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#### Schriever Choir: Orbital Harmony Auditions

The Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado Choir performance group Orbital Harmony will conduct auditions to fill vacant spots for the Spring and Summer 2019 performance season. All positions are currently open (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass). Any experience level is welcome. Auditions will be conducted by appointment in the Building 210 Chapel Office. Participation in the Schriever AFB Choir can be used towards qualification for a volunteer ribbon. For more details or to schedule an audition, contact Allen Neal Vickrey at 719-721-9280.

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By Staff Sgt.  
**Matthew Coleman-Foster**  
50th Space Wing Public Affairs

SCHRIEVER AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — Even though it is legal to carry a weapon with a permit in the state of Colorado, at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado personnel fall under a different set of rules.

Staff Sgt. Caleb Bunton, 50th Security Forces Squadron combat arms instructor, said a common mistake at Schriever AFB is individuals entering the base with loaded firearms in their vehicle.

"Individuals will either have a concealed carry permit through the state or come back from hunting or other shooting activities,

forgetting they have the loaded firearm in their vehicle," he said.

Currently, only Schriever AFB housing residents are allowed to bring firearms on and off the installation, with the exception of individuals authorized by the wing commander

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## New 50th SW VPI advocates SAAPM

By Senior Airman William Tracy  
50th Space Wing Public Affairs

SCHRIEVER AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — April marks Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month, and Jessica Ditson, the 50th Space Wing's new violence prevention integrator, is excited to embark on a communal effort to fulfill the month's consistent theme of "Protecting our People Protects the Mission."

"I really want to make sure people understand the value in the relationships they foster — I want to fine tune these relationships so they are as beneficial as possible," Ditson said. "Most importantly, I want to model the behavior of a supportive community connection — simply take time to be kind to people and understand the perspective of others."

Ditson said while she has big plans for the future, she is currently engaging in an effort to get a better feel for the Airmen of Team Schriever.

"The first step is performing unit needs assessments to find out what the commander's need," she said. "In my 21 years of being active duty and reserves, I've learned a lot of lessons. The biggest

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U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman William Tracy

Jessica Ditson, the 50th Space Wing's new violence prevention integrator, showcases the Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month themed pride rock at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, April 1, 2019. Ditson is excited to add her support to the Airmen working as part of helping agencies dedicated to fostering a sense of community at Schriever AFB.





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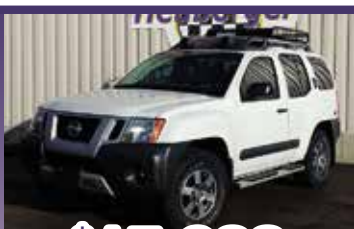
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A LEADER’S PERSPECTIVE

Levels of leadership

By David Collins

50th Logisitics Readiness Flight director

SCHRIEVER AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — Throughout my active duty and civil service career, I’ve sat through numerous classes on leadership beginning as a young senior Airman, to required professional military education classes as a junior and senior non-commissioned officer and finally as a civilian.

Throughout the years, there is one quote which has resonated with me by Sir Winston Churchill when describing leadership, “To every man there comes in his lifetime that special moment when he is figuratively tapped on the shoulder and offered that chance to do a very special thing, unique to him and fitted to his talents. What a tragedy if that moment finds him unprepared or unqualified for that which would be his finest hour.” Obviously stated in gender specific terms back in those days — nonetheless equally important to our women leaders of today.

Excerpts of this quote have been used in motion pictures such as Apollo 13, when NASA Flight Director, Gene Kranz, portrayed by actor Ed Harris, responds to two NASA directors when faced with a possible disaster of the return of the command module to earth stating “with all due respect sir, I believe this is going to be our finest hour.”



David Collins

50th Logisitics Readiness Flight director

The training, familiarization of the equipment and processes, intimately knowing his mission control team, the command module crew, family and friends, ability to overcome emergent issues and stand in the face of adversity, reflected the highest level of leadership not only to the mission control team, but the whole world — failure was not an option.

I believe the following, which has trans-

formed over the years, is similar in nature: Junior enlisted members in non-supervisory positions should know their job and take care of themselves.

What do I mean by this? Simply learn as much as you can about your job, ask questions, read all applicable guidance and operating instructions so you can execute your assigned mission and eagerly pursue your upgrade training.

As for taking care of yourself, you know yourself better than anyone else and as a professional you have an obligation to take care of yourself and ask for help when needed. You should maintain a healthy lifestyle, worship as you see fit, properly manage your finances, take care of your family and so on.

Along with this, let your supervisor or leadership know when you’re having a problem and need help. You hear this more and more today, but as with many, I grew up during a period when reaching out for assistance meant you were weak or you would be labeled unfit for military service. It’s not like that today, cultural shifts and knowledge-based facts have taught us to reach out for help when needed, get help early while the issues are easier to manage.

Noncommissioned officers in supervisory positions should follow the first two

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**“We are leaders 24/7 and must perform like it. You won’t always agree with your boss’s decisions as your subordinates won’t always agree with yours, but in the end as leaders we must support the decisions of our leaders.”**

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# Team Schriever gathers for annual spring fling

By Halle Thornton

50th Space Wing Public Affairs

SCHRIEVER AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — The 50th Force Support Squadron at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado will host the annual Spring Fling event in the fitness center and indoor running track 10 a.m. — 2 p.m. April 13.

Activities will include face painting, balloon artists, foam archery, a mechanical bull and a petting zoo.

Additionally, there will be complimentary lunch beginning at 11 a.m. to include hot dogs, pizza and drinks.

Glenn Franklin, 50th FSS marketing director, said the event is geared towards improving morale.

Eric McCullough, 50th FSS community cohesion coordinator, said to fit with this year's western theme, there will be a trick roper, the Rangerettes from Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo, teaching children how to lasso and the Girls of the West taking pictures with guests.

Community sponsored tables will host games, and prizes will be given out to children to include toys and candy.

**Franklin said his favorite part about hosting events like the spring fling is seeing children and families having a good time.**

McCullough said if guests arrive a few minutes before 10 a.m., they will see the Easter bunny arrive in a Pikes Peak International Speedway racecar.

"We really just want to give service members and their families a little break," he said. "Even if it's for one, two or three hours, we want to relieve whatever stressors are in their lives and let them have a good time."

Franklin said he and McCullough began planning for the event in November.

"Coordinating with our sponsorships is what we have been working on the most," he said. "Other than that, all of the other planning has been great. It's been pretty flawless."

This is McCullough's first big event he has planned since his arrival in November.

"It's been fun," he said. "It's very easy to go out and talk to the community. Everybody for the most part is interested in giving back. It's an adventure because you get to take what was there and build on it."

McCullough and Franklin said without the help of Schriever AFB and Sand Creek ROTC volunteers, the event would not be possible.

"Additionally, we've had help from security forces and the fire department to ensure the event is as safe as can be," McCullough said. "I wouldn't be able to do anything without the volunteers."

Franklin said his favorite part about hosting events like the spring fling is seeing children and families having a good time.

"On the marketing side, we want our promotions and advertisements to be successful," he said. "We want to see a big number of satisfied people sharing awareness with other people so, as the events go through the year, next year we have more people. We want to grow Schriever."

McCullough agreed, and loves to see children and their families happy.

"Seeing them happy is the best reward," he said.

Stroller parking will be available outside the fitness center, as strollers are not allowed inside.

The next 50th FSS event is the GI's of Comedy at the fitness center 7 p.m. May 16.

