

**The Hawk Talk**  
**The 37TRW weekly rundown of events, news and need-to-know information**



October 25, 2021

#### **INNOVATION:**

Spread the word - Spark Tank Voting is Open!!! Spark Tank is the Department of the Air Force's annual, high-profile, competition to celebrate Guardian and Airmen's innovative ideas for solving hard problems outside of individual roles, organizations, and silos. The competition encourages intrapreneurship, helps retain innovators, and potentially speeds up adoption of emerging technologies. The best pitches bring game-changing impact to our Air Force and Space Force to cost-effectively modernize, improve readiness to meet evolving threats, and increase efficiency.

Online polling for the 2022 Air Force Spark Tank competition has opened! Visit the GAIN poll site now to cast your votes for the most innovative entry. In support of Spark Tank, the Secretary of the Air Force (SAF/MG) launched the [Guardian and Airmen Innovation Network \(GAIN\)](#) platform (CAC required), which allows Airmen and Guardians to share ideas, critique submissions, and upvote the most promising solutions. Those solutions are then narrowed to a slate of finalists for review by a panel of Department of the Air Force senior leadership and industry experts. Your votes in support of the best ideas start that process!

Finalists will be announced in mid-January 2022.

#### **WARHAWK OF THE WEEK**

Col. Tré Irick, 37 TRW vice commander, presents the commander's coin to Sergeant First Class Jerry D. Smith, Echo Company, Defense Language Institute English Language Center. Smith is a Basic Skills Education Program instructor and supports DLIELC by affording service members the opportunity to obtain an MOS after ESL Instruction is complete. He has been teaching BSEP for three years with 45-80 trainees. In FY20 he trained 600 trainees, in FY21 401 and currently has 41 trainees enrolled. He has had a 100% graduation rate during his time as an instructor.



## AROUND THE 37 TRW

### 737 TRG:

### DLIELC:

**HAP ARNOLD LECTURE SERIES:** On 18 Oct 21, DLIELC's Instruction Flight Advanced (IFA) hosted the second Hap Arnold Lecture Series. Thirty-nine participants – including representatives from Air War College, three IFA Managing English Language Training classes, IFA staff, and one Senior Curriculum developer – attended via Zoom. Speakers included current Lieutenant Colonel Stephanie Wilson; Chaplain, Lieutenant Colonel Wade Jensen; and Lieutenant Colonel Mike Carlson, all students at Air War College. The event was moderated by Colonel Chris Richie, the director of the Hap Arnold Executive Leadership Series. The event represented the second such collaboration between DLIELC Instruction Flight and Air War College.



### 37 TRG:

**343 HOSTS CHIEF GAYLOR:** This past week on the 18th, the 37 TRG hosted Chief Robert Gaylor at the 343 TRS Officer Graduation as a guest speaker. There he imparted them with wisdom and advice to take care of themselves, each other, and the people entrusted to them, leaving with, "There's doors out there for you with your name on it. Keep pushing and stay motivated."



### IAAFA:

**IAAFA Mini-Graduation 21-C:** On October 21<sup>st</sup>, 27 international military students from Colombia, Panama, Ecuador and Costa Rica graduated their respective courses and earned the coveted IAAFA wings; these students will return to their home countries where they will implement lessons-learned at IAAFA to expand home nation capacity and capabilities. The Academy now puts its sights on the end of C-Cycle graduation and banquet occurring the slated for the first week of December where 189 students from 13 Partner Nations will receive celebrate their accomplishments.





**Diversity & Inclusion Panel with 16 AF:** TSgt Daniel Sanchez from the 318<sup>th</sup> Training Squadron, led a virtual panel with 16<sup>th</sup> AF on October 21<sup>st</sup> to discuss the importance of Diversity and Inclusion and how IAAFA “operationalizes”. Panelists addressed questions the in-person and virtual audience, promoted D&I as a force multiplier, and communicated how IAAFA can serve as a model for other organizations across the Air Force.



