

Two years later: Quest to eliminate terrorism still strong

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BAGRAM, Afghanistan – Two years after America took a sucker punch from terrorists at the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the U.S. military is still actively hunting down al Qaeda and Taliban forces here in their own back yard.

Col. James Whitmore, 455th Air Expeditionary Wing commander, reminds those back home that this war is not one that can be terminated in a short period.

“We will remain in Afghanistan as long as it takes,” said Whitmore. “Terrorists are people you have to deal with sooner or later. We’d prefer to take care of business in their backyard, not ours. We’re not going to wait for them to come to us again.”

Whitmore, who was in the Pentagon during the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, said he is glad to be here taking the fight offensive.

“A lot of this is personal to me,” he said. “We lost many great co-workers on that day.” Aside from his personal losses, Whitmore said he believes there is a need for the U.S. military to be active in Afghanistan.

“September 11 was our wake up call,” he said. “That’s when we decided to proactively and aggressively go after the terrorists. They put zero value on human life, especially westerners. They’ve proven that they won’t hesitate to take the lives of innocent people.”

Although results from this war are sometimes difficult to see from the west, Whitmore said the progress has advanced significantly since American boots hit the dirt here in December 2001.

Bagram Air Base is just one example in Afghanistan of a place that was used as a refuge for terrorists who freely trained and operated with little resistance. But the military has taken the strongholds in this country.

“We’re successfully denying terrorist sanctuary in



Photo by Spc. Wes Landrum

Laughter is the best medicine...

Coalition Forces troops enjoy a hearty laugh at the Bagram Civic Center Sep. 11th as the Comics on Duty Tour comedians brought comedic relief to service members who were reminiscing the 9/11 attacks on America.

Lab tech recalls 9/11 as Bagram honors victims

Story by Sgt. Stephanie Hall
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BAGRAM, Afghanistan – In their first act, they shocked the world; in the second act, they horrified a nation; in the third act, they angered a military; and in the final act, they inadvertently “awakened a sleeping giant.”

Al-Qaida’s four brutal acts on Sept. 11, 2001 – the crashing of two planes into the two towers of the World Trade Center, the crashing of a plane into the Pentagon, and the attempt to crash a fourth plane into an unknown destination – stunned an audience of young, new military medics as they watched the events unfold one by one before them on a TV screen from the safety of their classroom at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in the Washington, D.C. area on that fateful day.

Spc. Kyle P. Ziegler, a medical laboratory specialist with the 452nd Combat Support Hospital, remembers when the “breaking news that a plane had flown into one of the twin towers” first grabbed his attention.

World News (Compiled from CNN.com)



Yasser Arafat flashes a victory sign to supporters while entering his compound after Friday prayers in Ramallah.

Erakat: Arafat would not survive expulsion attempt

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Lead Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erakat on Friday said he believes Yasser Arafat would not survive any Israeli attempt to remove him from his compound in Ramallah where he is confined.

"I am sure, if they attempt this, the men will defend him, there will be a shootout and in the end they will end up killing him," Erakat told CNN in a phone interview.

Erakat, who had just returned from a meeting at Arafat's compound, said the Palestinian leader said "he will not accept to be deported and he will not accept to be arrested."

"I think it's very clear cut, it means that they will kill him, that's the end result," he said.

Erakat spoke one day after Israel announced its intention to "remove" Arafat, calling him an "obstacle" to peace.

Ra'anana Gissin, a spokesman for Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, denied that the Security Cabinet decision meant Israel would forcibly remove Arafat from Ramallah.

"It doesn't mean that. The Cabinet has ... resolved to remove this obstacle," Gissin said Thursday.

Throughout the West Bank and Gaza, thousands of Palestinian demonstrators opposing the Israeli decision staged protests,

including a steady show of grass-roots support in front of Arafat's compound.



Video of a man identified as Saeed Alghamdi was aired on Al Jazeera television.

