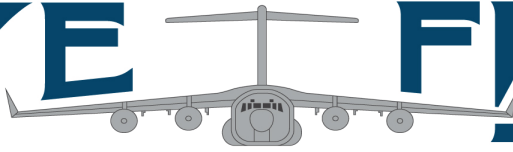


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Illustration by Senior Airman Joel McCullough

Best wishes to you and your family for a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July.

Wing earns “Effective” in major inspection

445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 445th Airlift Wing successfully completed the Air Force Unit Effectiveness Inspection June 6, 2016 earning an overall score of “Effective.”

The 5-day inspection for the wing’s UEI involved an external visit by 43 representatives of the Air Force Reserve Command Inspector General team from various functional areas and four Air Force Inspection Agency inspectors. The inspectors provided an independent assessment of the wing’s effectiveness and validated/verified the Wing Commander’s Inspection Program.

The four major graded areas are: managing resources, leading people, improving the unit and executing the mission. The wing earned “Effective” in all areas and sub areas thus culminating an overall score of “Effective.”

The UEI is a continual evaluation process where higher headquarters can see how a wing is doing by looking at the self-assessment communicators in Management Internal Control Toolset. It culminates in a capstone with the IG visitors coming to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The UEI encompasses a two-year period.

“I’m very proud of the men and women of the 445th Airlift Wing. To receive an “Effective” in ALL major

graded areas and sub-major graded areas is not only outstanding but also unusual that a wing receives this score in all areas,” said Col. Adam Willis, 445th Airlift Wing commander.

Colonel Willis added that the IG team was very impressed by their interactions with members of the wing and expressed their kudos to what they were seeing wing Airmen and civilians do on a day-to-day basis.

“The IG said they could tell that the wing had embraced the new Air Force Instructions and that our Commander’s Inspection Program was key in finding and correcting deficiencies within the wing. Keep up the great work!” Willis added.

The IG recognized nine Airmen and two teams for special recognition as superior performers and three Airmen for the Military Bearing award.

The wing’s last UEI was held in March of 2014, the wing’s first UEI, garnishing an “Effective” rating for managing resources, leading people and improving the unit. The wing received a “Highly Effective” rating for executing the mission. This year’s rating system changed, doing away with the “Highly Effective” category and using only: “Outstanding,” “Effective,” and “Ineffective” ratings.

Stay proud, stay engaged, stay safe...continue to dream!

By Col. Adam Willis
445th Airlift Wing Commander

445 AW Warriors! My wife, Elyse and I would like to thank all the warriors of the 445th Airlift Wing for the warm welcome during our PCS from Alabama. Your selflessness has made this recent move a little more bearable.

As I get back into the swing of a strategic wing, I am reminded of a quote from our first President, George Washington, "To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving the peace."

The proud men and women of the 445 AW have a long heritage of being the best and being prepared for war, and I for one, would not argue that fact. In the short time I have been here, the dedication to service, the excellence in all you do and your integrity is embodied in every wingman in the 445 AW.

It manifests itself in both the concrete and the abstract. It spill's out among the masses...it permeates all endeavors which you engage...it is a testament to you, the Airmen of this great organization...the 445 Airlift Wing. It is your unbridled vision that will ensure the 445th's future and this recent Capstone codifies and validates that rhetoric...

Warriors, let me celebrate with you the recent successful completion of the second Inspector General Capstone Event for the 445 AW. We hosted 47 inspectors



from Air Force Reserve Command IG during their week long Unit Effectiveness Inspection of the 445th. Bottom line, "Mission Effective" across the board! As noted by the IG Team chief "...outstanding display of capability for an organization this big to have no grades lower than effective, very rare!" A hearty congratulation to all the 445th members for their hard work, dedication and strive for excellence. I am proud, as should you be, of the accomplishments you have made in the past months. The 445 AW is poised for excellence in the coming future as a wing, community and family; we must be prepared to see it through.

I cannot say it enough, it is you that make the 445 AW great, it is your continued excellence, your continued dedication which allows for the 445 AW to be the best combat wing in 4th Air Force...continue to strive for excellence, continue to find more efficient methods, continue to ask questions, continue to expand your knowledge, continue, continue, continue...through your commitment we become great!

The proud heritage of the 445 AW is alive and well. Through you, the 445th future excellence is assured. Through you, we train the future 445 AW members, who will one day look to the past and remember your greatness.

As Eleanor Roosevelt stated many years ago, "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." Continue to dream...the future is what you make.

Stay proud, stay engaged, stay safe...continue to dream!

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George Washington's American experiment lives on today

By Chaplain (Capt.) Luke McKeeth
445th Airlift Wing Chaplain Corps

In his first inaugural address, George Washington called America an "experiment entrusted to the hands of the American people." By that he meant that the nation would rise or fall on the character of its people.

