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## 'IRONWOMAN' TESTS HUMAN BODY'S LIMITS

By Steve Pivnick  
81st Medical Group Public Affairs

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. — "It's unbelievable what the human body is capable of." That's how Yekaterina Karpitskaya described her view of the almost 15 hours it took her to complete a recent Ironman competition.

She competed in her first full Ironman Sept. 11 in Madison, Wis. The event consisted of a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and 26.2-mile run. She finished the event with a total time of 14:55:25. Her times for each leg were 1:28:53 for the swim in Madison's Lake Monona, 7:53:54 for the bike ride around Wisconsin and 5:01:02 for the marathon.

"I wanted to test the body's limits," explained the 33-year-old orthopedic surgeon from the 81st Surgical Operations Squadron. She had noted previously that she had participated "for all my active-duty and retired patients whose injuries rendered them unable to do such things."

Training mainly solo for the event over a span of 20 weeks, Karpitskaya estimated she biked approximately 500 miles, ran another 800 miles and swam 60-80 miles in the base pool.

"I did quite a few rides with a local group of triathlon enthusiasts," she said. "We called ourselves 'The Ticking Tri-Bombs.' They really helped me with my cycling. They are Leah McBride, 'SeaBee'

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(U.S. Air Force photo by Steve Pivnick)

In her office at the 81st Medical Group Hospital, Karpitskaya displays her Ironman medal and souvenirs.



Photos Courtesy of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine

Orlando Illi, Deputy Program Manager, MC4; Congressman Roscoe Bartlett, George Wunderlich; Executive Director of the NMCWM; Captain Chris Daniels Deputy Commander USAMRMC; and LTC Ray Laurel the Museum's Liason to USAMRMC cut the ribbon officially opening the "Civil War Medicine: It's Not What You Think" exhibit to the public on Thursday, September 9.

## Honoring our Past, Inspiring our Future



Captain Chris Daniel, Deputy Commander, USAMRMC, and Betsy Estilow, President of the NMCWM Board of Directors, sign the Partnership Agreement between the NMCWM and USAMRMC on September 9.

FREDERICK, MD — "On my mark men, One... Two... Three..." with that command Civil-War-era scalpels wielded by George Wunderlich, Executive Director of the National Museum of Civil War Medicine and Captain Chris

Daniel, Deputy Commander USAMRMC, sliced into the red ribbon to open the new exhibit: "Civil War Medicine: it's not what you think".

The exhibit displays modern innovations in medical recordkeeping juxtaposed with civil war era medical records. The exhibit which opened to the public on Thursday, September 9, will continue to rotate artifacts from both Civil War era and modern era medicine while honoring the winners of the Major Jonathan Letterman Award for Medical Excellence. Currently on display are computer/medical technologies from Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4), the 2009 Letterman Award winners, alongside letters and journals kept by civil

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# Keesler nurses run Disney's half marathon

By Susan Griggs  
81st Training Wing Public Affairs

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. — Saturday night, two Keesler nurses will be in Orlando, Fla., for the inaugural Walt Disney World Wine and Dine Half Marathon.

Mary Peterson and Chris Johnson are avid runners and coworkers on the 81st Medical Group Hospital's surgical inpatient unit. The race begins at 10 p.m. from the Wide World of Sports Complex, passes through Disney's Animal Kingdom and ends at Epcot's World Showcase.

Peterson has added to the challenge by trying to raise \$2,000 for blood cancer research as part of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Team in Training.

"Running is fun, but I get more motivated when it's for a better cause than just myself," the 26-year-old Louisiana native said. "I'm running for each person and their families and loved ones whose lives are affected by these awful diseases. I haven't met my fund-raising goal yet, and the clock is ticking."

Keesler is the first duty station for Peterson, a 26-year-old Louisiana native who's been in the Air Force for 2½ years.



(U.S. Air Force photo by Steve Pivnick)  
**Second Lt. Chris Johnson, 81st Medical Group Hospital's surgical inpatient unit.**

"The Air Force requires us to stay fit, so I run," Peterson explained. "But we have a family saying that, 'If one is good, more is better.' We call it Aunt Alice Syndrome after a family member who started with this train of thought in her cooking. So I applied it to running

-- if 1½ miles is good, then 13.1 miles is better!"