Tape of alleged 9/11 hijacker broadcast on Al Jazeera

WASHINGTON — Al Qaeda has released its second videotape this week — this one apparently shows one of the 19 men who hijacked three planes for the September 11 terror attacks.

The tape, which initially aired on the Arabic-language news network Al Jazeera television, shows a man identified as Saeed Alghamdi.

"America is the enemy that every Muslim should fight," the man said in the video. Alghamdi was one of the hijackers of United Airlines Flight 93 that crashed in a Pennsylvania field after passengers overpowered them in order to avoid hitting a fourth target.

His tape is said to have been recorded nine months before the attack.

"You will be turned into pieces because of the mujahedeen," he said. "And I tell you that we are preparing something for you. God will punish you in a big way. And we promise the United States of America that we will stop you, that we will hurt you — and we will make sure that you don't have any peace."

A U.S. intelligence official dismissed the tape Friday as propaganda and said it's "evidently part of an al Qaeda recruitment drive."

On the eve of the second anniversary of the September 11 attacks, Al-Jazeera aired a taped statement purportedly from Osama bin Laden and his top deputy, Ayman al-Zawahiri encouraging new attacks against Americans.



A hospital guard stands on the roof of a Jordanian hospital after a battle in which U.S. soldiers opened fire Friday, apparently by mistake, on Iraqi policemen in central Iraq.

At least 10 dead in Iraq in apparent mistake

FALLUJAH, Iraq — A shootout involving Iraqi police in pursuit of gunmen and U.S. forces developed into a fierce gunbattle early Friday in central Iraq, killing at least 10 people, apparently by mistake, local officials said.

Nine Iraqis and one Jordanian died in the fighting, officials said.

Iraqi police said that the shooting began when three gunmen in a BMW fired at their station in Fallujah, 43 miles (about 70 kilometers) west of Baghdad. The police said they pursued the men in unmarked vehicles and fired at them.

U.S. forces fired on both the police and suspects, witnesses said.

"The shooting started at about 1 in the morning," one witness said. "It got heavier and heavier."

In addition, personnel inside a nearby Jordanian military field hospital believed they were under attack and joined in the gunbattle, according to the Jordanian Information Ministry.

"Unknown elements attacked the hospital," a ministry statement said. "The Jordanian military force guarding the hospital responded to the fired shots."

U.S.-led coalition officials said at least one U.S. soldier was wounded.

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Afghanistan,” said Army Maj. David Rasmussen, 2nd Battalion, 87th Infantry Regiment, 10th Mountain Division executive officer. Rasmussen is serving in Afghanistan for the second time since the U.S. first deployed people here for Operation Enduring Freedom. He said there has been noteworthy change for the better in the fight against terrorism. The terrorists have resorted to more hiding and less fighting.

“They know they can’t take us on directly, so they are trying to fight us asymmetrically,” said Whitmore. “We monitor their activities very closely here, and they know that. Anything that we can do to keep them off balance and unable to organize is helpful.”

Brute force, however, is not the only advantage we have over our enemy.

“We also have economic pressure being applied to these terrorist groups,” said Whitmore. The American forces are widely

welcomed here because of the stability and economic growth that has developed in the past two years, he said.

“Our mission is to disrupt their activities and deny them sanctuary,” said Whitmore. “We’ve made a significant impact on their ability to orchestrate and execute sustained operations.”

According to Whitmore, it is necessary for the U.S. to provide humanitarian aid so Afghanistan can speed up the process of developing a stable government. And that is the path that is being taken.

“We’re building schools, digging wells, providing reconstruction and even providing medical assistance to the people here,” said Rasmussen. “It is a slow and deliberate improvement for the lives and infrastructure of the Afghan people.”

Whitmore said this is being done with Provincial Reconstruction Teams.

“The sooner we can help get the people here self sufficient, the sooner we can go home,” he said.

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His first thoughts were it had to be a radio stunt, “or somebody was stupid enough to fly a plane into the towers,” said Ziegler.

