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Airmen test under new fitness standards

By Stacy Vaughn
445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The July unit training assembly was not a routine month for reservists from the 445th Airlift Wing taking their annual physical fitness test; it was the first time wing Airmen tested under the new Air Force fitness standards.

The Air Force's new standards were deemed necessary by senior Air Force leaders to ensure a fitter and healthier fighting force. Changes include bi-annual testing, minimum requirements within testing components and establishing fitness assessment cells to proctor tests.

The four components of the new fitness test include a 1.5-mile timed run, abdominal circumference, push-ups and sit-ups.

Airmen who earn an "excellent" on the new fitness test will now only have to test once a year according to a new revision to the Air Force Fitness Program. The revision, which took effect July 1, allows those Airmen who test in all four components of the test and receive an overall score of 90 or better to test only once a year.

"You can't just do the minimum because then you're setting yourself up for failure. Push yourself and strive to do the best that you can. Help each other out by motivating each other during the test," Lt. Col.

Multiple testing monitors ensured Airmen were performing the required exercises correctly. The points system changed under the new standards, too.



Photos by Senior Airman Matthew Cook

Airmen from the 445th Airlift Wing recently tested under new fitness standards during July's first unit training assembly weekend.

Kevin Chambers, 445th Airlift Wing fitness program manager said.

Airmen whose last test date was in 2009 are due to test again exactly one year from that date. However, Airmen whose last test date was in 2010 are to test six months from that date and every six months after that. The only exception to that rule is scoring a 90 or above with no waivers and without failing any portion of the test.

"The test has always been challenging, and fundamentally hasn't changed. If our Airmen prepare themselves with strength training, regular aerobic exercise and a healthy diet, they should

have no problems. This test should never be one that our folks wait until four weeks from their test date to start their training," Chief Master Sgt. Peri Rogowski, 445th Airlift Wing command chief, said.

Airmen must meet with their unit fitness managers to schedule a test date, and bring their Fitness Screening Questionnaire and their score sheet.

"This is a lifestyle change and hopefully one that will enhance our Airman's quality of life. But as with any new process, there will be challenges and things that need to be ironed out. We must show our true Reserve Airmanship and practice good military bearing and patience," Chief Rogowski said.

In order to test, Airmen must be on military pay status and in uniform. Airmen may not come in and test on their own time. Tests will be given on Saturday and Sunday at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

For information about the new Air Force fitness program, visit <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/affitnessprogram/>. (Senior Airman Matthew Cook contributed to this story.)



Fleeing is best protection against bad habits, sin

By Chaplain (Capt.) Johnathan Kollmann
445th Airlift Wing

“Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.” -2 Timothy 2:22

My son, Benjamin, is a huge fan of the Percy Jackson & the Olympians book series. While on vacation I read the first book of the series titled, “The Lightning Thief.” After reading the book, it wet my appetite to learn more about Greek mythology.

An intriguing myth is about sirens, or sea nymphs, who lived in certain parts the coast of the Mediterranean Sea. These sea nymphs would lure sailors to jump overboard and drown by singing beautiful but spellbinding songs. During one adventure, the leader, Odysseus was on a vessel and knew his crew and he had to pass by some of the enchanting sea nymphs.

Knowing what this would do to his crew, he ordered that he be bound to the mast with ropes and his crew

put wax in their ears. Because of these precautions and the forward thinking of Odysseus, everyone evaded drowning and certain destruction.

What tempts you? Is there sin currently in your life? Are you currently rationalizing something in your life that you know is wrong? Everyone should be prepared to resist temptations. I truly believe we all know what entices us to sin. A plan to flee is the best protection against recurring sins and destructive habits.

The apostle Paul writes in Romans 12:9, “Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.” This passage reminds me of clinging to a tree branch to avoid plunging to death. We MUST cling to what is right and good. It is God’s will for us to pursue righteousness and keep our integrity in all things. The best beginning of a plan is finding a positive wingman in your life who can help you. Our chaplain staff would love to help you with a plan and anything else you may need to walk with God. May God bless you as you begin the journey of a righteous plan of action.