As we celebrate the 240th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, and 229 years since the

ratification of the Constitution, we can look back and ask ourselves how the experiment has been going.

In his first inaugural address Washington said that "private morality," individual and personal adherence to the "eternal rules of order and right, which Heaven itself has ordained," was the foundation for "happi-

ness" and "advantage" as individuals and as a nation. To put it another way, good personal ethics, lead to good consequences for all. Ethics are not random chance configurations of human culture, but the overarching principles by which all human societies either thrive or fail.

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AES trains 445th, sister service Airmen

By Senior Airman Joel McCullough
445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio. – The 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron conducted Aeromedical Evacuation Initial Qualification course training May 31 - June 9, 2016 here. The course is formally held by Air Mobility Command on Area B of the base; however, the 445 AES requested a waiver for in-unit training in order to more expeditiously facilitate new members being trained.

“It increases our ability to maintain mission ready aircrews who are current and qualified to conduct their job all around the world,” said Master Sgt. Sean R. Smith, NCO in charge of aircrew training for the 445 AES.

“This is true not just for the 445th, but also for the Air Force Reserve Command as a whole,” said Smith. “This one course helped fill a larger need and facilitate inter-unit cooperation.”

After being approved for the waiver, AES was asked to provide training for Airmen from other units who needed it. The 932nd AES from Scott Air Force Base, Illinois and the 439th AES from Westover Air Reserve Base, Massachusetts sent Airmen to attend the course.

“The benefits right off the bat are that we get trained aircrew members,” said Smith. “Many squadrons have members that also benefit from the timeline in which we conduct the training.”

There were six Airmen trained during the course. Senior Airman Solven A. Grant, an aeromedical evacuation technician, was the sole person from the 439th who attended.

“I get to see how a unit actually runs and what people do day to day,” said Grant. “This training is hands on, and we get to see

how people really do it.”

The Aeromedical Evacuation Initial Qualification course lasted 10 days and consisted of a large variety of criteria from the Aeromedical Evacuation career field.

“We are conducting the ground portion of the training,” said Smith. “Afterwards, we have a cross-country mission that we will be giving these members the opportunity to fly their first aeromedical evacuation training mission.”

The members who attended the course have already completed basic medical training in technical school and phase two training, which is essentially clinical competency at a training hospital, said Smith. They have also completed ground school, water survival training,

and a Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape course.

“This course provides the final portion of ground instruction that is designed to prepare them for their qualification and future flying career,” said Smith.

The Airmen here have access to a lot of assets that other squadrons may not, said Smith. Wright-Patterson Air Force Base has aircraft availability on the flightline that allow static training on site, as well as the AMC schoolhouse that granted access to their C-130 Hercules static trainer for students.

“A lot more people could benefit from this type of training,” said Grant. “Students could really benefit. It felt real world. I love it actually, it was very informative and I’ve learned a lot.”

In the future, the 445th would potentially request a waiver again based on mission need, said Smith. It would be entirely dependent on schools availability and the waiver approval through Air Force Reserve Command.

“When we pursue this in the future, we would of course be willing to open the in-unit training up to other squadrons as we did for this class,” said Smith.



Photos by Senior Airman Joel McCullough

Senior Airman Aaliyah Lovett, an aeromedical evacuation technician from the 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, hands an electrical and lighting piece of a litter stanchion system to 1st Lt. Jeannie Kibert, a 445 AES flight nurse, as Master Sgt. Sean Smith, 445 AES NCO in charge of aircrew training, observes June 6, 2016.



Master Sgt. Sean Smith, NCO in charge of aircrew training for the 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, observes and coaches Airmen from the 445th AES, the 932nd AES and the 439th AES as they participate in the Aeromedical Evacuation Initial Qualification course June 6, 2016.



CES trains, conducts exercise during UEI



Senior Airman Joel McCullough

Staff Sgt. Shane Rickert, 445th Civil Engineer Squadron fire protection journeyman, teaches a self-aid and buddy care class to 445 CES Airmen June 3, 2016.



Maj. Eric Florschuetz

Firefighters from the 445th Fire Emergency Services Flight practice mass agent application during fire ground, pump operations, and hose stream training.



Courtesy photo



Senior Airman Joel McCullough



Maj. Eric Florschuetz

(above left) The 445th CES fire and emergency personnel practice fire pit and structural training, June 4, 2016.

(above right) Senior Airman Luke Stewart, a heavy equipment operator for 445 CES, walks alongside a Bobcat as he instructs a fellow Airman on sweeper attachments operation June 3, 2016, at the Warfighter Training Center here. The sweeper attachment for the Bobcat is used frequently used to clean debris off of large surfaces such as airfields.