In 2009, Peterson completed the Air Force Half Marathon and the Gulf Coast Half Marathon at the Stennis Space Center.

"That second race was amazing," Peterson pointed out. "I paced with a 70-year-old man who had just started running four years prior. He was running his 40th race in celebration of being in remission from prostate cancer for four years. He travels all over the U.S. running full marathons, one each month, sometimes two. He was an inspiration to run not only for myself, but for someone else and a higher cause."

To donate to Peterson's fundraising effort, log on to <http://pages.teamintraining.org/ms/diswine10/peterson>

Johnson, 29, joined the Air Force

13 months ago, and Keesler is his first assignment.

"I've been running for about eight years," Johnson said. "I typically run about 15 miles a week unless training for an event like this. My past running experience has just involved me running on my own for the past eight years."

Although this is Johnson's first half marathon, "I have my first bachelor's degree in exercise science and fitness. I run and lift five or six days a week so physical activity has always been a part of me."

The location of the event was a motivator for Johnson.

"It's at Disney World and I'm a Disney fan," Johnson commented. "I'm a competitor and an avid runner -- after running this, I know that there'll be more to follow."

## ★ Past

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war surgeons. The NMCWM is grateful to the Heart of the Civil War Heritage area and the Maryland Heritage Area organizations for their sponsorship of this innovative and inspiring exhibit.

Just prior to the exhibit opening, the NMCWM and US Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (MRMC) and Fort Detrick, extended a formal partnership that began more than a decade ago. The Partnership agreement will allow the NMCWM and USAMRMC the opportunity to share technology, history, and artifacts through displays, lectures, and exhibits demonstrating the foundation of modern military medical innovation upon which modern advancements are built. "This partnership has been and continues to have the potential for life-saving innovations in military medicine, which many times translates to civilian medicine," stated Wunderlich, "We can offer USAMRMC the wisdom gleaned from the challenges faced by our medical forbearers, while they can offer us the technological innovations

to help us educate the world about the link between modern and Civil-War-era medicine."

Captain Chris Daniel, Deputy Commander, USAMRMC, signed on behalf of General James Gilman, Commander USAMRMC, and NMCWM Board President Betsy Estilow signed the agreement on behalf of the Museum.

The celebration of Frederick's Patriots' Days, during which the new exhibit was opened and the partnership agreement was signed is the third celebration of its kind. The NMCWM is grateful for the cooperation and participation of Congressman Roscoe Bartlett, Frederick's Mayor Randy McClement, Alderman Shelly Aloji and Alderman Kelly Russell, at this stirring, annual event.

The National Museum of Civil War Medicine is located at 48 E. Patrick Street in the heart of the Historic Downtown Frederick area.

For more information, call 301-695-1864.

## ★ Ironwoman

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Tyler Watters, Allen Stanfield and Darren Koennen."

She hopes to participate in another Ironman in November 2011 in Panama City, Fla. She plans to run in a Mississippi Gulf Coast half-marathon in November at Stennis Space Center and a full marathon in January at Walt Disney World.

Karpitskaya came to the United States in 1992 from Simferopol, Ukraine, became a naturalized American citi-

zen in 1997 and was commissioned in 1998. She received a bachelor's degree in biology and psychology, a master's degree in neuroscience and her doctor of medicine degree from Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. The "Ironman" completed her orthopedic residency at the UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles. Arriving here three years ago, Keesler is her first active-duty assignment.

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# Next-Generation Prosthetic Knee passes Ocean Test

By Barb Ruppert,  
TATRC science and technology writer

This summer in Ocean City, Md., an amputee working in a joint civilian-military research project took the new X3 microprocessor-controlled prosthetic knee for a test on the beach and into the Atlantic Ocean to bodyboard.

The Otto Bock HealthCare prosthetics technician joins more than 30 service members and older veterans at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., and Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, who have been testing this line of prostheses since 2009.

The knee is being developed by Otto Bock HealthCare as part of the Military Amputee Research Program. The project is administered by the U.S.

Army Medical Research and Materiel Command's Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center at Fort Detrick, Md.

"While the DoD was already providing service members with the most advanced prosthetic devices available, those were proving insufficient for returning to a quality of life approaching what they experienced before their injury," said Troy Turner, TATRC Advanced Prosthetics and Human Performance portfolio manager.