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What it means to be “Just a Reservist”

By Chief Master Sgt. Peri Rogowski
445th Airlift Wing command chief

Has this ever happened to you?

A well-meaning active duty counterpart is trying to give you a compliment and says, “Hey! That’s pretty impressive...especially since you’re just a reservist!”

While we decide whether to simply say thanks and walk away or think whether it’s worth the energy to explain to them why what they said is actually an insult to reservists, think about this...what does it mean to be “JUST” a reservist?

A reservist is the best kept secret and biggest bang for the buck for the American taxpayer. Why? Because we train to mobilize whenever we are on duty, which is why no one can tell a reserve Airman from an active-duty Airman.

We have better unit continuity because we don’t move around as much and oftentimes, we’ve been doing the job a lot longer than our active duty counterparts.



Yes, we might be older, but remember, with age usually comes wisdom.

We have our civilian careers which may or may not mirror our military Air Force Specialty Code, but will always compliment them in regards to building community and employer relations along with having well-rounded corporate leadership and management skills.

We are equally or oftentimes more educated and have greater entrepreneur experience.

We also sacrifice more than our active duty counterparts by spanning an average of only 72 days off a year vs. active duty averaging 154 days off a year.

We are in essence, the greatest example of patriot volunteers. We provide 100 percent of the Air Force’s weather reconnaissance and aerial spray capability along with 75 percent of mortuary affairs and 60 percent of aeromedical evacuation. Pretty impressive, indeed.

So the next time someone reminds you that you are a “just a reservist,” be proud. And take a moment and gently educate them on exactly what we do bring to the fight and our Total Force.

Airmen attend school, capture top awards

By Senior Airman Robert Nelson
445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Three reservists from the 445th Airlift Wing were among 23 graduates at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base Airman Leadership School Class 10-E July 7, capturing two of four awards.

Two senior airmen from the Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron and one from the Public Affairs Office sat side-by-side with their active-duty counterparts.

“At first I was a little surprised that there were three reservists. This was my first time having reserve students,” said Staff Sgt. Jason Masclat, an ALS Instructor who had two of the three reservists in his class.

“I was also excited for the fact that these students will bring something different to the table. I was eager for them to share the Air Force Reserve culture with the class. They shared an operational standpoint that differed from active duty. It helped broaden the class’s awareness” he added.

The 445th AW command chief said she was excited about having three unit members participating in the residence ALS.

“The fact that any of our folks can arrange time off their civilian jobs to attend an in-residence professional military education is commendable and is quite a sacrifice in itself,” Chief Peri Rogowski.

The school consisted of 24 rigorous academic days covering a variety of topics including enlisted force structure, Air Force heritage, leader-follower dynamics, global diversity, strategy and doctrine, force readiness, and foreign terrorism.

Students passed numerous written exams and multiple performance exams. Important skills such as public speaking and interpersonal communication were two of the many skills students mastered.

An added bonus to ALS is the 11 hours earned toward an Airman’s Community College of the Air Force degree.

Four awards were also available for recognition to deserving Airmen graduating from ALS.

“Given that we had three wing Airmen attend at the same time, and we took two of the four top awards home with two Airmen is outstanding,” Chief Rogowski said. –

Senior Airman Eddie Mulkey earned the Commandant’s Award and Senior Airman Justin Staten earned the John L. Levitow Award, both of the 445th



Ben Strasser

From left to right, front row: Senior Airman Robert Nelson 445th AW/PA, Senior Airman Justin Staten 445th AES, and Senior Airman Eddie Mulkey, 445th AES, graduated from Airmen Leadership School here July 7.

Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron.

“This is an achievement not known to this wing before now and these two Airmen have set a high standard of excellence bar for our other Airmen to follow,” Chief Rogowski said.

Senior Airman Staten was presented the highest ALS award, John L. Levitow Award. This award goes to the student who demonstrates overall superior performance while attending.

It denotes both academic and leadership excellence, and it is the highest honor bestowed upon a graduate of an enlisted professional military education program.