(left) Staff Sgt. Nathanael Downer, 445 CES electrical systems helper, climbs a utility pole for his annual recertification while other Airmen check out the climbing gear and prepare for their climb, June 4, 2016.

(right) Senior Airmen Diondre Jenkins, an electrical systems civil engineer for the 445 CES, operates an excavator. Airmen operating the excavator practiced basic digging and transportation procedures, June 3, 2016.



Senior Airman Joel McCullough

445th Airmen picnic with Dayton VA vets



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Patrick O'Reilly



More than a dozen Airmen from the 445th Airlift Wing visited veterans at a local Veterans Affairs medical center, June 4, 2016. The Airmen shared lunch and stories with the vets.

(above) Chief Master Sgt. James Felton, 445th Airlift Wing command chief, converses with fellow veterans at the 2016 Dayton VA Medical Center Veterans Affairs picnic June 4, 2016.

(top right) Senior Airman Joel McCullough, 445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs photojournalist, greets Dante Taylor, a former Army paratrooper.

(right) Capt. Job Morales, 445th Airlift Wing chaplain, enjoys lunch with a fellow veteran.

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The American “experiment” rested ultimately in the hands, not of the government, but of the willingness of the people to hold themselves to that standard.

In his farewell address, Washington said that national morality cannot be maintained without religious principles. This sentiment was echoed in the words of the second president of the United States, John Adams, in a 1798 address to army officers, he said that if our nation ever reaches the point where it merely talks about justice and moderation while actually “rioting in rapine and insolence” the consequences would be devastating, “Our Constitution,” he said, “was

made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.” Religious principles, not personal feelings, social theories or legal coercion, develop and maintain the internal private character of the individual. The founders believed that private morality inevitably plays out in performance of public duty.

Fast forward 240 years, and the bottom line has not changed. In our day and age we have a tendency to think that religion is now obsolete, that science, technology or the latest social theory will make religious instruction and participation unnecessary. However, integrity, service and excellence,

are “moral virtues” to use the old fashioned expression. They are not science facts, or equations. Unless every citizen has a conscience and is accountable for how they act, according to those overarching principles, a representative republic cannot be long sustained.

Every American inherits the American experiment. It is up to you, at your duty station, at your civilian job, and in your home to make “private morality” a part of your America. In that challenge please take the time to consider the religious component our founders realized was indispensable. We as a chapel corps are available to help.



SPOTLIGHT



Staff Sgt. Devin Long

Senior Airman Andrae Manuel (far right) prepares to carry a litter.

Rank/Name

Senior Airman Andrae Manuel

Unit

445th Aeromedical Staging Squadron

Duty Title

Aerospace Medical Technician

Hometown

Dayton, Ohio

Hobbies

I enjoy practicing/teaching Judo, playing football, and cars although I don't know anything about them.

Career Goal

I hope to earn my commission and possibly become a pilot or any other career field that will challenge me to become better!

What do you like about working at the 445th?

I enjoy the camaraderie

within the 445th. I work with amazing Airmen who genuinely care and want the best for each other. We all drive our fellow wingman to be better, and I have benefited from this work environment greatly. Any success I've had in my career until this point is all due to the great supervisors I've had, mentors, and fellow junior enlisted who I work beside every day.

Why did you join the Air Force?

I joined the Air Force for not only the sense of brotherhood but also to be challenged. Every Air Force commercial has that slogan "I can be anything I want to be in the military" and that was my mindset and motivation to join.

OSS Airman selected to support AF project

Staff Sgt. Amy Stanfield, 445th Operations Support Squadron, aircrew flight



line supervisor, has been hand selected as the Subject Matter Expert (SME) for the fit verification check on a new beacon that will be implemented Air Force wide. Sergeant Stanfield was selected by the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center due to her knowledge, accomplishments and superior standards. She is one of two people chosen throughout the Air Force.

The beacons purchased through this acquisition will serve as peacetime life-saving search and rescue devices for the entire U.S. Air Force fleet. This beacon will be the only emergency locator device installed in multiple survival kits in ejection seats and multiple styles of parachutes Air Force wide.

As the SME, she will assess which beacons meet the kit configuration requirement. SSgt Stanfield's knowledge and expertise of the configurations is essential to the success of the acquisition and the Human Systems Division thanks her for her invaluable contribution and expertise.

Diamond Sharp Award



Senior Airman Joel McCullough

Master Sgt. Lauren B. Harston, 445th Logistics Readiness Squadron first sergeant, presents the Wright-Patterson Reserve First Sergeant's Council Diamond Sharp Award to Staff Sgt. Anthony J. Farkas, a warehouse specialist from the 445th LRS.

