



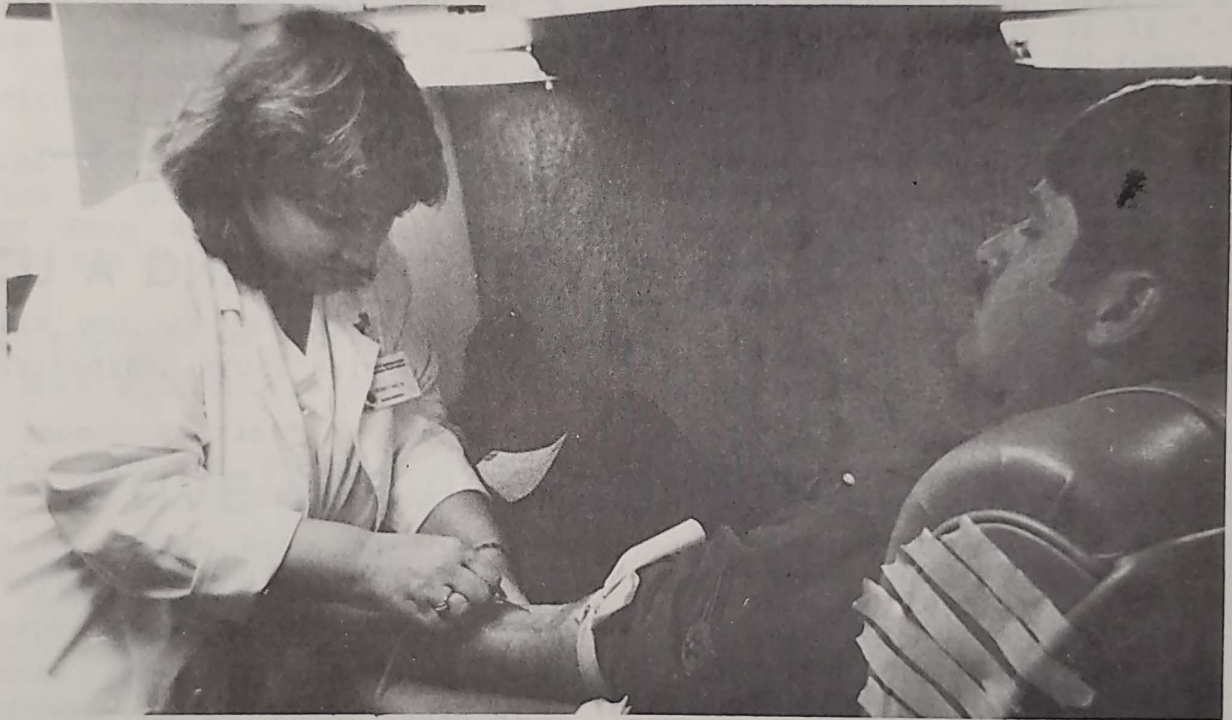
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## 507TH BLOOD DRIVE A SUCCESS



Rosemary Challis from the Oklahoma Blood Institute gets ready to draw a pint of blood from Sgt. Scott Brantley, 507th Civil Engineering Squadron. Thirty-three

units of blood were donated by 507th members during the first blood drive the unit has sponsored. (USAF photo)

## STOCKING STUFFERS RECEIVE THANKS

The 507th Tactical Fighter Group received letters of appreciation from the Salvation Army and Maj. Gen. William P. Bowden, commander of Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, for the unit's participation in the annual Salvation Army's Christmas Stocking project.

More than 3,000 families received toys for their children due to the efforts of units at Tinker. The 507th contributed more than 300 stockings for the project.

"I am proud to be part of an organization that has so many 'caring and sharing' individuals," said Lt. Col. James L. Turner, 507th TFG commander.



# COLONEL'S JOURNAL

I'm James L. (Larry) Turner, new commander of the 507th. I have been here twice before and am happy to be back in Oklahoma. My last assignment was as DO, Homestead AFB, Florida.