But once the second plane hit the second tower of the World Trade Center, “we knew that it wasn’t a joke anymore; we knew that it wasn’t an accident,” said Ziegler. “The overall feeling I had was being scared because it was an attack on America; it was a planned, deliberate attack.” And then a plane crashed into the Pentagon, a crash site within 10 miles of Walter Reed.

Fresh from Advanced Individual Training and into the second phase of his medical training, Ziegler and his colleagues knew that with Walter Reed “being a major medical center out in the D.C. area, and being a military medical center, we knew that we would receive most of the patients,” he said.

The hospital immediately went into mass casualty mode, said Ziegler. “They started moving patients around to other area medical centers to clear the hospital at Walter Reed for incoming patients, and set up a triage area outside the (emergency room),” he said.

They set up to receive numerous pa-

tients, but “after all the preparations had been made, we just sat there waiting and waiting, and it was eerily still and quiet,” said Ziegler. “It was a scary feeling, and the longer we waited, the worse we knew it was.”

While they waited, volunteers to donate blood flooded to Walter Reed, so the hospital staff set up a mobile blood donor center inside one of the hospital’s classrooms, said Ziegler.

“The line (of volunteers) was down the hallway, around the corner, out the door,” said Ziegler. “We were drawing people’s blood as fast as we can.” There were so many that some donors had to be turned away, he said.

After a while, the staff realized that there were no ambulances rushing to the hospital carrying casualties from the attack at the Pentagon.

“There were a couple of ambulances that came in right away but they were all coming to the back door of the hospital just dropping people off at the morgue,” said Ziegler.

From the stories that Ziegler heard, he accounts the lack of patients to the fact that “either people weren’t injured, or they were dead. There was no in-between,” he said.

“I went by the Pentagon after this

happened, weeks, months after, and it was, I don’t know how to describe the feeling of driving past the Pentagon and seeing a hole out of the side,” said Ziegler.

This image stayed with him, and when his unit was mobilized and arrived in Afghanistan June 1, he again felt the impact of the brutal acts of Sept. 11, he said.

“It really has a significant meaning to me to be over here and to, not necessarily avenge the acts that were taken on America, but to prevent one from ever happening again; for anyone else to have to go through that,” he said.

“I know a lot of people might not support the commander in chief in the decision to be over here, but for me I think it’s important that people support the soldiers and realize that what we’re doing, to see beyond the political aspects of it,” said Ziegler. “It’s to prevent another attack on America and to save American lives.”

Ziegler knows that a major opposing point against Operation Enduring Freedom is the loss of U.S. service members’ lives, but he believes that “we volunteered for this and we risk our lives to prevent another attack on America and innocent civilians from dying,” he said.

“It’s a sacrifice we all volunteered to make for our country.”



Service members gathered at the Enduring Faith Chapel Thursday evening for a candle-light service to honor victims of global terrorism.

Sept. 11, 2003; a day of remembrance

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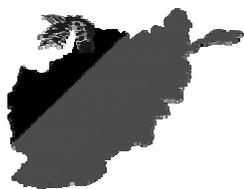


Service members look at images from Sept. 11, 2001



(Top) - Soldiers bow their heads in prayer during Bagram's Sept. 11 retreat ceremony. (Left) - Early morning Sept. 11 over 1,000 coalition service members participated in Bagram's 10K, 9-11 remembrance run.

Photo and layout by Sgt. Greg Heath



INSPECTOR GENERAL'S CORNER



Safety is a Winner's Game

BAGRAM, Afghanistan – All missions have their inherent dangers. Whether it is conducting combat operations or erecting a guard shack at the Joint Operations Center (JOC), dangers lie everywhere and can seriously hurt or kill our country's most precious resource – our sons and daughters.

Safety is a concern for all personnel. Every soldier is a safety officer and has the responsibility to make corrections if an unsafe act occurs, but it is a leader's responsibility to ensure safety measures are in place and observed.