### **737 TRG**

**19th Air Force Commander attends BMT:** Maj. Gen. Craig Wills, 19th Air Force commander, was the reviewing official for the Air Force Basic Military Training graduation Oct. 21. Wills had the opportunity to administer the oath of enlistment to 800 Airmen in front of the largest audience yet since the return of in-person graduations began in July. Nearly 1,600 parents, friends and family of graduates cheered on their Airmen from the stands. Command Chief Master for 19th Air Force, Sgt. Kristina Rogers, also attended the graduation and joined the general during the ceremony's pass and review.



## OF NOTE:

### **Celebrate America's Military:**

The San Antonio Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the 51<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the Celebrate America's Military from 1-15 November. Check out information about the activities and events at [www.celebrateamericasmilitary.com](http://www.celebrateamericasmilitary.com).



## *Chamber Hosted Events*



### *Celebrate America's Military Opening Ceremony*

Monday, 1 November 2021, 1100-1200  
Alamo Plaza

- City of San Antonio Mayor Ron Nirenberg, with Proclamation
- Former Texas Congressman Will Hurd, and
- United States Army North Commanding General, Lieutenant General John R. Evans, Jr.

Guests will have an opportunity to see the Brackenridge High School JROTC Color Guard, 323d Army Band and network with fellow military supporters and leaders from throughout Joint Base San Antonio.

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## Chamber Hosted Events



### Prayer Breakfast

Honoring the role of our military chaplains

Tuesday, November 2

Whitley Theological Center

Sponsored By:



### SNCO Reception

Celebrating and recognizing Senior Non-Commissioned Officers

Thursday, November 4

SeaWorld San Antonio

Sponsored By:



### Spirit of America Dinner

Celebrating our military service members both past and present

Tuesday, November 9

Tobin Center for the Performing Arts

Sponsored By:



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### Combined Federal Campaign

The Combined Federal Campaign for South Central Texas, Zone-19 is fully underway. CFC is the world's largest and most successful annual workplace charity campaign. The CFC provides thousands of charities to contribute to which you can find here: <https://cfcgiving.opm.gov/offerings> and allows you to set up allotments or one-time only contributions. Last year, our zone raised over \$1.1 million dollars for charities across the world. To donate today, visit <https://southcentraltexascfc.givecfc.org>.

### COVID-19 and Flu Vaccines

As a quick reference, below is information on COVID-19 vaccination sites available at WHASC and BAMC. Both sites will also be providing Influenza vaccines. WHASC is already providing the flu shots and BAMC will begin on Monday 18 Oct.

#### **WHASC:**

1100 Wilford Hall Loop

JBASA-LAK in the Atrium at the "C" entrance

COVID -19 vaccination walk-in hours: Mon - Fri, 0900-1500

Appointments available for Thu and Fri

#### **BAMC:**

Training Support Center (Main Post JBASA-FSH), Bldg. 4110, 2536 Garden Ave.

Vaccination Hours: Mon – Fri by Appointment

Walk-in Hours: Tue 1000 – 1730

Wed 0800 – 1500

Beneficiaries can make same-day apt on Tri-Care On Line or by calling 210-916-9900

You can get this information and more at the JBSA Coronavirus web site:  
<https://www.jbsa.mil/coronavirus/>

## WARHAWK UNIVERSITY:



**Upcoming Courses:** Scan the QR code for the latest opportunities.

Got questions about Training & Development? Find out more  
at: [37TRW.Warhawk.University@us.af.mil](mailto:37TRW.Warhawk.University@us.af.mil)

## DIVERSITY & INCLUSION COUNCIL:

How are you celebrating your diversity and inclusion using equity and belonging as your driving force? SHARE WITH US how you are incorporating D&I into your units. Also, any events you hold should be reported up to the wing through us. Please reach us at [37trw.dei.council@us.af.mil](mailto:37trw.dei.council@us.af.mil). We will add them to our calendar as well if you want support.