For more information about the Spring Fling or other 50th FSS events, contact McCullough at 719-567-2525.



(Above) Julie and Abigail Lee, (ages 5 and 2 respectively), watch as their caricature is drawn during the 50th Force Support Squadron's Spring Fling event at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 24, 2018. Face painting and a balloon artist will be available to children and families this year.



(Right) Chase Tester, 3, rides a pony while his parents watch during the 50th Force Support Squadron's Spring Fling event at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 24, 2018. This year will feature a petting zoo, pony rides and a mechanical bull.



Olivia Cosentino, 6, rolls a bowling ball up a rail during the 50th Force Support Squadron's Spring Fling event at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 24, 2018. This year's theme is Western, coinciding with the upcoming Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo.

U.S. Air Force photos by Airman 1st Class William Tracy



# Schriever stands down for resiliency

By Steve Kotecki  
50th Space Wing Public Affairs

SCHRIEVER AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — The 50th Space Wing held a resiliency stand-down to promote mental health March 22. Schriever Airmen gathered at the fitness center to hear Col. Jennifer Grant, 50th Space Wing commander, and members of the U.S. Air Force Academy Equestrian Center Remount Foundation speak about the importance of maintaining a healthy mental balance and highlight available helping resources.

“We talk a lot about being a family here at the 50th and talk a lot about being a family across this installation and the key word moniker for that is one team,” Grant said. “That’s what today’s about.”

As part of the formal presentation Capt. Lauren Hughes, 50th Space Wing chaplain, shared her testimony about overcoming personal hardship.

Using the religious support system afforded to her she was able to work through it.

“I was in a really dark place, and it was only through the grace of God that I was able to come out of it,” she said.

Hughes reiterated the need to talk to someone if help is needed. Members from the Remount Foundation spoke about the importance of mental health and made Airmen aware of their program, which includes more than 1,000 acres for trail riding and access to Pike National Forest.

It’s based on the philosophy of Winston Churchill, “There is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man.” The program is designed to help service members in need by getting them out and active with horses.

“These animals can sense brokenness,” said Jeanne Springer, Remount Foundation co-founder and program director. “They can sense the injury.”

The chaplain’s office and crisis counselors from several different agencies were also on hand to provide any needed support to Airmen who might be going through tough times.

After the stand-down briefing, Airmen were released to their units for individual unit resiliency activities.

The stand-down was organized and scheduled by a group selected by Chief Master Sgt. Boston Alexander, 50th SW command chief.

**They are as follows:**

- Capt. Tommy Taylor, 50th Operations Support Squadron
- Capt. Lauren Hughes, 50th Space Wing Chaplain’s Office
- 1st Lt. Rahni Moon, 50th Space Wing
- Master Sgt. Michael Plemins, 50th Space Wing Protocol Office
- Tech. Sgt. Alayna Deherrara, 50th Space Wing
- Tech. Sgt. Brandon Council, 50th Contracting Squadron
- Staff Sgt. Lee Rimell, 50th Space Wing

The next resiliency stand down is tentatively scheduled for April 22.

**If you are needing help the following agencies are available to help Airmen:**

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  - Mental Health Office
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  - Sexual Assault Response Coordinator
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  - Airman and Family Readiness Center
- Call 719-567-HELP for assistance.




Retired Maj. David Andrews, Remount Foundation president, addresses Airmen during the resiliency stand-down at the fitness center at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 22, 2019. Andrews spoke to Airmen about the importance of reaching out in a time of need and the benefits of the Remount Foundation’s programs in helping active duty and veteran service members deal with trauma.



U.S. Air Force photos by Dennis Rogers

Col. Jennifer Grant, 50th Space Wing commander, pets Shasta during a resiliency stand-down at the fitness center at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 22, 2019. The resiliency stand down featured crisis communicators from various agencies to help Airmen that may be in need.



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# Schriever honors military children

By Staff Sgt. Matthew Coleman-Foster  
50th Space Wing Public Affairs

SCHRIEVER AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — April is recognized as the Month of the Military Child, with 2019 being the 33rd year of bringing awareness to the crucial role military children play in the armed forces culture and community.

Lauren Clark, 50th Force Support Squadron Child Development Center director, said when it comes to military family dynamics, the military child’s role in the sacrifice these families make every day is often overlooked.

“Military children deal with parents working long hours, are often up early in order for parents to make it to work and have to say good-bye to their parents for extended periods of time,” she said. “These are all sacrifices they make as little humans that don’t always understand the why in those sacrifices.”

Month of the Military child is part of the legacy left behind by former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, who established it in 1986. According to the Department of Defense, as of 2018 there are approximately 1.7 million total-force military children worldwide.

“The recognition these children receive is a purposeful intent to make time to honor the children,” Clark said. “Our world has so many things going on and it brings to light something often overlooked. It makes people take notice of the children being right there in the fight with us.”

Military children often have to say goodbye to friends, neighbors and family members when they move to a different duty station. Christine Yarnes, 50th FSS CDC lead program technician, said as care providers for the children, they see how military life affects them.

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U.S. Air Force photo by Christopher DeWitt

Parents cheer as Child Development Center children walk during the annual Pinwheel Parade in recognition of Month of the Military child at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, April 1, 2016. Month of the Military child is part of the legacy left behind by former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger who established it in 1986. According to the Department of Defense, as of 2018 there are approximately 1.7 million total-force military children worldwide.

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Cecilia Smith, Sexual Assault Response Coordinator, hands toys and smoothies to kids at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, April 14, 2017. The Child Development Center has events planned this month coordinated in partnership with the Sexual Assault Prevention Coordinator office and Airman and Family Readiness for children on the installation in recognition of Month of the Military Child.

# Children

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“We get to see all of their little personalities and how they behave when, for instance, a parent gets deployed,” she said. “They go through a lot.”

Clark said even though there are many hardships for the military child, the military life presents several opportunities for children as well.

“The military has taken care of us and been a stable support for our family,” she said. “My family did a few tours overseas. My daughter was born in Germany, she has more air miles than most adults, has been to upwards of 10 different countries and she’s only four years old.”

The CDC at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado has events this month almost every day, coordinated in partnership with the Sexual Assault Prevention and Response office and the Airman and Family Readiness for children on the installation.

“This week specifically we have a program called My child, my hero,” Clark said. “It highlights what children mean to their parents and why the children are their heroes from the parent’s perspective.”

Other will include a science, technology, engineering and math week, geared towards the school-age program children and a spirit week with a theme for each day of the week for both.

One thing Clark wants Team Schriever to remember is the African proverb “It takes a village to raise a child.”

“I think one of the most rewarding things about working at the CDC is we get to be a part of your village, she said. “Because military families are not always with their own family, we get to be each other’s support system. We are honored we get to be a part of your village.”

