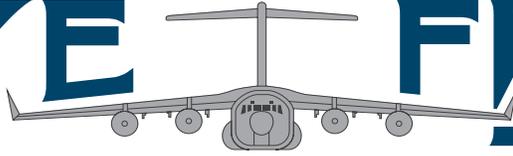


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Staff Sgt. Mikhail Berlin

The 89th Airlift Squadron was recognized as the 445th Airlift Wing 2012 Squadron of the Year. Accepting the award from Col. Stephen Goeman, 445th Airlift Wing commander are Lt. Col. Mitch Richardson, 89th AS commander and Master Sgt. Steve Rhodes, 89th AS first sergeant. Chief Master Sgts. Peri Rogowski, 445th AW command chief and Jose Barraza, 3rd Wing command chief look on.

445 AW announces 2012 annual award winners

445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 445th Airlift Wing held its 2012 Annual Awards Banquet March 9 at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force. More than 500 Airmen, family members and community leaders celebrated a night of achievements and accomplishments.

Chief Master Sgt. Jose Barraza, 3rd Wing command chief, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, served as the keynote speaker. Thomas Nagel, the Mayor of the City of Fairborn, Ohio, read a Proclamation to the 445th Airlift Wing, honoring the men and women of the wing on behalf of the City of Fairborn, designating March 9, 2013 as 445th Airlift Wing Day.

The 2012 annual award winners are:

Airman of the Year - Staff Sgt. Mikhail Berlin, 445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs; NCO of the Year - Master Sgt. David Reagan, 445th Logistics Readiness Squadron; Senior NCO of the Year - Master Sgt. Mark Lyle, 445th Mission Support Group; First Sergeant of the Year - Master Sgt. Eugene Coons, 445th Security Forces Squadron; Company Grade Officer of the Year - Capt. Randolph Gantt, 445th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; Field Grade Officer of the Year - Maj. Aaron Dailey, 89th Airlift Squadron; Honor Guard Member of the Year - Tech. Sgt. Ryan Buxton, 445th Aeromedical Staging Squadron; Chief of the Year - Chief Master Sgt. Sean Storms, 87th Aerial Port Squadron; Civilian of the Year - Ms. Stacy Vaughn, 445th AW Public Affairs; Spouse of the Year - Mrs. Amelia Penner, wife of

Master Sgt. Kerry Penner, 445th Maintenance Group; Youth of the Year - Mr. Charles "CJ" Destefani II, son of Maj. Charles Destefani, 445th Airlift Wing Inspector General; Leadership Award - Tech. Sgt. Tracy Cooper, 89th Airlift Squadron; and Community Partner of the Year - Air Force Sergeants Association Kittyhawk Chapter 751.

The wing introduced two additional awards this year: Squadron of the Year (nine squadrons were nominated) and Volunteer of the Year. The Squadron of the Year is the 89th AS, and the Volunteer of the Year is Senior Airman Roosevelt Reid, Jr., 87th APS.

Each year, the 445th Airlift Wing Chiefs' Group selects a member from each group: operations, mission support, maintenance and a member from the airlift wing for sustained superior performance. Chiefs' Group award recipients are: Tech. Sgt. Wolfgang Krenzer, 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron; Senior Airman Nathan Collett, 87th APS; Staff Sgt. Stephen Billingsley, 445th AMXS; and Master Sgt. Molly Blackburn, 445th ASTS.

At the close of the event, the chiefs' group surprised Col. Stephen Goeman, 445th AW commander, by making him an honorary chief during a short induction ceremony. The group presented him with chief stripes, a Certificate of Induction to Chief Master Sergeant, and a shadow box shaped to resemble the rank of a chief with mementos and chief stripes inside.

Words of wisdom: my parting shots

By Lt. Col. Christopher Cunningham
445th Civil Engineer Squadron

April marks my last month with the 445th. It's been a wild ride and as I close out my time as the commander of the 445th Civil Engineer Squadron; I humbly offer some tidbits I've picked up along the way:

"Eighty percent of success is just showing up." -Woody Allen. You might be the best at what you do, but if you aren't here, it does not matter.