He continued, "It was difficult at best for them to take up many activities they had enjoyed prior to their amputation—simple things like walking uphill, downhill, backwards, or even leaning against a wall.

"We saw that Otto Bock HealthCare wanted to move in directions our service members needed. After working with them on this for the past few years, what we saw demonstrated in Ocean City was huge. This is a game changer for a lot of people. It not only gives users more capabilities, but it's the first electronic leg

they can use at the beach and ocean, the pool, or even in the mud for that matter."

The X3 is a ruggedized version of the X2, which gained national attention last December as the first prosthetic knee to enable users to run forward and backward and go up stairs and slopes foot over foot. It was heralded as an improvement over the C-Leg®, an advanced prosthetic also built by Otto Bock.

The X3 uses microprocessors, sensors, a gyroscope and an accelerometer to sense and control movement. "It automatically changes the flexibility and position of the knee so individuals can walk downhill, take stairs, bike, even body surf or boogie board in the ocean, without worrying about their prosthetic leg and whether it will keep them stable," said Turner.

The prosthesis can bear more weight than other models. Wearers report that it immediately and significantly reduces back, hip and knee pain because they do not have to rest their total body weight on the intact side of the body anymore. The X3 also has a longer battery life and is lighter and smaller than other options.

Noted Dr. Joseph Miller, who was present at the ocean trial, "The beauty of this government collaboration is demonstrated through this advanced prosthetic device. It offers capabilities for all those with amputation, transcending the generations. It was truly amazing to be part of this innovative process and finally witness a product that sets the new standard." Miller is the national director of Orthotics and Prosthetics Services for the Veterans Health Administration.

The knees are currently being made available to military amputees, and it is expected that Otto Bock will be offering them to the civilian market sometime in 2011.



Scott Tjaden, a registered technician in prosthetics who works for Otto Bock, in Minneapolis, emerges from a test trial of the new X3 microprocessor knee prosthesis in the Atlantic Ocean July 13.

## Forts Bragg and Carson-based Aid Stations move from paper to digital medical records

By Bill Snethen  
The Gateway

Fifty-seven battalion aid stations in garrison now use Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4) systems to digitally chart patient care. The 2nd Brigade Combat Team (BCT), 4th Infantry Division (ID) at Fort Carson, Colo., and the 159th Combat Aviation Brigade (CAB), 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Ky., are the latest to join the growing list of units using MC4 outside of Southwest Asia.

From 2008 to 2009, 37 battalion aid stations in garrison transitioned from paper records to MC4, once a battlefield-only system. The 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., 3rd ID at Fort Stewart, Ga., 2nd ID in South Korea and 7th Army in Europe installed MC4 to fill a need for electronic medical recording (EMR). The system also supports their adoption of the Army's "train as you fight" model. To date, garrison aid stations have captured 53,000 patient encounters and transmitted countless medical supply orders electronically.

Preparing for Southwest Asia, MAJ

Theodore Stefani, 2nd BCT, 4th ID brigade surgeon, initiated the use of MC4 systems for outpatient care (AHLTA-T) in the brigade's six battalion aid stations. The unit uses MC4 hardware to connect to Evans Army Community Hospital at Fort Carson via Enterprise Remote Access (ERA), a virtual private network connection. The tool allows them to order X-rays and lab tests, as well as view inpatient care notes.

"The combination of MC4 and ERA allows us to move away from paper records and prepare for theater requirements," MAJ Stefani said. "My medics tested the network and charted 10 encounters the first day the systems were in place. Now, we electronically capture 25 patient notes daily. We offer a seamless transition of medical documentation for Soldier care, helping them when they move to new duty stations and eventually leave the military."

Garrison use of MC4 not only fills a need for digital medical recording, vice paper records, but readies Soldiers for downrange use and support. MAJ Roby Randall, Fort Carson Medical Department Activity chief information officer, previously deployed to Iraq as the health information systems officer

with the 10th Combat Support Hospital (CSH). He understands the benefits the technical staff will reap by supporting MC4 at Fort Carson.

"Before the 10th CSH deployed in 2009, my team was not familiar with MC4 systems," MAJ Randall said. "In the beginning, we didn't understand all of the support requirements and we experienced a steep learning curve. Supporting the systems on a daily basis will help the unit level administrators to avoid those same struggles."