Stay tuned to Schriever Sentinel for more Month of the Military Child event coverage.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

*\*All events/services at no cost at Mt. Carmel unless noted*

**Apr 5:** Website & Social Media assistance for vet/milspouse entrepreneurs, appointments: (719) 772-7000

**Apr 6:** PTS-Trauma Focus Tai Chi, 10-11am

**Apr 8:** MilSpouse LinkedIn Professional photos, 5:30-7:30 pm

**Apr 9:** Spiritual Connection Group, non-denominational discussion of spirituality, 10am-2 pm

**Apr 9:** Veteran-X PTS-focused group, 4:30-6:30pm

**Apr 9:** Yoga, PT/trauma relief-focus, 5-6pm

**Apr 9:** Medicare Mentors Q/A with experts, appointments, 1-5 pm, (719) 772-7000

**Apr 10:** Veterans Advocacy Project legal assistance, 10am-2 pm, appointments, (719) 772-7000

**Apr 10:** Warriors First, support group for justice-involved veterans, 4-5pm

**Apr 10:** Art Therapy promoting stress relief and self-healing, 5-7pm

**Apr 10:** Tax-preparation/electronic filing for all, 10am-4pm

**Apr 11:** PTS Support Group, 10-11am

**Apr 11:** Tax-preparation/electronic filing for all, 11am-4:30pm

**Apr 12:** Website & Social Media assistance for vet/milspouse entrepreneurs, appointments: (719) 772-7000

**Apr 13:** Family Easter Egg Hunt & Service, 11:30am-1:30pm

**Apr 13:** Half-day Equine Therapy Retreat for Veterans & Military, pre-register: (719) 309-4761

**Apr 14:** Easter Egg Hunt w/food, bounce houses, face painting & more sponsored by Mt. Carmel at Ft. Carson, Pershing Field, open to all with installation access, 12:30-2:30pm

**Apr 17:** Living with Chronic Pain/Illness, 6-week class, pre-register: (303)927-9225

**Apr 27:** Half-day Equine Therapy Retreat for Teens of Military & Veterans, 13-17 yrs old, Free, Pre-Register: Abbey Westphal (719) 309-4761

**Apr 29-May 10:** Free Hazardous Waste Worker Training, Pre-register: Richard Gagne (719) 772-7000

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## Leadership

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rules as well, but at a more seasoned level. Obviously, you should have keen knowledge of the profession of arms and be leading by example.

You should also be actively fulfilling your upgrade training and pursuing an advanced degree. The added measure for the NCO corps is taking care of your Airmen. Not only will you be leading by example, but you'll have a vested interest in your Airmen's lives, both personal and professional. You should know the status of their training, who their friends and family are, what their interests are and any problems they may be confronting.

Sage advice for all good wingmen, but this is where developing good time management begins, in other words, personal comforts become secondary to ensuring yourself and your personnel are fit to meet the demands of your

chosen profession and the Air Force mission.

For senior noncommissioned officers, officers and senior civilians, you need to ensure an additional measure of taking care of your senior leadership's agenda. This doesn't mean you're skipping over your immediate boss's concerns, what it's saying is you're focused tactically and strategically — you see the bigger picture all the way to our commander-in-chief.

We are leaders 24/7 and must perform like it. You won't always agree with your boss's decisions as your subordinates won't always agree with yours, but in the end as leaders we must support the decisions of our leaders. We must follow the orders of those appointed over us and convey them as our own, so long as those orders are not illegal, unethical or immoral.

While this leadership philosophy is no surprise, it is clearly understood at all levels, easy to remember, realistic to implement and has proven effective over my career — let it be effective to your career, let it be your finest hour!

## Firearms

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for personnel such as Air Force Office of Special Investigations Agents.

Tech. Sgt. James Foster, 50th SFS Plans and Programs noncommissioned officer in charge, said housing residents need to provide an Air Force Form 1314 Firearms Registration and Department of Defense Form 2760 Possession of Firearms and Ammunition to the 50th SFS Pass and Registration office.

"When individuals come in they will get briefed on transportation procedures for firearm carry and have a background check conducted," he said. "If you want to register your firearms as a housing resident, please come see me and my team, we will ensure you are taken care of."

Bunton said the registration is important for the safety of 50th SFS members on base.

"If we ever have to respond to an incident, knowing firearms are in the home helps prepare our defenders to respond accordingly," he said.

Bunton detailed the specific procedures individuals must adhere to when

bringing firearms onto the installation.

"The firearm must be separated from the ammunition and placed in a hard to reach area," he said. "For instance, in a standard sedan, the individual should place the firearm in the trunk and ammunition in a separate location. In a truck, the firearm can be on the floor in the back as long as it is separate from the ammunition."

Individuals are required to proceed straight to their residence in housing with no stops. The firearms must be appropriately stored and locked within the residence.

"You can't even stop at the gas station or anywhere else," Bunton said. "You also can't bring firearms into the restricted area."

The key to carrying firearms on base is honesty, 50th SFS members want individuals to use integrity first when dealing with security forces members.

"If you were to just come through the gate and announce you have a firearm in your vehicle and you are headed to your house on base housing, there's no problem at all, we will do what we need to do to verify and you will be on your way," Bunton said. "Honesty is the best policy."

For more information about firearm transport procedures, contact the 50th SFS Combat Arms at 719-567-4214.

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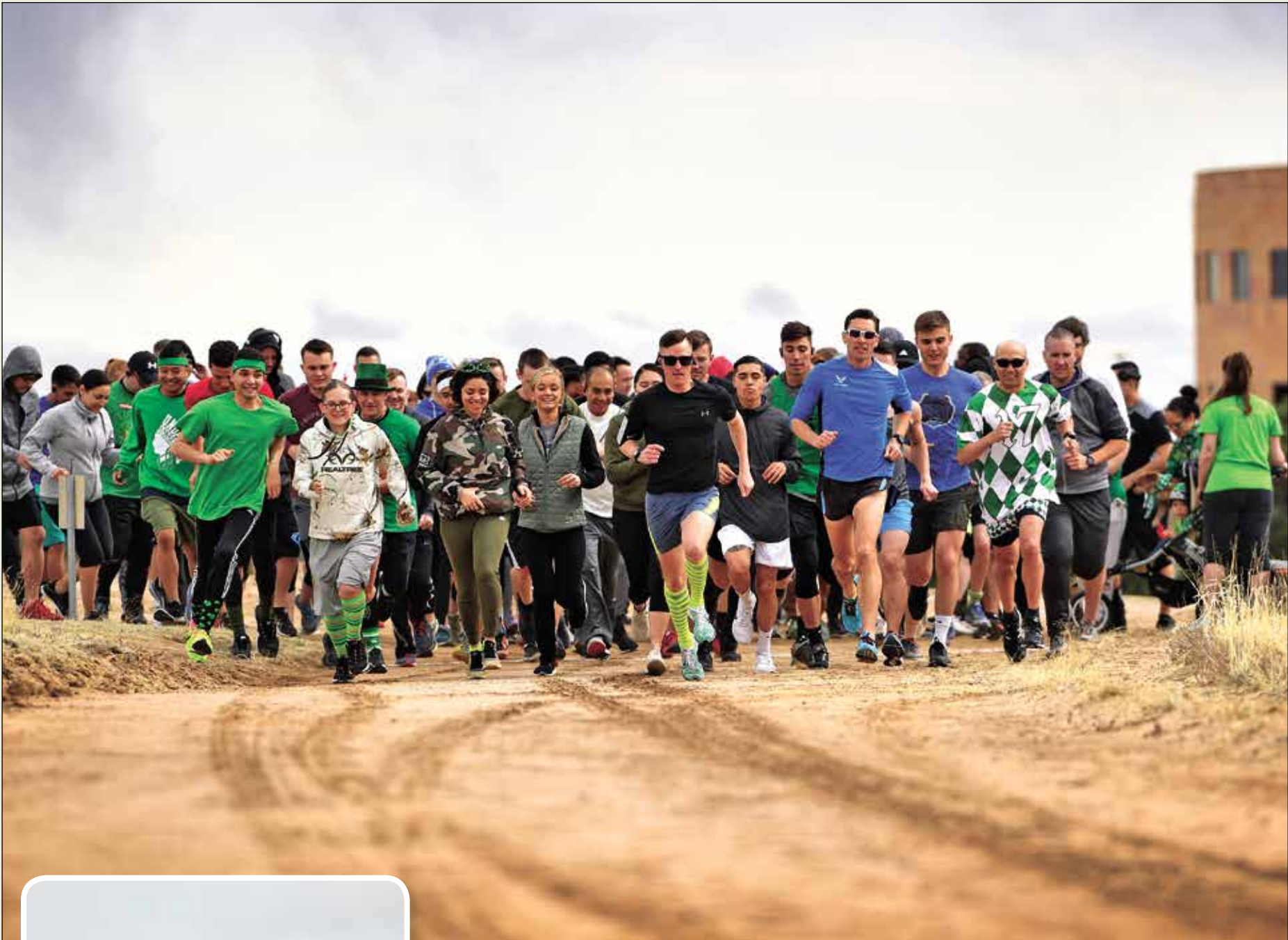
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# Schriever runs toward rainbow