"Get your head in the game." -*High School Musical*. Wise words from the folks at Disney. Be present, learn to make a difference, learn how your squadron is doing.

"You are in charge of your career." -Senior Master Sgt. Janet Wescott. If you don't care about your career, don't expect anyone else to. Submit your bullets, draft your own performance report, submit awards, and know how to complete a 1206 - learn this craft! What is WRITTEN about your performance MAY be more important than your ACTUAL performance. You could be the best at what you do, but if it is not documented, it might not matter.

"The first wealth is health." -Ralph Waldo Emer-



son. Fitness performance, beyond your own health, is mandatory and you should consider it the very least you can do to help yourself. Start early.

"Duty is the sublimest word in the language. You can never do more than your duty. You should never wish to do less." -Robert E. Lee. Learn your job, embrace it.

"It is never too late to give up your prejudices." -Henry David Thoreau. Celebrate diversity. Seek out the counsel of someone who does not look like you. Make diversity work for you and your decision making. We all don't see eye-to-eye on things, but may very well all want the best for the Air Force.

"A little consideration, a little thought for others, makes all the difference." -Winnie the Pooh. Help create a comfortable and safe work environment. Everyone deserves a sanctuary at home, and the same applies for work. Don't harass, don't make rude comments, everyone here is valuable. Treat them with respect.

"My point is, life is about balance. The good and the bad. The highs and the lows. The pina and the colada." -Ellen DeGeneres. Strive for balance. Live your life knowing where you want to excel and learn when the minimum will be just fine. Remember, it would not be the minimum if it were not good enough.

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You are never completely alone

By Chaplain (Capt.) Brian Honett
445th Airlift Wing Chaplain Corps

Ever feel like no one quite understands what you are going through? Sometimes, no matter what your situation is, it seems like no one around just quite gets it; your family, your friends, even your spouse.

You feel completely alone. No amount of explaining will help someone understand the pain and the hurt, the confusion and the challenges. I know that it can be hard. Sometimes we go through situations in life where we feel completely alone. We have those "deer in headlights" moments.

I want you to know that there is hope, that you are never alone. In Psalm 139 David writes, "*O Lord, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my path from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether.*" God knows what's going on in our lives.

Later in the Psalm, David says there is no where he can go from the presence of God, whether in the best and brightest or the deepest darkest place God is still there. When something great has happened, God is there rejoicing with you. When you are going through something awful and feel all alone, God is right by your side to comfort you. No matter what, He is there. He will always be there and wants to be your comfort and guide.

We don't have all the answers in the chaplain's office. We won't always know exactly the right thing to say, but we are here to help. We want to celebrate with you when something good happens, and we really want to be there when you are going through something tough. Maybe you feel like you can't tell anyone, but you can tell us. Remember, anything you share with a chaplain is completely confidential, and we are always ready to listen!



Critical care: 445th AES Airmen save lives

By Senior Airman Shen-Chia McHone
445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

A soldier gets injured in Iraq and needs to be transported. A Department of Defense civilian is suffering from a heart condition in Africa. Wounded service members and DOD civilians need emergency medical attention and equipment for their care.

What do all these people have in common? An aeromedical evacuation crew saving their lives.

Consisting of three-to-five individuals, these Airmen from the 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron are saving the lives of patients all over the world.

“AE Operations Teams support the mission to move sick and injured warriors. The primary mission is to train, so we are prepared to deploy anywhere, anytime to ensure patients that need care in the air are provided the best care possible,” said Col. Linda Stokes-Crowe, 445th AES commander.

Many Airmen have different jobs that do not require them to fly; however, an AES Airman’s primary work

center is several thousands of miles in the air. In the cabin or cargo area of an airplane, Airmen closely tend to their patient's urgent medical needs while flying to a U.S. military or interim hospital to receive full-time care.