I don't plan to make any immediate, big changes in the operation of the 507th. My policy is more or less "If it works, don't fix it." If it doesn't work, then we'll see if we can fix it together.

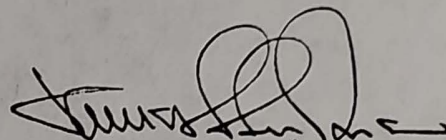
I will have an open door policy, but do not circumvent your chain of command. I am interested in what goes on at all levels, and I will be getting out in the work areas as much as possible.

For the next few months, the password will be ORI, ORI, O R I! One of the big emphasis areas will be chemical warfare procedures; this will apply to all activities--maintenance, flying, and support services. I am sure that we'll all be tired of exercises, practices, mobility, etc, etc, etc before June, but hang in there and keep sight of the objective: to be ready in case of a real emergency. We have a long way to go to get ready.

I was very proud of the way our people responded to the January UTA blood drive. The appreciation letter we received from the Oklahoma Blood Institute stated that 33 units of blood were collected and that through the process of component fractionation, those 33 units will provide a life-source to approximately 99

patients. I personally thank each and every one of you who took part in this worthy project. Watch for dates for the next drive, possibly on Sunday of the August UTA.

I look forward to meeting you all and also look forward with anticipation to meeting and beating (with your help) the challenges we will encounter this year.



## RESCHEDULING A UTA

Are you unable to attend a UTA?  
Did you miss a UTA unexpectedly?

Reschedule letters must be submitted before the UTA that is being rescheduled.

If you did not have a reschedule letter before the missed UTA, only AFRES Form 130 will be accepted after the fact.

In other words, if you miss a UTA because of a prior commitment, reschedule before the slated UTA date. But, if you are involved in an accident or other emergency before the UTA and cannot make the UTA, then an AFRES Form 130 must be used.

If you are still not sure what form to use, check with your orderly room or the quality force section of CBPO.

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# GUIDELINES FOR PREGNANT RESERVISTS

Women reservists who are pregnant must provide the 507th TAC Clinic with the following information:

A letter from your doctor stating that you are pregnant, your due date and any medical condition that might affect your pregnancy, including physical limitations.

Notify your supervisor and get a written statement describing your work environment and physical activities involved in your job.

These two items must be hand-carried to the 507th TAC Clinic so an AF Form 422, Physical Serial Report, can be initiated.

While you are pregnant, you will NOT be allowed to perform duty away from home station. In other words,

no TDY and no annual tour away from Tinker.

You will be excused from receiving immunizations while pregnant.

Reports must be furnished periodically from your private physician, especially if complications occur.

No duty will be performed after the 34th week of pregnancy.

Report of the 507th TAC Clinic six weeks after delivery so you can be returned to duty status. This must be done during the week, not on a UTA.

If there are any questions, call the clinic at 734-2487.

## SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION A MUST

Male Air Force Reservists between the ages of 18 and 26 must register with Selective Service. Officials point out that serving in a reserve component does not preclude this obligation.

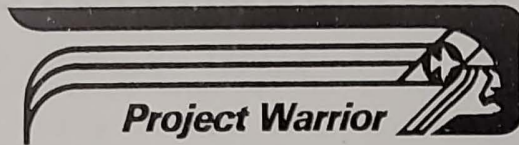
Under new laws recently signed by President Reagan, men not registered will be denied appointment to federal jobs, federal student aid and job training benefits.

Lt. Col. James L. Turner accepts the 507th Tactical Fighter Group flag from Col. John J. Closner, 419th Tactical Fighter Wing commander, at the 507th TFG Change of Command ceremony during January's UTA. Colonel Turner comes to the 507th from 482nd TFW at Homestead AFB, Fla. (USAF photo)





# STAR WARS THE FORCE IS WITH US



by 1st Lt. Matthew V. Tsien  
507th TFG Project Warrior officer

"The best offense is a good defense."

