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Job-A-Thon



With national unemployment figures standing at more than 10 percent, and unemployment increasing in Oklahoma, the owners and managers of KWTU, Channel 9, decided something had to be done.

Their solution was a three-hour Job-A-Thon, broadcast from three Oklahoma City shopping centers, to match local businesses with potential employees.

Contributing their time and effort were members of the 507th Tactical Fighter Group and local Air Force Reserve Recruiting Office members who served as participating sponsors.

Throughout the program, the recruiters and Group volunteers answered phones at Channel 9's station and manned a display booth set up at Crossroads Mall Shopping Center.

According to SMSgt John Donovan, Senior Recruiter, it was the first time any Air Force Reserve Recruiting office had been involved in such a project.

"The success of the test project will determine the future of similar projects across the country," he said.

The recruiting office ran three 60-second commercials, sponsoring one-half hour of the program, in addition to Channel 9 reporters conducting on-the-air interviews with recruiters and 507th TFG volunteers.

The program generated an immediate 30-40 leads, and recruiters conducted five interviews during the next two days as a direct result.

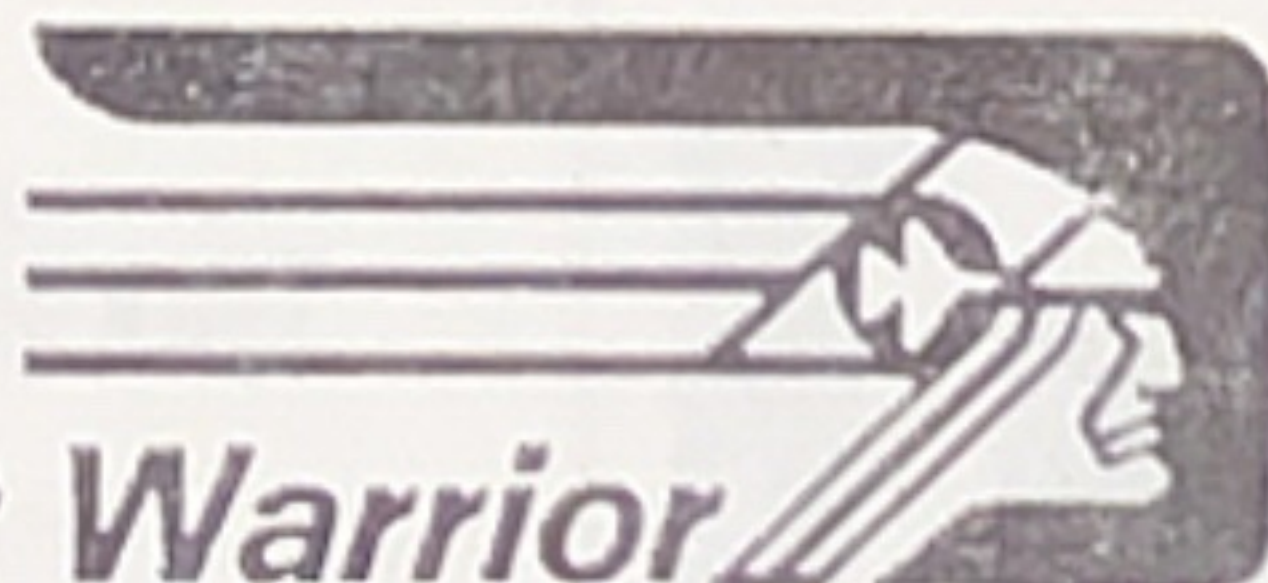
"It was amazing," said Sergeant Donovan. "During the next two days we had people calling practically every office in the 507th asking for more information."

Sergeant Donovan said Channel 9 promised to provide a special computer printout of all who called about the reserve program.

"It'll probably take two months to follow through these leads and evaluate the results. We really got the word out."



PRIOR TO GOING ON THE AIR Larry Nobels, channel 9, goes over his notes with Maj Ty Zerby. As a result of the Job-A-Thon Renee Richie and Donita Rice (background) have signed on with the 507th TFG.



Project Warrior

(AFNS) "Project Warrior" is aimed to change the way Air Force men and women think about their jobs, said Lt Col Fred Shiner, Air Staff focal point for the project.

Project Warrior, which officially began Sept. 1, 1982, is designed to be conducted at the local unit level. The program encourages a wide range of activities such as lectures, seminars, professional reading, war-gaming and others.

The colonel said each unit is asked to emphasize the project's two purposes.

"They should foster a warfighting spirit and improve an understanding of the theory and practice of war. We're trying to establish an attitude in our forces," the colonel noted, "so they'll not only be more dedicated, but more educated."

"As Air Force members, our responsibility goes far beyond a normal job," the colonel emphasized. "We must create an atmosphere where our people understand who they are, and that the nation's defense is really our ultimate responsibility."