“I enjoy being a flying paramedic,” said Tech. Sgt. Nathan Hutchison, 445th AES technician, who recently returned from Pacific Mission deployment. “I’m a flight medic, but what drew me to this job is that you’re always meeting new service-members and traveling new places.”

To become an AES Airman, it can take up to 18 months of training to include: basic training, medical technical school, and phase training. They also need to complete survival, evasion, resistance and escape (SERE) training; water survival; flight school; a ground school or formal training unit and qualify to fly. This training is usually accomplished during a progression tour and can take up to another year to complete.

“We’re always under scrutiny, being evaluated and taking tests. If we’re not proficient and knowledgeable, we’re disqualified from training,” said Hutchison.

After getting qualified, Airmen must maintain their currency by flying and completing other courses. Their competence is formally assessed during a check ride, but they can be given a no-notice check ride or downgraded if their



Photos by Senior Airman Shen-Chia McHone

Staff Sgt. Jaymes Cardwell instructs Airman 1st Class Stacey Scharf how to open and close the emergency exit door on a C-17 Globemaster III. Both are aeromedical evacuation technicians.

performance is below standards at any time.

“I never would have imagined being able to pull myself together to provide medical care in case of emergencies, but rigorous training and practice helps because the minute something happens, the training takes over and you’re able to react instantly in emergency situations,” said Hutchison.

Although 445th AES does not have physicians, a Critical Care Transport Team can be provided for patients. The CCAT team includes: critical care physician, critical care nurse and cardiopulmonary technician. AES Airmen are also Medical Service Corps officers (administrators), flight nurses, administrative technicians, squadron air resource managers, flight medical technicians, logistics personnel and communications personnel.

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Senior Airman Austen Bright, aeromedical evacuation technician, sets up stanchions onboard a 445th Airlift Wing C-17 Globemaster III March 14.



AES, from page 3

These Airmen work hard to provide the best patient care by working together as a team.

"I enjoy the AES because we work as a team. The unit members are motivated, well-trained and guided by the best healthcare providers I have ever worked with, who consistently look out for and take care of each other," said Stokes-Crowe. "I absolutely trust my AES Airmen to do their jobs efficiently and effectively, by providing transportation for ill and injured warriors."

When flying, there are different hazards Airmen face and patients are depending on 445th AES to get them the proper medical care and attention. In an aircraft, setting up a hospital environment takes time. Some aircraft require the Airmen to bring their own oxygen and remember to convert the electricity, bringing every piece of equipment they may or may not use with them.

"I think patience is a virtue and our reward is bringing home a real life patient that you get to care for firsthand," said 1st Lt. Joshua Anno, 445th AES flight nurse. "We have a chance to take care of our wounded warriors who are fighting for your freedom."

Real world training cross-country missions can take up to 16 hours. The unit flies local missions, cross-country missions, and operational missions. In a four-month rotation, Airmen fly approximately 25-100 missions, as well as supporting static missions to demonstrate their jobs to groups such as Boy Scouts and civic leaders.

"Instructors conducting the scenarios draw back on their live mission experiences and pass on the knowledge they've gained to us," said Hutchison. "For simulated emergencies, instructors bring in realistic scenarios for patients and you have to be ready at a moment's notice."

Being in the 445th AES is a gratifying experience for many Airmen and the commander, who expresses her gratitude to serving her duty.

