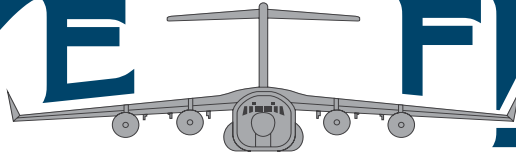


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Staff Sgt. Mikhail Berlin

Brig. Gen. Jeffrey K. Barnson, 4th Air Force vice commander, passes the guidon to Col. Jeffrey J. McGalliard, incoming 445th Airlift Wing commander, during a change of command ceremony Nov. 2.

445th AW welcomes new wing commander

445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 445th Airlift Wing welcomed its new commander Nov. 2 when Col. Jeffrey J. McGalliard assumed command from Col. Stephen D. Goeman at a change of command ceremony in Hangar 4016.

Brig. Gen. Jeffrey K. Barnson, 4th Air Force vice commander, March Air Reserve Base, Calif. presided over the ceremony.

McGalliard took the reins of the Wright-Patterson AFB Reserve unit and will command approximately 2,000 military and civilian personnel. The 445th Airlift Wing is a C-17A unit that provides a major portion of the Air Force's strategic airlift capability. The wing also provides aeromedical evacuation support.

Colonel Goeman retired Nov. 10 after more than 33 years of service.

Colonel McGalliard comes to the 445th from Tinker AFB, Okla., where he served as commander of the 513th Air Control Group which provided operations and maintenance personnel in support of the global E-3 AWACS air surveillance and C2 mission.

During his remarks, Colonel McGalliard thanked

everyone for the warm welcome given to him and his family. He also spoke of looking forward to a partnership with the 88th Air Base Wing.

The new commander addressed his troops with the following statement and expressed his gratitude for having the opportunity to serve with the men and women of the 445th Airlift Wing.

"To the Airmen of the 445th Airlift Wing, I cannot tell you how fortunate I feel to be standing here before you quite literally accepting my dream assignment to this unit and attempting to fill the very large footsteps of my former boss, mentor and good friend, Col. Stephen Goeman," McGalliard said.

He concluded his speech with a challenge and pledge to his Buckeye Airmen.

"As the nation's military, we enjoy a standing in the eyes of the American public that is higher than any other professional group. I challenge us to jealously guard that high report card with all our actions. And I look forward to taking care of you as you take care of our great mission," the colonel said.

SPOTLIGHT

Rank/Name

Senior Airman
Karolyn Cichantek

Unit

445th Aeromedical
Evacuation Squadron

Duty Title

AES Technician; Stan-
dard Evaluation
Liaison Office support
staff

Hometown

Bailey, Colo.

Civilian Job

Until school started
I was a civilian EMT.
Now I'm a full-time
graduate student.

Hobbies

Table shuffle board
at the VFW, reading,

baking banana and
other sweet breads,
geeky science fiction
TV shows

Education

Bachelor of Science
in Biopsychology,
Mills College, 2009;
In progress: Master
of Science in Speech-
Language Pathology,
University of Louisville

Career Goal

To become a speech-
language pathologist

**What do you like
about working at the
445th?**

I transferred last May
from Peterson AFB,
Colo. and the 445th

made me feel like
part of the family
before my first unit
training assembly.
The 445th is also a
much larger unit, so
I have opportunities
that I didn't have
before.

**Why did you join
the Air Force?**

My cousin, Cpl. Mat-
thew Commons, was
killed in action dur-
ing Operation Ana-
conda, March 2002.
I was a freshman in
high school and the
stories about Jason
Cunningham saving
who he could as long
as he could, stayed
with me. When I
graduated undergrad
and we were still



Courtesy photo

there, I decided I had to do
what I could to bring people
like Matt home. I obviously
couldn't be a PJ, but AE is a
better fit anyway.

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Chaplain staff available in times of need

*By Chaplain (Lt. Col.) David Leist
445th Airlift Wing Chaplain Corps*

Maybe you wake up some days won-
dering which end is up and if you got up
on the wrong side of the bed. At times
you might feel as if you should have
never gotten up at all.