To build on the use of MC4 in garrison, MAJ Stefani will include the systems in field exercises. He plans to test his technical support team's readiness and practice using MC4's command and control capabilities.

"The technical team gets the opportunity to practice setting up the systems in case the unit arrives in theater and does not fall in on an established network," MAJ Stefani said. "I'll also have the opportunity to review patient data for medical surveillance requirements."

While MAJ Stefani's unit prepares for MC4 use in theater, SFC Shayne Henricksen, medical platoon sergeant and noncommissioned officer in charge of the 563rd Aviation Support Battalion,

159th CAB, 101st Airborne Division, readies his unit for MC4 in the states.

"Instead of the equipment being locked away in a CONEX until the next mission, we're using the MC4 systems like we did in Afghanistan," SFC Henricksen said. "Daily use of the same system can only help the user."

In May, the 159th CAB installed 17 MC4 systems in their 12 battalion aid stations and the brigade medical supply office at Fort Campbell. In one month, the unit digitally documented 400 patient encounters and ordered approximately 20 items of medical supplies each week via MC4.

SFC Henricksen believes his staff will be better prepared to build on lessons learned with MC4 in garrison.

"If we had used the system in the aid stations before we deployed, we would have had a much easier time at the start of our deployment," SFC Henricksen said. "For our next mission, we'll have a database of our Soldiers on our computers. We'll spend less time entering demographic data and be ready to use the systems as soon as we hit the ground. We're able to build upon our experiences and provide a complete medical picture."



Photo by Steve Pivnick, 81st Medical Group

*Members of an 81st Medical Group orthopedic surgical team display five fingers as a two-fold symbol following completion of an Aug. 19 surgical procedure. Surgery technician Senior Airman Christine Villarreal, left, orthopedic surgeon Brig. Gen. (Dr.) Kory Cornum, 81st Medical Group commander, and operating room nurse Ms. Missy Allen hold up their hands to signify Airman Villarreal's selection for promotion to staff sergeant (E-5). The other members of the OR team are, from left, certified registered nurse anesthetist Capt. Richard Huff, surgery technician Airman 1st Class Karol Kowalczyk and orthopedic surgeon Maj. (Dr.) Thomas Paynter. The team was performing hand surgery on retired Air Force Tech. Sgt. Ronald Bogart when the staff sergeant list was released at 8 a.m. The scrub nurse checked the computer in the OR for the promotion list and showed everyone the great news. This was Airman Villarreal's first time eligible for staff sergeant. The hand surgery also marked General Cornum's first elective surgery case since becoming Group commander. He had performed emergency surgery a few weeks prior while serving as the on-call orthopedic surgeon for the medical center. The general sees patients in the clinic every week and operates as often as he finds patients needing surgery. The other team members are assigned to the 81st Surgical Operations Squadron.*

## Medical Pioneers honored as unsung heroes

The National Museums of Civil War Medicine will honor the innovative work of Joint Trauma Analysis and Prevention of Injury in Combat Program (JTAPIC) and the leadership of COL Robert H. Vandre at a Gala Dinner on Thursday, October 21, 2010.

In true unsung hero style, both of these recipients quietly go about their work to decrease the instances of catastrophic injuries to those in the theatre of war and increase the quality of life of our severely wounded war fighters. Few know of the existence of either of these awardees whose work has life-changing effects on soldiers around the world every day. JTAPIC and COL Vandre will each receive a Major Jonathan Letterman Award for Medical Excellence, in recognition of their inspiring and pioneering spirit in the field of military medicine. Major General Russell J. Czerw U.S. Army Retired, will be the keynote speaker, at the event celebrating these two innovative medical paragons. MG Czerw, until his retirement in July of this year, was Commander of the US Army Medical Department Center and School and Fort Sam Houston and was the Chief of the Army Dental Corps.

The Joint Trauma Analysis and Prevention of Injury in Combat (JTAPIC) Program was established at the U.S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (USAMRMC), Fort Detrick, MD and is a partnership among DOD intelligence, operational, medical and materiel development communities. JTAPIC collects, integrates and analyzes injury and operational data with the goal of improving the understanding of vulnerabilities to threats and enabling the development of improved tactics, techniques and procedures and materiel solutions to prevent or mitigate traumatic injuries.

