



The Team Lackland Historian

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Lackland Air Force Base Trivia

Both individuals were former 37th Tactical Fighter Wing pilots shot down over Vietnam. The first was captured, escaped, and captured again by the North Vietnamese and awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor after the war. The second made the first non-stop flight around the world.

Who Are they?



Email your answers to 37trw.ho@lackland.af.mil. Winner will be selected randomly and awarded a prize.

April 2018 correct answer: Deforest Kelly/Dr. Leonard McCoy, "Bones"

April 2018 Trivia Winner:
Capt. Tara Bauer 502 ABW/OL-A/HC
(Wins a \$10 AAFES Gift Card)

This month's featured Team Lackland unit:



331st Training Squadron

One of the oldest Basic Military Training Squadrons, the 331st, formerly the 3743d, is the only remaining BMT squadron with WAF lineage. The unit currently resides at ATC #4, named after the first USAF female Chief Master Sergeant Grace Peterson.



Maggie Gee – Chinese American Woman Pilot



Not long after Pearl Harbor, Maggie Gee, a student at UC Berkeley, joined the war effort. She and a group of friends pooled their money and learned to fly. Earning her wings at 18, she became a member of the Women Air Force Service Pilots and was one of the first Chinese-American Air Force pilots. She flew various types of aircraft from west coast factories to east coast overseas embarkation ports. After the war, she went back to school and later became a physicist at Lawrence Livermore.

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First Successful Liver Transplant at Wilford Hall 15 May 1989



The procedure was also a first for a Department of Defense medical facility and San Antonio.

Air Force Recruiters at Lackland

15 May 1954

Lackland's tradition as a permanent technical training center began with the AF recruiting course. It was not until July 1954, that the Air Force would formally separate from recruiting alongside the Army. A formal course outline for AF recruiting came out in October 1954, but unlike other technical training courses on Lackland up to that point in base history, the Recruiter Course would remain.

"Boy! Am I Enthusiastic!"



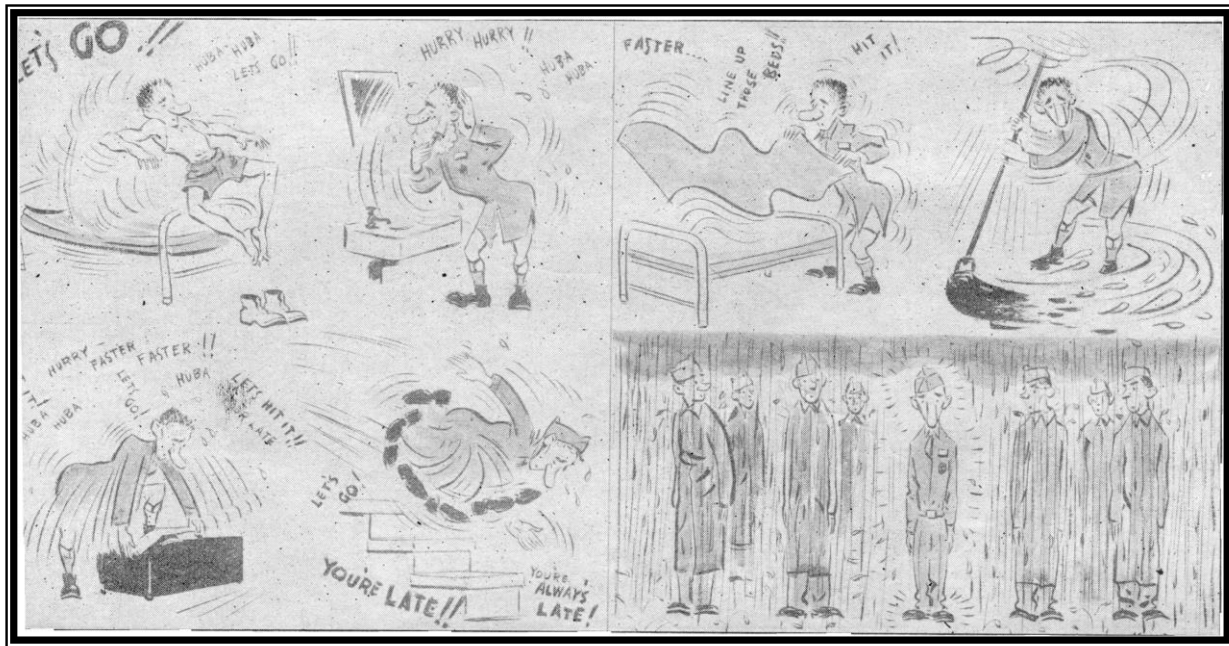
Asian Pacific American Heritage Month



**Air Force BMT, Squadron 13, April 1953
Clark Air Base, Philippines**

During the Korean War, Air Force Basic Military Training expanded to accommodate the immediate need for a larger, stronger Air Force – to that end, additional bases opened up within the continental US along with other locations in the UK, Panama and the Philippines! In most cases, young recruits went through an abbreviated BMT course before attending technical training or reporting to a direct duty assignment.

[Above photo can be found on the USAF BMT Flight Photograph Project site at: www.bmtflightphotos.af.mil/1950s/1953]



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"The power of an Air Force is terrific when there is nothing to oppose it"

Winston Churchill