Life can be filled with twists and
turns as we go through the midst of
change, turmoil, loss and uncertainties.
Whether you are in the midst of crisis,
going through a difficult time or just
struggling with unresolved circumstanc-
es that don't seem to work themselves
out on their own, you are not alone and
you do have an outlet.

Your chaplain can provide compas-
sionate listening and nonjudgmental
guidance at a time of physical and emo-
tional stress. He or she can lead you to
a source of comfort and peace that may
even come from your own untapped res-
ervoir of spiritual understanding.

Listening is one of the most precious
gifts a chaplain can offer. Compassion-
ate listening and being with you through
your greatest concerns of the moment is
always confidentially available to you.

Uncertainty and emotional instability
can scramble rational thought when you
are under pressure as stressors continue
to build. You may sense that there is no
clear direction for respite or inner peace.
A good chaplain will give you space to
express whatever feelings you are experi-
encing. Having someone on whom to
"dump" your worries and woes can relieve
you of some of the stressors you are fac-
ing.

What you can expect from a good
chaplain should involve confidentiality,
good listening skills, support for indi-

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LRS member named Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year

By Capt. Elizabeth Caraway
445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Master Sgt. Eric Cornett, 445th Logistics Readiness Squadron quality assurance, works a job during the week that very few people could do. As a detective with the Strategic Response Bureau of the Columbus Police Department, Cornett assists in the arrest of elusive wanted persons. He tracks down and brings in people wanted for rape, kidnapping, assault, human trafficking and burglary. He also locks up those wanted for murder warrants.

It's a job that requires the patience to stake out a location for 12 hours and the discipline and skill to bring in that wanted person even in combative situations. Cornett isn't just good at his job, though. He's one of the very best, evidenced by the Central Ohio Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year award he received Oct. 23.

Cornett came from a single parent home, learning a strong work ethic and later went on to serve in the Navy, Army and Air Force. A self-described "Type A" personality, Cornett's tenacity and intuition have served him well as he has climbed the ranks of the Columbus PD the past 23 years, eventually earning a spot in the elite Strategic Response Bureau, where he has worked for seven years. The SRB consists of two teams of 10, one serving the north and one the south, and it's responsible for bringing to justice hard-to-find alleged criminals.

Devotion to his job can be seen in his response to the phone call informing him he'd won the Crime Stoppers annual award. Deep amidst researching suspect resources, tracking electronic paper trails, and calling leads, he took the call and, after exchanging pleasantries, said, "I'm hunting a killer, what do you need?" Cornett is continually motivated by the knowledge that if he

doesn't stop them, no one will.

"You have to stop these guys; if you don't take them out, they'll take you out," says Cornett. "That puts you in the mindset that, 'I'm going to get you. You're not getting away.'"

The work that Cornett performs for the 445th, keeping vehicle operations and training in compliance, has admittedly been more tame, but he says he is grateful for it: "Everyone here [at the 445 LRS] does good work. My job here is a break. I compare it to a football player; he isn't an aggressive athlete all the time, but when he puts his helmet on..."

Cornett has "put his helmet on" a lot this past year. Examples include the apprehension of a motorcycle gang member and fugitive wanted for arson and military AWOL, a man wanted for multiple counts of aggravated robbery and a man wanted for a double shooting. Perhaps his most notable arrest this year came in August after six weeks of tireless effort. Cornett brought to justice a man wanted for rape, kidnapping, felonious assault and aggravated burglary.

His focus and discipline has not gone unnoticed at the LRS.

"Sergeant Cornett is a superior troop. He'll take charge of any situation," said Senior Master Sgt. Ryan Pratt, 445 LRS QA superintendent.

And how do his co-workers feel about working with a hard-core cop?

"It gives them a sense of pride that they are working with him, because they know he always does the right thing," said Pratt. "We are lucky to have him in our unit."

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viduals and families, religious services, sacraments and prayer, information and guidance regarding resources that are offered to you and your family as a military member, and information on support groups to meet various needs of individuals and their loved ones.

You might be saying to yourself, "I'm not a religious person. I don't practice any type of faith." Even if this is the case, a visit

with a chaplain may provide an opportunity to learn more about your personal spiritual self. Your military chaplain can help identify your particular need in a non-judgmental environment created to provide assistance. Your chaplain can come along side you on your spiritual journey and offer support when you are struggling to find it.