Speeding vehicles, not wearing seat belts while utilizing a vehicle, and using ATVs/MGATORS without head and eye protection are three significant safety threats in Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. The speed limit at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan is 25 kmp or 15 mph on Disney Drive and Blackout Drive.

While the number of speeding vehicles is significantly reduced, there are still too many vehicles speeding. MPs are authorized to hand out speeding tickets but the danger lies with speeding vehicles having accidents and endangering other soldiers.

Too many soldiers have been killed in previous wars because they did not use seat belts while riding in their vehicles. The CJTF-180 standard is that when riding or driving in a vehicle, soldiers must use their seat belts. Truck or vehicle commanders must ensure all personnel in the vehicle are using seat belts when in use. This is called taking care of soldiers.

ATVs/MGATORS are a relatively new piece of equipment to the Army inventory. ATVs were first used sparingly in the mid 90's, but MGATORS started to appear in some quantity in Bosnia and Kosovo.

MGATORS in Afghanistan play an important role like moving logistics and getting around large cantonment areas,

but too many soldiers are not protecting themselves properly while using the MGATOR.

CJTF-180's standard for operating a MGATOR is that soldiers have to wear a protective helmet and eye protection. Leaders and soldiers must ensure that soldiers operating MGATORS/ATVs follow that standard.

As we continue our fight in the Global War against Terrorism in Afghanistan, we need to redouble our efforts to take care of each other. Leaders of all ranks, units, services, and countries have the sacred task of taking care of their soldiers by setting the example and leading by example and enforcing standards.

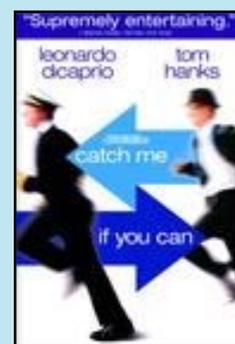
As we go forward in our endeavor to hunt down and destroy terrorist who are trying to destroy our values and way of life, we as leaders must not become complacent in our efforts to take care of soldiers. Safety considerations are paramount in all operations. Help yourself come home safely to your loved ones by being safe and adhering to CJTF-180 safety standards. Don't help al Qaeda or the Taliban by hurting yourself or another soldier by speeding, not using seat belts or not using helmets or eye protection while using MGATORS/ATVs.

(Article by Lt. Col. John Elwood of CJTF-180 Inspector General Office)

Bagram Air Base MWR presents

1530Z at the MWR Building: "Catch Me If You Can." Based on the true story of Frank Abagnale Jr., a successful con artist who managed to pass himself off as several identities and the FBI agent hot on his trail.

Tomorrow's movie will be "The Pilots Wife."



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Afghanistan Hot Topics



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U.S. troops call in bombers to foil Afghan ambush

BAGRAM, Afghanistan (*Reuters*) — U.S.-led forces hunting for Taliban militants called in bombers to foil an ambush in southern Afghanistan, but there were no reports of casualties on either side, the U.S. Army said on Friday.

The attempted ambush took place in the southern province of Zabul on Thursday, the second anniversary of the September 11, 2001, attacks on the United States.

“About two to four anti-coalition militia directed small-arms fire at the coalition soldiers,” Col. Rodney Davis told reporters at Bagram Air Base, headquarters of U.S.-led forces in Afghanistan.

“The coalition soldiers were reinforced by B-1 bombers and A-10s.”

Davis said two laser-guided bombs were dropped but there were no reports of casualties on either side.

The ambush took place in Dai Chopan district, scene of a major battle in recent weeks in which U.S. and Afghan government forces said they had killed more than 100 Taliban rebels.

Two rounds of small-arms fire were also directed at a guard tower at Bagram on Thursday night but there were no casualties or damage, Davis said.

Separately, two rockets were fired at camps used by the NATO -led peacekeeping force in Kabul on Thursday night, but there were no reported casualties.

