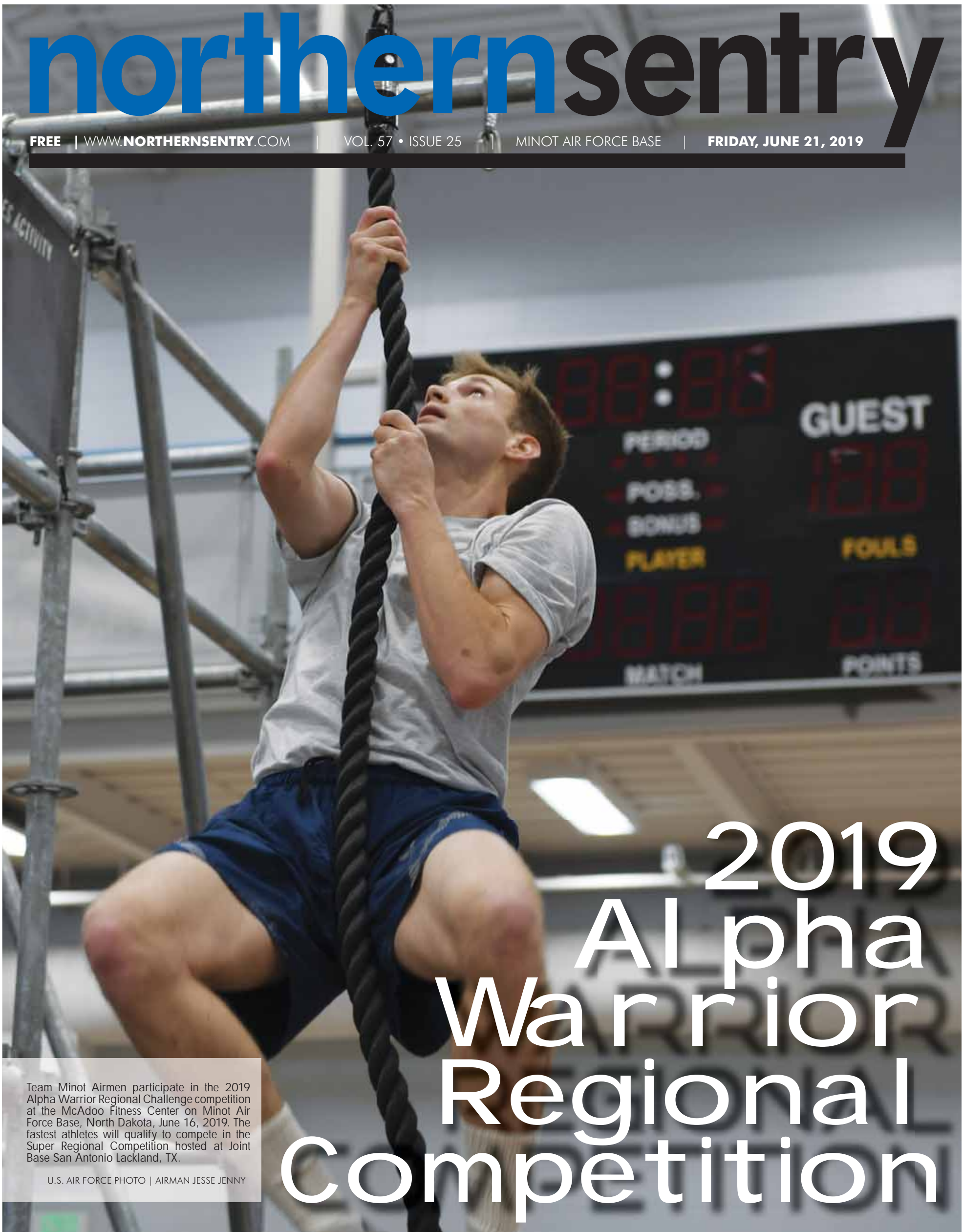


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Offutt AFB firefighters train with Czech Republic air force

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OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb. (AFNS) -- Firefighters from the Czech Republic air force, the 155th Air Refueling Wing of the Nebraska Air National Guard and the 55th Civil Engineer Squadron fire department participated in a live-fire training June 5, at Offutt Air Force Base fire pit.

Firefighters from Offutt AFB are required to train twice a year using the fire pit and structural burning.

"Firefighters face a multitude of high-hazard, challenging scenarios. Heat, fatigue and low visibility, to name just a few," said David Eblin, Offutt Air Force Base fire chief. "Training in a controlled environment allows firefighters to safely fight actual fires to prepare them for real-world events."

Although this is required training for the firefighters, this

Ryan Hoffman, Offutt Air Force Base fire station chief, leads a group of firefighters from the Czech Republic air force, the 155th Air Refueling Wing, Nebraska Air National Guard and the Offutt AFB fire department while instructing them on how to extinguish a fire on a RC-135 aircraft during a live-fire training exercise at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., June 5, 2019. The Nebraska ANG works in association with the Czech Republic through the State Partnership Program. Each participating guard unit has a brother or sister unit assigned to them.

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exercise was a little unique. This time the fire department was hosting firefighters from the Czech Republic.

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Units compete in NAF-wide cyber competition

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JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND, Texas (AFNS) --

Eighty three Airmen from 20 units across 24th Air Force competed in the first-ever 24th AF Cyber Competition in San Antonio, June 3-7. The event tested mixed and whole-unit teams against one another in offensive and defensive cyber battles throughout the week.

"This competition provides our cyber community the opportunity to showcase their talents in a cyber environment, as well as teach and learn from others across the 24th Air Force," said Tech. Sgt. Andrew Gogue, 688th Cyberspace Wing weapons and tactics noncommissioned officer in charge.