When you meet with a chaplain be honest, open and as specific as

you can be. A chaplain may not be able to solve your problems or repair your injuries but they can help to heal the hurts of your heart. They may bring comfort and peace and help to relieve built up anxiety.

Please know that we as the Chaplain Corps of the 445th Airlift Wing are here for you whenever and wherever you need us. Let us provide support to the complicated challenges life sometimes throws your way.



Annual chili cook-off raises money for CFC

By Stacy Vaughn

445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Rain showers didn't stop more than 50 people from attending the 445th Airlift Wing's annual chili cook-off Oct. 31 in building 4026. This annual tradition has been going strong for more than 11 years and raises money for the Combined Federal Campaign. This year's cook-off netted \$391, up \$10 from last year.

Nineteen simmering pots of chili with names such as, Spicy Black Bean Halloween Chili and Una Bella Mangiata! were in the competition. The aroma of spices, peppers and numerous secret ingredients wafting from the various crock pots continued to linger in the air even after the last tasty morsel was devoured at the conclusion of the event.

Judging the competition this year were Col. David Owens, 445th Operations Group commander, Col. Brett Newman, 445th Maintenance Group commander, Chief Master Sgt. Peri Rogowski, 445 AW command chief, and Lt. Col. Jay Smeltzer, 445th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron commander.

The judging for this year's competition was based on five criteria: smell, thickness, color, flavor and after taste.



Stacy Vaughn

Lt. Col. Jay Smeltzer and Col. Brett Newman sample chili while serving as judges for the 445th Airlift Wing Chili Cook-off.

As the judges sampled each pot, the phrases, "Man that one's hot," "I taste cinnamon," "Does that say duck?" echoed throughout the hangar.

Once the judges set their spoons down and sipped more water after tasting some heated concoctions, a winner was selected Master Sgt. Kelly Kruger, 445th Force Support Squadron services flight won this year's competition with her Una Bella Mangiata!

"I'm thrilled that I won. This is my second time competing. My first time was three years ago and I didn't even place. After such a loss three years ago, it's a great feeling to come back with a bang," Kruger said.

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Taking second place this year was Master Sgt. Ashley Dahl, 445th Maintenance Group NCO in charge of maintenance training, and third place went to Master Sgt. Greg King, 445th Maintenance Group NCOIC of plans, scheduling and documentation.

"A good bowl of chili requires tomatoes, not tomato juice but some good tomatoes, chili powder, beans of course, onions and venison. The chili should have a slight delayed burn or slow burn and not sweet," King said.

Safety concerns for pedestrians on base

There has been a rash of near-miss traffic pedestrian incidents at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base recently. Even with pedestrian safety being stressed regularly, there are still Airmen during low-light and daylight hours putting themselves at risk by not using common sense and following WPAFB 31-0116, *Installation Traffic and Parking Code*.

Here are a few critical points:

Pedestrians in marked crosswalks have the right of way. However, a pedestrian does not have an unrestricted right to walk into oncoming

traffic, even in marked crosswalks.

Walkers, joggers, runners and skaters on roadways at night or in inclement weather must wear retro-reflective clothing or retro-reflective accessories visible front and back. Personnel will use the extreme left-hand side of roadways and move against oncoming traffic. Personnel will not step into any roadway without first looking both ways. Violators may be cited on a DD Form 1408, *Armed Forces Traffic Ticket*.

Walkers, joggers, runners and skaters must use sidewalks when

available. Walking, jogging, running and skating on roadways is permitted only where there's no sidewalk on either side of the road.

The most common "violations" are joggers running on roads with the flow of traffic or at night without reflective gear. Joggers have been seen on roads when a sidewalk or running track is literally feet away.

Curbing potentially dangerous behavior will prevent future mishaps.

(Information courtesy of 88th Air Base Wing Safety Office.)