To accomplish that, Air Force people need to receive more education on the subject of warfare.

"It's not that we're warmongers, but we are responsible for deterring our adversaries," the colonel said.

"If deterrence fails, we must fight--that's the bottom line. Out-thinking the enemy is the name of the game. We must know more about war than our adversary. We must study military history, strategy, tactics and logistics," he said.

According to the colonel, the Soviet Union has more manpower and weapons than we do, and they out-produce us every year. If it came to war, we would have to do more with less, and do it effectively.

To that end, we must do a better job of developing military professionals. "We're all important members of a combat team. Everyone from the Chief of Staff to the food-service worker is important," he said.

Through Colonel Shiner's office, the Air Force provides resources and program suggestions to help. Unit commanders, supervisors and workers, he stressed, are the key to achieving Project Warrior's goals.

"Air Force members and their families should understand the unit mission to see where they fit into the 'big picture.' Resources and program suggestions to help with Project Warrior may be obtained through Colonel Shiner's office; HQ USAF/XOXID, Pentagon, 401062, Washington, D.C. 20330, Autovon 255-9775.

Uniforms given names not numbers

(AFNS) The guesswork has been taken out of what to call the different uniform combinations.

According to Manpower and Personnel Officials at Randolph AFB, TX, all numerical references to uniform combinations are being dropped. A simpler, easier to understand description will be used instead.

The changes are now in effect, personnel officials said, and will be included in a revision to Air Force Regulation 35-10.

They are:

"Service Dress" will be the new name for the men's combination 1 and the women's combination 1 and 1A.

"Light blue shirt with long sleeves" and "Light blue blouse with long sleeves" are the new terms for men's combination 2 and the previously unnamed women's combination.

"Light blue shirt with short sleeves" and "Light blue blouse with short sleeves" will be used instead of the previous men's combinations 2A, 4 and 4A and women's combinations 2 and 2A. The men's uniform should specify

"with or without epaulets" and "with or without tie."

The "Dark blue shirt" is the new name for men's combination 3.

Women's combinations 5 and 5A will be known as the "maternity smock".

The new name for the subdued work or field utility uniform is now simply "fatigues." It should be specific whether the fatigues are "work" or "field".

The term for formal evening dress has been shortened to "formal dress." There is no change in the use of the term "mess dress."

Semiformal dress, which is worn by enlisted personnel has no change.

The former informal uniforms--white or black--will now be known as "ceremonial dress."

Officials stressed that women may wear skirt or slacks with the appropriate uniform as indicated in the regulation. Members may contact the personal affairs section of the unit Personnel Office at extension 7491 for more information.

IMA's stand ready

(AFNS) Some 10,000 Reserve Individual Mobilization Augmentees stand ready in case of a national emergency, announced officials of the Air Reserve Personnel Center at Denver.

Under this Reserve program, IMA's serve in fields such as Public Affairs, Law, Intelligence, Chapel Services, and Medical Services, as well as electronic specialties, jet engine mechanics, food services and others.

IMA's usually train one day a month and serve active duty tours for two weeks each year. Training

schedules are arranged by active-duty supervisors for maximum benefit to the Air Force. In addition, IMA's do not have to live near their assigned Air Force Unit.

For more information about the Reserve IMA program, prior-service members may write or call the Recruiting Coordinator Division, ARPC, Denver Colo. 80380. The toll-free number is 1-800-525-0102, extension 297 or 298. The Autovon number is 926-4582. Locally contact Mr Lonnie Mitchell at (405) 734-3959.