### October Awareness & Inclusion Observances:

[Nat'l Economic Education Month](#)

[Breast Cancer Awareness Month](#)

[Down Syndrome Awareness Month](#)

[Dyslexia Awareness Month](#)

[Emotional Awareness Month](#) // [Emotional Intelligence Awareness Month](#)

[Nat'l Depression Awareness & Education Month](#) // [Antidepressant Death Awareness Month](#)

[Nat'l Domestic Violence Awareness Month](#) // [JBSA Domestic Violence Awareness REQUEST](#)

[Nat'l Spina Bifida Awareness Month](#)

[World Blindness Awareness Month](#)

### October Diversity & Inclusion Celebrations:

[Global Diversity Awareness Month](#)

[Celebrating the Bilingual Child Month](#)

[Filipino American History Month](#)

[German-American Heritage Month](#)

[Italian-American Heritage Month](#)

[Polish American Heritage Month](#)

[LGBT History Month](#)

[Nat'l Dwarfism Awareness Month](#)

October is a busy month! See <https://nationaldaycalendar.com/october-monthly-observations/>

[37 TRW D&I Calendar | Teamup](#)





## SOCIAL CONNECTIONS:

**Freeform Friday:** Watch Season 2, [Episode 13](#).

- Start - Welcome, special guest Capt Wong! Here to discuss Combined Federal Campaign.
  - 1:00 - Capt Wong introduction
  - 3:30 - CFC highlights
  - 5:30 - The “WHY” behind donating
  - 7:00 - How to donate! [www.giveCFC.org](http://www.giveCFC.org)
  - 8:30 - Honoring General Colin Powell life & career
  - 12:15 - Congratulations 3rd Quart Award Winners
  - 15:30 - MTI of the Year!
  - 16:00 - Last week’s Warhawks of the Week!
  - Warhawks, TRAIN to WIN!
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- Maybe you are new to the Warhawk family and have not heard of Freeform Friday yet? If not, be sure to follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/37thTrainingWing>.





## FEEDBACK:



### Let your voice be heard! Use Warhawk Solutions to submit feedback!

We hear you! When you submit a Warhawk Solutions, your questions/concerns are brought to leadership's attention. Answers are provided in various forums such as FreeForm Friday which is hosted live each Friday on the [37th TRW Facebook Page](#); commander's calls, and the [37th TRW Website](#).

## MILITARY SPOUSES:

**29 Oct 21!**

### Topic: Maintaining Strong Relationships - Virtual Resources for Military Couples!

**Presenter:** Andrew Walton, Military OneSource, will share resources for building strong relationships! He will demonstrate how to easily navigate the website to find these resources and discuss how to reach a consultant 24 hours a day!

**Date/Time:** 29 Oct 21, 2:00-2:30

Join ZoomGov Meeting: <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/16060898574>

Meeting ID: **160 6089 8574** | Passcode: **391070**

For more information, email POC, Valerie Barber at [valerie.barber@us.af.mil](mailto:valerie.barber@us.af.mil) or the LAK-M&FRC at [802fss.fsfr@us.af.mil](mailto:802fss.fsfr@us.af.mil)

For Key Spouse 2021 trainings listed below, call the LAK-M&FRC front desk at 210-671-3722/3723 to sign up!		
Initial Training - Online	Contact the M&FRC Key Spouse Team for online instructions!	This training is currently completed online through Military OneSource's MilLife Learning Site. Must have an Appointment Letter on file at the M&FRC.
Refresher Training - Virtual	17 Nov 5:30-6:30 pm*	Provided to Key Spouses and Key Spouse Mentors who have already completed the Initial Training. This session reviews program requirements, local trend and resource information, on and off the installation.
Mentor Training - Virtual	25 Oct 200-3:00 6 Nov 10:00-11:00 (Sat)*	This is a one-time mandatory training, on a variety of topics, for all new Key Spouse Mentors and is intended to be taken after Initial Key Spouse Training.
Continuing Ed Training - Virtual	15 Nov 2:00-3:00	Provides networking and continuing education/training opportunities. Compliments Key Spouse initial training, offered quarterly.
SA - Online	Complete prior to Dec 2021	<b>Suicide Awareness Prevention Training</b> can be completed on line at <a href="https://www.resilience.af.mil/Programs/Equipping-Families/">https://www.resilience.af.mil/Programs/Equipping-Families/</a> . Be sure to send the M&FRC a copy of Certificate of Completion.
SAPR - Virtual	6 Dec 10:00-11:00	<b>Sexual Assault Prevention Response Training</b> will be conducted via zoom by the JBSA-Lackland Installation SARC Representative. Note: Both parts