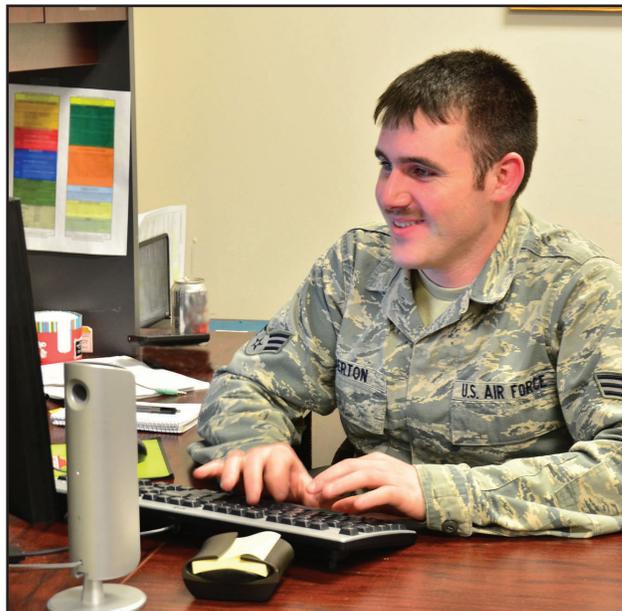
"I have learned that strength of my character, perseverance, and flexibility are necessary requirements as a leader and I feel truly blessed to lead this group of professionals, who I learn from every day," said Stokes-Crowe. "I am very proud to serve with my AES Airmen—they are the best of the best and I feel very fortunate to be their commander."

Wing hosts blood drive

The 88th Air Base Wing will sponsor a blood drive during the Scarlet unit training assembly Saturday, April 6. The blood drive will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the 445th Aerospace Medicine Squadron auditorium in building 4012. Those who would like to make an appointment should log on to www.militarydonor.com or www.militaryblood.dod.mil/power.

For more information about the Armed Services Blood Program, contact the Wright Patterson Blood Donor Center at (937) 257-1038.

SPOTLIGHT



Stacy Vaughn

Rank/Name

Senior Airman
Jacob Emberton

Unit

445th Aeromedical
Staging Squadron

Duty Title

Pharmacy apprentice

Hometown

New Carlisle, Ohio

Civilian Job

Currently providing
full-time support to
ASTS

Hobbies

Playing guitar, working out, spending time with my basset hounds and family

Education

Pursuing a bachelor's degree in nursing at Wright State University

Career Goal

I plan to continue serving my country as a member of the 445th Airlift Wing until retirement.

What do you like about working at the 445th?

My favorite aspects of working for the 445th would have to be the family atmosphere, camaraderie, and being able to serve my country proudly. It has been an absolute joy to be able to wake up and put on the Air Force uniform for the past three years and will continue to be for many years to come.

Why did you join the Air Force?

Growing up in a military family, the Air Force has been a part of my life long before I took my first enlistment. Seeing how proud my father and older brother were with being a member in the Air Force, I guess I just knew at a young age that I wanted to serve just like them.



News Briefs

Awards

Meritorious Service Medal

MSgt Sonya Anguiano, AMDS
MSgt Brad Eckhart, AES
MSgt Rachel Reed, AES
MSgt Terry Reisinger, AW

Air Force Commendation Medal

MSgt James Hartsell, 87 APS
TSgt Sergeant Ryan Lamarr, SFS

Air Force Achievement Medal

SMSgt Brian Algeo, SFS
SSgt Jawahna Hollins, AW

Air Medal

1Lt Emily Nankivell, 89 AS
SSgt Matthew Koessel, AES

Newcomers

Maj Christopher Gibson, Det 2, 10 AF
Capt Elizabeth Caraway, AW
Capt Kristina Latour, Det 2, 10 AF
Capt Wendy Westover, Det 2, 10 AF
CMSgt Terry Luzader, 89 AS
MSgt Leslie Nance, ASTS
TSgt Kelly Manick, AES
TSgt Chiavuth Mekchinda, AMDS
SSgt Kendrick Clay, 87 APS
SSgt David Ferver, Intel
SSgt Kyle Jordan, FSS
SSgt Elaine Reis, AMDS
SrA Gary Beebe, CES
SrA Ryan Belew, 89 AS
SrA Diego Cancino, OSS
SrA Frederik Cosse, AMXS
SrA Amanda Crider, AMDS