In and around the group

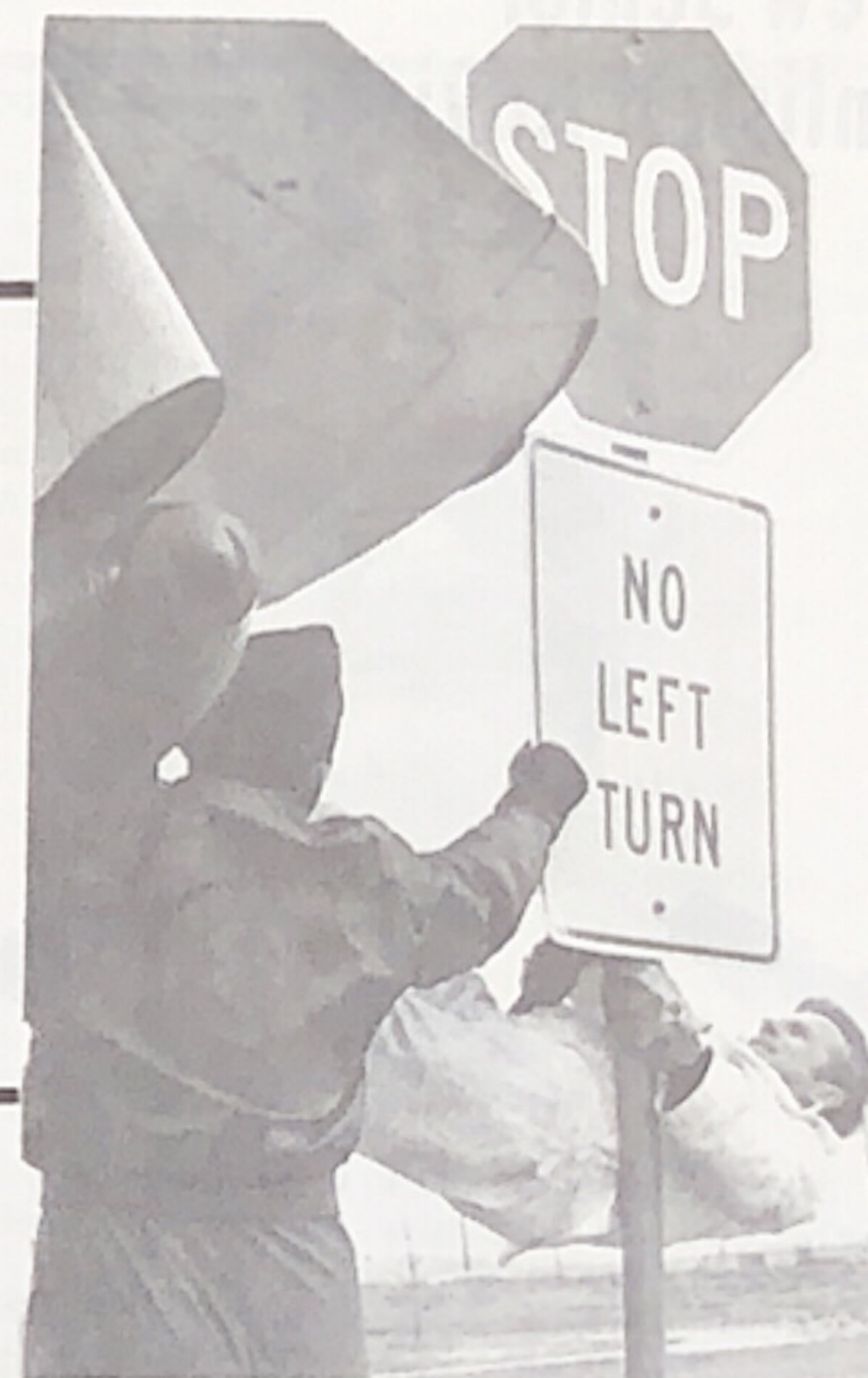


Rapid Runway Repair training is accomplished by the Prime Beef team of the 507th CES, as they practice laying matting during a UTA.



SMSgt Melvin Dunfee conducts a tour through the engine shop with students from the Electro-Mechanical course at Oscar Rose Jr College.

The only obstacle encountered in moving the F-105 from the 507th area to its display location via the base roads, was a traffic sign at the last intersection. Maj Russell assists TSgt Larry Duncan in adjusting the sign to fit the situation.



Members of the 72nd APS answering phones and taking pledges for "Festival 83", a fund raising benefit for Channel 13, the local Oklahoma Educational TV Authority.



TSgt C.W. Hollingshead calls out the serial number of an M-16 during weapons issue, prior to the 507th WSSF departing for 2 weeks in Korea, to participate in "Team Spirit", a joint U.S. and Korean exercise.



Gan Matthews, channel 5, interviews Maj John Russell, project officer for the F-105 historical display. Aircraft 360 was assigned to the 507th TFG before the F-4D transition.

New Senior Enlisted Advisor



SMSgt John Bowles was recently selected as the new Senior Enlisted Advisor for the 507th TFG. Col McEntee, Group Commander, made the announcement at the staff meeting during the March UTA. Prior to his selection SMSgt Bowles was the NCOIC of Administrative Services.

AFSA membership drive

The Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA) is conducting its annual membership drive. AFSA is open to active duty, ANG/USAFR, retired enlisted personnel, and officers who were formerly enlisted. Some of the benefits offered members are; free A.D.&D insurance, VISA, low cost auto insurance, group health and life insurance, denticare, car rental, and many others. Membership is \$15.00 for one year, and is also offered in 2 and 3 year and lifetime memberships at a reduced rate. To sign up and/or get more information, contact MSgt Mike Tritsch, in the Admin section (DA), in building 1043, or extension 5102.

AWC seminar program

(AFNS) The Air War College is starting a seminar program tailored to the needs of the Air Force Reserve.