Team Schriever takes off running during the annual St. Patrick's Day run at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 29, 2019. The fitness center hosts other running events such as the annual half-marathon, turkey trot and Lazyman triathlon.



Jason Brosseau with the 26th Space Aggressor Squadron finishes first among the males during the annual St. Patrick's Day run at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 29, 2019. Brosseau finished with a time of 14:03.



Yesnia Padilla with the 50th Operations Support Squadron high fives an Airman during the annual St. Patrick's Day run at Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado, March 29, 2019. Padilla finished first among the females with a time of 19:17.

U.S. Air Force photos by Dennis Rogers



# Advocates

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is sometimes you have to stay still and watch and listen to see what’s going on. You don’t want to come in with this big sweeping idea and not take into account the people involved.”

With a new VPI comes a new re-structured violence prevention training. Ditson said this year there will be a less “scripted” format with a heavy focus of community awareness as well as more time for open discussion and individual input. Changes she believes are crucial to making a lasting impact on attendees.

“We infused a lot of our training, and stopped using a protocol which

took up the entirety of the hour,” she said. “Instead, we left about 20 minutes to really focus on finding and fostering community for attendees and how to really build connections.”

However, Ditson said small, kind measures are just as important to improving morale.

“When was the last time you got a sticky note on your desk that said something other than call somebody, do or complete something? Instead, leave a note saying ‘you did an amazing job today,’” she said. “That’s an example of a small thing you can do. We always strive for excellence in all we do but sometimes we just need to be recognized for this excellence.”

Unchanging is the support of the 50th SW Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, which plans to host a variety of events in recognition

of SAAPM alongside Ditson.

“This month is very crucial,” said Christina Martinez, 50th SW SAPR office sexual assault victim advocate. “It’s good to have this designated time to raise awareness.”

Martinez said she is excited to team up with Ditson to help Airmen throughout the base.

“People are the mission,” she said. “When we enlighten people and provide training for them to be better Airmen, it is very rewarding.”

Ditson agreed, adding she looks forward to making an impact not just for SAAPM, but for the entirety of her Schriever AFB tenure.

“We are all here to help you deal with life’s stressors so you don’t have to deal with them yourself,” she said. “Being able to help define what community is for people — defining that we are one

big community, is important. However, creating a sense of community and connection means all of us reaching out and supporting one another.”

**Upcoming Schriever AFB SAAPM events are as follows:**

April 5, 12, 19 — Outreach table inside Satellite Dish Dining Facility

April 17 — (tentative date) Information Fair at the Child Development Center

April 26 — 9th Annual Dodgeball tournament in the fitness center

April 26 — Purple Up Parade at the Child Development Center

For those struggling with personal or professional life problems, the Schriever AFB helping agencies are there to support. To reach the helping agencies line, call 719-567-HELP. To reach out to Ditson, call 719-567-2647.

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# AF Week in Photos



U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Joe Harwood  
Tech. Sgt. Kenton Oakley, Ohio Air National Guard, 200th RED HORSE Squadron structures Airman, builds cabin walls while deployed for an Innovation Readiness Training project at Camp Kamassa, Crystal Springs, Mississippi, helping to build a specialized camp for children with special needs, March 21, 2019. IRT projects support the community while providing valuable training for the RED HORSE mission to provide a dedicated, mobile, flexible, self-sufficient heavy construction engineering force for airfield, base infrastructure and special capabilities to support worldwide contingency operations.



U.S. Air Force photo by Heidi Couch  
Scott McMurray, a U.S. Air Force Academy sophomore, performs on the vault during a meet against the University of Washington in the Cadet World Championships, March 21, 2019, at the Air Force Academy, Colorado. The Air Force gymnastics team is currently ranked 10th in the nation. The Air Force Academy phone number is 396.100 - 378.7.



F-22 Raptors arrive at Travis Air Force Base, California, prior to the Thunder Over the Bay Air Show, March 25, 2019. In addition to the F-22 Raptor, the two-day event featured performances by the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds aerial demonstration team, U.S. Army Golden Knights parachute team, flyovers and static displays. The event honored hometown heroes such as police officers, firefighters, nurses, teachers and ordinary citizens whose selfless work make their communities safer and enhanced quality of life.

Airmen with the 841st Mission Support Squadron participate in tactical casualty care familiarization training, March 21, 2019, at Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana. The training took place over a 24-hour period and included self-aid buddy training, live M84 stun grenade training and evaluation.





U.S. Air Force photo by Justin Connahey

F-22 Raptors from the 3rd Wing and 477th Fighter Group participate in a close formation taxi, known as an Elephant walk, with an E-3 Sentry and a C-17 Globemaster III March 26, 2019, during a Polar Force exercise at Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska. This two-week exercise gives squadrons an opportunity to demonstrate their abilities to forward deploy and deliver overwhelming combat airpower.



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Tech. Sgt. John Beckett, left, 379th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron heavy equipment project lead, Master Sgt. Christopher Beckett, 379th ECES heavy equipment section chief and Staff Sgt. Justin Emanuelson, 379th ECES pavement and equipment operator, troubleshoot a construction vehicle March 27, 2019, at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. The Beckett brothers, who have served in the Arizona Air National Guard since 2003, are currently deployed together to the same ECES unit at Al Udeid AB.



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Clayton Wear


A test of the nation's Ground-based Midcourse Defense system, was conducted from North Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, March 25 by 30th Space Wing officials, the U.S. Missile Defense Agency, and U.S. Northern Command.



U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Jacob M. Thompson

(Main) The U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron "Thunderbirds" perform at the Thunder & Lightning Over Arizona Air Show, March 22, 2019, at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona. The air show in Tucson, Arizona, kicks off the 2019 season for the Thunderbirds. They tour from March through November.



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# BASE BRIEFS

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## ON BASE

### Health Promotions Office to close

The Health Promotions Office will be closed April 8 — 12 for mandatory training. It is now located in the T-135 portable next to the fitness center. For more information, contact Carol Carr at 719-567-4292.

### Legal Office Weekly Briefings

The 50th Space Wing Legal Office provides the following briefings Fridays:  
Article 137 re-enlistment briefing — 8 a.m.  
Deployment briefings — 9 a.m.  
Legal office court requirement: Before appearing and/or testifying in court in their unofficial capacity, all Air Force members are required to meet with the legal office.  
For more information, call 719-567-5050.