“As a reservist, I’m very proud to be able to represent the wing by this achievement. To be part of a large base event and represent the wing, it was truly an honor,” said Senior Airman Justin Staten. He also said, “My peers had a big part in me being selected for the John L. Levitow Award and that means a lot to me.”

The Commandant’s Award is presented to the student deemed the individual who most influenced the class as a whole to achieve excellence. The award is based on input from the students and faculty, and the ALS flight chief makes the final selection.

“I’m very proud to have received the reward,” said Senior Airman Mulkey. “[In-residence ALS] really reinforces our military tradition and what it truly means to be professional. I recommend it, and in fact, I believe it should be a mandatory requirement prior to becoming an NCO.”

Wing selects third quarter wing award winners

Airman

Senior Airman Nastasskia Gerald, a services journeyman in the 445th Services Squadron, is the 445th Airlift Wing Airman of the Quarter. Airman Temple volunteered for a deployment to Joint Base Balad, Iraq where her skills led the Balad Food Service Team to be awarded section of the month. She was coined by Expeditionary Force Support Squadron commander and superintendent for superior performance. She is pursuing her Community College of the Air Force and bachelor's degree in nursing. She devotes time to assisting the elderly in nursing homes with daily functions and participating in fitness events.



NCO

Technical Sgt. Linda Pantoja, a career advisor in the 445th Mission Support Flight, is the 445th Airlift Wing Non-commissioned Officer of the Quarter. Sergeant Pantoja was recognized as "Superior Performer" during Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command Unit Compliance Inspection. She served as the wing project officer for the Air Force Reserve Command directed Individual Ready Reserve Muster noted as best of five this year. She has earned her Community College of the Air Force and bachelor's degree in Emergency and Disaster Management. She supports Toys for Tots, veterans affairs picnic and Airmen's Attic.



Senior NCO

Master Sgt. Stephanie Strickland, an aeromedical evacuation instructor in the 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, is the 445th Airlift Wing Senior Non-commissioned Officer of the Quarter. She is currently on active-duty orders serving as acting first sergeant for Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command, a first for a reserve member and was handpicked by 4th Air Force Command Chief to plan and organize the 2010 Commanders/Raincross Conference. Sergeant Strickland takes time to volunteer at the Dayton Veterans Association Hospital and volunteers for the VA and Air Force Sergeants Association.



Air Force officials launch new uniform website

Air Force officials launched a new public website this month to help educate and inform Airmen about the service's dress and appearance standards and policies.

Air Force Directorate of Service's Uniforms and Recognition Branch officials, in conjunction with officials from the Air Force Personnel Center and several other agencies, created the website that features interactive slideshows, uniform regulations, detailed photos and uniform policy updates from the Air Force Uniform Board.

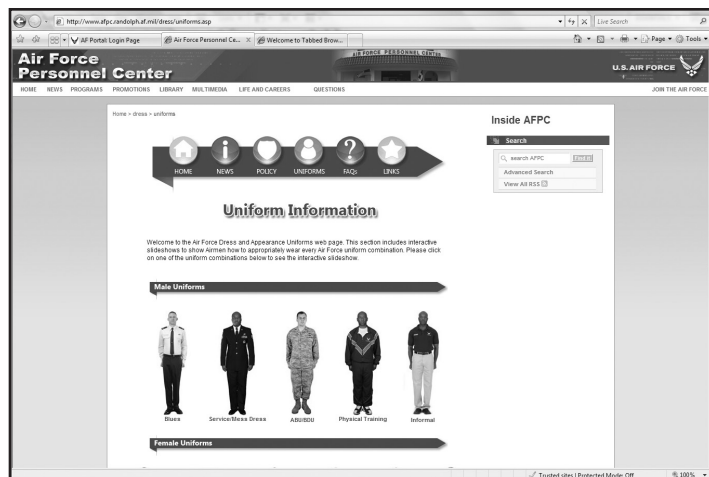
The new website was developed to be a comprehensive online resource that is available 24/7 for Airmen stationed around the world, said Ruth Ewalt, the Air Force Uniforms and Recognition Branch director.

