

## LACKLAND DECADE SERIES

# 1990's



## Chronology: 1990-1999



**4 June 1990-** The 1st Flight Screening Squadron activated and was assigned to the Officer Training School. The squadron assumed the school's flight screening program mission at Hondo Municipal Airport.

**Sep 1990-** The 3723rd BMTS was placed on stand-by status.

**28 Oct 1990-** Bob Hope was the principle guest at a ceremony dedicating the remodded Thunderbird Theater as the Bob Hope Performing Arts Center.

**15 Dec 1990-** The Basic Military Training School completed the sexual integration of its basic training when all squadrons began to train both male and female flights.

**24 Aug 1992-** Hurricane Andrew devastated Homestead AFB, Florida, causing HQ USAF to direct the move of the Inter-American Air Forces Academy (IAAFA) to Lackland.

**May 1993-** Five Russian officers enrolled in classes of the Defense Language Institute English Language Center. No publicity marked this historic moment that brought dramatic confirmation to Lackland of the Cold War's end.

**1 July 1993-** HQ Air Education and Training Command inactivated the Lackland Training Center and activated the 37th Training Wing at Lackland AFB.

**1 Oct 1993-** The 301st Officer Training Squadron moved to Maxwell AFB, Alabama, a historic closure for Lackland.

**8 Aug 1995-** The first air base ground defense class began training at Lackland since ABGD training transferred from Fort Dix, New Jersey in 1986.

**16 Jul 1997-** The first Combined Flight (men and women enduring all aspects of training together, except sleeping arrangements) began training.

**Oct 1999-** The United States Navy began consolidated food training with the 344th Training Squadron.

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## Lackland AFB - 1990 to 1999

Lackland AFB experienced some important changes in the 1990s. The most significant change to occur at Lackland AFB since the Korean War era was the relocation of the historic and venerable 37th Tactical Fighter Wing. On 1 July 1993, HQ USAF redesignated the 37 TFW as the 37th Training Wing (37 TRW) at Lackland AFB. The 37 TRW replaced the Lackland Training Center and most of its units that had performed the training mission since 1949.

On the first of October 1993, the 301st Officer Training Squadron moved to Maxwell AFB, Alabama, a historic closure for Lackland. Officer indoctrination had been a continuous mission dating back to the base's 1941 founding.

Dog handling training also underwent some changes in the 1990s. The Patrol Dog course and the Detector Dog Handler course were combined to create a single course in 1994. Also, Lackland gained the mission of air base ground defense training (ABGD) in November 1994. Air Education and Training Command opted to relocate the field-training portion of ABGD from Ft. Dix, New Jersey, where it had transferred to in 1986, back to Lackland and Camp Bullis. The first ABGD class at Lackland since the transfer began in August 1999.

One of the biggest impacts to Lackland occurred on 1 July 1995, when the Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC) ordered the realignment of Kelly AFB to Lackland. Over the next few years, Lackland would assume base support for the entities still functioning at Kelly.

Basic training, too, experienced a key transformation during the decade. The first major change to Air Force basic training in 50 years occurred in October 1999, with the addition of "Warrior Week" to the course curriculum. The objective of Warrior Week exposed airmen to the Expeditionary Air Force concept of operations. The field training also provided airmen with a realistic expeditionary experience, daily survival skills during encampment, basic field hygiene and force protection.



### ACTIVE BMT SQUADRONS

Unit	Redesignation
3701	321
3703	323
3706	320
3707	326
3708	327
3709	328
3711	329
3723	330
3743	331