News Briefs

Promotions

Airman First Class

Brandan Adams, AES
Tyler Frisby, AES
Stephanie Getz, ASTS

Senior Airman

Richard Bach, OSS
Eric Blackford, CES
Jessica Elexendere, ASTS
William Justice, SFS
Myron McGuire, OG

Staff Sergeant

Lorenzo Best, MXS
Dustin Ellison, SFS
Mark Hamburg, MXS
George Matthys, 89 AS
Nathan Perry, ASTS
Corwin Pope, ASTS
Paul Rickards, SFS

Technical Sergeant

Stephen Billingsley, MXG
Tamara Bond, LRS
Cindy Valenzuela, OSS

Master Sergeant

Michael Blake, MXG
Amber Church, AW
Theresa Maske-
Scherquist, AES
Garth Musgrove, CES

Awards

Meritorious Service Medal

Col Christopher Matlack, AES
CMSgt William Millar, AMDS
SMSgt Michael Bailey, 87 APS
CMSgt Kelly Janus, ASTS
SMSgt Timothy Reuber, OSS
MSgt Mary Fisher, LRS
MSgt Michael Flaata, AES
MSgt Lonnie McGuire, AMXS
MSgt Mark Sanders, OSS
MSgt Jeffrey Wittman, MXG

Air Force

Commendation Medal

Capt John Battista, AES
Capt Angela Dunigan, AES
TSgt Samuel Hodge, 87 APS
TSgt Shawn Kaplan, OSS
TSgt Todd McKee, MXG
TSgt Michael O'Callaghan, SFS
TSgt Drew Ramsay, 87 APS
SSgt Kyle Altman, SFS

Air Force Achievement Medal

Capt Joshua Anno, AES
SSgt Brandon Hakes, 87 APS
SSgt Matthew White, 87 APS
SrA Ryan Garrett, 89 AS
SSgt Tyler Mohr, AW
SSgt Cecilia Photinos, OSS

Yellow Ribbon

Airmen preparing to deploy or returning home, may participate in the Air Force Reserve Command Yellow Ribbon program which offers resiliency and reintegration programs to help ease the transition.

The AFRC Yellow Ribbon Program is a series of events designed to provide members and families with essential resources prior to departure, a level of stability and support while deployed, and successful reintegration techniques after the deployment cycle ends.

To be eligible to attend Yellow Ribbon events, members must be on active-duty orders for 90 days or more in support of a deployment and be separated from their family.

Reservists can attend up to three events - one pre-deployment event (within 120 days of deployment) and two post-deployment events (within 180 days of returning) - and can bring three guests (or one guest and all Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System-eligible children). For each event, the reservist is placed on orders and travel costs—including hotel and airfare—for guests are covered. Additionally, travel dates are flexible, allowing families to spend time together, at their own expense, before or after the events.

Future event locations include: Baltimore, July 30-31; Myrtle Beach, August 19-21 and Phoenix, September 23-25

For more information, please call Capt. Keisha Dobney-Boykin at 937-424-6559, 445AW. Yellow.Ribbon@us.af.mil or stop by building 4014, room 118C Monday - Friday.

New PHA process

The 445th Aerospace Medicine Squadron implemented a change to the physical health assessment process in June. All personnel must check in at the main entrance in the hospital lobby by the pharmacy instead of going down to the basement auditorium. In addition, members will no longer carry their medical records to each department, but will receive them prior to seeing the doctor. Please address any questions or concerns to Staff Sgt. Ju-

lia Rang at julia.rang.1@us.af.mil or Senior Master Sgt. Sara Lane at sara.lane.1@us.af.mil.

Total Force Combat Dining In

Col. Adam Willis, 445th Airlift Wing commander, will host the Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Total Force Combat Dining In Aug. 6 from 6 to 9 p.m. in hangar 4016.

The event is open to all military ranks. The theme is super heroes.

The cost is \$5 for senior airman and below, \$10 for staff - technical sergeant and \$15 for senior NCOs and officers.

For more information, please contact Senior Master Sgt. Sand Golden-Vest at 614-804-7035 or sandi.golden_vest.1@us.af.mil.

Active-Duty vs Reserve Athletic Challenge

The 9th Annual Air Force Sergeants Association Active Duty versus Reserve Athletic Challenge (Volleyball) is scheduled for Saturday, July 16 at 6:30 p.m. on the volleyball courts in Kittyhawk Center.

Free beverages, hot dogs and popcorn will be provided.





Tech. Sgt. Anthony Springer

Technical Sgts. Robert Long and Chad Lorenz, both engine mechanics with the 445th Maintenance Squadron Propulsion Flight use an articulating boom lift to maneuver a protective tarp over an engine for a C-17 Globemaster III at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, June 4, 2016. The engine was transported by a commercial carrier to a depot maintenance facility.

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445th participates in Dayton Airshow



AFRC commander dines with 445th Airmen



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