Colonel Robert H. Vandre, U.S. Army Retired recognized the significant potential that the emerging field of tissue engineering and regenerative medicine could have in improving the lives and livelihoods of our wounded warriors returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. These warriors, who after modern medicine had done as much as it could for them, remain severely disabled from the traumatic injuries cause by blast and burns.

## Hernandez posts best time for base's marathon runners

By Susan Griggs  
81st Training Wing Public Affairs

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. — Guillermo Hernandez, 81st Medical Operations Squadron, posted the fastest time of Keesler runners at the 2010 Air Force Marathon, Sept. 18 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

His time didn't show up on a website search because his first name was misspelled.

His clock time was 3:37:25 and chip time was 3:34:08, putting him 203rd of 2,417 runners, 180th of the 1,714 male runners and 14th of 133 in his age division.

"He has a shattered knee from a car accident a couple years ago and has pins in it," said Zsuzsanna Krovovay, another marathon finisher from the 81st MDOS. "Around Mile 23, his knee popped and he knew he had to stop for a while to prevent severe injury. When I was finishing the race, an hour after he was done, he was there cheering me on and telling me that the finish line was right around the corner.

"He's an amazingly fast long-distance runner," she added. "During training, he would run to Ocean Springs from Keesler and back like it was nothing."



(U.S. Air Force photo by Steve Pivnick)

*Guillermo Hernandez, 81st Medical Operations Squadron, posted the fastest time of Keesler runners at the 2010 Air Force Marathon, Sept. 18 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.*