"We wanted to create a place where all Airmen can view any uniform combination in detail," Mrs. Ewalt said. "This eliminates confusing rumors about the latest versions of Air Force uniforms."

Airmen also wanted an uncomplicated website that was user friendly and did not require excessive navigation to find information about different combinations of the Air Force uniform, Mrs. Ewalt said.

"We needed a website that would not take more than two or three clicks of the mouse to get an answer to a uniform inquiry," she said.

Having this information on a public website ensures uniform changes and updates are readily available to the field, rather than waiting for updates to Air Force Instruction 36-2903, which is being revised.



"The information will be updated quicker and more effectively," she said. Putting the website in the public domain allows users to access it without their common access card, which is helpful for Airmen researching uniform information from computers or smart phones off the military network.

While the new site will be a valuable resource, Airmen should continue to work through their chain of command for clarification and guidance on Air Force dress and appearance standards and policies.

Visit the AF Dress and Appearance public website at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/dress/indexx.asp>.
(AFPC press release)

MILITARY PERSONNEL FLIGHT

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Friday 0730-1600
UTA Saturday 0830-1600*
UTA Sunday 0730-1330
- mandatory training 1330-1500
for all 3S0XXs

Testing Room:

Tuesday 0830
Thursday 1330
UTA Saturday 1000
UTA Sunday 0900

Phone Numbers:

WPAFB 1-866-371-2316
MPF Commander 937 257-7658
Customer Service 937 257-6981
Personnel Employment 937 257-5090
Personnel Relocation 937 257-4382
Career Enhancement 937 257-4638
Wing Training 937 257-5092
Personnel Readiness 937 904-3932
Personnel Systems 937 522-3628
Wing Career Advisor 937 904-2007
Newcomers Flight Cell 937 671-3622
Family Support Office Cell 937 572-1028

* Newcomers have priority for ID Cards after 1400 on the Scarlet UTA

RETIREMENTS

<u>RANK/NAME</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>UNIT</u>
MSgt Darrell E. Crum	08 Aug 10	445 SFS
CMSgt Wilbert E. McCutcheon, Jr.	31 Aug 10	445 CES
MSgt Georgia M. Ricketts	31 Aug 10	445 LRS
MSgt Jill Rowe	28 Aug 10	445 AES
TSgt Shannon L. Schaker	14 Aug 10	445 MOF

COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT ACCOUNT REQUIREMENT

To all orderly rooms and concerned duty sections: Please update any out processing checklists to include a step to inform the 445th Communications Flight of any person going on an extended temporary duty assignment greater than 30 days, and also when the member will return. A change in Air Force Material Command policy here at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base is causing accounts that go over 30 days of inactivity to be permanently deleted (no way to recover) after one week of being suspended. In the past, these accounts could be recovered for up to two years. This is no longer the case. To ensure member's accounts are not deleted permanently (forcing them to get a new account upon returning), please include the communications flight office in your out processing so as ensure account continuity. They will mark member accounts to prevent deletion, and members will still be able to access webmail remotely if needed. If you have questions, please contact the 445th Airlift Wing Help Desk at 257-1672.

DEATH GRATUITY DESIGNATION

If a reservist dies **while on duty**, a gratuity of \$100,000.00 is paid to the member's family in the following order:

1. Spouse.
2. Children.
3. Descendents of deceased children.
4. Surviving parents.
5. If no surviving parents, the person appointed executor or administrator of estate.

Do **NOT** confuse "Death Gratuity" with "Services Members' Group Life Insurance." Air Force Personnel Center (AFPC) has changed the Death Gratuity line of all vREDS on the vMPF to read "BY LAW" which is the order of precedence listed above. In the past members could only designate an immediate family member to receive the Death Gratuity benefit. Now, members may designate anyone, in increments of 10%, to receive the payment. If married and election is someone other than spouse, the spouse will be notified in writing of the election. If you wish to change the BY LAW designation on the vRED, log-on to the vMPF and re-accomplish the vRED. Please contact Mr. Dan Hayes in Customer Service at 257-6981 if you have questions.