Hosted by Gogue's team, this year's inaugural event evolved from 2018's 67th Cyberspace Wing Cyber Competition. A

large gymnasium served as the converted battleground where computer consoles linked to a virtual game environment provided participants the opportunity to engage in a cyber capture-the-flag for the prize of having their names etched on the Cyber Cup trophy.

To gain points teams had to own, operate and protect various services within the game environment. Several of these services provided a physical confirmation when captured, as lights flashed or alerts chimed across the room. Teams could even control the music streaming overhead. At the conclusion of play, the team with the most points was named the winner.

"This is a great competition because it introduces offensive, defensive and network operators to operators and operations outside their domain," Gogue said. "The mixed-team competition really enabled this relationship building."

To keep the mixed-team competition fair, Gogue employed a fantasy football-like approach to building the teams.

"We had people draft the mixed-team players," Gogue said. "Before the competition, each person had to provide a short biography, outlining their expertise and certifications. We required that each team have at least one 67th Cyberspace Wing and one 688th CW member, with no more than five players. Then we hosted a draft day to create the teams."

The mixed-team event offered not only competition, but also the chance to train.

"It gave me the opportunity to teach others who had very little cyber experience," said Tech. Sgt. Alex Hand, 315th Cyberspace Operations Squadron, Detachment 3 operations superintendent. "I gave my teammates pointers so they could learn on their own. And some of them even scored a few points."

This year's winners are:
Mixed team (drafted by Master Sgt. Justin Neumann,

Maj. Gen. Robert Skinner, 24th Air Force commander, and Chief Master Sgt. David Klink, 24th AF command chief, pose for a photo with the 24th AF Cyber Competition unit team winner in San Antonio, June 7, 2019. The team, from the 390th Cyberspace Operations Squadron, included Capt. Paul Jordan, David Musielewicz and Anthony Canino and Tech. Sgt. Zachary Stoll.

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688th Operations Support Squadron)

First place: Capt. Kevin Cooper, 33rd Network Warfare Center; and Staff Sgts. Austin Cundiff, 315th Cyberspace Operations Squadron; Thomas Burright, 90th COS; Dustin Randler, 690th Network Support Squadron; and Christopher Lewis, 92nd COS

Second place: Capt. Paul Jordan, 390th COS; 1st Lt. Benjamin Selormey, 561st Network Operations Squadron; Tech. Sgt. Michael Aasen, 835th COS; and Staff Sgts. Houston Smith, 835th COS; and Anthony Trull, 26th NOS

Third place: Capt. Anthony Canino, 390th COS; 1st Lt. Alex Resnick, 83rd NOS; Master Sgt. Doyce Powell, 690th NSS; Staff Sgt. Jacob Coburn, 834th COS; Preston Kemp, 38th Engineering Squadron

Unit team

First place: 390th COS – Capts. Anthony Canino, David Musielewicz and Paul Jordan and Tech. Sgt. Zachary Stoll

Second place: 33rd NWS – Capt. Kevin Cooper, Staff Sgts. Joseph Pisano, Dalton Ireland and Samuel Kimmons and Senior Airman Kyle Dillon

Third place: 90th COS – 1st Lt. Daniel Fitzgerald, Staff Sgts. William Kreiser, Bryce Delewski, Darius Scott and Thomas Burright

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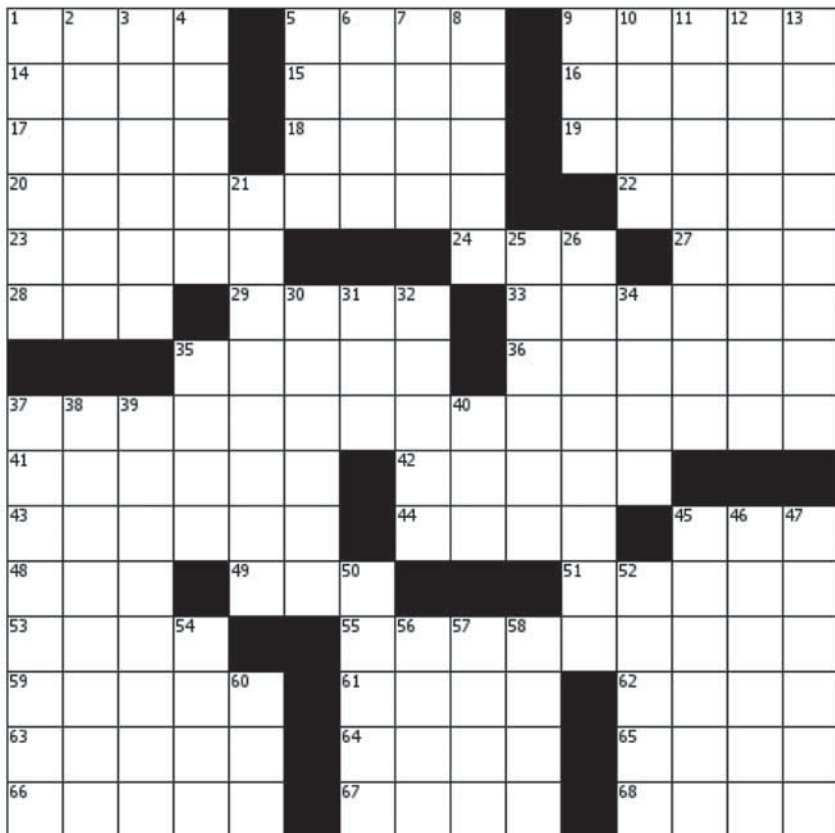
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- 5. Spinnaker support
- 9. Arnaz Sr. and Jr.
- 14. Stud fee
- 15. Humerus neighbor
- 16. "This is only ____"
- 17. It leads to a rose
- 18. Scholar of Islamic law
- 19. Philanthropist
- 20. Era that metal cutting-tools emerged
- 22. Bit of marginalia
- 23. Pungent bulb
- 24. Sales person, briefly
- 27. Opie, off the set
- 28. Midmorning
- 29. Sled alternative
- 33. Adventurousome
- 35. Flavor
- 36. Outfielder's yell
- 37. Gastronomic asset
- 41. Certain soluble salts
- 42. Skier's challenge
- 43. Places to find literary titles
- 44. "Gone With the Wind" estate
- 45. Some may have photos
- 48. Chance occurrence
- 49. Narc's boss
- 51. Arts category
- 53. Earth Day subj.
- 55. Gotti's sobriquet
- 59. Farm storage units
- 61. Water color?
- 62. Much of a waiter's income