### Clinic announces closures

The Schriever Air Force Base clinic is closed the following dates/times:

April 11	11 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.	Training Day
May 9	11 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.	Training Day
May 17	All Day	Wingman Day
May 24	Noon — 4:30 p.m.	Family Day
May 27	All Day	Holiday
June 13	11 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.	Training Day
July 4	All Day	Holiday
July 5	Noon — 4:30 p.m.	Family Day
July 11	11 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.	Training Day
Aug. 8	11 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.	Training Day

Note: Walk-in services end at 3:30 p.m. Normal clinic hours are 7:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m., Monday — Friday. For emergencies, call 911. For appointments, call 719-524-CARE.

### Civilian Developmental Education accepting nomination packages

Nomination packages for Career Developmental Education opportunities are accepted through May 1. Applicants can apply for up to four programs.  
The majority of the courses require a continued service agreement in accordance with Air Force Instruction 36-401, Employee Training and Development. Applicants may incur up to a five year commitment upon completion of the training. This commitment begins when the students complete the program and is transferable to another federal agency if the employee leaves the Air Force.  
For up to date CDE information, visit the Civilian Force Development page on myPers from a Common Access Card enabled computer, or select “Civilian Employee” from the myPers dropdown menu and search “developmental education.” Required documents, application instructions, a list of CDE opportunities and other criteria are available on the page.  
For more information visit: <https://www.afpc.af.mil/Force-Development/Civilian-Developmental-Education/>.

### Logistics planner retraining opportunities

The Air Force Logistics Plans specialty career field is continually seeking enlisted personnel to retrain as logistics planners. For more information, contact Ed Smith at 719-567-3082.

### KMC to provide training

The Knowledge Management Center is providing reoccurring training/classes for the Knowledge Management programs. Classes are held in Building 301, Room 119, every first Thursday of the month. Records Management is held noon — 1:30 p.m. and Freedom of Information Privacy Act is held 1:45 — 3:15 p.m. Publications and

Forms class is provided 1 — 3 p.m. every third Thursday of the month. For more information, contact 50th Space Wing Knowledge Management Center at 719-567-6001.  
To enroll/register, visit <https://eis2.afspc.af.mil/sites/50sw/wsa/kmc/tn/SitePages/Home.aspx>.

### Voluntary Leave Transfer Program — Joel Bernal

Joel Bernal has been approved for the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program due to a current medical condition. Should you like to donate leave to this employee, you can complete the OPM 630-A, Request to Donate Annual Leave to Leave Recipient under the VLTP (within agency) [http://www.opm.gov/FORMS/PDF\\_FILL/opm630a.pdf](http://www.opm.gov/FORMS/PDF_FILL/opm630a.pdf) or [https://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf\\_fill/opm630b.pdf](https://www.opm.gov/forms/pdf_fill/opm630b.pdf) (outside agency). Scan the signed form or fax to 719-567-2832.

## OFF-BASE

### AAFES hosts You Made the Grade

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service is hosting a You Made The Grade special for first through 12th-graders, including homeschooled students, who maintain a “B” average or higher throughout the school year. Qualified students will earn a \$5 Exchange gift card every grading period during the 2018-19 school year. Students must present a valid military I.D. and proof of qualifying grades during any grading period at the Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado Exchange customer service area to earn their card. For more information, contact Michael Casserly at 719-576-6174.

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# BASE BRIEFS

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## AAFES hosts Purple Up Day

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service is celebrating Purple Up Day, a worldwide recognition of the strength and sacrifice of military children, offering free treats to any child wearing purple at participating Peterson/Schriever Air Force Base, Colorado Exchange installations April 13. For more information, contact Michael Casserly at 719-576-6174.

## World Long Drive Competition seeks competitors

The World Long Drive Competition is debuting a qualifying event for military members this month with the help of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Army Installation Command. Active duty, Reserve and retired Airmen and Soldiers can enter to compete at the Fort Carson, Colorado, qualifying event for the Military Long Drive by visiting [www.armymwr.com/MLD](http://www.armymwr.com/MLD). The event will take place 2 p.m. April 20 at Fort Carson.

The winner of the Fort Carson competition will win an all-expenses paid trip to the Military Long Drive Competition championship May 7 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, to compete for a chance to win \$10,000 and automatic entrance into the Volvik World Long Drive in Thackerville, Oklahoma Sept. 3 — 4. For more information, contact Michael Casserly at 719-576-6174.

## Military Retirees Activities Office

The Military Retiree Activities Office holds monthly council meetings the second Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at The Club at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. The meeting is followed by lunch at 12:45 p.m. To sign up or for more information, call the Retiree Assistance Office at 719-556-7153.

The guest speaker April 11 is Kathryn Nearing who will talk about the Older Veteran Engagement Team. Call 719-556-7153 for more information.

## The Society of Military Widows

The Society of Military Widows is open to widows of any branch of military service, regardless of the spouses rank. The Pikes Peak Chapter 15 of the Society of Military Widows meets on the last Wednesday of the month 10:30 a.m. at The Club at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. For more information, call 331-6689 or 260-8172.

## The Retired Enlisted Association celebrates grand re-opening ceremony

The grand-opening ceremony for the TREA — The Enlisted Association Chapter 1, will take place May 4 from 1 — 4 p.m. at 3035B South Academy Street in Colorado Springs. This is a free, family-friendly event with food, drinks, community service projects and kids activities.

For more information, email Ashley Perry at [ashleyperry1210@gmail.com](mailto:ashleyperry1210@gmail.com).

## Registration for the 2019 FA40 Training Forum is open

The U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command/Army Forces Strategic Command's Army Space Personnel Development Office is hosting the 2019 Annual FA40 Training Forum Aug. 13 — 16 at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado.

This year's forum will take place in the main conference room of Building 920 where TS-SCI briefings are scheduled.

Registration is open to all members of the Army Space Cadre.

The registration process is not complete without submission of a TS-SCI Visit Access Request, by the member's organizational special security officer unless he/she possesses a current PAFB/SMDC green badge. VAR information is located on the registration page.

For more information or to register, go to (when prompted, select your Common Access Card email certificate to access the site): [https://army.deps.mil/army/sites/ASKMS/FA40\\_2019/SitePages/Home.aspx](https://army.deps.mil/army/sites/ASKMS/FA40_2019/SitePages/Home.aspx).

For more information contact, Bob Kyniston at 719-554-0459 or [robert.a.kyniston.civ@mail.mil](mailto:robert.a.kyniston.civ@mail.mil).

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**Bloom**, a live show by Diego Arnedo, who uses different techniques and elements to impact his audience and alter their vision and perception of art. Also includes textile installations by Safron, new art by Jeffery de Mers and Amber Rogers, and sexy handcrafted garter jewelry by Gigi Garter Gallery. Fri., April 5, 5-8 p.m. [facebook.com/jaguartdeco](https://facebook.com/jaguartdeco).

**First Friday Art Walk — Pueblo, Downtown, Old Colorado City, Manitou Springs**, monthly art celebrations encompassing multiple locations. First Friday of every month, 5-8 p.m. [PuebloArts.org](http://PuebloArts.org), [facebook.com/ArtWalkOCC](https://facebook.com/ArtWalkOCC), [downtownwncs.com/firstfriday](http://downtownwncs.com/firstfriday).