IS YOUR CCAF DEGREE WITHIN REACH??

You can access your Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) Web Progress Report (PR) to monitor your progress and see what requirements still remain towards your Associate of Applied Science degree. To access the system, log onto the AF Portal and go to the AF Virtual Education Center (AFVEC). Click on My CCAF Apps and then CCAF Degree Progress Report. While in the CCAF applications area, click on the Civilian Course Conversion Application to see what classes at the school of your choice are accepted at CCAF. For more information and/or assistance of any kind, please contact your Wing Education & Training Office at (937)257-5092.

APPLYING FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE

Tuition Assistance (TA) is on-line through the AF Portal at www.my.af.mil in the AF Virtual Education Center (AFVEC). The program guides you smoothly through the process from anywhere in the world. You do not have to be on a government computer so now you can access your information from the comforts of your own home. This will be the primary method for requesting TA. If you have any problems using AFVEC, please contact MSgt Sandi Richards at (937) 257-5092.

445TH AW MEMBERS UTILIZING UNIT PAID LODGING

The cut-off date for making a reservation in Automated Lodging Reservation System (ALRS) is 1600hrs, Wednesday - 10 days before check-in for the UTA weekend, previously it was Wednesday - 2 days before check-in for the UTA. In order to guarantee all rooms for the wing and complete the billing transaction with Base Lodging and the hotels we are moving the cut-off date back one week. Members must ensure their UTA reservations are made 10 days prior to their check-in date for the UTA. Please note the Reservations Cut-off dates below.

Reservists are highly encouraged to make room reservations for regularly scheduled Scarlet or Gray UTAs, 3 months in advance. Previously a reservation could only be made 1 month out. Making your reservations earlier for coming UTAs will greatly improve the Wing's ability to accurately forecast and guarantee the rooms required for each UTA and improve the likelihood that you'll be in a room on or closer to base. One important point – It is your responsibility to note & remember which hotel you'll be staying at for each UTA.

Members MUST use ALRS for regularly scheduled UTA lodging. There has been a negative trend lately where members are not making UTA reservations through the ALRS before the cut-off date. This results in the member requiring an authorization letter from their unit lodging monitors. These letters are to be the exception and will be closely tracked and routed back to the appropriate unit commanders who will be required to explain excessive or repetitive use. Base Lodging and our contract hotels will not provide lodging to anyone who has not made a reservation through ALRS or who does not have the appropriately signed Lodging letter from their unit in their hand at time of check-in.

<u>Month/Year</u>	<u>Scarlet UTA</u>	<u>Reservation Cut-off Date</u>	<u>Gray UTA</u>	<u>Reservation Cut-off Date</u>
AUG 10	7-8	28 JUL	14-15	4 AUG
SEP 10	11-12	1 SEP	25-26	15 SEP
OCT 10	2-3	22 SEPT	16-17	6 OCT
NOV 10	6-7	27 OCT	20-21	10 NOV
DEC 10	4-5	24 NOV	11-12	1 DEC
JAN 11	8-9	29 DEC	22-23	12 JAN
FEB 11	5-6	26 JAN	12-13	2 FEB
MAR 11	5-6	23 FEB	12-13	2 MAR
APR 11	2-3	23 MAR	9-10	30 MAR
MAY 11	14-15	4 MAY	21-22	11 MAY
JUN 11	4-5	25 MAY	11-12	1 JUN
JUL 11	9-10	29 JUN	23-24	13 JUL
AUG 11	6-7	27 JUL	13-14	3 AUG
SEP 11	10-11	31 AUG	24-25	14 SEP

For questions, please contact:

445th Services Office: 937-257-7688 or DSN: 787-7688

ALRS phone Reservation Numbers: 1-800-203-3729 or (937) 656-1818

DEPLOYMENT DECORATIONS

Decoration nominations for service while deployed during Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM are processed through U.S. Air Forces Central (USAFCENT). These decorations will be revoked by ARPC if submitted through the vPC-GR. For further guidance, visit USAFCENT's Decoration Processing Unit Web page at:

<https://wwwmil.centaf.af.mil/Directorates/A1/CENTAF%20AWARDS/main.htm>

GWOT EXPEDITIONARY MEDAL – AREAS OF ELIGIBILITY

Members are awarded the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (GWOT-E) for areas worldwide deemed as high-risk or hostile. Specifically, these include: The land area, airspace, or waters of Bahrain, Bulgaria (Bourgas), Burkina Faso, Crete, Cyprus, Diego Garcia, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iran, Israel, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Qatar, Romania (Constanta), Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Syria, Tajikistan, Turkey (East of 35 Degrees E Latitude), Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Yemen, that portion of the Arabian Sea North of 10 Degrees N Latitude and West of 68 Degrees Longitude, Bab El Mandeb, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Aqaba, Gulf of Oman, Gulf of Suez, that portion of the Mediterranean Sea East of 28 Degrees E Longitude, Persian Gulf, Red Sea, Strait of Hormuz, and Suez Canal.

Members who were deployed overseas must have served at least 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days on or after 11 Sep 01 to a date to be determined in at least one of the aforementioned designated, specific geographical areas of eligibility to qualify for the GWOT-E. This award also allows members five points of veteran's preference.

Since 30 April 2005, members are no longer eligible to receive the GWOT-E for service in either Iraq or Afghanistan, but would instead be awarded the Iraqi Campaign Medal and the Afghanistan Campaign Medal, respectively. For aircrews, a single flight in and out of one of the above areas counts as a single day there. There is no time limit in accumulating 60 non-consecutive days. Under no conditions will personnel serving within the United States (including Alaska and Hawaii) be eligible for the GWOT-E. Contact Mr. Ernie Haygood at 257-4638 if you have questions.

SPOUSE'S MEDAL

Often, when members retire, there is a request for their spouses to receive something called the "Spouse's Medal." Members must request it themselves by using the website MilitaryWives.com. Once on this website, they may follow the steps to order the medal for the spouse. There is no official citation. The member's spouse receives the medal by virtue of having been married to the retiring member and "*keeping a light in the window*" during deployments and other demanding circumstances. If you do receive a question of request for this item, the aforementioned website is where they would get it.

FREE MEMBERSHIP TO VFW

The Vandalia Ohio Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 9582 is offering a free one-year membership to anyone that is currently deployed and to those that have deployed and since returned. The only requirement is that the member is not currently a member of any VFW. The VFW not only supports the troops of this great country but it also supports local communities and contributes to many charities. The VFW is also a voice for all veterans at the congressional level and with millions of members; it's hard to ignore the voice of all veterans. All we require is a name and address and we'll ensure that each and every member receives a VFW membership. If you have any questions please contact CMSgt Homer Carter at (937) 257-6049.

FAMILY CARE PLAN - DO YOU NEED ONE?

Considering our present day conditions, it is imperative that your family has an appropriate Family Care Plan in the event of mobilization. If you are a single parent, you are married to a military member and have dependents in the household or if you have someone incapable of self-care residing with you (including a non-driving spouse), you must see your First Sergeant ASAP.

445 SECURITY FORCES UTA GATE 26C HOURS

Saturday: 0600-0730
1030-1330
1530-1730

Sunday: 0600-0730
1030-1330
1530-1700

Gate 26C Telephone: 937 257-1095

AUGUST 2010 COMBAT ARMS TRAINING

7-8 August 2010 SCARLET UTA

7 August 2010:

0800 hrs. - Bldg. #296 Newark St., Area A: SECURITY FORCES TRAINING ONLY

8 August 2010:

1230 hrs. – Bldg. #296 Newark St., Area A: SECURITY FORCES TRAINING ONLY

14-15 August 2010 GRAY UTA

14 August 2010:

0800 hrs. - M-4 Rifle (Live-Fire), Bldg. #296 Newark St., Area A: 445 MXG (1)

14 August 2010:

1230 hrs. – M-4 & M-16A2 Rifle (Live-Fire), Bldg. #296 Newark St., Area A: 445 CES (12)

M-4 & M-16A2 Live-Fire Students will have the classroom portion Saturday at 1230 hours in Building 296. Live-Fire students will return Sunday morning at 0800 hours for the Live-Fire portion of training, also in Building 296.