- 63. All thumbs
- 64. Break in the action
- 65. Pennsylvania city
- 66. Objects of rhinoplasty
- 67. Reader's Digest co-founder
- 68. Money in Johannesburg

- Down**
- 1. Navy's goat, e.g.
 - 2. Cantillate
 - 3. Intervene

- 4. Allegro or andante, e.g.
- 5. She hosted a ghost on TV
- 6. Diva Gluck
- 7. Fly in the ointment, e.g.
- 8. Whip wielder
- 9. The old man
- 10. Noted town in Buckinghamshire

- 11. Title with a tilde
- 12. Type of exercise
- 13. Military capability, e.g.
- 21. Caused by necessity
- 25. Perry White, for one
- 26. Port in American Samoa
- 30. Revolt
- 31. Halloween greeting
- 32. Artist Max

- 34. The Eternal City
- 35. Spider-Man creator Lee
- 37. Redeems, as poker chips
- 38. Best Actor of 1992
- 39. Snow bunny's support system
- 40. '70s radical org.
- 45. Rajiv's mother
- 46. Visit unannounced
- 47. Knew intuitively
- 50. In any way
- 52. Maze marking
- 54. Unhurried gait
- 56. Prefix for lateral or distant
- 57. Well-fed
- 58. Bits of a song refrain
- 60. Ave. crossers, often

SUDOKU Solution to puzzle on page 10

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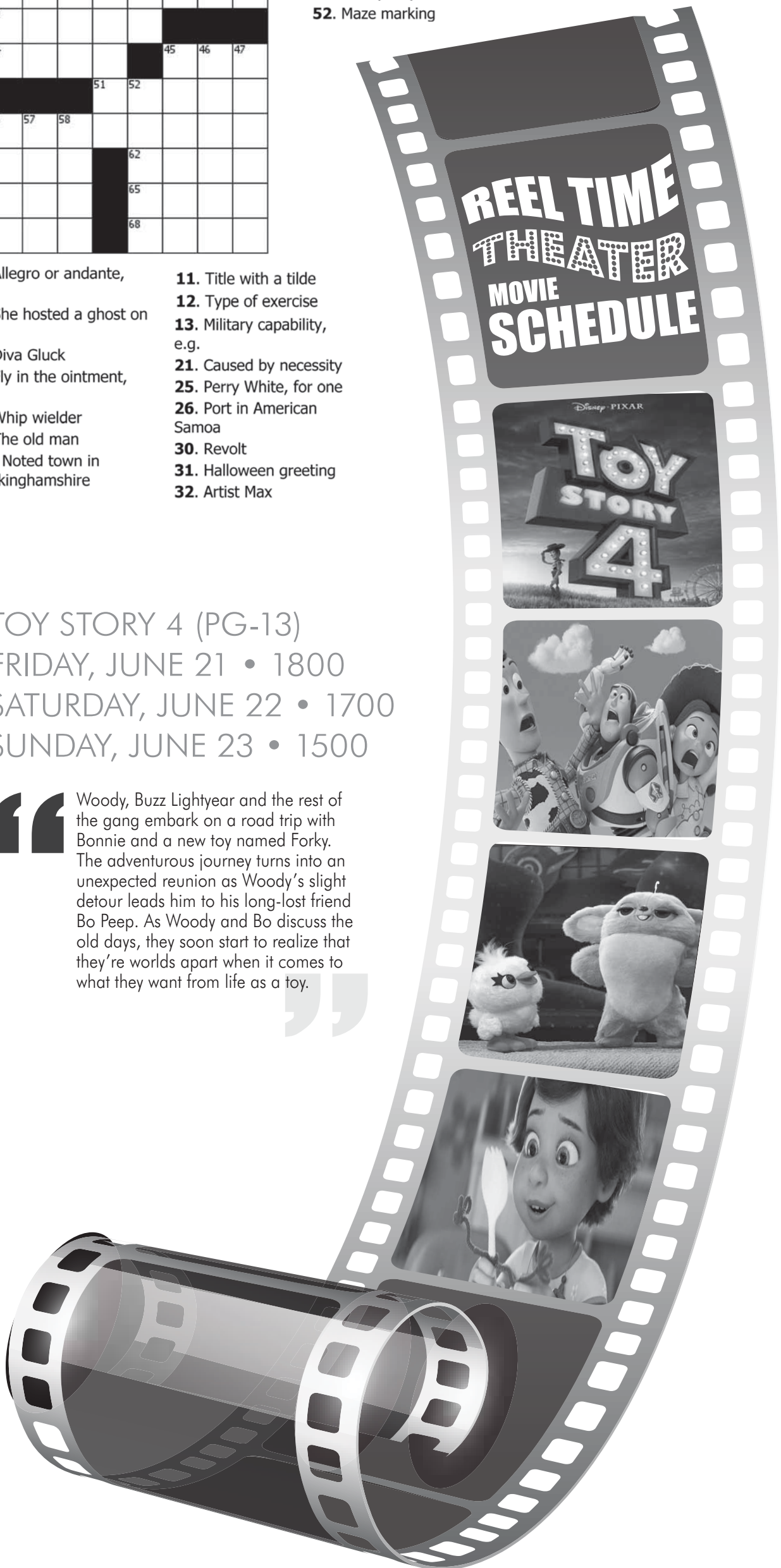
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Summer Corn, Avocado & Black Bean Salad



Recipe courtesy of: www.produceinparade.com/produce-on-parade/summer-corn-avocado-black-bean-salad

INGREDIENTS:

Veggies:

- 1 3/4 cup thawed frozen or fresh sweet corn
- 40 cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1 15 oz. can of black beans, rinsed and drained
- 2 avocados, diced
- 1 red onion, finely diced

- 1/4 cup cilantro, chopped (use the stems too!)