**Gallery of Living Art**, with a cast of 80 actors recreating 15 classic pieces of artwork depicting the story of Christ's passion and resurrection. Narrative scripture and music will be sung by First Christian Choir. Fri., April 5, 7:30 p.m., Sat., April 6, 11 a.m., 2 and 5 p.m. and Sun., April 7, 3 p.m. Free. First Lutheran Church, 1515 N. Cascade Ave.

**TIME: Gallery Chat With Artists**, featuring artists Carol Dass, Ben Kinsley, Jessica Langley and Stacy Platt. Presented as part of *TIME: Biannual UCCS Visual Art Faculty Exhibition*. Registration recommended. Fri., April 5, 6-7 p.m. Free. Ent Center for the Arts, 5225 N. Nevada Ave., 255-3232, [gallery@uccs.edu](mailto:gallery@uccs.edu), [uccspresents.org](http://uccspresents.org).

## BUSINESS & TECH

**Apple Users Meeting**, learn the many capabilities and how-to details of your devices including iPhone, iPad, iPod, Apple TV and Mac computers. Includes other related tech items such as security, passwords, video streaming and more. Second Tuesday of every month, 6-8 p.m. Free. Colorado Springs Fire Station 14, 1875 Dublin Blvd., 578-9385, [jeffj@summug.org](mailto:jeffj@summug.org), [summug.org](http://summug.org).

**Developing a Solid Financial Plan**, learn how to calculate break-even, determine an appropriate pricing strategy, determine cost of goods sold, budget, find industry standards and more. This is a working session so bring your laptop with Excel or similar financial software if possible. Tues., April 9, 9-11 a.m. \$30. Pikes Peak Small Business Development Center, 559 E. Pikes Peak Ave., #101, 667-3803, [sbdc@elpasoco.com](mailto:sbdc@elpasoco.com), [pikespeaksbdc.org/workshops](http://pikespeaksbdc.org/workshops).

**Edward Jones Coffee Club**, an opportunity to discuss current events, the economy and investing in a relaxed, informal setting. Decadent Dessert and Coffee Bar, 13375 Voyager Pkwy., #110. First Friday of every month, 10-11 a.m. 593-8500, [jenna.nielsen@edwardjones.com](mailto:jenna.nielsen@edwardjones.com).

**Pikes Peak Computer Application Society**, a PC user group, including presentations by computer professionals. All skill and knowledge levels are welcome. First Saturday of every month, 11 a.m.-noon. Springs Community Church, 7290 Lexington Ave., 590-1705, [ppcompas.apcug.org](mailto:ppcompas.apcug.org).

## CONCERTS

**Spring Concert**, an evening of musical fun and entertainment featuring the Concert and Symphonic Bands. Selections include music from John Williams, Gershwin, 60's Pop Music and a special tribute to Columbine. Sun., April 7, 4-6 p.m. \$10. Ent Center for the Arts, 5225 N. Nevada Ave., 255-3232, [nhbcos.org](http://nhbcos.org).

**Taylor Memorial Concert: Bach Cantatas**, with soloists and the orchestra performing two Bach cantatas: Jesu, der du meine Seele, BWV 78 and Herz und Mund und Tat und Leben, BWV 147, as well as Knut Nystedt's Immortal Bach. Performed in the original German. Sun., April 7, 3-4 p.m. Free. Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 601 N. Tejon St., 328-1125, [gssepiscopal.org](http://gssepiscopal.org).

**Wet Paint: Music, Story, Inspiration**, an interactive concert of original compositions combining lyrical melodies, jazz harmony, compelling rhythms and improvised solos. A variety of styles including cinematic, latin, rock and swing jazz. The compositions are inspired by nature, art and life experiences. Sun., April 7, 2:30 p.m. \$25-\$30. Cottonwood Center for the Arts, 427 E. Colorado Ave., 520-1899, [liaison@cottonwoodcenterforthearts.com](mailto:liaison@cottonwoodcenterforthearts.com), [cottonwoodcenterforthearts.com](http://cottonwoodcenterforthearts.com).

## DANCE

**Andante Blues Dance**, partnered dancing to blues music. Come alone or with a friend. A beginner lesson is available. First Friday of every month, 9 p.m. \$5. Movement Arts Community Studio, 525 E. Fountain Blvd., #150, 963-1809, [kkschmidt@lettucebrain.com](http://kkschmidt@lettucebrain.com), [andanteblues.com](http://andanteblues.com).

**Dancing with Live Bands**, weekly dancing to a variety of music, including Big Band, Swing, Coun-



## COMEDY & IMPROV

**Comedy Open Mic**, an opportunity to get some stage time, sharing jokes in front of a supportive group. Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Free. Playing Field Sports Bar, 3958 N. Academy Blvd., #112, 210-1316, [theplayingfieldsportsbar.com](http://theplayingfieldsportsbar.com).

try, Latin and more. Free dance classes every Saturday from 5:45-6:45 p.m. \$10. International Dance Club, 2422 Busch Ave., 633-0195, [internationaldanceclub.org](http://internationaldanceclub.org).

**Geneses**, combining dance, theater and music in the creation of an unforgettable event. Choreographed by Holly Seidcheck. Fridays-Sundays, 8-9 p.m.; through April 14. \$6, free for UCCS students. Ent Center for the Arts, 5225 N. Nevada Ave., 255-3232, [tickets@uccs.edu](mailto:tickets@uccs.edu), [uccspresents.org](http://uccspresents.org).

**Tango Mondays**, beginners welcome. Mondays, 6 p.m. \$5-\$10. Cucuru Gallery Café, 2332 W. Colorado Ave., 520-9900, [cucurugallerycafe.com](http://cucurugallerycafe.com).

## FILM

**Film of the Absurd**, an ongoing series of curated independent films, featuring a wide range of filmmakers from all over the world. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Free. Urban Steam Coffee Bar, 1025 S. Sierra Madre St., 473-7832, [facebook.com/urbansteam](https://facebook.com/urbansteam).

**GrowthBusters: Hooked on Growth**, an encore screening of this groundbreaking documentary, which challenges beliefs linking growth with prosperity and fulfillment. Mon., April 8, 7-9 p.m. Free. Tim Gill Center for Public Media, 315 E. Costilla St., 271-2399, [rgiordano92@msn.com](mailto:rgiordano92@msn.com), [ifsoc.org](http://ifsoc.org).

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**Saturdays at the Square**, hosting Colorado Springs' finest food trucks all in one parking lot. Bring your people and show these local trucks some love. Big R- Widefield, 161 Fontaine Blvd. Saturdays, noon to 4 p.m. Free admission. [facebook.com/SaturdaysAtTheSquare](https://facebook.com/SaturdaysAtTheSquare).

## GET INVOLVED

**EllaFest 2019 Musical Fundraiser**, an annual concert celebrating life through many genres of music. Raising awareness and money to support local families affected by sickle cell anemia. Sun., April 7, 3 p.m. \$12-\$65. Stargazers, 10 S. Parkside Drive, 476-2200, [stargazerstheatre@gmail.com](mailto:stargazerstheatre@gmail.com), [stargazerstheatre.com](http://stargazerstheatre.com).

**Happy Cats Haven's 4th Annual Acatemy Awards**, a Hollywood award show-themed event. Wear your favorite red carpet attire and feel like a movie star as you party the night away fur da kitties. This signature gala fundraiser benefits the homeless cats and kittens sheltered at Happy Cats Haven. Sat., April 6, 6-9 p.m. \$20-\$35. Manitou Springs City Hall, 606 Manitou Ave., Manitou Springs, 231-7202, [laura@moxiegirlpr.com](mailto:laura@moxiegirlpr.com), [facebook.com/HappyCatsHaven](https://facebook.com/HappyCatsHaven).