The fundamentalist militia appears to have regrouped this year and has been blamed for a rising tide of violence in Afghanistan.

Musharraf admits Taliban, al-Qaeda presence in tribal areas

ISLAMABAD (*The News: Jang*) — President Pervez Musharraf said on Thursday reports of al-Qaeda and Taliban elements finding sympathy in Pakistan and using it as a base for launching attacks in Af-

ghanistan were ‘partially true’.

“Shall I say it’s partially true - one can’t deny, I will be the last person to deny that nothing is happening in the tribal areas of our borders with Afghanistan,” President General Musharraf said on the BBC’s Talking Point show. “Certainly there are elements that may be hiding there and certainly there are abettors who sympathise with them.”

Officials across Afghanistan have charged repeatedly that resurgent Taliban are regrouping in Pakistan’s autonomous border regions - where tribesmen share the militia’s Pashtun ethnicity and resentment of US military presence - and organising killings inside Afghanistan. A wave of violence targeting aid workers, troops and pro-government figures has left scores dead in the past six weeks.

Musharraf said that Pakistani forces were cracking down on the Taliban fighters. “On our side of the border we are very effectively on ground with intelligence organisations set up, having access into entire tribal belt of Pakistan. And a very effective quick reaction force available. So we can act now on intelligence which we get. “So certainly there’s things happening on our border and we will act against them, as I said, and our forces are fully capable of doing that.”

Musharraf also pointed the finger at Afghanistan. “Now Afghanistan also has a void, there’s a vacuum, in the countryside and the terrain is equally inhospitable as ours. So therefore very easily people can operate, extremists can operate, from the Afghan side also. “Why would there be - all of them be coming on to the Pakistan side? They can easily hide on the Afghan side.” Most intelligence agencies believe Osama is hiding along the mountainous 2,450-kilometre frontier.

He said that Osama could be hiding in Pakistan’s rugged north-western tribal region bordering Afghanistan. “I feel that he (bin Laden) is alive, yes, because of the various information and intelligence that has come

up now,” Musharraf said. “But to guess whether he’s in Pakistan or in Afghanistan, the possibility exists that he is shifting places, shifting bases on both sides. That is the reality.”

Musharraf told the BBC that Pakistani troops could not entirely seal their side of the border. “This is an inhospitable area in our tribal area, which has been accessed or we have gone inside now, after a century, and therefore to presume that we have knowledge of every inch of the territory and who is in it, is not on. “Therefore I say I cannot really be very sure whether he’s in Pakistan or the Afghan side.”

He said Pakistan is a moderate and progressive Islamic country where extremist forces have no future. “I am firmly convinced that extremists’ forces will not rise in Pakistan and do not have a future in the country.”

“We have done so much (against terrorism) that nobody in the world has done,” he said dismissing the suggestion that Pakistan has gone slow in the fight against terrorism. Pakistan, the President underscored, is acting strongly against terrorists and would continue its fight against terrorism. “We are acting against terrorists and we will act against them all the way.” He said vast majority of Pakistanis believe in enlightened moderation. “Pakistan is a moderate, progressive and enlightened Islamic state and the vast majority believes in enlightened Islam.

“The whole world has to understand that the world has become a dangerous place to live in and therefore we need to bring about a change,” he said in reply to a question. At the moment, he noted in reply to a question, the Muslim world thinks that the West is targeting Islam as a religion while the West thinks that Islam is a religion of intolerance and confrontation. Dilating on the two-pronged strategy, the President, who was introduced by moderator Robin Lustig, as a man who bridges these two worlds, said the Muslim world needs to decide about a way forward for itself.