Dressing:

- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- 1 lemon, juiced (or 2 limes)
- 1-2 tsp. cumin
- 1/2 tsp. kosher salt
- 1/2 tsp. ground black pepper

INSTRUCTIONS:

Prep all the veggie ingredients and add them to a large serving bowl. Toss well to combine.

In a small bowl or measuring cup, whisk together the dressing ingredients and pour over the veggies. Toss gently to coat evenly and let rest about 10 minutes.

Store in the fridge and serve alone, with chips, or in a pita!

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21 JUNE

9:30 PM - 11:00 PM
Location: Scandinavian Heritage Park
1020 S Broadway, Minot.

Summer 2019 Movies in the Park - Wreck-It Ralph 2 / Rated PG - Friday, June 21st at Scandinavian Heritage Park - All movies start at sunset (around 9:30pm) **For More information: Facebook event/ Movie in the Park - Wreck-It Ralph 2**



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10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Location: Roosevelt Park Zoo
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Celebrate our tall friends at the Roosevelt Park Zoo. We are the only zoo in North Dakota to house giraffes, and we are sure proud of it! Bouncy house, silent auction, giraffe feeding station, as well as several crafts and activities are all part of World Giraffe Day! All proceeds will be



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11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
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Animal Shelter! Lunch will be served at 11am until gone. Bike wash will run from 11am to 3pm. All proceeds from the free will donation lunch & bike wash will go towards the SVAS capital campaign. **For more information check out: Facebook event/Burgers, Babes, & Bikes**

22 JUNE

4:00 PM - 11:59 PM
Location: Downtown Minot, ND

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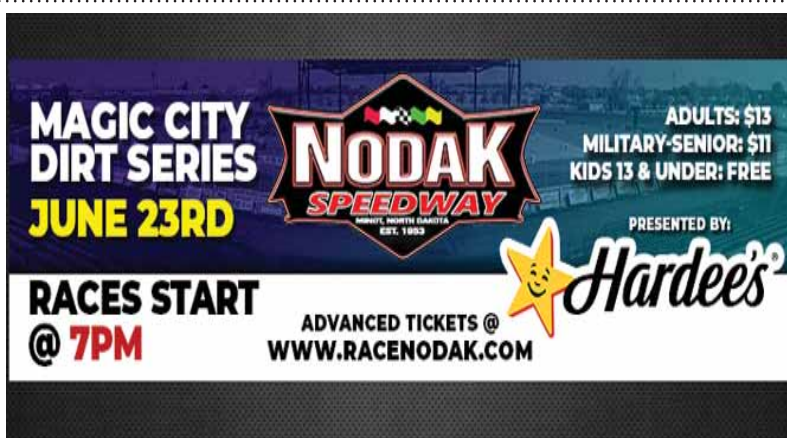


There will be bar areas outside of each bar where you can bring your dogs and enjoy a nice cold beverage! **For more information check out: Facebook event/ Pints and Puppies**

23 JUNE

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Location: Nodak Speedway
2005 Burdick Expy E, Minot.

Nodak Speedway is a 3/8 mile dirt track located on the North Dakota State Fair Grounds in Minot, ND. IMCA Hobby Stocks, INEX Legends, IMCA Stocks & IMCA Modifieds race most Sunday nights during the summer. **For More Information check out: Racenodak.com**



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U.S. military members work alongside host nation forces ensuring safe airfield operations in a dirt runway in Syria, March 2019. Their mission consisted of day and night operations to train military members to perform dirt runway inspection, communicating with aircraft in flight, reporting and forecasting weather conditions, marshaling aircraft and setting up mission-specific dirt runway lights.

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AMLO brings expertise to fight in Syria

TECH. SGT. LUTHER MITCHELL | 621ST CONTINGENCY RESPONSE WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. (AFNS) --

Thousands of miles from home, Airmen from the 621st Contingency Response Wing work day and night around the globe to establish a runway to support supplies and passengers. Operating under some of the most austere conditions, Air Mobility Liaison Officers from the 621st Mobility Support Operations Squadron are strategically placed to train, advise and educate joint forces on every facet of mobility support operations.

An AMLO from the 621st MSOS, aligned with the 82nd Airborne Division, recently found himself in Syria working to provide expertise in multiple areas and maintain a runway under harsh conditions.

Maj. Thomas Weber, 621st MSOS AMLO, spent the last four months working in the Middle East with a mix of joint and host nation forces ensuring safe airfield operations for Air Mobility forces.

"It was uncomfortable at times, especially since the base was closing," Weber said. "Things like no dining facility, light discipline and an outdoor gym with cement weights take some getting used to."

Weber's mission consisted of day and night operations to train military members to perform dirt runway inspection, communicating with aircraft in flight, reporting and forecasting weather conditions, marshaling aircraft and setting up mission-specific dirt runway lights.

"Our mission was to turn a small, dirt runway into a field capable of moving a million pounds of cargo, thousands of passengers and some Islamic State group detainees," Weber said. "Doing this safely is the hard part since most of the flights are in complete darkness and many personnel are working outside of their career fields. Balancing attitudes of adapt and overcome versus regulation compliance and risk avoidance is the challenge."