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

**5Health Fair**, offering affordable lab screenings, and many health screenings at no cost. This year, 5Health will offer two new screenings, High Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein (heart health) and Blood Type along with its standard offerings. Sat., April 6, 7 a.m.-noon. Community Congregational Church of Manitou Springs, 103 Pawnee Ave., Manitou Springs, 800/332-3078, [9healthfair.org](http://9healthfair.org).

**Eight Limbs of Yoga**, presented in the context of Patanjali's Yoga Sutras, wherein there are eight steps leading to liberation, known as the Ashtanga Yoga System. Learn these principles and how to apply them on and off the mat. Sat., April 6, 2-5 p.m. \$35. Yoga Studio Satya, 1581 York Road, 203-4525, [yogastudiosatya@gmail.com](mailto:yogastudiosatya@gmail.com), [yogastudiosatya.com](http://yogastudiosatya.com).

**Perfectly Imperfect: Support Rooted in Love**, inviting parents to talk about and work through tempering expectations, grounding one's self in stressful situations and aiding your teen or child to do the same. Parents will walk away feeling supported and armed with a few new strategies. Sat., April 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$30. Penrose Library, 20 N. Cascade Ave., 445-8521, [perfectlyimperfect-workshop@gmail.com](mailto:perfectlyimperfect-workshop@gmail.com), [moxienmotion.com](http://moxienmotion.com).

**Yoga for Special Needs**, Tuesdays, 12-1:30 p.m. Yoga Journeys Studio, 709 N. Nevada Ave., #201, 471-7424.

## KIDS & FAMILY

**Active Adventurers Group**, a weekly indoor group for parents/caregivers and their children. Activities will include toy time, a craft, socializing, a group activity and clean up. Mondays, 9:30 a.m. Hillside Community Center, 925 S. Institute St., 520-9463, [springsgov.com](http://springsgov.com).

**Ben and the Magic Paintbrush**, an enchanting story from olden times comes to life in this modern-day fairy tale. Recommended for ages 6 and up. Fridays-Sundays. Through April 7. \$10-\$20. Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College, 30 W. Dale St., 634-5583, [fac@colorado-college.edu](mailto:fac@colorado-college.edu), [csfineartscenter.org](http://csfineartscenter.org).

**Music and Movement**, for children ages 2 and 3 to dance and play with friends and parents. Mondays, 10 a.m. Pikes Peak Library District, Rockrimmon Branch, 832 Village Center Drive, 593-8000. Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. Cheyenne Mountain Library, 1785 S. Eighth St., #100, 633-6278, [ppld.org](mailto:ppld.org). Wednesdays, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Library 21c, 1175 Chapel Hills Drive.

**Toddler Time**, an introduction to the delights of rhyme, rhythm and a few stories as a first step to reading. Wednesdays, 9:30-9:50 and 10-10:20 a.m. Free. Pikes Peak Library District, Rockrimmon Branch, 832 Village Center Drive, 593-8000, [ppld.librarymarket.com](http://ppld.librarymarket.com).

## LECTURES & LEARNING

**African Drumming Class**, focusing on the basics of hand-drumming techniques, playing together, developing groove and more. No experience necessary. Registration required. First and third Saturday of every month, 3-4 p.m. \$10. Movement Arts Community Studio, 525 E. Fountain Blvd., #150, 250-4914, [info@soulrhythmafricandrumming.com](mailto:info@soulrhythmafricandrumming.com), [soulrhythmafricandrumming.com](http://soulrhythmafricandrumming.com).

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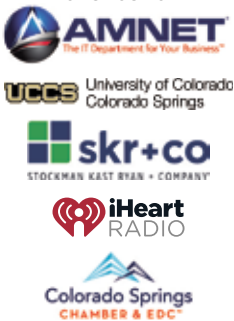
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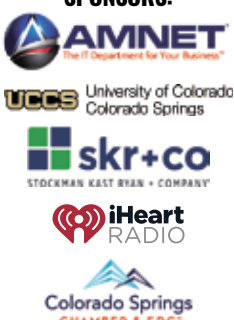
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## LINDA WEISE

May 9

Linda Weise is the CEO and founder of the Colorado Springs Conservatory, which she established in 1994 to bring world-class performing arts education to the region. Weise is a graduate of Oberlin Conservatory in piano and vocal performance. Weise and the CSC have been recognized throughout the state and across the country with numerous awards.



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**Basic Sign Language Course**, a course to learn basic sign language, learn about the deaf community and much more. United Providers, 6197 Lehman Drive, Suite 106. Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m.; through May 21. \$125. 331-7636, cindy.powell2013@gmail.com, facebook.com/CustomizedDisability-andSignLanguageTraining.

**Photographers Share Knowledge at Topic Roundtables**, a chance to share experience in four topic roundtables including post processing, equipment, cameras and the best gear, resources for photographers and style and brand. Sessions are geared for photographers from beginner to advanced. Mon., April 8, 7-9 p.m. Free. Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Hwy. 105, Palmer Lake, 649-4241, lynn.pdphotographers@gmail.com, pdphotographers.com.

**Women's Car Care Clinic**, for the woman who wants to learn more about taking care of her car. Includes goodie bags, refreshments and amazing giveaways. Registration required. Sat., April 6, 10 a.m.-noon. Free. Aspen Auto Clinic - Mark Dabbling Blvd., 4401 Mark Dabbling Blvd., 247-3412, karen@aspenautoclinic.com, aspenautoclinic.com.

### LITERARY EVENTS

**First Saturday Open Mic**, a great place to share poetry and meet with other creatives in Colorado Springs. Come share your voice. Hosted by Hear Here Poetry. First Saturday of every month, 7-10 p.m. Free. Penrose Library, 20 N. Cascade Ave., 531-6333, hearherepoetry@outlook.com, facebook.com/hearherepoetry.

**John McKenna Reading**, featuring this award-winning mystery author. Light refreshments available. Sat., April 6, noon to 3 p.m. Hooked on Books, 10-12 E. Bijou St., 596-1621, hookedonbooksco.com.

**Open Critique**, facilitated by author Robert Spiller, providing a critique experience for a small number of writers who seek feedback on manuscript pages and/or want to learn how to have positive critique group experiences. First Wednesday of every month, 6-8:30 p.m.; through May 1. Free. Colorado Springs Police Department Falcon Station, 7850 Goddard St., 244-6220, workshops@pikespeakwriters.com, pikespeakwriters.com.

**Open Mic, Spoken Word, Poetry Night**, an open mic for all young performers of any talent, including music, comedy, poetry and dance. Tuesdays, 8 p.m.-midnight. Free. Royal Castle Lounge & Grill, 2355 Platte Place, 375-1886, daniel@royal-castlelounge.com, royalcastlelounge.com.

**The Shop: Open Mic & Lab**, beginning with a forum that evolves into an open mic, and ending with a workshop for artists to premiere works in progress for critique. First Thursday of every month, 8:15-10:30 p.m. Free. Royal Castle Lounge & Grill, 2355 Platte Place, 375-1886, njedipoet@gmail.com, facebook.com/theshopcs.

### RECREATION & OUTDOORS

**Achilles Pikes Peak Weekly Workout**, an all-inclusive running/walking/wheeling/handcycling/moving group that welcomes all people with disabilities to participate. The event divides participants into groups based on pace and distance "and this means no one is left behind." Mondays, 6:15-7:30 p.m. Free. Colorado Running Company - N. Nevada, 2562 N. Nevada Ave. #140, 760/470-3947, achillespikespeak.org.