Throughout history, defense has been vital to victory. Kings in the Middle Ages erected enormous castles on mountain tops with surrounding moats. Early American settlers protected themselves from Indian attacks within the armed walls of forts. An effective system of defense has always been a key to personal and public security.

The same is also true in today's nuclear age. A virtually impregnable defense may prove the best deterrent to nuclear war. President Reagan's SDI (Strategic Defense Initiative, also known as "Star Wars") delivers that defense with an attested 9098 percent effectiveness in destroying enemy missiles.

Proponents say advantages for such a system abound. Money presently being spent on new missiles to counter the Soviet threat would no longer be necessary since the Soviet's \$500 billion nuclear arsenal would be rendered ineffective. A true builddown could occur. Also, the increasing likelihood of fanatic Third World regimes obtaining and firing nuclear weapons at us would be stalemated.

What then are we waiting for? Public opinion polls reveal that 90 percent of Americans want a defensive system to shoot down enemy missiles. What are the objections of critics?

Basically, they are threefold. The first is cost. Present estimates run at \$60 billion for a highly effective twolayer system.

While this price tag is indeed high, the alternative cost of maintaining an arsenal comparable to the Soviets is even higher. In terms of priceperformance, SDI clearly is the winner.

The other two objectives are first that the system will not work, and second that it will take war into space.

The validity of the SDI concept has already been proven in tests conducted in the South Pacific on June 10, 1984. The Soviets believe it will work, or they would not be propagandizing for its rejection. Also, as a defensive strategy, SDI should not extend war into space, but will instead make war in space obsolete. A key to SDI weaponry, the "smart bullet" is not a nuclear warhead, but instead an electronic device designed to garble the electronics in an incoming ICBM. Smart bullets are not offensive weapons, and thereby will not extend war into space. They are designed to prevent war.

SDI is a defense plan that promises a safer tomorrow and, according to President Reagan, must not be bartered away at future summits.

## POLICY BOARD NEEDS INPUTS

There will be a Tactical Air Command Air Reserve Forces Policy and Advisory Council meeting in May.

If you have any inputs, the 507th TFG advisory council would like to know about them.

Give your inputs to your advisory council representative or CMSgt. Lee Adams, 507th TFG senior enlisted advisor before the February UTA council meeting

Lt. Col. Larry Turner, 507th TFG commander, must have all inputs to TAC headquarters before February 20.



## AIRMAN/NCO OF THE YEAR FOR THE 507TH TFG

SSgt. Gary A. Bourisaw, 507th CES, has been selected as the 507th TFG NCO of the Year for 1985.

The Airman of the Year for the 507th TFG is ALC Bekki Lingenfelter from the 507th ISS.

Sergeant Bourisaw is a refrigeration/air conditioning maintenance specialist. He is cross-training from the liquid fuels career field.

According to Lt. Col. David E. Pierson, 507th CES commander, Sergeant Bourisaw, while assigned to the 507th CAMS as a liquid fuels specialist before cross-training into the refrigeration career

field, was instrumental in the repair of six fuel line breaks.

The sergeant is also very active in the 507th TFG Airman/NCO Advisory Council.

Airman Lingenfelter is an electronic cryptographic maintenance specialist. She graduated from technical school with honors.

According to her nomination letter, her work is done efficiently and is of the finest quality. "She has a positive attitude toward her work and pays close attention to detail," wrote Capt. Henry Detwiler, ISS executive officer.



Checking out a telecommunications line controller (TLC) during a recent deployment to England, is Airman Bekki Lingenfelter, 507th Airman of the Year. (USAFR photo)



## BEING A COP IS A LONGTIME AMBITION

"I've always wanted to be a cop. And, being the first woman in this unit is a real challenge," said AB Michelle R. Swyden of joining the 507th Weapon System Security Flight.

The 1984 Moore High School graduate started her military career by looking into the Army Reserve program. "I knew the recruiter was not telling me everything. It just sounded too good to be true."

"I didn't know it at the time but I am one of the first women to go through the security side of the security police program."