AMLOs are considered coaches and problem solvers for mobility operations, Weber said. The Airmen are able to teach, advise and do everything from cargo load plans to airdropping equipment and passengers.

"Air Mobility Liaison Officers are U.S. Transportation Command's most forward echelon, the connective tissue for rapid global mobility," said Lt. Col. Curt Haase, 621st MSOS commander. "(They are) a sensor for the Air Mobility Command network and key leaders. No single person in the AMC network is better postured to close the joint operational gap than the AMLO."

This most recent mission was challenging for Weber. However, he was able to adapt and overcome, and coordinated air mobility command and control, and drop landing zone operations.

"The landing zone was a

success; we pushed huge amounts of cargo and passengers without incident in the worst conditions," Weber said. "It sounds cliché to say things like 'safety first', but both risks to the aircraft, crews and ground personnel were high."

AMLOs operate under the 621st CRW, and are embedded with Army, Marine and special operations units, in-garrison and deployed to locations around the United States, Asia and the Middle East.

"Operating max weight C-17's (Globemaster III) at night into a small dirt runway, there is little tolerance for error by the crews or ground personnel," he said. "My focus was to keep pilots aware of exact field conditions and where the aircraft needed to be."

Weber is a trained KC-135 Stratotanker instructor pilot, aircraft mishap investigator and is airborne jump qualified. Throughout this mission, he said his motivation to work through the hardship was knowing his role in defending against hostile forces in the region.

"Serving in Syria (was) critically important as the coalition destroyed ISIS (Islamic State of Iraq and Syria) and took back the land," Weber said. "The mission is my motivation: to rid the world of ISIS."

Haase feels lucky to have talented AMLOs such as Weber on his team and in the Air Force.

"I feel extremely honored to have members like Maj. Weber in my unit and in Air Mobility Command's ranks," Haase said. "Maj. Weber demonstrated both service and warrior ethos during his time in Syria and continues to do so while embedded with the 82nd Airborne Division. He displays confidence and maintains high fitness standards as one of AMC's airborne qualified AMLOs, and used his vast experience as a rated aviator to solve problems and mitigate risk for air mobility forces and joint ground forces in a fluid combat environment."

The 621st MSOS provide essential tactical support operations for U.S. Army and Marine Corps personnel in the field. They expedite movement of Joint personnel and equipment aboard Air Force assets and continue to be one of AMC's most forward elements in providing Joint mobility expertise.

OFFUTT FIREFIGHTERS

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sister unit assigned to them. The SPP has been around for 25 years and now includes 76 partnerships with 81 nations around the world. The Nebraska ANG has future plans for an additional partnership with Rwanda.

This is the second year the Nebraska ANG and the Czech Republic have participated in the SPP. The first year, the Guard went to the Czech Republic. While strengthening their relationship with the Czech Republic air force firefighters, they also were able to learn more about the Czech's culture and tour their country.

"Every year, or every other year or so, we will be invited to go to their country," said Master Sgt. Rene Arriola, 155th ARW fire chief. "They provide us with training and we get a lot of the historical tour-type things to familiarize ourselves with the different culture."

Live-fire training at the fire pit and structural burning training scenarios are sometimes scarce in other countries.

"We are feeling happy that we could cooperate with you, and with our colleagues and friends from the Nebraska Air National Guard," said Czech Republic air force Capt. Jan Smetana. "We know how fortunate we are to train in this simulation, installation and facilities. We don't have these facilities for our firefighters."

The airmen fought through the language barrier to build relationships through one exercise after another. Not only did it expose the Czech Republic to training they would otherwise not receive,

it allowed everybody involved to enhance their ability to communicate while fighting a fire, something that is difficult even without a language barrier.

"It is very good fortune for us to train our language skills and cooperation," Smetana said. "In the future we can use it in a potential foreign mission or big foreign exercise."

The training exercises gave the groups the opportunity to learn from the unique experiences of their counterparts. All parties involved said they were able to take something, not just from the exercise, but from the other participants, that they will use in the future to be better firemen.

"Firefighters are required to be proficient in a myriad of skills. The key to this preparation is training and repetition. Continually practicing these skills forms a second nature preparedness for real-world events," Eblin said.

"Working with other fire teams provides us an opportunity to expand our knowledge base and experiences through sharing of ideas and processes. Working with the Czech firefighters certainly provided a very unique and rewarding experience for our firefighters and we hope that we can continue this partnership in the future."



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Dates to Know:

*Fireworks prohibited on all N.D. Game & Fish Dept. Wildlife Mgmt. Areas.
*June 22 & 23: Frontier Military Days, Fort Stevenson State Park, Garrison.

Tournaments:

*June 21 – 23: Devils Lake, Grahams Island State Park.
*June 22: Lake Sakakawea, Parshall Bay.
*June 28 & 29: Devils Lake, Grahams Island State Park.
*June 30: Lake Sakakawea, Fort Stevenson State Park.

Fishing:

Lake Sakakawea elevation, June 17, 1,850.94 feet above mean sea level (MSL); 32,100 cubic feet per second (CFS) Garrison Dam average daily releases.

Devils Lake elevation: 1,449.02 feet above mean sea level (MSL).

Stump Lake elevation: 1,449.03 MSL.

*N.D. Game & Fish Dept. game wardens: Devils Lake still a little spotty but showing some improving consistency for walleye. White bass remain fair to good with lots of activity in Channel A and improving success around Highway 19. Goose Lake continues producing a few walleye. No reports from north-central area lakes or the east end of Lake Sakakawea. Van Hook Arm and New Town area remain fair to good for walleye.

*Devils Lake, Ed's Bait Shop, Devils Lake: Continued walleye activity on the west end of Devils Lake towards evening.

*Devils Lake, Woodland Resort, Devils Lake: Continued fair to good for small walleye in shallow water. Try spinners with better bite toward evening. Pike remain good. White bass success moved along the south end of the south shore.