		(SA and SAPR) must be competed in the same year to meet KS annual requirement.
<b>Virtual Friday Q&amp;A for Military Spouses!</b> <b>Join us each week to receive valuable resources and talk with experts as we explore ways to get connected and stay connected!</b>		

**ICYMI - Office of Personnel Management** will temporarily remove several geographical restrictions associated with special hiring authorities for **military spouses!** Starting of **20 Oct 2021 thru 13 Aug 2023!** **NEW Guidance** allows for any military spouse, regardless of location or relocation status to apply under the hiring authority for a federal job! See FB post by Ms. Brown at: <https://www.facebook.com/112498590602727/posts/385128113339772/?sfnsn=mo>. Read Air Force Times article at: <https://www.airforcetimes.com/management/hr/2021/09/20/opm-temporarily-drops-relocation-requirements-for-special-military-spouse-hiring/>.

**Hiring Red, White & You! 2021 Statewide Hiring Event!** This is for transitioning service members, military spouses, National Guard, Reserve, veterans and their family members. Happening on **4 Nov 21, 10:00-1:00**. See attached flyer!

**Portable Careers and Entrepreneurship!** Join the JBSA-Fort Sam Houston M&FRC virtually to discover career mobility options that can travel with you when you PCS. Open to all DoD ID cardholders. Happening on **5 Nov 21, 9:00-4:00**. For more information, call (210) 221-2705 or email [usaf.jbsa.502-abw.mbx.mfrc@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.jbsa.502-abw.mbx.mfrc@mail.mil). See attached flyer!

**National Disability Employment Awareness Month 2021!** Celebrate the ways people with disabilities contribute to your workplaces. Review the Americans with Disabilities Act and download resources for events and activities on "America's Recovery: Powered by Inclusion." Get Free Resources at <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/odep/initiatives/ndeam>.

**Free Help To Address That Stress!** MilLife can be extra challenging for families with special needs. Whatever's on your mind, you have free and confidential support available 24/7 at [https://www.militaryonesource.mil/confidential-help/non-medical-counseling/military-onesource/military-counseling-for-stress/?utm\\_campaign=ea-enews-fall2021&utm\\_content=text&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://www.militaryonesource.mil/confidential-help/non-medical-counseling/military-onesource/military-counseling-for-stress/?utm_campaign=ea-enews-fall2021&utm_content=text&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery).

**Spouse Education and Career Opportunities (SECO): Advance Your Career with Udemy!** Prepare for your next career or advance in your current role with a free membership to Udemy through SECO. Explore more than 5,000 courses, such as professional development, certifications and more. Get started soon; **free access ends June 29, 2022**. Sign Up Now at [https://myseco.militaryonesource.mil/portal/article/udemy-free-online-courses?utm\\_source=govdelivery&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=seco-enews-fall2021&utm\\_content=text](https://myseco.militaryonesource.mil/portal/article/udemy-free-online-courses?utm_source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=seco-enews-fall2021&utm_content=text).

**Twenty Minutes with Tutor.com!** Attention, military families! Did you know you have access to no-cost expert tutoring, online and on demand? Join in for a brief webinar to learn about all the resources available to you and your family from Tutor.com/military - and ask your questions live! Register here and choose a time that is most convenient for you! <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/4428102078663859212?source=oct-reminder>.