SrA John Kelley, LRS
SrA Matthew Waldorf, 87 APS
A1C Nicholas Basciano, Det 2, 10 AF
A1C Ryan Garrett, 89 AS
A1C Jameccia Haygood, LRS
A1C Matthew Kaper, LRS
A1C Alexandrina Lopez, CES
A1C Kyle Shoemaker, AES
A1C Blakley Sullivan, AMDS
Amn Michael Montijo, AMDS
AB Joshua Flynn, ASTS
AB Jacob Jones, AMXS
AB Caleb Savage, CES

Promotions

Airman First Class

Shawndale Lewis Jr., CES
Jeffrey Muldovan, CES
Karrington Norris, FSS
Tiffany Works, FSS

Senior Airman

Alexandrina Lopez, CES

Staff Sergeant

Christine Drake, 87 APS
Steven Flowers, AMDS
Jack Ingram III, AMDS
Jessica Ramirez, AMDS
Aaron Schaffer, CES
Keil Seward, 87 APS
Justin Souders, AMXS

Technical Sergeant

Matthew Bester, MXS
Jerrold Campbell, FSS
Jacob Crafton, MXS
Justin Delp, 87 APS
Mark Graber, CES
David Hinkel, CES
Joshua McConnell, SFS
Joseph Poorman, CES
Joseph Rinkes, MXS
Karl Schock, AMDS

445th members selected for major



Air Reserve Personnel Center officials announced results for the Calendar 2012 Air Force Reserve Line and Nonline Major Promotion Selection board March 13.

The selection board convened at the center Jan. 14-18 to determine those officers qualified to assume the next higher grade. Board members selected 649 of the 2,045 officers considered.

Categories considered during this promotion board were: Air Force Reserve Line, Chaplain, Dental Corps, Line of the Air Force-Judge Advocate, Medical Corps, Nurse Corps, Medical Service Corps and Biomedical Sciences Corps.

Seventeen members of the 445th Airlift Wing were selected. They are: Audric Bills and Jonathan Kollman, 445th Airlift Wing; Sabrina Ocampo, 445th Force Support Squadron; Jeremy Denman, 87th Aerial Port Squadron; Jenice Brown and Justin Thornsberry, 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron; Scott DeBoer, Eric Florschuetz, Mark Hannon and Dustin Johnson, 89th Airlift Squadron; Jennifer Franklin, John Ludtke and Amelia Morgan, 445th Aerospace Medicine Squadron; Jeremy Cousino and Francis Saul, III, 445th Operations Support Squadron; Terrell Eikner, 445th Maintenance Squadron; and Tara Jones, 445th Mission Support Group.

A complete list of Citizen Airmen selected for promotion is available on the My Personnel Services website.

Angela Wilson, ASTS

Master Sergeant

Clay Bucy, CES
Sarah Katoski, ASTS
Leslie Lovegrove, 87 APS

Senior Master Sergeant

Alan Baker, CES
Stoni Warwick, AW

Gate 26A closure

Gate 26A will be closed during the Gray unit training assemblies until a date to be determined.

Members are encouraged to use Gates 1A or 12A located on State Route 444.