OUTDOOR NOTES:

*Lake Darling, Karma C-Store, Ruthville: Weather fronts slowed activity on Lake Darling and Grano area.

*Lake Darling, Upper Souris Nat'l. Wildlife Refuge, Foxholm: Not much activity with generally slow walleye success. Try Grano area for better activity.

*Lake Metigoshe, Four Seasons, Bottineau: Some bluegill moving towards the docks for spawning but still a little slow yet. Continued pike success.

*Lake Sakakawea/Lake Audubon, Cenex Bait & Tackle, Garrison: Douglas Bay remains fair for walleye with some activity at Garrison, deTrobriand, and Steinke bays in 12 to 17 feet. Also try Mallard Island, Wolf Creek, or east end embankment. Try Lindy rigs with minnows or nightcrawlers. Some success starting with leeches. Work deeper with crankbaits. No Lake Audubon reports.

*Lake Sakakawea/Lake Audubon, 6-Mile Bait & Tackle, Garrison: Spotty walleye success on the east end of Lake Sakakawea. Better success remains west around Van Hook Arm and westward. Lake Audubon good for walleye throughout the main lake and bays. Work variety of depths with spinners and nightcrawlers.

*Lake Sakakawea, Indian Hills Resort, Garrison: Improving walleye success around Pepsi Point and the beacon in 15 to 25 feet. Try jigs and minnows with some improving success on nightcrawlers. Also try the south shore.

*Lake Sakakawea, Van Hook Resort, New Town: Missouri River producing a mix of trout, salmon, and walleye down river with overall fair success from boats. Try the spillway channel inlet for eater-sized walleye.

Chutes producing walleye, trout, and salmon using 3-way swivels. Rocks fair for walleye from shore casting crankbaits. Work the north shore pitching jigs up shallow or casting crankbaits on the east end of Lake Sakakawea. Also try 15 to 16 feet with slow death hooks and nightcrawlers. Continued pike success from shore.

*Lake Sakakawea/Missouri

River, Scott's Bait & Tackle, Pick City: Missouri River producing a mix of trout, salmon, and walleye down river with overall fair success from boats. Try the spillway channel inlet for eater-sized walleye. Chutes producing walleye, trout, and salmon using 3-way swivels. Rocks fair for walleye from shore casting crankbaits. Work the north shore pitching jigs up shallow or casting crankbaits on the east end of Lake Sakakawea. Also try 15 to 16 feet with slow death hooks and nightcrawlers. Continued pike success from shore.

*Lake Sakakawea/northwest N.D. lakes, Scenic Sports, Williston: Continued fair to good for walleye with best success from White Earth Bay to the east. Try a mix of bait with cool front moving fish out shallow early in the week. Water muddier farther west around Lewis & Clark State Park so work slower presentation. Try Lund's Landing for crappie. Yellowstone and Missouri rivers muddy but water levels are dropping around the confluence.

*Lonetree WMA area lakes, Harvey: Area lakes generally producing nice walleye success.

*North-central/central N.D. lakes, Towner Hdwe. Hank, Towner: Limited reports from the Mouse River and area lakes.

N.D. rivers:

*Des Lacs River, Foxholm: River stage, 5.4 feet; streamflow, 4.07 CFS.

*Little Missouri River, Watford City: River stage, 0.4 feet; streamflow, 664 CFS.

*Missouri River, Washburn: River stage, 11.77 feet.

*Pembina River, Walhalla: River stage: 2.29 feet; streamflow, 116 CFS.

*Souris River, Foxholm: River stage, 5.9 feet; streamflow, 3.8 CFS.

*Souris River, Minot: River stage, 4.26 feet; streamflow, 3.8 CFS.

*Yellowstone River, Sidney, Mont.: River stage, 12.2 feet; streamflow, 44,500 CFS.

Numbers to know:

*N.D. Game and Fish Dept., main Bismarck office: (701) 328-6300, website: (<http://gf.nd.gov>).
*Report All Poachers: (800) 472-2121 or (701) 328-9921.



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Museum and gift shop hours are Tuesday – Friday 10:30 am – 5:30 pm and Saturday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm. There is no charge for admission, but contributions are accepted to help the Taube Museum fulfill their mission of enriching lives through the visual arts.

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DoD seeks feedback from Air men, families on Housing Resident Bill of Rights

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The Department of Defense is asking current residents of military privatized housing to provide feedback on a draft version of a Resident Bill of Rights.

The Air Force is part of a tri-service initiative to create a Resident Bill of Rights that identifies the basic housing rights of service members and their families living in privatized housing. "Our most important resource is our people. We must protect our people — our Air Force family — by ensuring our privatized housing portfolio provides safe and healthy housing," said Col. Michael Beach, Air Force Housing program chief. "We value the candid input of our Airmen. This is a real opportunity for them to influence change within the (military housing privatization initiative) program for the better."

Families living in privatized housing can expect to receive an emailed letter from the Office of the Secretary of Defense which provides instructions on how to complete the survey which is being administered by CEL &

Associates, Inc., a third-party consulting firm. CEL will collect resident feedback and analyze the information on behalf of the DoD. All information collected through the survey is confidential. If you are a resident and have not received the emailed letter by June 18, 2019, or you have questions and/or are experiencing technical difficulties, please call the toll-free helpline at (800)-482-6431, or contact CEL & Associates, Inc. via email at BillOfRightsFeedback@celassociates.com.

Participation is voluntary, but the Air Force highly encourages its members to take this opportunity to contribute their voice to improving privatized housing experience for service members and their families, Beach said.

The Resident Bill of Rights is one of 60 initiatives the Air Force will complete as part of its aggressive plan to address housing issues, Beach said. In February 2019, Air Force commanders conducted a health and safety review with all residents in Air Force family housing. The Air Force used this feedback and other internal reviews to identify systemic issues and plot an aggressive campaign to overhaul the program.