4th quarter award winners announced

Airman



Senior Airman Tyler Mohr, 445th Airlift Wing Command Post controller, is the 445th Airlift Wing Airman of the Quarter, fourth quarter. Mohr designed a database of command post knowledge exams. He validated the reference and accuracy for more than 360 exam questions, improving command post currency and evaluations by more than 25 percent. He orchestrated command and control for 42 Operation New Dawn missions involving the movement of 2,355 passengers and 1,100 tons of cargo. He also serves as a member of the base honor guard. During his off-duty time, Mohr is a Big Brother mentor and has collected more than 1,000 canned goods for the local food bank. He has a master's degree in administration and Bachelor of Science degrees in management, healthcare management and hospital management.

NCO



Tech. Sgt. Jessica Pruitt, 445th Services Sustainment Flight lodging craftsman, is the 445th Airlift Wing NCO of the Quarter, fourth quarter. Pruitt led the mortuary operations flight during the fall Calamityville medical readiness exercise, where she trained 15 services Airmen participating with more than 200 wing personnel. As the wing lodging manager, Pruitt has tracked more than 7,000 reservations, validating more than \$1 million and folios for 500 reservists and 15 commercial quarters. During her off-duty time, Pruitt assisted with providing more than 100 meals for the Wings of Women conference. She volunteered at a hydration station for the Air Force Marathon. Pruitt completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology and has been selected to attend the Cooper Institute Military First Responders Fitness Course in Dallas, Texas May 2014.

SNCO



Master Sgt. Eric Peters, 445th Maintenance Group propulsion flight chief, is the 445th Airlift Wing Senior NCO of the Quarter, fourth quarter. Peters ensured the accountability and adherence to procedures, standards and safety for the maintenance group, enabling sortie reliability of 98.7 percent. He oversaw the management of 21 job standard template packages, developing a source data program to manage updates and changes in accordance to technical orders. Peters organized a free C-17 auxiliary power unit training provided by Triumph Air Repair, a training opportunity for maintainers worth \$19,000. During his off-duty time, Peters raised more than \$1,300 for Honor Flight Dayton, helping to send veterans to Washington, D.C. The sergeant is close to completing a Bachelor of Science degree in business management from the University of Phoenix.

CGO



Capt. Craig Mohr, 445th Maintenance Group quality assurance officer, is the 445th Airlift Wing Company Grade Officer of the Quarter, fourth quarter. Mohr supervised the development of new maintenance work packages, automating 76 aircraft AFTO 781 forms manual entries, saving 75 man hours. He initiated crosstalk and an E-Tool tour with the Air Force Materiel Command A4 and A6 IT program managers to work Enterprise eTool integration issues. The captain supported technical order distribution officer training of 125 Airmen on iPads for aircraft maintenance technical data, ensuring expedited tool availability. During his off-duty time, Mohr has completed two courses through the Air Command and Staff College Online Master's Program and will earn Air Force Intermediate Development Education and Joint PME credits plus an accredited master's in military operational art and science degree.

445 AW recognizes CCAF graduates

The 445th Airlift Wing recognized 14 reservists at a Community College of the Air Force ceremony Nov. 3. Overall, 15 CCAF associate degrees were conferred for the October 2013 timeframe. One reservist earned two degrees.

Congratulations to the following reservists:

SrA Melinda Burpee
Allied Health Sciences

MSgt Ryan Buxton
Allied Health Sciences

SMSgt Bryan Cepluch
Criminal Justice

MSgt Charles Crawford
Mechanical and Electrical Technology

SMSgt Joseph Drake
Information Management

Intelligence Studies & Technologies

MSgt Sandi Golden-Vest
Education and Training Management

TSgt Kevin Kelly
Fire Science

TSgt Elizabeth Olmstead
Dietetics and Nutrition

SSgt Daniel Ozio
Mechanical and Electrical Technology

TSgt William Raymond
Intelligence Studies and Technology

SSgt Brandon Schwartz
Emergency Management

TSgt Brian Sudkamp
Construction Technology

TSgt Mark Turnbull
Metals Technology

SrA Laura Vance
Information Management



Reservists participate in survival training



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2



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4

Photos by Senior Master Sgt. Timothy Reuber

1. Capt. Melissa Seacat, 445th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron flight element officer in charge, and other Airmen arrive at their contact point as Lt. Col. Janet Norton, 445th Operations Support Squadron senior intelligence officer, evaluates the scenario during escape and evasion training Nov. 15.