**Get to Know TRICARE!** This podcast will help you learn more about your TRICARE benefits. This new series, takes a look at TRICARE For Life (TFL). The focus is to help retired service members or their eligible family members who will turn 65 soon understand their TFL benefits. Listen in at <https://newsroom.tricare.mil/podcast>.

**JBSA M&FRC Key Spouse FB Page** at <https://www.facebook.com/jbsaksp> has additional news, resources and events! Like and follow our page!

**JBSA Military & Family Readiness Centers (M&FRC)** offers different modes of instruction and services: In-Person Only, Online Only or Hybrid Mix. Registration is required. Call to confirm modality type. Fort Sam Houston: (210) 221-2705 or email [usaf.jbsa.502-abw.mbx.mfrc@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.jbsa.502-abw.mbx.mfrc@mail.mil), Lackland: (210) 671-3722 or email [802fss.fsfr@us.af.mil](mailto:802fss.fsfr@us.af.mil), Randolph: (210) 652-5321 or email [randolphmfrc@us.af.mil](mailto:randolphmfrc@us.af.mil).



#### **JBSA HAPPENINGS & UPCOMING EVENTS:**

##### **Bowling**

##### **\$5 Bowling Special**

**Tuesdays • Open to close**

Bowl three games for only \$5, what a great deal!

##### **Hourly Bowling Special**

**Fridays • 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Bowl for only \$7.50 an hour

## **Club**

### **Gateway Grill**

**Tuesday-Friday • 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Check out the grill options which include hamburgers, chicken sandwiches, Philly steak and Reuben sandwiches and more. The combo includes fries or chips and a fountain beverage.

## **CUSTOMER APPRECIATION NIGHT**

**Oct. 26 • 5-7 p.m.**

The Gateway Club hosts Customer Appreciation Night in the Fiesta Ballroom with entertainment provided by DJ Tony Style. The price is \$12.50 for members and \$15.50 for nonmembers.

The menu features lobster bisque soup, traditional tossed salad, roast turkey w/champagne mushroom sauce & cranberry chutney, prime rib w/burgundy au jus, glazed ham, cornbread dressing, whipped potatoes, broccoli spears w/hollandaise sauce, mixed vegetables, freshly baked yeast rolls, fresh fruit cups, pumpkin pie and pecan pie. For more information, call (210) 645-7034.

## **Halloween Party**

Let's have some spooky fun in costumes for an evening with ghosts and goblins on **Oct. 29 from 5-11 p.m.** at the JBSA-Lackland Gateway Club. The evening features dancing, contests with prizes and music by DJ Tony Style. Admission is free. For more info, call (210) 645-7034.

## **CHAPMAN FITNESS CENTER**

### **"Murph" Workout**

#### **Mondays**

This workout is named after Navy Lt. Michael Murphy who was killed in Afghanistan on June 28, 2005 and was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. Take part in trying to complete the "Murph Wod" Challenge which consist of a one-mile run, 100 pull-ups, 200 push-ups, 300 body squats and finish off with another one-mile run for a cool down. Don't forget that this must all be completed wearing a 20 lb. vest or Body Armor! For additional information, call (210) 671-4477.

## **GILLUM FITNESS CENTER**

### **Sand Volleyball Tournament**

**Oct. 29 • 7 a.m. • Free**

This tournament will use Beach Volleyball rules and each team will consist of four people. Rally point scoring will be used to 20. This is open to all DoD ID cardholders. For more information, please contact the Gillum Fitness Center at (210) 977-2353.

## **KELLY FITNESS CENTER**

### **Three Point Shootout**

**Oct. 27 • 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. • Free**

Come to the Kelly Outdoor Sports Court and show off your three-point shooting skill. Registration is not required. The shooter who makes the most three pointers from the five designated locations will be our new Champion. Prizes will be awarded to the winner. For more information, call (210) 925-4848.