445th Airlift Wing 2012 Annual Award winners



Airman

NCO

SNCO

First Sergeant

CGO

FGO



**Staff Sgt.
Mikhail Berlin**

**Master Sgt.
David Reagan**

**Master Sgt.
Mark Lyle**

**Master Sgt.
Eugene Coons**

**Capt.
Randolph Gantt**

**Maj.
Aaron Dailey**

**Honor Guard
Member**

Chief

Civilian

Spouse

Youth

Volunteer



**Tech. Sgt.
Ryan Buxton**

**Chief Master Sgt.
Sean Storms**

**Ms.
Stacy Vaughn**

**Mrs.
Amelia Penner**

**Mr.
CJ Destefani**

**Senior Airman
Roosevelt Reid Jr.**

**Leadership
Award**

**Chiefs' Group
(Airlift Wing)**

**Chiefs' Group
(Operations)**

**Chiefs' Group
(Maintenance)**

**Chiefs' Group
(Mission Support)**



**Tech. Sgt.
Tracy Cooper**

**Master Sgt.
Molly Blackburn**

**Tech. Sgt.
Wolfgang Krenzer**

**Staff Sgt.
Stephen Billingsley**

**Senior Airman
Nathan Collett**





1. Chief Master Sgt. Jose Barraza, 3rd Wing command chief, enlightens the audience as the keynote speaker for the 445th Airlift Wing Annual Awards Banquet held at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force March 9. 2. The 445th Chiefs' Group surprises Col. Stephen Goeman, 445th Airlift Wing commander, by making him an honorary chief during a short induction ceremony. 3. The 445th Honor Guard posts the Colors at the start of the banquet. 4. Senior Airman Kelly Perry with the Air Force Band of Flight's "Systems Go" performs during dinner. 5. More than 500 Airmen, family members and community leaders attend the awards banquet. 6. A member of the Huber Heights, Veterans of Foreign Wars observes a moment of silence during the POW/MIA recognition.



Wing provides telecommunications policy reminder

The next time you think about e-mailing your MyPay password or some other password from a “.mil” to a “.com” or vice versa, remember that what you are sending is subject to monitoring.

The Air Force employs telecommunications systems such as telephones, cellular phones, radios, facsimile machines, pagers, Blackberries, computers (including networked systems, stand-alone computers, servers, portable computers, laptops, routers, etc.), and other wired or wireless electronic devices. Air Force Instruction 10-712, Telecommunications Monitoring and Assessment Program (TMAP), explains the rules and policies of telecommunications monitoring and it pertains to such devices.

As a reminder, Internet-based capabilities such as blogs, websites, social networking sites, etc., are subject to monitoring.

The AFI states that, “all Defense Department telecommunications systems and information systems are subject to monitoring for authorized purposes...” The policy is in place to protect the government and its members from adversaries who can easily monitor these systems and gather further information regarding military capabilities, limitations, intentions and activities.

According to the Air Force Reserve Command Operations Security Program Manager, AFRC units have had many instances with its military and civilian members e-mailing business related information such as username/password information from a .mil email to a g-mail or other personal email accounts. The emails are not signed or encrypted, therefore creating a serious violation. These types of occurrences are not only taking place at AFRC bases, but across the Air Force.

The Air Force monitors computers and telephones 24/7, as part of the Telecommunications Monitoring Assessment Program (TMAP), in accordance with AFI 10-712. TMAP provides commanders with an assessment as to the type and amount of information being transmitted on all Air Force telecommunications systems which are at risk to adversary collection and exploitation. If a violation is detected, a report is generated by the 68th Network Warfare Squadron (NWS), Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, and sent to the major command OPSEC program manager for action.

Once a violation occurs, the applicable email account will be disabled until refresher training has been accomplished to reduce the risk of the adversary gaining access to critical information.

All 445th Airlift Wing personnel must remember that all USB devices will not be connected to any government computer. Devices include; thumb drives, phones, watches, cameras, or any device that can be attached via a USB connection for use or even for charging. This guidance is not new but every month the wing has numerous violators to the current directives and their

actions jeopardize the security of the wing’s network. Offenders will lose their computer privileges for an extended period and will also be subject to adverse administrative actions, said Tech. Sgt. Jermane Coleman, 445th Communications Element chief of information systems.

Information about user responsibilities can be found in Air Force Manual 33-152, User Responsibilities and Guidance for Information Systems. Wing users should call Cornell Billingsley, 257-7496, or Tech. Sgt. Jermane Coleman, 257-1672, option 3, before using any USB devices.



On the Web



**445th
reservists
win 2012
AFRC media
contest awards**



**Maintenance
conducts
routine HSC
inspections**



**Wing chaplain
honors late
Doolittle Raider**

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