read label directions carefully for the approved usage before applying a repellent. Some repellents are not suitable for children.

- Products with concentrations of up to 30 percent DEET are generally recommended.

Other potential mosquito repellents, as reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in April 2005, contain picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. These products are generally available at local pharmacies. Look for active ingredients on the product label.

- Apply insect repellent to exposed skin or onto clothing, but not under clothing.
- In protecting children, read label instruc-

tions to be sure the repellent is age-appropriate.

According to the CDC, mosquito repellents containing oil of lemon eucalyptus should not be used on children under age three. DEET is not recommended on children younger than two months old.

- Infants should be kept indoors or mosquito netting should be used over carriers when mosquitoes are present.

- Avoid applying repellents to children's hands. Adults should apply repellent first to their

own hands and then transfer it to the child's skin and clothing.

- If additional protection is necessary, apply a permethrin repellent directly to clothing.

Always follow the manufacturer's directions.

## **Eliminating Mosquito Breeding Sites:**

Elimination of breeding sites is one of the keys to prevention.

- Clean out eaves, troughs and gutters.
- Remove or drain old tires used in playgrounds.
- Turn over or remove empty plastic pots.
- Pick up all beverage containers and cups.
- Check tarps on boats or other equipment

that may collect water.

- Pump out bilges on boats.
- Replace water in birdbaths and pet feeding dishes at least once a week.
- Change water in plant trays, including hanging plants, at least once a week.
- Remove vegetation or obstructions in drainage ditches that prevent water flow.

Monitoring wild bird deaths can help officials track the spread of some mosquito-borne diseases. Anyone who discovers a dead bird is encouraged to report it via the Internet.

The bird mortality reporting system is located on the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's website at: [www.MyFWC.com/bird/](http://www.MyFWC.com/bird/). Citizens may also report dead birds to a county health department or local FWC office.

DOH promotes, protects and improves the health of all people in Florida. For more information on mosquito-borne illnesses, visit the DOH website at [www.myfloridaEH.com](http://www.myfloridaEH.com), or <http://www.myfloridaeh.com/medicine/arboviral/index.html>, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), or contact your Public Health Flight at phone 827-9601.





## Military Family Day at the Henry B. Plant Museum

**Tampa, FL (May 10, 2010)** - The Henry B. Plant Museum presents MILITARY FAMILIES DAY, May 30. In honor of Memorial Day Weekend, the Museum remembers those who have served our country by inviting all active or retired military members and their families into the Museum as our guests.

Military families may enjoy self-guided and audio tours in the Museum throughout the day. Refreshments will be served on the veranda. In addition, at 2 p.m. the Museum's Upstairs/ Downstairs at the Tampa Bay Hotel Live Theatre series will feature Henry Dobson, who was a 20 year-old volunteer soldier when he was encamped with his regiment in Tampa for several weeks prior to the outbreak of the Spanish- American War in 1898. The war was fought in Cuba and Henry Plant's Tampa Bay Hotel, now home to the Museum and The University of Tampa, was headquar-

ters for the U.S. Army. Dobson documented his daily experiences in the army and his opinions on Tampa in numerous personal letters home. These letters, which are part of the Museum collection, were used by local playwright Jim Rayfield to create the script. Please join us for a very special performance.

Henry B. Plant Museum is located next to downtown, on The University of Tampa campus at 401 W. Kennedy Boulevard. Museum hours for the event are 12-4 p.m. and Upstairs/Downstairs at the Tampa Bay Hotel at 2:00 pm is in the Music Room, adjacent to the Museum. Active and retired military families receive free admission with ID. For additional information visit our website at [www.plant-museum.com](http://www.plant-museum.com) or call Gianna Russo, Curator of Education at (813) 258-7304 or email her at [grusso@ut.edu](mailto:grusso@ut.edu).

The Henry B. Plant Museum interprets the

turn-of-the-century Tampa Bay Hotel and the lifestyles of America's Gilded Age. Critical to the success of this mission is the restoration and preservation of this National Historic Landmark, an opulent 1891 railroad resort, and the artifacts significant to its history, and the life and work of Henry Bradley Plant. The Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am to 4 pm, Sunday, noon to 4 pm. Closed Monday, Thanksgiving and Christmas

**Courtesy of Sally Shifke  
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## Diamond Sharp

### Airman First Class Dao V. Nguyen 6th Communications Squadron

**Job Title:** Client Services Technician

**Advice to others:** Be true to yourself and live life to the fullest

**Home town:** Davenport, Iowa

**Short-term goals:** To finish my Management Information System bachelor's degree

**Role model (s):** My role model would be my dad, because of the things he has taught me in life. I quote him "give above and beyond for things you want to achieve, and you will see the results."