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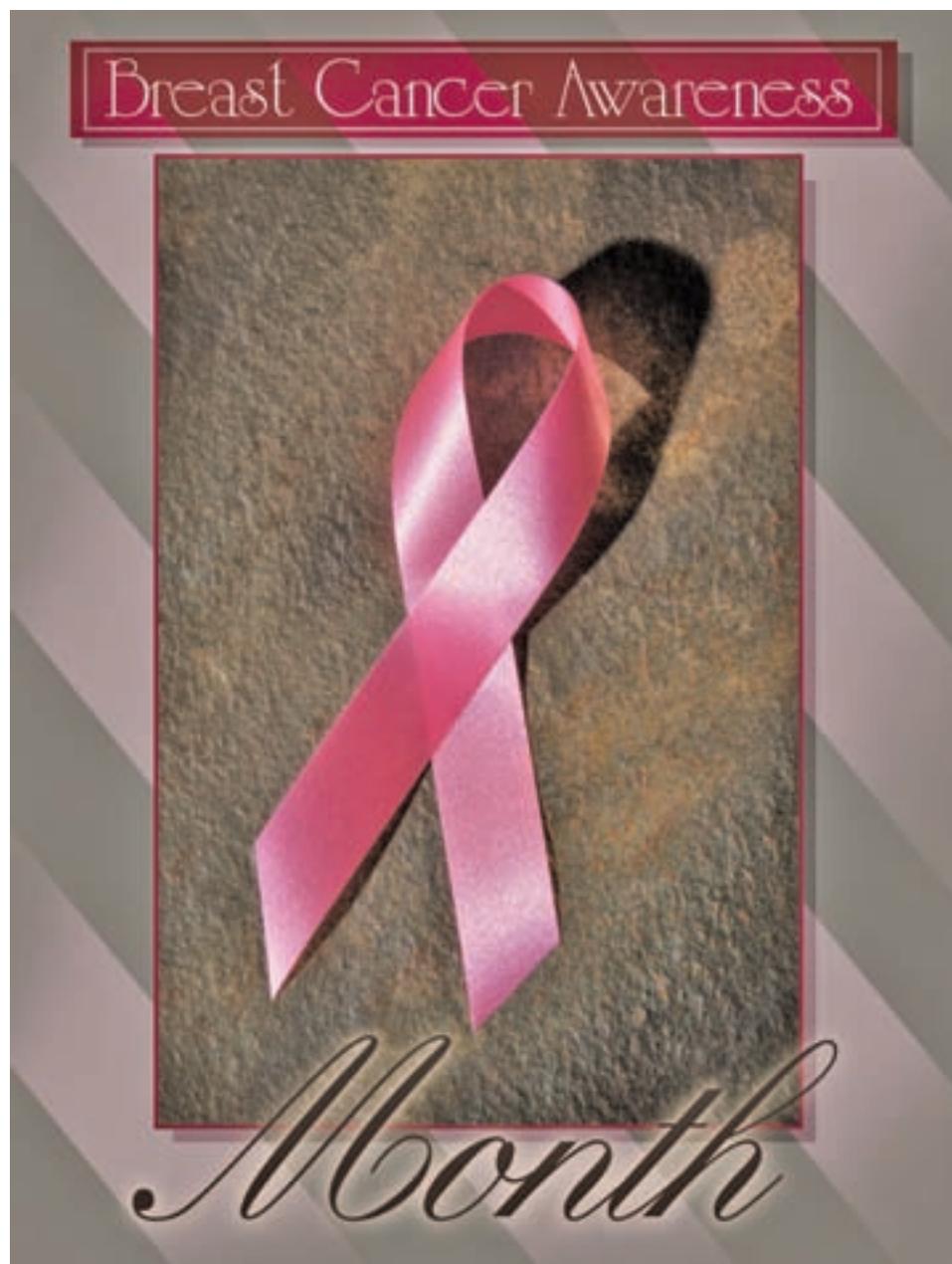
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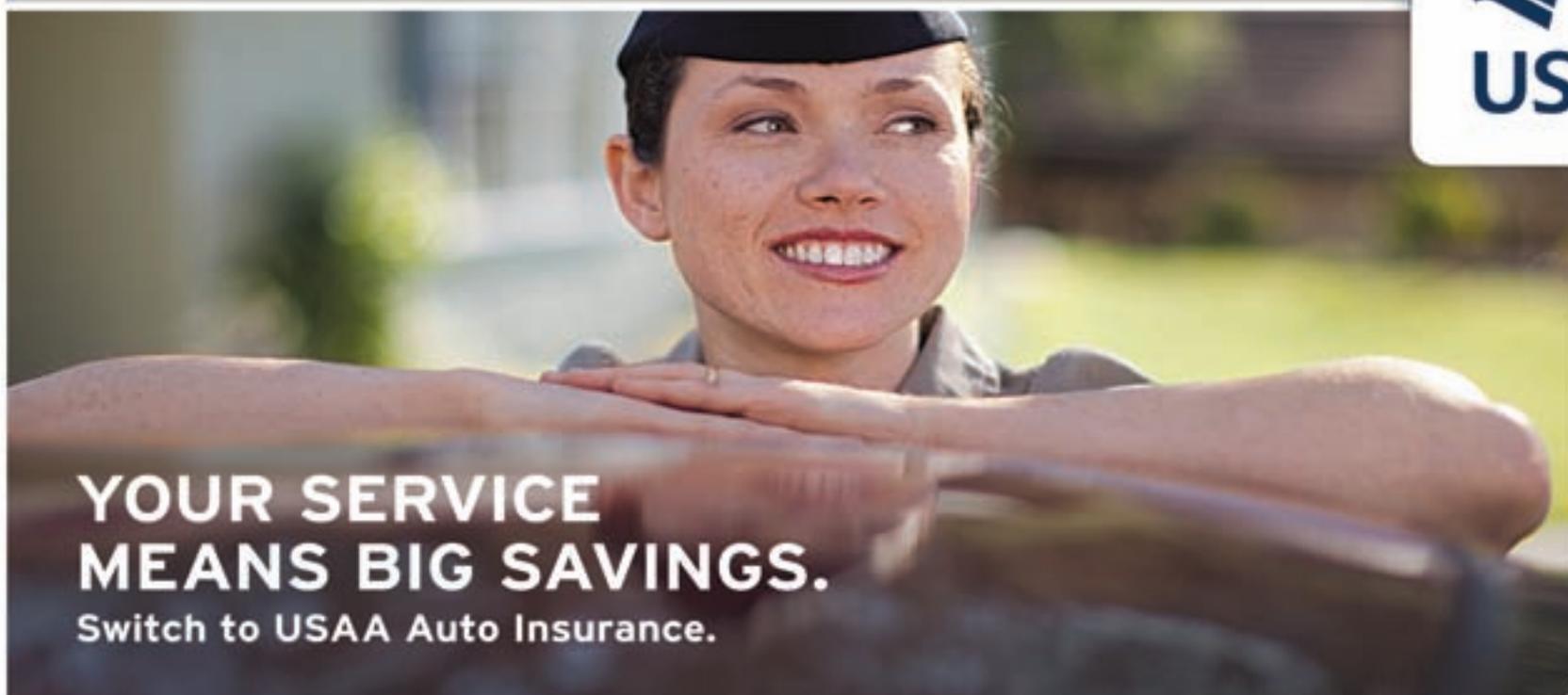
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