

TINKER AFB, OK

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## COINCIDENCES INFLUENCE CAREER

"About a month before I got out of the Air Force, my wife-to-be was joining. Her first assignment was Tinker. I joined the reserves after we got here.

"Now three years later, my unit's two-week annual tour is slated for Japan. Two weeks after I got notification of the Yokota Air Base deployment, my wife received PCS orders to Yokota that will have her arriving while I am in the middle of my annual tour. Just too many coincidences."

That is how SSgt. Rex Stinnett, 72nd Aerial Port Squadron, describes his reason for wanting to re-enter active duty.

As a reservist, Stinnett works in the 72nd APS as an air cargo handler. "I'm going to try to get back on active duty with a unit in Japan working in air cargo but I also have a 5-level AFSC in the medical technician career field," he added.

"I'll do whatever job the 'powers-to-be' want me to do so I can get back in. If that doesn't work out, I'm definitely staying in the reserves. I already have nine years invested in the military."

His wife, SrA. Elaine Stinnett, worked with the 966th Aircraft Generation Squadron in the supply section before getting the shortnotice orders to Japan. Airman

Stinnett's orders have her arriving March 10.



SSgt. Rex Stinnett, SrA. Elaine Stinnett, and their son, Brant, hope that coincidences work out in their favor. Rex is trying to re-enter active duty and continue his military career.

The 72nd APS will be at Yokota AB Feb. 28 until March 14. "This is a real switch on the system," added Sergeant Stinnett. "Now the 'dependent' will be greeting the 'member' on arrival at a new base. Usually it's the other way around."

What the Stinnetts find even stranger is that Elaine was thinking about getting out around the time her orders were received.

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# COLONEL'S JOURNAL SATAF'S VISIT STARTS CONVERSION

Our F-16 Site Activation Task Force (SATAF 1) team has come and gone. We are officially on our way to the conversion. Numerous decisions and recommendations were made by the team. We know there will be various problems and obstacles to work out and surmount. But we have made a beginning.

SATAF II is scheduled for August. This second visit will determine how much progress we've made and what still remains to be done. By then, we should be rolling along. In the interim, I have requested that Lt. Col. Jerry Sharp, our Air Force Advisor and a former F-16 instructor pilot, be special advisor to the conversion committee. Bi-weekly meetings for the Unit Conversion Working Group have already started. This conversion will be a total effort involving the entire unit. I know I will have your full support and cooperation.

Unfortunately, the recent past has shown that most conversions will cost a unit an aircraft accident. Common sense would imply that the aircraft accident would be associated with the inexperience in the new weapon system, but that is not always the case. As the pulse rate increases with the new airframes being flown at an increasing rate, it would perhaps be easy to forget about F-4 operations, making that aircraft/aircrew candidates for an incident.

I will put our reputation on the line by saying that our conversion to the F-16 aircraft will not cost the 507th an aircraft accident. This challenges each and every one of you with being as safe as you possibly can in your ground and/or flying duties.

As we start to gin up a safe F-16 flying operation, we'll be winding down a safe F-4 operation. In fact, quoting from the SATAF Report that our recent visitors left behind --- "The unit possesses a 'can-do' attitude throughout. With that attitude, combined with continued organization and outside support, there is little doubt that their's will be a successful/safe conversion to the F-16."

On other matters, we will have the 37th TFW, our active duty advisors from George AFB, Calif., visiting us during the March UTA. They will be here in a staff assistance/inspection capacity to prepare us for our upcoming January Unit Effectiveness Inspection (UEI). If you have problems, now is time to resolve them.

Treat our visitors with courtesy and respect and remember that their several visits here prior to our ORI had a definite bearing on the superior rating we received during that inspection. They are here to help — let's show them how good we are.

JAMES L. TURNER, Lt Col, USAFR Commander

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## KNOW CONDUCT BEFORE CONFLICTS ARISE

by SSgt. Tim Matheny,

30-30 Air Force Regulation provides and explains standards of conduct that relate to possible conflicts between private interests of Air Force personnel and their official military duties.

In general, Air Force people should refrain from engaging in any personal or professional business, or financial dealing which could put them in a position of conflict between their private interests and the public interests of the United States.

As a member of the Air Force Reserve, it is your duty to avoid this situation. Here are a few suggestions that might be helpful.