**Long-term goals:** To have my own family and provide them the necessary things to live comfortably, and to provide support for my parents for all their hard work they've done to get me where I am at right now.

**Why did you join?:** I joined the Air Force looking for challenges and new experiences. This gives me a sense of pride as well as serving my country



# First-ever welcome home bash for recently deployed a big hit

Story and photos by Nick Stubbs

*Thunderbolt* editor

Life in the military can sometimes seem like one long, ongoing adjustment to change. Temporary deployments, changes of duty stations and new jobs are enough to keep the head spinning, but the biggest adjustment of all can be returning from an overseas deployment.

That adjustment may be getting just a bit easier for those stationed at MacDill Air Force Base. Kicking off May 5 at the MacDill Beach, the first quarterly Welcome Home party and picnic was a hit, with the guests of honor being a few dozen members of several branches who have returned from deployments since January of this year.

There was food, music, games for kids, face painting and an information booth with pros ready to assist servicemembers with information on services and programs designed to support families and enhance well-being to help offset the stresses of deployment and readjusting to new tempos.

"It's a good idea," said Army Sgt. Michael Heller, assigned to the Joint Communication Support Element who just returned from a deployment to Qatar and attended the inaugural party. "It brings everybody together, and it's kind of a special day to relax."

Army Sgt. Micahel Ellis, who returned from Qatar with Sgt. Heller, was among those wearing special red, white and blue beaded necklaces with a star attached to signify that they are among those who were recently deployed. He said the welcome home event not only makes returning home special, it also is a way to bring the base together.

"We're (JCSE) sort of small unit out here on our own and we don't get to mingle that much with the rest of the base," he said. "This (the party) brings the base together and you get to meet people you might not see otherwise."

Airman 1st Class Kevin Johnson, a member of the 6th Security Forces Squadron, was at the party to welcome home his fellow servicemembers. He just missed being on the guest of honor list, having returned from deployment in December.

"It's a good way to be with people and get back into things," he said of the gathering. "I think it would be a good thing to keep going."

As a chaplain, Maj. Bill Coker understands the importance of the support network comprised of family, friends, coworkers and fellow servicemembers. As someone who just returned from a deployment, he also appreciated the welcome home event.

"This is a wonderful way to get together with family and friends you have been away from for so long," he said. "It's relaxing, informal and excellent for deployed members and their families."

Second Lt. Samuel Williams, 6th Force Support Squadron, returned from a deployment in January. He's had several weeks to get back into the groove at MacDill, but found the homecoming to be a "great opportunity for friends and family to get together with their loved ones."

"It's a good thing to see," he said

The first homecoming event was a trial, and based on the attendance and comments, it appears it may become a quarterly fixture. The next event has not yet been scheduled, but will recognize those who returned during the second quarter of the year.



Team MacDill members under the shade of a tent at the MacDill Beach held May 5, was for those who have returned from deployments since for deployed members to gather with friends, family and fellow service



# WELCOME BACK!



enjoy a meal in honor of recently deployed servicemembers. The homecoming event, the start of 2010, with subsequent homecomings to be held quarterly. The event is a way remembers to help them get back to their lives in and duties on base.



Gatherings of good friends calls for good food, and those who attended the first quarterly Welcome Home event.



Arianne and Madelyn Smith, left to right, create artworks with markers and paper at the children's tent. The two are the daughters of Staff Sgt. Rod Smith and wife Angie.



Kailey Pfalzer, 9, tosses rings on cones, just one of several games set up for children at the Welcome Home event may 5. She is the daughter of Coast Guardsman Brad Smith.



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## HEAT

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tions that mush worse.”

Often times the best solution when conditions are unfavorable is to move work schedules to take advantage of the lower temperatures in the morning or later in the day, he said. The same goes for physical training. Jogging in the morning or near sunset will mean less chance of heat injury, though even then caution must be observed.

“It is still hot some days,” said

Major Smith. “It is very important to be hydrated well before beginning that kind of exercise.”

Another safeguard is to shift exercise indoors only on the hottest days, he said.