2. Master Sgt. Gary Hanby, 445th Operations Support Squadron aircrew flight equipment assistant NCO in charge, instructs Senior Master Sgt. Pamela Brocklehurst, 89th Airlift Squadron loadmaster, on the proper use of a one man life raft and parachute entanglement during water survival training Nov. 14. Approximately 62 Airmen from AES, OSS and the 89th Airlift Squadron attended the Nov. 13-17 water survival/escape and evasion training held at the Naval Air Station in Key West, Fla. The OSS intelligence office created a Middle East exercise scenario and provided pre-mission briefings during the training, to insure evading personnel understood proper recovery procedures.

3. Master Sgt. Bret Baker, 89th Airlift Squadron loadmaster, receives assistance in "hostile territory" from a "local" during escape and evasion training Nov. 15. Several personnel from the 445 OSS role played indigenous personnel of a foreign country during training scenarios on successful recovery of aircrew personnel behind enemy lines.

4. SERE (survival, evade, resist, and escape) instructor Tech. Sgt. Joseph White, 96th Operations Support Squadron, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., gives a demonstration on proper body position for parachute drags during water survival training Nov. 14. Aircrew personnel were instructed in survival at sea, parachute entanglement procedures, signaling procedures, parachute drag escape procedures, methods and techniques for evasion in hostile territory.



News Briefs

Promotions

Airman

Karim Cardoso Silva
Zayago, AMDS
Dustin Swift, MXS

Airman First Class

Aubrey Booher, AMDS
Mason Haney, AMXS
Jonathon Rickards, SFS
Paul Rickards, SFS

Senior Airman

Nicholas Basciano, 71 IS
Kellie Colarik, DET 2
Justin Crites, SFS
Joshua Huber, SFS
Theodore Maytas, AW
Marian Morejon, ASTS
Maxwell Nukpor, AMDS
Cecilia Photinos, OSS

Staff Sergeant

Harold De La Matta,
AMXS
Roy Vonalmen, AES

Technical Sergeant

Daniel Baker, MXS
Timothy Geary, MXS
Bronson Hibbs, 89 AS
Matthew Pfeifer, 89 AS

Master Sergeant

Todd Gnat, 89 AS

Senior Master Sergeant

Molly Blackburn, ASTS

Newcomers

AES

Lt Col Joy Underwood

AMDS

MSgt Jennifer Hess
A1C Chelsea Meinert
AB Corey Fultz

AMXS

SSgt Chad McNeal

ASTS

A1C Margaret Gautreaux
A1C Alisha Kiessling

AW

Capt Luke McKeeth

CES

SSgt Brandi Smith
A1C Elliot Holmes
A1C Lucas Morris

DET 2

Maj Diana Cable
Maj James Stuber
TSgt Melissa Loney
SSgt Melisa Lopez
SSgt Cleve Marsh
SrA Benjamin Baird
SrA Kellie Colarik
SrA Cecillia Lopez
AB Orrin Arnsdorff
AB Justin Weaver

FSS

SSgt Carlos Vargas
A1C Brittany Nelson

LRS

SSgt Charles McCoy
SSgt Matthew Stinson
SSgt Ryan Tucker
SrA Jermaine Clarke
SrA Darrin Smith
A1C Felicia Esquivel

87 APS

TSgt Brooke Davisonbillings
SSgt Justin Bentley
SSgt Karen Fletcher
Amn Shane Ellis
AB Dylan Lewis-Lee

Awards

Legion of Merit

Col Stephen Goeman, AW

Meritorious Service Medal

Maj Dennis Park, AW
Maj Patrick Shields, CES
SMSgt Brian Caldwell, CES
MSgt Andrew Anderson III, AMXS
MSgt Steven Purvis, MXG
MSgt Robert Thomas, CES

TSgt Fred Waddell Jr.,
AMXS

Air Force

Commendation Medal

Col Linda Stokes-Crowe, AES
Lt Col Lawrence Allen Jr., AES
TSgt Timothy Knight, MXS
TSgt Robert Monti Jr., MXS