2018 Water Quality Report, MINOT AFB - System ID 5100660

Terms for this Report

AL (Action Level): The concentration of a contaminant, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
MCL (Maximum Contaminant Level): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water.
MCLG (Maximum Contaminant Level Goal): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MRDL (Maximum Residual Disinfection Level): The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG (Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal): The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
ND (Not Detected): Or below the detectable level of the test procedure.
NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units): A measure of how clean the water is, caused by suspended matter in the water.
pCi/l (picocuries per liter): A measure of radioactivity in water
ppb (Parts per billion) or µg/l (Micrograms per liter): one part by weight of analyte to 1 billion parts by weight of the water sample. Roughly equal to one drop in ten thousand gallons of water or one minute in two thousand years.
ppm (Parts per million) or mg/l (Milligrams per liter): one part by weight of analyte to 1 million parts by weight of the water sample. Roughly equivalent to one drop per 10 gallons of water or minute in two years.
TT (Treatment Technique): A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

The City of Minot was selected by the EPA to sample for 28 unregulated contaminants during 2018. Samples were taken two times from the Water Treatment Plant, the Entry Point to the Distribution, and from the four Maximum Residence Time sample sites.

Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated contaminant monitoring is to assist the EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted.

The following unregulated contaminants (Table 2) were the contaminants detected during this sampling.

Table 1. Detected Regulated Contaminants

| Contaminant | MCLG | MCL | Level or Range | Date Tested | Violation | Source of Contaminant |
|---------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------|-----------|---|
| INORGANIC CONTAMINANTS | | | | | | |
| Arsenic(ppb) | 0 | 10 | 1.74 | 3/16 | No | Erosion of natural products; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes |
| Barium(ppm) | 2 | 2 | 0.00433 | 3/16 | No | Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits |
| Chromium(ppb) | 100 | 100 | 1.37 | 3/16 | No | Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits |
| Fluoride(ppm) | 4 | 4 | 0.72 | 3/16 | No | Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories |
| Nitrate + Nitrite (ppm) | 10 | 10 | 0.06 | 1/18 | No | Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits |
| Selenium (ppb) | 50 | 50 | 1.65 | 3/16 | No | Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines |
| DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS | | | | | | |
| Total Haloacetic Acids (ppb) | 0 | 60 | 14 (4.24-24.28) | 9/18 | No | Byproduct of drinking water chlorination *Compliance based on annual average |
| Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) | 0 | 80 | 46 (40.64-50.19) | 12/18 | No | Byproduct of drinking water chlorination *Compliance based on annual average |
| DISINFECTANTS | | | | | | |
| Chloramine residual(ppm) | MRDLG 4 | MRDL 4.0 | 2.9 (2.38-3.16) | 12/18 | No | Water additive used to control microbes |
| OTHER CONTAMINANTS | | | | | | |
| Copper(ppm) | 1.3 | AL=1.3 | 0.039* | 8/18 | Below AL | Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosions of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives |
| Lead (ppb) | 0 | AL=15 | 4.56* | 8/18 | Below AL | Corrosion of household plumbing systems |
| Total Coliforms | 0 | 5% of monthly samples | 2% | 11/18 | No | Naturally present in the environment |
| RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINANTS | | | | | | |
| None Detected | n/a | n/a | n/a | 6/18 | No | Erosion of natural products |

*This value represents the 90th percentile value of the most recent round of sampling.

Table 2. Detected Unregulated Contaminants

| Unregulated Contaminant detected | Minimum Reporting Level, (ug/l) | Average value at raw water intake-common header, (ug/l) |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Bromide, as Br- (unfiltered) | 20 | 470 (Range: 410 to 530) |
| Total Organic Carbon (TOC) | 1000 | 4100 (Range: 4000 to 4200) |

Table 2 (Continued). Detected Unregulated Contaminants

| Unregulated Contaminants detected | Minimum Reporting Level, (ug/l) | Average value at Maximum Residence sampling point (ug/l) | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | | Stage2, Site #1 | Stage2, Site #2 | Stage2, Site #3 | Stage2, Site #4 |
| Bromochloroacetic acid | 0.30 | 5.4 (Range:5.1-5.6) | 4.9 (Range:4.7-5.1) | 5.2 (Range:4.9-5.4) | 5.8 (Range:5.7-5.8) |
| Bromodichloroacetic acid | 0.50 | 5.7 (Range:5.4-6.0) | 6.6 (Range:6.0-7.2) | 5.9 (Range:5.3-6.5) | 5.9 (Range:5.5-6.2) |
| Chlorodibromoacetic acid | 0.30 | 1.9 (Range:1.7-2.0) | 1.9 (Range:1.7-2.0) | 1.9 (Range:1.8-2.0) | 2.2 (Range:1.9-2.5) |
| Monobromoacetic acid | 0.30 | 1.3 (Range:1.1-1.4) | 1.1 (Range:1.1-1.4) | 1.0 (Range:0.9-1.2) | 1.2 (Range:0.8-1.7) |
| Dibromoacetic acid | 0.30 | 8.2 (Range:7.4-9.0) | 8.0 (Range:0.9-1.3) | 7.6 (Range:6.7-8.4) | 8.6 (Range:8.0-9.2) |
| Dichloroacetic acid | 0.20 | 3.3 (Range:3.0-3.5) | 2.9 (Range:2.8-2.9) | 3.4 (Range:3.3-3.4) | 3.7 (Range:3.7-3.7) |
| Trichloroacetic acid | 0.50 | 0.8 (Range:0.7-0.9) | 0.8 (Range:0.7-0.9) | 0.8 (Range:0.8-0.9) | 0.9 (Range:0.7-1.0) |