The program, which begins in August, will provide the same program structure, curriculum materials, examinations, writing assignments and videotapes used in the current nonresident seminar program for active duty officers.

Reserve officers have one year to complete each 20-lesson volume of study, starting in August and finishing by July 31 of the following year. Each location will develop schedules to cover two lessons in conjunction with monthly unit training meetings. Program graduates will receive a standard AWC seminar diploma. Some Reserve units may opt to establish AWC seminars under normal AWC criteria, one volume each six months, versus one each year.

Each AFRES wing/group location has the potential to form an AWC seminar, say AFRES officials.

A correspondence program is available for those not able to participate in a seminar. It affords immediate enrollment and allows students to progress largely at their own pace.

Course requirements for all programs consist of two current 20-chapter volumes of study, four multiple-choice closed-book examinations and two 15-20 page (about 4,000-word) research reports. The courses are nearly identical in materials, writing assignments and evaluation. They are designed to be completed in as little as one year, depending upon the specific program.

Interested individuals may obtain more information by contacting the personnel training office, extension 7075.

CAMS awards top performers

TSgt Kenneth D. J. Coffey has been recognized as the Maintenance Person of the Month for February 1983.



Deputy Commander for Maintenance, Maj Ty Zerby presents a plaque to TSgt Kenneth Coffey at the CAMS daily staff meeting.

Sergeant Coffey, a member of the Aircraft Generation Branch, 507th Consolidated Maintenance Squadron, was congratulated for his achievement by Major Ty Zerby, 507 CAMS Deputy Commander for Maintenance.

"The excellent performance of Sergeant Coffey in the accomplishment of his assigned duties, additional duties, and in the support of other sections and branches exemplifies true professionalism," the major said.

According to his award citation, Sergeant Coffey's in-depth knowledge of the flightline maintenance function and associated areas, has contributed greatly to the Aircraft Generation Branch, and enhanced the decision-making process.

Technical Sergeant Coffey is extremely well informed on all aspects of his assigned position and organizational goals.

Also recognized for their efforts were the members of the Equipment Maintenance Section in the Equipment Maintenance Branch. They were presented the CAMS SH Award for February. SMSgt Marvin Dorward, section supervisor, accepted the award in behalf of his team.

The award was presented for the overall superior performance of the section in the area of operational enhancement and mission achievement.

Embroidered clip-on ribbons approved

(AFNS) Air Force members can now use a clip-on device for their embroidered ribbons, announced Air Force Manpower and Personnel officials at Randolph AFB, TX.

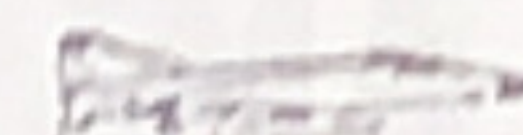
The wear of clip-on devices was approved in a change to Air Force Regulation 35-10, officials said.

Metal or plastic clip-on devices

may be used.

The change was made to save expense of having ribbons sewn on and to make transferring embroidered ribbons to another uniform easier. Embroidered ribbons may be worn with any uniform authorized for ribbon wear, officials said.

Chaplain's corner



By Chaplain (1st Lt) Robert Hunt
For those of you whom I have not yet had the opportunity to meet, allow me to introduce myself. I am the second and most recent chaplain to join the ranks of the 507th TFG.

My name is Chaplain Robert Hunt. My residence is in Ponca City, Oklahoma, where I am the Pastor of Liberty Baptist Church. I have been in the Air Force Reserve for three years. Before coming to this outstanding group, I had been assigned to the 9017ARG at Lowry AFB, Colorado.

I wish to express further to you that I am here to be one of your Chaplains to serve you and your needs which exist in your spiritual life. Regardless of your religious preference, I am here to help and assist you. I am your Chaplain. You will never be turned away from our offices for any reason.

As a reservist, our mission is that of the entire group. Whether you are in maintenance, combat

support, or other squadrons, we all have the same basic mission. That mission is the combat readiness of this tactical fighter group. Because of this important fact, we are a part of a great team.

As one of your chaplains, it is my duty to see your emotional and spiritual needs are being met. If any one of these areas are causing you problems, these problems will surface in your job mission performance. As a result, you might not do the best job you are capable of doing.

Therefore, if you have a problem, feel free to come by or call and visit with me about the matter during our UTAs or at any other time between UTAs. My personal phone number can be obtained from our personnel office.

I am looking forward to meeting each of you, visiting you on the work site, on all shifts. May our Lord and God Bless you today and each day with good health and a wonderful life.

UTA Schedule

12 - 13 MAR; 16 - 17 APR;
14 - 15 MAY; 25 - 26 JUN;
23 - 24 JUL; 20 - 21 AUG;
HOME STATION ANNUAL TOUR
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