GAS MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR THE CLASSROOM AND LIVE-FIRE PORTION. All personnel MUST bring their AF Form 522 to class. BDUs or ABUs are the uniform of the day for all Fire Arms Training.

For questions or cancellations, please contact: TSgt Andre C. Sims at (937) 257-2309

FY 10 UTA SCHEDULE

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>SCARLET</u>	<u>GRAY</u>
AUG	7-8	14-15
SEP	11-12	25-26

FY 11 UTA SCHEDULE

TBD

SERVICE WITH PRIDE™



Senior Airman Mikhail Berlin

Brothers Kevin and Brian Horn are both senior airmen here at the 445th Airlift Wing. They also spent some time in Iraq together during overlapping deployments.

Brothers share career as security forces Airmen

By Stacy Vaughn
445th Airlift Wing
Public Affairs

Two brothers assigned to the 445th Security Forces Squadron have a unique experience to share that most siblings do not have—they shared a deployment together.

Senior Airmen Kevin and Brian Horn were both assigned to the 506th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron, Kirkuk Regional Air Base, Iraq, in 2009, overlapping each other during the six-month deployment.

“This was our very first deployment and it was nice that we could share it, even for the short time we were together over there,” said Kevin.

“I was in Iraq January to August (2009) and Brian came in July. We overlapped by a month

with Brian staying until January of this year.”

The short time the two were in Iraq, they were able to spend some time together.

“I was happy to see my brother when he got there. During the month we were together we coordinated a way to have the same days off. I was working nights and he was working days,” Kevin said.

Both brothers agreed that they learned a lot about their career field from this deployment.

“I feel it was a good deployment. It gave me an idea of what we do over there because I honestly didn’t know what we did over there until I deployed. When I first came into the military and went through training, I was trained on law enforcement and security as far as on a

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- Senior Airman
Kevin Horn

base but when you’re at a deployed location, it’s different,” Brian said.

Although Brian is the older brother, Kevin is the one who joined the military first. He’s been in the military three years and Brian two years.

“I went to see Kevin graduate from basic training and it made me want to join, especially after seeing him in formation –it seemed cool,” Brian said.

In their spare time, both brothers enjoy riding motorcycles.

Brian is currently enrolled at The Ohio State University, majoring in aeronautical engineering. Kevin was recently on orders with the 18th Security Forces Squadron, Kadena Air Base, Japan, and currently working on getting orders to MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.

Security Forces is the career field both brothers wanted to make a living in. Being near Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, the 445th Airlift Wing is where the brothers decided to call home and begin their new career.

“Being assigned to the 445th Security Forces Squadron has been a great experience so far. We’re both happy here right now. Who knows what’s in store for us in the near future,” Kevin said.

Dayton Air Show

Airmen from the 445th Airlift Wing participated in the annual Dayton Air Show July 17.



Photos by Tech. Sgt. Jeremy Caskey

Elijah Caskey, son of Tech Sgt Jeremy Caskey from 445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs, proudly displays his Air Force Reserve paraphernalia.



Crowds at the 2010 Dayton Air Show enjoy a break from the sun inside a C-5 Galaxy from the 445th Airlift Wing (above) while other attendees gather at the Air Force Reserve Recruiting display and bus (right).



Team Fastrax skydiving team lands during the national anthem to kick-off the Dayton Air Show.