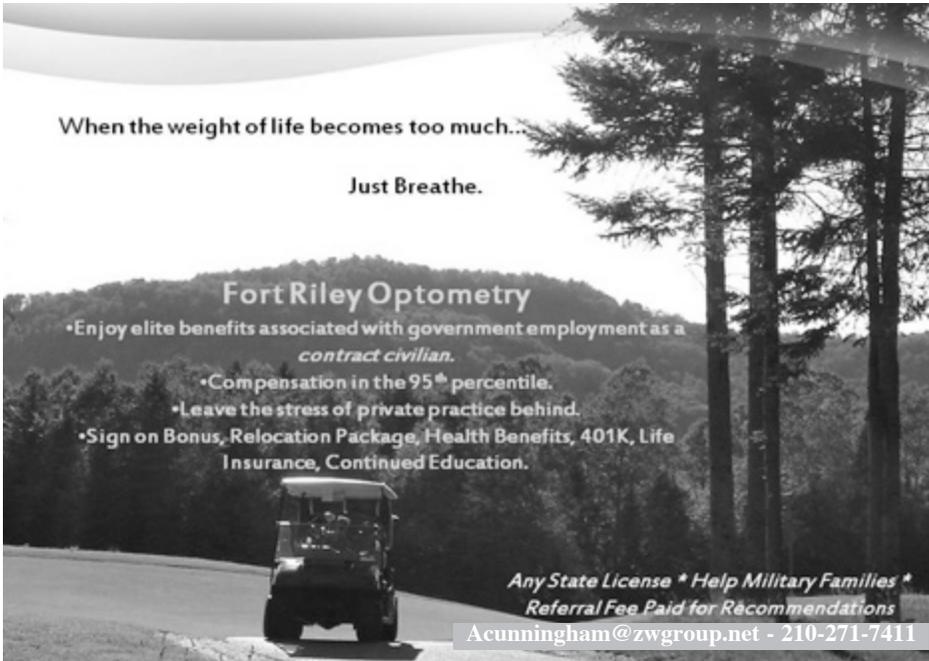
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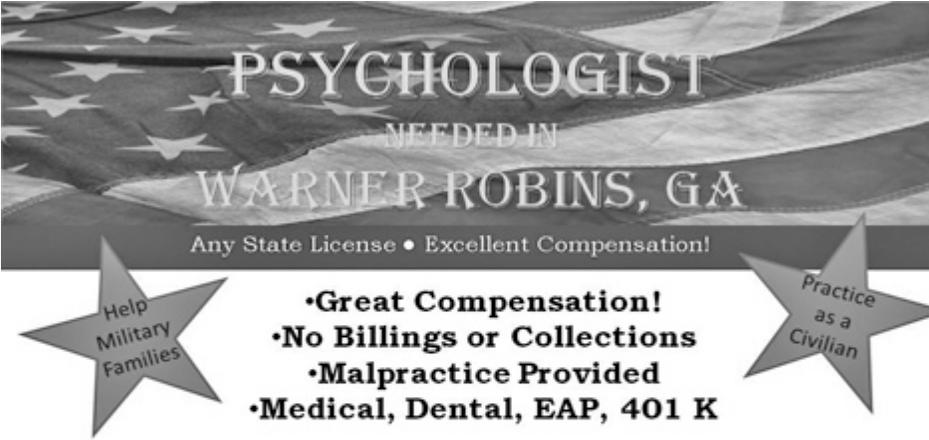
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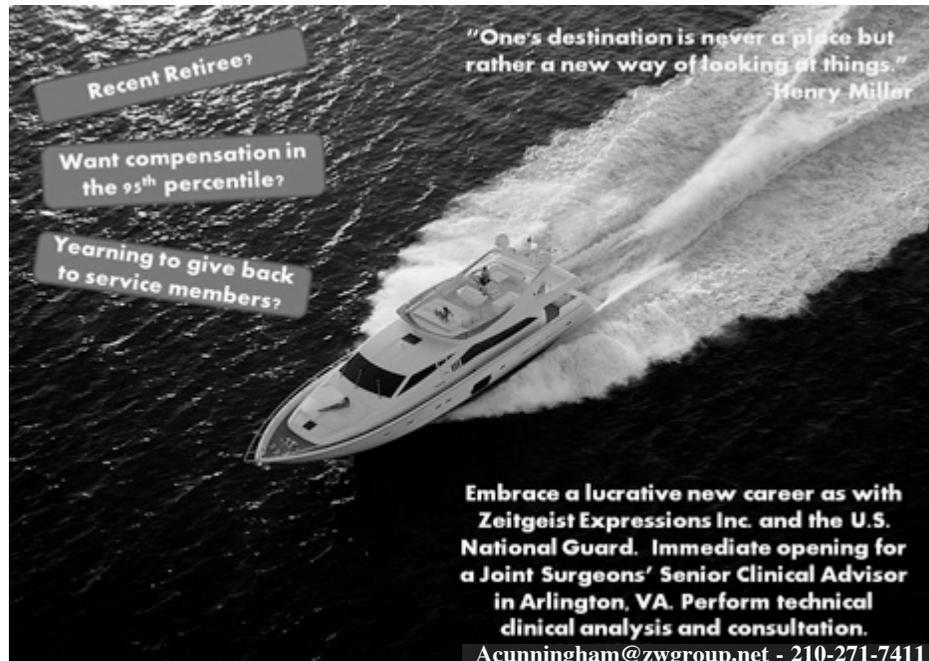