**See Page 20 for heat stress symptoms and prevention**



# Heat stress

## Recognition and prevention

The following preventive measures are a guide to preventing heat stress. These measures provide some information for commanders and should not be construed as directive.

- ◆ Prior to Exercise/Deployment/Work:
- ◆ Condition for acclimatization - Need at least 2 hours each day for 7 to 10 days.
- ◆ Accomplish all immunizations at least 7 days prior to exercise.
- ◆ Screen out individuals with even minor illness, particularly any vomiting or diarrhea in the past 2-3 days, and pregnant women.
- ◆ Be rested - 12 hours of rest/8 hours of sleep.
- ◆ No alcohol 24 hours prior to working in hot climate.
- ◆ Prehydrate before work - drink at least 1 quart of water.
- ◆ Brief personnel on Attachment 2.
- ◆ During Exercise/Deployment/Work:
- ◆ After air transport, replace water loss in flight - 1 quart for every 4 hours in flight.
- ◆ Provide sufficient water cooled to at least 60 degrees Fahrenheit.
- ◆ Bioenvironmental Engineering can provide you with current WBGT readings. During deployments, the independent duty medical technician or equivalent should perform the WBGT readings, using the WBGT kit.
- ◆ Control hydration and work/rest schedules according to the accompanying chart.
- ◆ Wearing body armor adds 5 degrees Fahrenheit

to WBGT.

- ◆ Wearing all Mission-Oriented Protective Postures (MOPP) overgarments, tyvek suits, etc., adds 10 degrees Fahrenheit to WBGT.
  - ◆ Work/rest cycles are for acclimated personnel. New arrivals (non-acclimated) should use next higher category for the first 8-10 days until adjusted.
- CAUTION: Fluid intake should not exceed 1.5 quarts per hour or 10 quarts per day.
- ◆ Symptoms of Heat Stress and Emergency Actions. Heat stress symptoms include one or more of the following: headaches, dizziness, faintness, nausea, vomiting, fever, profuse or decreased sweating, cramps, convulsions, lack of coordination, and unconsciousness.
  - ◆ Move individual to a cooler (not cold) location or into a shaded area and give plenty of water to drink.
  - ◆ Drench victim with water, and fan for additional cooling.
  - ◆ If the victim is conscious and not vomiting, give water to drink.
- CAUTION: Do not overcool; may cause hypothermia.
- ◆ If the victim does not respond to the above, immediately call an ambulance (911). Give your name and location of the victim (building number and street). If an ambulance is not available, take the victim to the nearest available medical facility.



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## Counterterrorism expert to address religion in international conflict

Special to the *Thunderbolt*

Religion is an effective, influential rule-following behavior that assists in achieving group goals, says a Troy University professor.

Dr. James F. Rinehart, professor of international relations and associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will deliver a talk about religion's impact entitled "The Intervening Function of Religion in International Conflict."

His address is part of "MacDill Lunch and Learn" from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. June 4 in the Surf's Edge Club. The cost of lunch is \$12.

Dr. Rinehart is the former chairman of the University's Department of Political Science. He joined TROY in 1995 as director of the Unit-

ed States Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School at the University's Fort Bragg, N.C. campus. His areas of expertise include terrorism, counterterrorism, U.S. foreign policy, religion in world politics and national security.

Scholars of international relations remain uncomfortable with the challenge of accommodating religion in the discipline. The concept is one of growing significance to the field of study; events around the world confirm that fact every day. Nonetheless, religion is often treated as an over-simplified notion, remaining largely on the margins of what most scholars believe to be a secular subject, Dr. Rinehart said.

Dr. Rinehart hypothesizes that rather than

an unfulfilled need of politically violent groups, religion is an intervening device of significant influence that assists in the achievement of a far more complex menu of group needs. In contrast to recent research that pursues the study of religion in international conflict as primarily a theological phenomenon, his paper casts religion as primarily a behavioral phenomenon. It assumes that religion is not a need. Rather, it is an effective, influential rule-following behavior that contributes to a broad array of group needs.

The June 4 event will be Dr. Rinehart's third such presentation at MacDill. For more information, contact the University at its Tampa Bay Site at 813-835-6220.