A service members' field of dreams

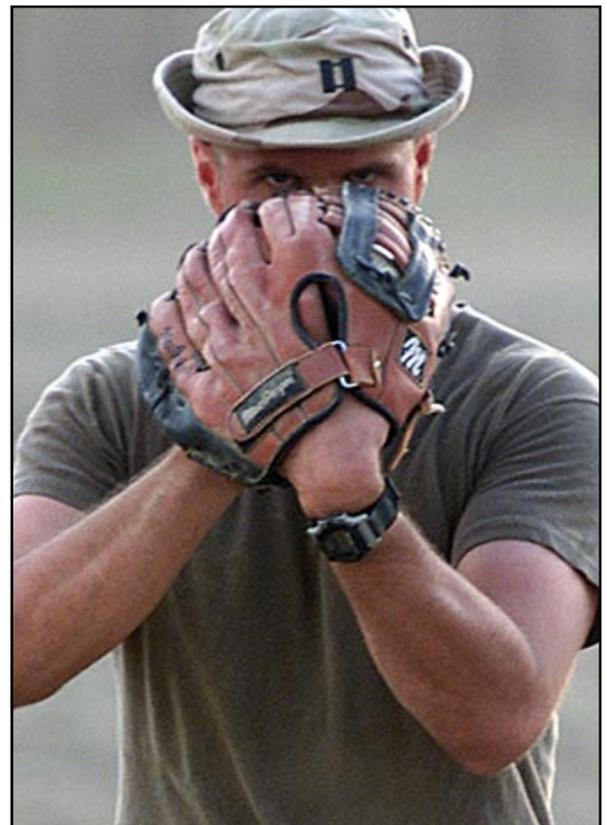
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BAGRAM, Afghanistan -- More than one hundred soldiers found solace from the daily drag of deployed life on a dusty, improvised softball diamond in Morale Welfare and Recreation's Softball Tournament Sept. 7. The all day event featured teams from the Air Force, Army, Marines, and Brown and Root playing in a tournament, where the object of the game wasn't necessarily destroying your opponent, but about having fun.



(Top) - Covered in dirt, Spc. Matthew Fisse, 205th Eng., sacrificed his body and hygiene diving head first in to homeplate.

(Right) - Capt. Toby Moore, VMA 513, crushes a ball enroute his first-place finish.



Medical TF 44 pitcher stares down his opponent before delivering a pitch.

Coalition Sports Zone

(Compiled from ESPN.com)



Marlins extend wild-card lead with 5-4 win over Braves Friday

MIAMI – The Florida Marlins overcame an injury to Brad Penny and an eighth-inning deficit to build on their lead in the NL wild-card race.



Juan Pierre

Juan Pierre singled home the winning run with one out in the ninth inning Friday night, leading the Marlins over the Atlanta Braves 5-4.

Florida increased its wild-card lead to 1½ games over Philadelphia, which lost 8-4 at Pittsburgh.

Penny gave up three runs before departing in the first inning with a hyperextended pitching elbow. Florida scored twice in the eighth against Jaret Wright to tie the score.

With their 82nd victory, the Marlins are assured of the second winning season in the 11-year history of the franchise. The only other time they finished above .500 was in 1997, when they won the World Series.

The Marlins won in their final at-bat for the 18th time. They've won 12 of their past 14 games to climb a season-best 17 above .500.

Atlanta fell to 76-6 when leading after seven innings.

Mike Hampton allowed two runs and eight hits in seven innings, but Florida rallied in the eighth against Wright, with the tying run scoring on a two-out wild pitch.

Penny, scheduled to make three more starts during the regular season, was to undergo an MRI on Saturday.

Giambi emerges from slump to help Yankee down Devil Rays 10-4

NEW YORK – Jason Giambi emerged from his slump with four hits and a homer, and Aaron Boone hit a three-run shot as the New York Yankees won their sixth straight, 10-4 over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays on Friday night.



Jason Giambi

Boone drove in four runs and had his first three-hit game since July 27, when he was with Cincinnati. Juan Rivera had two run-scoring doubles, and Nick Johnson added three hits and an RBI for the Yankees, who had 17 hits.

David Wells (14-6) pitched seven innings for his 199th win and improved to 8-1 career against the Devil Rays.