## **GOLF**

### **Junior Golf Clinics**

Junior Golf Clinics will be offered at Gateway Hills Golf Course on the first and third Wednesday of each month. These clinics are for youth ages 6-17. Starting time for the clinic will be at 5 p.m. and will last for one hour. This is a great program for those who would like to introduce their child to the game of golf and for those children that are home schooled and are in need of Physical Education credits. For pricing, program details and to sign up, call Brandon Ellis at (210) 671-3466

## **INFORMATION, TICKETS AND TOURS (ITT)**

**Military Discounted Spurs Tickets! Use the links below to purchase for any of the season games: Lackland**



<https://am.ticketmaster.com/spurs/promotional-page?filterType=Mzc=>

**Majestic Tickets Only at JBSA-Lackland ITT**

**Charlie & the Chocolate Factory**

**Dec. 7-12**

Prices range from \$44 - \$108 per person

**Hamilton**

**Jan. 6, 9, & 16** (evening shows only and limited tickets available)

Prices range from \$55 - \$185 per person

**Tootsie**

**March 1-6**

Prices range from \$43 - \$93 per person

**Rent (Farewell Tour)**

**March 18-20**

Prices range from \$43 - \$93 per person

For more information about these shows, contact the JBSA Lackland ITT (210) 671-3059.

**Equipment Rental**

Plan now for all of your fall gatherings by reserving the needed equipment from Outdoor Recreation. They have a large variety of party equipment to choose from including tables, chairs, bouncy houses and turkey fryers. Weekend rental prices are:

Tables: \$7 ea

Chairs: \$1.50 ea

Popcorn Machines: \$53 ea

Margarita Machines: \$83 ea

Electric Roasters: \$11 ea

Champagne Fountain: \$23ea

Bounce Houses: \$113 ea

Turkey Fryer: \$23 ea

**All JBSA Youth**

**Youth Basketball and Cheerleading Registration**

**Now thru Oct. 29**

Are you ready for some basketball and cheerleading? Basketball is for ages 5 and older and costs \$55 per youth. Cheerleading is for youth ages 5 and older and costs \$50 per youth. A current sports physical, immunization records and flu vaccine are required at time of registration. For more information, call JBSA-Fort Sam Houston at (210) 221-3502 or (210) 221-5519, JBSA-Lackland at (210) 671-2388 or JBSA-Randolph at (210) 652-3298.

**LACKLAND YOUTH**

**Teen Pumpkin Decorating Contest**

Show us your spooky skills and join the Lackland Youth Programs in the Teen Pumpkin Decorating contest! Teens, ages 13-18 have the opportunity to decorate a pumpkin for a chance to win a prize. Pumpkins can be picked up at Lackland Youth Programs the week of **Oct. 18-22** and need to be dropped off by **Oct. 28**. Judging will take place at the Trunk-R-Treat on Oct. 29. Pumpkins are limited, so get one early. To reserve your pumpkin, call (210) 671-2388.

**Trunk-R-Treat and Haunted Hangar**

**Oct. 29 • 6-8 p.m. • 303 South Frank Luke Drive; Bldg. 1610**

Lackland Youth Programs is partnering with 502 OSS hosting the annual Trunk-R-Treat and Haunted Hangar. There will be prizes for costume contests and of course lots of candy. Lackland Youth is still looking for units that would like to participate as trunks. Trunk decorating begins at 5 p.m. To register as a trunk or for more information, please call (210) 671-2388.

**NEWS ACROSS THE 37 TRW / AIR FORCE / SPACE FORCE / DoD:**

- Click [here](#) for the latest news from the 37 TRW.
- Click [here](#) for the latest news around the Air Force.

- Click [here](#) for the latest news around the Space Force.
- Click [here](#) for the latest news around the DoD.

#### THE 37 TRW HISTORY OFFICE:

If you're a history buff you need to check out what your 37 TRW history office is all about. Check it out here: <https://www.facebook.com/103405661580662/videos/2816829155249392>

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