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**National Dog Bite Prevention Week**

**SATURDAY, MAY 15**

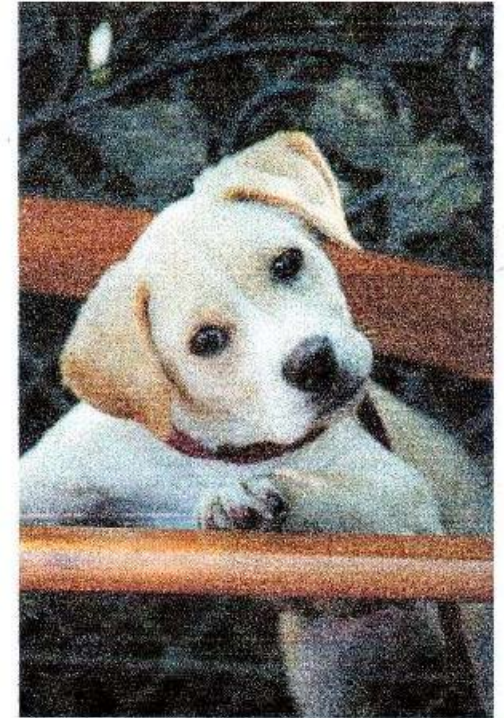
**9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Centennial Park-Ybor City**

**(Corner of 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. & 19<sup>th</sup> St.)**

- **FREE** doggie nail trims
- **FREE** dog training tips *plus*
- **Contests & prizes** for good dogs!
- **Pet adoptions, ask-the-vet, food, shopping & giveaways!**
- **Bite prevention education**

\*special: "Bringing Home Baby" safety tips



**INFO:** call Hillsborough County Animal Services 813.744.5660 or 813.241.2442  
visit: [www.ybormarket.com](http://www.ybormarket.com) and [www.hillsboroughcounty.org/animalservices](http://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/animalservices)



## EVENTS

### Friday

#### Arts & Crafts Center

FREE Open Scrapbooking & Lessons from 11a.m.-3 p.m.

#### Surf's Edge Club

Boss & Buddy Fiesta! Fun begins at 3:30 p.m.

#### Bayshore Club

Mongolian BBQ from 5:30-9 p.m.

### Saturday

#### Bayshore Running Trail

8th Annual America's Kids Run at 8am. Check-in at 7:30 a.m. at the Pavilion.

#### MacDill Bowling Lanes

\*DePLAYment Event\* FREE Mother & Child Bowling Night at 6pm. Open to everyone but Free for DePLAYment pass holders. Includes 3 games, shoe rental and use of one lane (\$7.50 value).

### Tuesday-Thursday

#### SeaScapes Beach Club

Bar Bingo at 5:30p.m. \$1.50 a card. \$750 Jackpot!

### Tuesday

#### Short Fitness & Sports Center

Dodge Ball Tournament at 10am.

### Wednesday

#### Short Fitness & Sports Center

Spin/Pilates/Yoga Demo at 11am by Better Bodies By O.J.

#### Youth Center

Youth Job Fair from 1-3 p.m. Ages 16+.

### Thursday

#### Short Fitness & Sports Center

Obstacle Course (Adult/Child) at 7:30 p.m.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Joseph L. Swafford Jr.

## Service Academy

U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson gives a speech during the Service Academy Reception for the Class of 2014 here at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., May 8. During the event, more than 30 nominees received their certificates of nomination for the Service academies from U.S. Sen. George LeMieux and U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson.

## CHAPEL SCHEDULE

### Protestant services

Sunday - 9 a.m., Traditional Service  
10:30 a.m., Religious Education, Noon, Gospel Service  
& 9 a.m., service, FamCamp Multipurpose Center

Wednesday - 10:30 a.m., Women of the Chapel

Thursday - 11:30 a.m., Officers' Christian Fellowship

For more information regarding the Chapel or Chapel services, call 828-3621.

### Catholic services

Saturday - Mass, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday - Mass, 10:30 a.m.

Monday to Thursday: Mass, 12:10 p.m.

Saturday - Sacrament of Reconciliation, 4:30 p.m., (or by appointment)

### Islamic services

Friday - 1:15 p.m.

Jewish services - Call 828-3621

## AT THE MOVIES

\$4 for adults / \$2 for children 828-2780

### Friday - 7 p.m.

HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON (PG)

### Saturday - 3 p.m.

DIARY OF A WHIMPY KID (PG)

### Saturday - 7 p.m.

HOT TUB TIME MACHINE (PG-13)