New York has won its first five in a stretch of 15 games against losing teams, increasing its AL East lead to four games over Boston after it was cut to one last Saturday.

Giambi had just four hits in 49 at-bats, including a career-worst

0-for-25 skid, before breaking out for his second four-hit game of the season Friday. His 37th homer, a high fly that barely cleared the wall in right during the fifth inning, was just his third since Aug. 23.

Carolina makes football history; signs Sauerbrun to four-year extension

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Todd Sauerbrun became the highest-paid punter in NFL history Friday, agreeing to a four-season contract extension with the Carolina Panthers that pays \$1.5 million a year.



Todd Sauerbrun

Sauerbrun, a two-time Pro Bowler, had been trying to get a new deal for some time. When the sides couldn't agree, he was designated Carolina's franchise player.

Then he signed a one-year extension during training camp that was to pay him \$1.47 million.

The new deal adds in the original extension, making it a five-year deal worth \$7.5 million, said agent David Canter. That includes a \$1.65 million signing bonus — the largest for a punter.

His new contract tops Tennessee punter Craig Hentrich's deal, which averaged \$1.4 million over four years.

"We are thrilled to have Todd signed for the next five years," general manager Marty Hurney said. "He is an extremely valuable player to our organization and any time you have a player of Pro Bowl caliber on your team, you want to keep him."

Sauerbrun, an All-Pro the past two seasons, averaged 45.5 yards per punt last year with a net of 37.5 yards. His 31 punts inside the 20 tied for second in the NFL, and his 104 punts set a team record for most in a season.

Two years ago, Sauerbrun was selected to his first Pro Bowl after averaging 47.5 yards — the highest in the NFL since 1963.

Raiders' Porter sidelined three weeks with abdominal injury

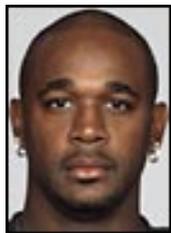
ESPN – Oakland Raiders fourth-year veteran Jerry Porter, who in 2002 developed into one of the NFL's premier No. 3 wide receivers, will undergo surgery to repair an abdominal injury, ESPN.com has confirmed.

The surgery, according to sources close to Porter, is expected to sideline the emerging star for at least three weeks. The recovery period, however, could be weeks longer. The procedure will be performed in Tampa, Fla., by noted specialist Daniel Diaco.

On Wednesday, coach Bill Callahan said that early reports were that Porter would be "capable of playing." But that was before the

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team learned the severity of the injury.



Jerry Porter

Porter, 25, flew to Tampa on Wednesday evening for a second opinion on Thursday. A second-round choice in the 2000 draft, Porter has told friends that the injury, generically known now as a “sports hernia,” actually occurred late in the 2002 season.

Although the former West Virginia University standout did not experience much pain in the offseason or during training camp, he did not play in the pre-season finale because of the injury. Then in Sunday night’s season opener at Tennessee, he removed himself from the game in the first half and did not return.

He finished with just one catch for six yards, and his absence greatly affected the Raiders passing attack, since it took away the team’s most notable vertical threat.

Bryant’s attorneys seek closed hearing Oct. 9

DENVER — Kobe Bryant’s attorneys asked a judge Friday to close next month’s preliminary hearing, saying publicity would threaten the NBA superstar’s right to a fair trial on a rape charge. They also accused authorities of secretly recording a statement by Bryant.



Kobe Bryant

The Oct. 9 hearing will determine whether the Los Angeles Lakers guard will stand trial on a charge of sexually assaulting a Colorado resort worker over the summer. He has said the two had consensual sex.

Defense attorney Hal Haddon said the Colorado Supreme Court has ruled that closing preliminary hearings is justified if a defendant’s right to a fair trial is at stake.

He also cited an earlier ruling to keep detailed court records in the Bryant case sealed, saying the judge concluded there was “a substantial probability that defendant’s right to a fair trial would be prejudiced.”