Air Force Achievement Medal

MSgt Antonio Cerra, MXS
MSgt Richard Gerhardt, MXS
TSgt Robert Monti Jr., MXS
TSgt Jessica Pruitt, FSS
TSgt Dorian White, SFS
SSgt Michael Blackthorn, LRS
SSgt George Goff, MXS
SSgt Joshua Hamilton, MXS
SrA Daniel Kimmey Jr., MXS
SrA Chelsie Pechiney, AW

Air Medal

TSgt William Fisher, 89 AS

Annual VA holiday party

The annual Dayton Veterans Affairs holiday party will be held Saturday, Dec. 7 at the Dayton VA Medical Center.

Members of the wing are encouraged to donate the following items: T-shirts (X-Large – 3 XL); flip flops/shower shoes; women's and men's underwear; socks; baseball caps; paperback novels; DVDs; hairbrushes/combs; tooth brushes; hand lotion; spray deodorant; small shampoo bottles; small toothpaste; powered creamer; decaffeinated coffee; sugar/sweetener; and flex straws. Baked goods are also needed.

Collection boxes are located in the recruiter's office in building 4014.

Airmen should seek supervisor approval prior to attending.

Members will caravan from the flagpole of building 4010 at 10:30 a.m. Dec. 7. All members must return to their units between 1 to 1:30 p.m. If you have questions, please call Master Sgt. Glenda Marck at (937) 257-8116.

Toys for Tots

Collections have begun for the annual Toys for Tots campaign. Boxes have been placed throughout the wing and will be collected Dec. 10.

The 445th Airlift Wing goes above and beyond in contributing to this worthy cause. In 2011 the wing donated 642 toys weighing more than 259 pounds. Let's try to beat that number! This year the need is even greater as families face increased fiscal difficulty.

If you have any questions, please contact Master Sgt. Glenda Marck at glenda.marck@us.af.mil.



MXS “Do it All” machine produces big results

By Master Sgt. Charlie Miller
445th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

The 445th Maintenance Squadron fabrication flight has a piece of industrial equipment that employs new technology to manufacture a wide variety of products with surgeon-like precision.

The fabrication flight owns and operates the Haas VR-8, manufactured by Haas Automation, the largest automated machine tool builder in the western world. It is highly accurate and able to mill down to .0001 of an inch. The flight has been using the machine for approximately six months.

The machine, one of just a few in the Air Force Reserve inventory, was recently programmed to manufacture a floor beam for a C-17 Globemaster III. The original floor beam had some corrosion and needed to be replaced. The exact piece cannot be ordered from a parts depot or purchased “off the shelf,” so the fab shop made a new one.

The VR-8 is able to make parts for the wing’s C-17 fleet, numerous military vehicles, other milling machines in the fab flight shop and just about anything else needed at the 445th. The machine can mill metal, wood and any machineable plastic.

“We could make parts for a steam locomotive if we had to,” said Tech. Sgt. Mark Turnbull, aircraft metals technology craftsman, with a wide grin. The sergeant also said



Haas VR-8

Master Sgt. Charlie Miller

that the machine accepts sets of instructions in computer code that could be 20,000 lines long for a complex part.

If the VR-8, which is about the size of a sports utility vehicle, had a motto it would be, “Bring it on.”

Although the price tag of the Haas VR-8 was more than \$250,000, the fabrication flight Airmen agree it is an investment, a recapitalization and will be invaluable in the long run since it can manufacture parts that are un-

procurable or out of production.

One of the biggest benefits is that critical flying missions will not be canceled or delayed for long periods of time due to the need for parts.

The highly versatile machine can manufacture knobs, make compound curves and angles in projects, and complete intricate wood carvings. It can be programmed to do engraving as well. Turnbull said when a new Airman comes to the fab flight, large blocks of wax or plastic are used to train them on the VR-8.

As of last week about the only thing the VR-8 could not make was a pot of coffee, but Tech. Sgt. Tim Knight, fabrication flight shop chief, said they were working on that.

On the Web



AES conducts medical training



Wing safety completes facility inspection



87 APS loads cargo

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