Liking what she heard about the Air Force Reserve program, "hearing the bad along with the good," Airman Swyden decided to join.

Women had only been involved in law enforcement until January 1985 when the security career field was opened to women.

"I felt uncomfortable the first UTA after completing basic and tech school. I don't want to be treated any differently than the rest of the flight," added the airman.

"I know that I will be looked upon to set the standards for other women who are interested in joining the security side of security police. If I goof up I'll be an example for all women."

"But along those same lines," Airman Swyden said, "if I do a good job, then I will have proved to the Air Force that women can handle the job. As long as someone knows the job, it shouldn't make any difference if they are a man or woman." Continued on page 7



AB Michelle R. Swyden is the first woman assigned to the 507th Weapons System Security Flight.

Airman Swyden graduated from the Air Force Security Police Academy in December. (USAF photo)



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## BEING A COP IS A LONGTIME AMBITION

One of Airman Swyden's biggest concerns about entering the security career field is that most other members of the WSSF have previous experience in security or law enforcement. "So, not only am I the first woman in the security flight, but I have no background in the field."

SMSGt. John Childers, WSSF superintendent, said "So far, Airman Swyden has proven herself and her abilities. She is a security specialist first."

Maj. Roger Barr, 507th WSSF commander, is enthusiastic about Airman Swyden's role. "She really

isn't the first woman we have had in WSSF." Sgt. Darlene Maceligot, the administration specialist with the WSSF, has had some law enforcement training.

"Airman Swyden isn't treated any differently than any other new troop. The first UTA after basic training was a novelty but the guys have accepted her well," continued the major.

"She has no more to prove to us 'old-timers' than any other new troop we get," added Major Barr. "If I didn't believe in her ability to be a good security troop, she would not be here now."

## IN AND AROUND THE GROUP



SSgt. John P. Cordon (on pallet), MSgt. Don Pursifull and TSgt. John R. Cardoni, 507th CAMS, unload a pallet during the January UTA. Pallets were assembled as part of a mobility exercise. (USAF photo)



Col. Jervis "Jed" McEntee, former commander of the 507th TFG, gets roasted at his retirement party by Lt. Col. Jerry A. Wrucha and Col. John J. Closner, 419th TFW commander. Colonel McEntee was the 507th TFG commander from July 1978 to June 1984. (USAF photo)

## PAY DATES

The following is being provided to keep you informed of the pay dates for February. The document date is when the 507th TFG military pay section must have the necessary pay documentation to meet the scheduled pay date.

The documentation must be complete, i.e., certifications, itineraries, orders, etc. If the paperwork is not complete or there is a conflict, the scheduled pay date will not be met.

Document Date	Scheduled Pay Date
03 Feb 86	14 Feb 86
10 Feb 86	21 Feb 86
18 Feb 86	28 Feb 86
24 Feb 86	07 Mar 86

## POW MEDAL AUTHORIZED

Congress has authorized a Prisoner of War Medal for American military members taken prisoner and held captive after April 5, 1917. The Department of Defense Authorization Act specifies that the medal will rank in precedence as the highest service medal the nation can bestow upon a service member. Design of the medal is set to be completed by the end of May.

## UTA SCHEDULE

08 - 09 FEB;	08 - 08 MAR;
12 - 13 APR;	03 - 04 MAY;
07 - 08 JUN;	12 - 13 JUL;
23 - 24 AUG;	20 - 21 SEP;

### ANNUAL TOUR

19 JUN - 03 JUL

## ISS SERGEANT RETURNS HOME

During the recent deployment to England by the 507th Information Systems Squadron, TSgt. Eloisa Tadefa was able to "return to the place fo her birth" when she visited the house where she was born 25 years ago. It was her first visit to her birthplace since leaving England when she was one year old.

"I went up to the house and walked around the porch. I just couldn't bring myself to ring the bell," said Sergeant Tadefa.

The sergeant is a teletype and telephone operator with the ISS.

As a civilian, she is employed as a secretary at Tinker AFB.

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