Krista Flannigan, a spokeswoman for the prosecution, declined comment and Bryant’s attorneys did not return calls.

Prosecutors and attorneys for the woman are fighting defense requests to have her testify at the hearing in Eagle and to turn over her medical records.

Bryant, 25, is charged with sexually assaulting the 19-year-old woman on June 30 at the Edwards resort where he was a guest and she was an employee.

Solution from Friday’s Measure Crossword in the Freedom Watch

(Courtesy of QUIZLAND.com)

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By Mark Baker

Pvt. Murphy’s Law

Kandahar chapel hours

Sunday

- 0500Z — Roman Catholic mass
- 0630Z — Protestant worship
- 0830Z — Latter-Day Saints worship
- 1130Z — Roman Catholic mass
- 1430Z — Gospel service

Monday

- 1130Z — Rosary and prayers
- 1430Z — Gospel choir practice

Tuesday

- 1130Z — Orthodox/Catholic Bible study
- 1430Z — Protestant Bible study

Wednesday

- 1130Z — Roman Catholic mass
- 1430Z — Protestant mid-week service

Thursday

- 1430Z — Gospel Bible study

Friday

- 0830Z — Islamic Jumaa'h prayer
- 1130Z — Orthodox Christian hymn service
- 1430Z — Jewish prayer

Saturday

- 0530Z — Seventh-Day Adventist worship
- 1130Z — Orthodox Christian Divine Liturgy
- 1430Z — Gospel Choir practice

Bagram chapel hours

Sunday

- 0500Z — Catholic mass
- 0630Z — Protestant worship
- 0830Z — Latter-Day Saints worship
- 1400Z — Gospel service

Monday

- 0700Z — Catholic mass

Tuesday

- 0700Z — Catholic mass
- 1430Z — Protestant Bible study

Wednesday

- 0700Z — Catholic mass
- 1430Z — Protestant mid-week service

Thursday

- 0700Z — Catholic mass
- 1430Z — Gospel Bible study

Friday

- 0700Z — Catholic mass
- 0830Z — Islamic Jumaa'h prayer
- 1130Z — Orthodox Christian hymn service
- 1430Z — Jewish prayer

Saturday

- 0530Z — Seventh-Day Adventist worship
- 1130Z — Orthodox Christian Divine Liturgy
- 1430Z — Gospel Choir practice
- 1515Z — Catholic mass

K2 chapel hours

Sunday

- 0300Z-Liturgical Service
- 0400,0730,1130Z-General Protestant Service
- 0530Z-Roman Catholic Mass
- 1230Z-Latter Day Saints

Monday

- 0230Z-Devotions and Prayer
- 1230Z-Catholic Mass

Tuesday

- 1230Z-Catholic Mass
- 1400Z-Biblestudy

Wednesday

- 0230Z-Devotions and Prayer
- 1230Z-Catholic Mass
- 1400Z-Midweek Praise Service

Thursday

- 1230Z-Catholic Mass

Friday

- 1400Z-Jewish Service
- 0230Z-Devotions and Prayer
- 1230Z-Catholic Mass
- 1400Z-Biblestudy

Saturday

- 0400Z-Jewish Service
- 1230Z-Catholic Mass

CJCMOTF chapel

Sunday

- 1100Z — Christian service
- 1430Z — U.S. Embassy service
- 1900Z — Christian service

Wednesday

- 1900Z — Bible study

2nd & 4th Thursdays

- 1900Z — Roman Catholic mass



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Today



Hi — 91F
Lo — 61F



Hi — 86F
Lo — 58F



Hi — 91F
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Sunday



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Monday



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TF Phoenix chapel hours

Daily

- 1430Z — Estudio Biblico En Espanol

Sunday

- 1330Z — Catholic Mass
- 1600Z — Latter Day Saints (DFAC)

Tuesday

- 1530Z — Bible Study

Friday

- 0530Z — Protestant Service
- 1230Z — Choir practice

All events are held in Chapel or DFAC.