**MetroDemic Scavenger Hunt**, an outdoor game to stop the massive epidemic that has hit Colorado Springs. Use your brains and smartphones in this irreverent scavenger hunt. First Saturday of every month. \$35 for a team of two to four people. Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum, 215 S. Tejon St., 347/850-7609, metrodemic@kuriocitygames.com, metrodemic.com.

**Night Sky Program**, with park staff and members of the Colorado Springs Astronomical Society to help you gaze at the dark skies above Florissant Fossil Beds in search of planets, galaxies, nebulae, and more. Meet at the visitor center. Fri., April 5, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument, 15807 Teller County Road 1, Florissant, 719/748-3253, nps.gov/flfo.

**Snapshots from the Field: Conservation Talk Series**, with Pueblo Zoo zookeepers Gina Gley and Liz Jones reporting on their recent conservation-based trip to South Africa and how their experiences there will help to strengthen and broaden their knowledge of many species and their conservation stories. Fri., April 5, noon to 1 p.m. Free/member, \$5/non-member. Pueblo Zoo, 3455 Nuckolls Ave., Pueblo, 719/561-1452, adavidson@pueblozoo.org, pueblozoo.org/conservation-talks.

**Time Attack**, with new features, a series-long competition and prizes. The courses are designed for

drivers of all skill levels to test and sharpen their skills in their own vehicles. Helmets will be available for rent. Sun., April 7, 8:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$10, kids 12 and under are free. Pikes Peak International Raceway, 16650 Midway Ranch Road, #1, Fountain, 382-7223, brady@ppir.com, ppir.com.

**Women's Mountain Bike Ride**, welcoming all levels of riders, but a mountain bike (not cross or hybrid) is required. Location changes every week and will be updated on Facebook. Fridays, 9 a.m.-noon; through April 26. Free. various locations, Colorado Springs, 661-2967, mtbwithstacy@gmail.com, facebook.com/mtbwithstacy.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**Harrison School District Two Job Fair**, with principals and department administrators interviewing candidates for the 2019-20 school year. Vacancies include teachers, bus drivers, nutrition services, custodians and many more. Mountain Vista Community School, 2550 Dorset Drive. Sat., April 6, 8 a.m.-noon. Free. 579-2001, agermane@hsd2.org, hsd2.org.

**Monster Jam**, featuring adrenaline-charged, high-flying, four-wheel excitement that is fun for the entire family. April 5-6, 7-9 p.m. and Sat., April 6, 1-3 p.m. \$15-\$52. Broadmoor World Arena, 3185 Venetucci Blvd., 477-2100, verlee@broadmoor-worldarena.com, broadmoorworldarena.com.

**Yuri's Night Fundraiser**, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Apollo program's triumphant achievements, including the historic first mission to land people on the surface of the moon. Sun., April 7, 5:30-9 p.m. \$60-\$85. Space Foundation, 4425 Arrowswest Drive, 576-8000, mcory@spacefoundation.org, discoverspace.org.

### SPIRITUALITY

**Pueblo Holistic Fair**, offering 90 booths with an excellent variety of psychic readers and holistic healing options that include Reiki and other energy healers, massage, acupuncture and more, plus unique shopping. April 6-7, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$5/day, \$8 for the whole weekend. Pueblo Community College, 900 W. Orman Ave., Pueblo, 719/549-3200, puebloholisticfair.com.

**Sun Mountain Sangha**, a Buddhist community which practices in the tradition of Thich Nhat Hanh. Each session includes meditation and Dharma discussion. Vegetarian potluck to follow the session on third Sundays. Sundays, 4-5:30 p.m. Donations accepted. Tai Chi Association of Colorado Springs, 219 W. Colorado Ave., #310, 473-7059, barryjf@q.com, taichicoloradosprings.com.

**Zen Meditation**, meditation sessions from Springs Mountain Sangha, "a Zen community in the koan tradition." Mondays, 6-8 p.m. Free, donations gratefully accepted. CC's Shove Memorial Chapel, 1010 N. Nevada Ave., 659-3608, elizabeth.cramer51@gmail.com, smszen.org.

### STAGE

**Bad Dates**, Theresa Rebeck's sweet and sharp comedy. Restaurant manager and shoe connoisseur Haley Walker is finally ready to re-enter the dating world. From the privacy of her bedroom, she relates a series of hilarious tales while preparing for, and recovering from, one dreadful date after another. Fridays-Sundays. Through May 19. \$18-\$20. Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College, 30 W. Dale St., 634-5583, fac@coloradocollege.edu, csfineartscenter.org.

**Hands on a Hardbody**, a hilarious, hard-fought contest in which only one winner can drive away with the American dream. Inspired by the true events of the acclaimed 1997 documentary of the same name. Wednesdays-Sundays. Through April 14. Tickets start at \$20. Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College, 30 W. Dale St., 634-5583, fac@coloradocollege.edu, csfineartscenter.org.

**National Players Present: The Crucible**, an Arthur Miller drama, wherein no one is safe as a reign of terror rips through 1692 Salem. Led by Abigail Williams, a group of girls who claim to have seen the devil hurl out charges of witchcraft, sending those who won't confess to the noose. Sun., April 7, 3-4:30 p.m. \$30, \$24/member. Sangre de Cristo Arts Center, 210 N. Santa Fe Ave., Pueblo, 719/295-7200, mail@sdca-arts.org, sdca-arts.org.

**One Bad Apple...or...As The Worm Turns**, a hilarious, classic melodrama written by local actor and playwright, Sallie Walker. Followed by a sing-along intermission and a Grand Old Opry, Vaudeville-style musical revue. Fridays, Saturdays, 6-10 p.m.; through Aug. 10. \$10-\$35. Iron Springs Chateau, 444 Ruxton Ave., Manitou Springs, 685-5572, info@ironspringschateau.com, ironspringschateau.com.

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\*SoCal ballplayer

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Yellowfin tuna

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Floppy beagle part

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Beverage server, quaintly

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Pessimistic word, even when "no" is removed

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Author Roald

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"Bad Moon Rising" band, briefly

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Lawn border tool

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Art Deco artist

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"Don't go!"

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"On Bended Knee" group, or a hint to the starred answers' first three letters

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Magic charm

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Sty sound

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Bounded along

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Composer Brian

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Top or bottom bed

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Warning about a dog

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Abase

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Brit's bathroom

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Absolute

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\*Venezuelans' neighbors

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\*Temptation for Odysseus

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Bagel's shape

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Crazy way to run

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Word before "love" or "story"

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Tennis legend Chris

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Adjusts, as a clock

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Loch \_\_\_

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Sleepover game challenges

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Put into position

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Knight who found the Holy Grail

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Florence's river

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Spain's former "river of gold" territory

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Electric dart shooter

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Sty woe

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Flipper

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Half of bi-

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Vinyl collectible

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Babysitter's reading material?

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Steamy literature

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Slightly sweet, as wine

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PC corner key

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Gangster's gun

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Dyed fabric

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"I'm standing right here!"

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Biblical peak (BONE anagram)

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Moscow mule or White Russian

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Online publication

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Frosted flakes

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"\_\_\_ be surprised!"

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Raised

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Jellyfish that are named for a Gorgon

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Erstwhile

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Easy pace

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Wall-covering person

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Mark on an exam?

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Can't stand

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Building near a silo

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