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| TODAY | TUESDAY |  UPCOMING EVENTS: |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> White Water Rafting and Zip-Lining Trip hosted by Outdoor Recreation at Bozeman, MT Last Day to Register for Match Play Tournament at Rough Rider Golf Course Boot Camp, 1145, Fitness Center • Torch Club, 1600-1700, Youth Center Board Game Making Camp, 1500, Base Library Friday Fun Members Buffet, 1630-1830, Rockers Bar & Grill Club Members \$\$\$ Drawing, 1730-1830, Rockers Bar & Grill (name of Club Member drawn also announced at the Jimmy Doolittle Center and Rough Riders Pizza) Zumba, 1800, Fitness Center • Keystone Meeting, 1800-1900, Youth Center Give Parents a Break, 1800-2200, Child Development Center & Youth Center Karaoke Night, 2100, Rockers Bar & Grill Lights & Strikes Bowling, 2100-2400, Rough Rider Lanes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Run 4 Fitness, 0600, Fitness Center Youth Programs Digital Literacy Camp, 0900-1200, Youth Center Barre, 0915, Fitness Center Game Day, 1000-1930, Base Library Cycle, 1130, Fitness Center Family Night Kids Eat Free with Adult Entrée Purchase, 1700-2000, Rockers Bar & Grill Cycle, 1700, Fitness Center Fit to Fight, 1800, Fitness Center | |
| WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | <p>29 June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zumba, 0900, Fitness Center Barre, 1000, Fitness Center EFMP Zoo Series, 1000-1200, Held at Roosevelt Park Zoo and hosted by A&FRC Swerk, 1100, Fitness Center Board Game Making Competition, 1500, Base Library Game Night at the Ground Zero Lounge, 1600, Ground Zero Lounge at the JDC Lights & Strikes and Saturday Unlimited Bowling, 2000-2400, Rough Rider Lanes |
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Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force Kaleth O. Wright talks to members of Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, during an all-call June 10, 2019. Wright visited JB Elmendorf-Richardson during exercise Red Flag-Alaska 19-2 to meet with his senior enlisted leader counterparts from throughout the Pacific. Red Flag-Alaska is a Pacific Air Forces-directed exercise that allows U.S. forces to train with coalition partners in a simulated combat environment.

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Pacific senior enlisted leaders meet for historic Red Flag-Alaska

STAFF SGT. CURT BEACH | 673D AIR BASE WING

JOINT BASE ELMENDORF-RICHARDSON, Alaska (AFNS) -- Red Flag-Alaska 19-2, a Pacific Air Forces-directed exercise that allows U.S. forces to train with coalition partners in a simulated combat environment—is underway at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson through June 22.

Approximately 2,000 personnel are flying, maintaining and supporting more than 85 aircraft from more than a dozen units during this iteration of Red Flag-Alaska. The majority of participating aircraft are based at, and flying from, JB Elmendorf-Richardson and Eielson Air Force Base.

In addition to the U.S., airmen from the Japan Air Self-Defense Force, South Korean Air Force and Royal Thai Air Force are all working alongside one another, building relationships, fostering communication and sharing tactics, techniques and procedures.

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Kaleth O. Wright visited JB Elmendorf-Richardson during the exercise to engage with Airmen and leaders of all participating countries.

“Any time we come together in a training environment like this, we get really good and realistic training opportunities with our partner nations,” Wright said. “I think opportunities like Red Flag are extremely important for us to get those repetitions in with our allies.”

“I encourage all participants to take advantage of these opportunities where you get to work at a tactical level with our Indo-Pacific and our European counterparts because you never know how those relationships might pay off one day.”

Following his own advice, Wright extended invitations to his senior enlisted leader counterparts from throughout the Pacific, marking the first time all four senior enlisted leaders from the U.S., Japan, South Korea and Thailand gathered in the same location.

“Instability is on the rise in the Indo-Pacific area of operations, so it’s extremely important for all allied nations in the region to sharpen our skills and strengthen our ability to work together to preserve the peace and stability of this very important region,” said Warrant Officer Masahiro Yokota, Japan Air Self-Defense Force senior enlisted advisor.

This iteration of RF-A, which

began June 6, provides joint offensive counter-air, interdiction, close air support and large-force employment training.

“I feel pleased, delighted and honored to have the opportunity to join in Red Flag and the senior leaders activities here at (JB Elmendorf-Richardson),” Royal Thai Air Force Flight Sgt. First Class Likhid Deeraksah said. “I think it’s a great opportunity to learn about different cultures and the ways of doing things in Korea, Japan and the United States. I’m excited to take some of these ideas back to our work centers in Thailand.”

All Red Flag-Alaska exercises take place over the Joint Pacific Alaska Range Complex over central Alaska. The entire airspace is made up of extensive military operations areas, special-use airspace and ranges, for a total airspace of more than 67,000 square miles.

Red Flag-Alaska exercises, which provide unique opportunities to integrate various forces in realistic threat environments, date back to 1975, when the exercise

was held at Clark Air Base in the Philippines and called exercise Cope Thunder.

Red Flag-Alaska executes the world’s premier tactical joint and coalition air combat employment exercise, designed to replicate the stresses warfighters must face during their first eight to 10 combat sorties. Red Flag-Alaska has the assets, range and support structure to train to joint and combined warfighting doctrine against realistic and robust enemy integrated threat systems, under safe and controlled conditions.

Wright offered a message to RF-A global Airmen about how important their contributions are to the long-term advancement of the nations of the Indo-Pacific region.

“Come here, work hard, have a good time and enjoy the fruits of your labor, particularly when it comes to training and relationships. When our Airmen get to work side by side with their counterparts, the long-term impact is that we’re going to be better and we’ll be ready for any scenario.”

Since its inception, thousands of service members from all U.S.

military branches, as well as the armed services of countries from around the globe, have taken part in Red Flag-Alaska.

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