News Briefs

Newcomers

Capt Mandi Gabriele, AMXS
 SSGT Bryan Anderson, AMDS
 SSGT Heather Davis, AES
 SSGT Joshua Hether, CES
 SSGT Brandon Schwartz, CES
 SSGT Joseph Valenzuela, AES
 SrA Scott Carlson, AMDS
 SrA Christopher Lavigne, AMDS
 SrA Matthew White, 87 APS
 A1C Anthony Brown, AMXS
 A1C Marcus Loel, 87 APS
 A1C Dale Rowe, MXS
 A1C Sara Smith, CES
 A1C Shayna Taylor, MOF
 Amn Drew Brenner, SFS
 Amn Harold De La Matta, AMXS
 Amn Daniel Harner, AMXS
 Amn Jonathan Prather, MXS
 Amn Justin Severs, LRS
 AB Vincent Chavez, LRS
 AB Robert Esomar, AMXS
 AB Erik Geer, AMXS
 AB Matthew Hemingway, 87 APS
 AB Jacob Kreuzer, AMXS
 AB Gregory Prantl, AMXS

Promotions

Airman

Eric Cohen, MXS
 Jonathan Reshkus, ASTS

Airman First Class

Michael Abney, ASTS
 Megan Beischer, ASTS
 Steven Ruyle, ASTS

Senior Airman

Maximina Anderson, ASTS
 Corey Brown, 87 APS
 Dale Rowe, MXS
 Ryan Thomas, ASTS
 Athena Yacoumakis, ASTS

Staff Sergeant

David Baugh, MOF
 Paul Bennington, ASTS
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 Wolfgang Krenzer, AES
 Carrie Leopold, AMDS
 India-Jena Lyle, AW
 Daniel Pearce, SFS
 Justin Sanderson, AES
 Clarence Washington, OSS

Technical Sergeant

Christopher Falloon, AMXS
 Tamella Hill, AES
 Michael Reagan, MXS
 Jeffrey Sanders, AMXS

Master Sergeant

Chad Cazan, 87 APS
 Michael Straley, CF

Awards

Meritorious Service Medal

Col Oba Vincent, ASTS
 Maj Alan Kendrick, AW
 SMSgt Cass Tumbelson, OSS
 MSGT Ricky Hudson, MXS
 MSGT Donna Laprath, MSF
 MSGT John Patten, AES
 MSGT Jeffrey Wittman, MXG

Air Force Commendation Medal

TSgt Troy Fenhoff, OSS
 TSgt Kerry Langen, OSS
 TSgt Mary Papanek, MSF
 TSgt Christian Woolford, AW
 SSGT Robert Andrzejewski, CES
 SSGT Aaron Shepherd, LRS

Air Force Achievement Medal


MSGT Darrell Lawrence, ASTS
 TSgt Paul Bower III, OSS
 TSgt Robert Bowles,



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PICNIC

Sunday, **SEPTEMBER 12, 2010**
 11:00am – 3:00pm
 Bass Lake

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



PICNIC MENU
Served 11:00-1:30

- Hamburgers
- Hot Dogs
- Beans
- Macaroni salad
- Coleslaw
- Potato chips
- Cookies

HIGHLIGHTS

- Beverage Tent
- Dunk Tank
- Volleyball
- Face Painting
- Cornhole

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LOTS OF FUN

GAMES & CONTESTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY!

BRING DONATIONS FOR FUNDRAISING!

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 TSgt Cassidy Helregel, OSS
 TSgt Brian Knouse, OSS
 TSgt Timothy Leedy, OSS
 TSgt Dwight Shepherd, MOF
 TSgt Maurice Upshaw Jr., OSS
 SSGT Casie Cain, ASTS
 SSGT De'Juan Gaskins Sr., OSS
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 SSGT Lamon Pace, LRS
 SSGT Michael Scinto, OSS

SrA Mario Hinton, LRS
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Wing PDS

The 445th Airlift Wing Professional Development Seminar is scheduled for Nov. 8-9 at the Hope Hotel, with an icebreaker the evening of Nov. 7. The seminar will include sessions on topics ranging from effective writing to personal finance and how to use web-based social networking capabilities. All Airmen are encouraged to attend.



Senior Airman Mikhail Berlin

Fixing the bird

Staff Sgt. Dan Rodgers and Senior Airman Michael Blake, both of the 445th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron here, work on a C-5 recently.

On the Web



C-5 puts on a show



Airmen hang out with Bengals coach



LRS Airmen train in Germany

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