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## Dental team serves in Panama

By Master Sgt. James Bunce  
81st Dental Squadron

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. — Team Keesler was the point team in dentistry for this year's New Horizons exercise, an annual U.S. Southern Command humanitarian assistance mission conducted in August.

The 81st Dental Squadron deployed 20 members for two weeks as the lead team in support of the six-week New Horizons Panama mission. The team, led by Lt. Col. (Dr.) Andre Henriques, a prosthodontist, consisted of prosthodontist Lt. Col. (Dr.) Stephanie Stouder; oral surgeon Maj. (Dr.) Jeffrey Brown; pediatric dentist Maj. (Dr.) Stephen Gasparovich; and general dentists Capts. (Drs.) Rachael Parrish and Jeffrey Styskal.

The team also included dental technicians Senior Airmen Aaron Bentancourt, Gilberto Quijano, Veronica Reese and Rebekah Rush; Staff Sgts. Billy Bales, Hilary Barnes, Rebecca Escajeda, Ashly Garcia and Claudia Holcomb; and Tech. Sgts. Tisha Hargrove, Jeffery Bryington and Zackery Leos. Tech. Sgt. Elvin Muniz-Bonilla served as dental laboratory technician and Master Sgt. James Bunce was the noncommissioned officer in charge.



(U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. James Bunce)

**Captain Parrish and Sergeant Holcomb prepare a tooth for a filling while teaching a Panamanian dental assistant.**

Keesler was the only unit that staffed their entire two-week rotation from its own manpower pool. The other participating bases were mission-lead Langley Air Force Base, Va., and Hurlburt Field/Eglin AFB, Fla., which augmented their teams with medics from several other bases.

The missions benefited Keesler medics, who received valuable field training while providing a much needed service to the community of Chitre, Veraguas. Two members of the team were invited to the District of Santiago Panama, Veraguas Province, dental meeting to present professional lectures on infection control and prosthodontics to more than 50 dentists, dental assistants, dental students and dental school professors.

Keesler's team treated 1,215 patients in 10 days, accomplishing 4,296 dental procedures worth almost a half-million dollars.

Since New Horizons started in the 1980s, Airmen have built schools and community centers, dug wells, provided medical care and constructed clinics annually at the request of numerous countries in the spirit of cooperation and friendship.

New Horizons missions are an ongoing commitment by the U.S. government to assist with theater security cooperation and are requested by the host nations. By sharing experiences, information, vital skills, tactics and techniques, the Air Force continues to build enduring partnerships with nations in Central and South America and the Caribbean.



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