- 1. Do not use any information to which you have access through your Air Force duties and responsibilities for your private gain.
- 2. Do not engage in any conduct that will be prejudicial in any way to the U.S. government or the Air Force.

- 3. Do not use your position in the Air Force to induce, coerce or influence others of lower rank to violate this regulation.
- 4. Do not solicit for commercial purposes any Air Force people or other government employees, junior in rank or grade or subordinate to you at any time on or off duty.
- 5. Do not misuse, abuse of appropriate government property, facilities or manpower for personal of profitable use.
- 6. Do not use your military rank or title for commercial purposes whih may conflict with government or Air Force interests and concerns.

These are only some of the standards set out by the regulation. To help you avoid a conflict of interest, you should read AFR 30-30 or seek legal counsel from the Staff Judge Advocate office. Remember, failure to heed this regulation could result in disciplinary action under the UCMJ.

### COMMISSIONING PROGRAM UPDATES AGE LIMITS

If you were interested in the non-EAD (extended active duty) commissioning program but the age limits mentioned in the December On-final stopped you, have no fear. The age waiver limit has been reinstated to include those aged 35-38.

"This has been lifted only for' the 1987 selection board" said TSgt. Belinda Journey, NCOIC of quality force. "We have no idea if this will be effect for the 1988 selection board."

For those people interested in the July selection for the commissioning program, Sergeant Journey adds that to meet the 1987 board, course 7D must be completed and a valid-commissioning physical must be finished. "Time is real short for those who don't have the necessary paperwork completed. The packets must be at AFRES headquarters by April 1," stressed Sergeant Journey.

Any questions or requests for assistance should be directed to TSgt Belinda Journey at 734-7491 or stop by building 1043, CBPO, second floor.



### COINCIDENCES

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"She wanted to travel and didn't want to stay at Tinker her whole career," said Sergeant Stinnett. With the cutbacks in PCS moves, that was what the Stinnetts thought was going to happen.

"We were quite surprised, not to mention delighted, with the way things have been working out," said Sergeant Stinnett. "Now, if I can only get back in with a unit at Yokota. Then I'll be gainfully employed and the Air Force will be saved the expense of sending another family overseas."



TSgt. John Hansen, 507th CAMS, puts a little elbow grease to the windscreen of an F-4D. Not quite the taxi-thru the unit found in Hawaii.

#### UNITED STATES AIR FORCE



#### STANDARDS OF WEIGHT

\*\* NOTES \*\*

(1) FOR MEN: FOR EVERY INCH UNDER 60 INCHES, SUBTRACT 2 POUNDS FROM THE MAW. FOR EVERY INCH OVER 80 INCHES, ADD 6 POUNDS TO THE MAW.

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(2) FOR WOMEN: FOR EVERY INCH UNDER 58
INCHES, SUBTRACT 2 POUNDS FROM THE
MAW. FOR EVERY INCH OVER 78 INCHES,
ADD 6 POUNDS TO THE MAW.

(3) FOR MEN AND WOMEN: MEASURE WITHOUT SHOES. SUBTRACT 3 POUNDS FOR CLOTHING.

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HEIGHT (INCHES)	MAX ALLOWABLE WGT (MAW)	1/4"	INTERPOLATED WEIGHT 1/2''	3/4''	DESIRED WEIGHT	HEIGHT (INCHES)	MAX ALLOWABLE WGT (MAW)	1/4"	INTERPOLATI WEIGHT 1/2"	5D 3/4"	DESIRED WEIGHT
60	153	1531/2	154	1541/2	138	58	126	1261/2	127	1271/2	113
61	155	1553/4	1561/2	1571/4	140	59	128	1281/2	129	1291/2	115
62	158	1581/2	159	1591/2	142	60	130	1301/2	131	1311/2	117
63	160	161	162	163	144	61	132	1321/2	133	1331/2	119
64	164	1651/4	1661/2	1673/4	148	62	134	1341/2	135	1351/2	121
65	169	1701/4	1711/2	1723/4	152	63	136	1363/4	1371/2	1381/4	122
66	174	1751/4	1761/2	1773/4	157	64	139	1401/4	1411/2	1423/4	125
67	179	1801/4	1811/2	1823/4	161	65	144	145	146	147	130
68	184	1851/4	1861/2	1873/4	166	66	148	149	150	151	133
69	189	1901/4	1911/2	1923/4	170	67	152	153	154	155	137
70	194	1951/4	1961/2	1973/4	175	68	156	1571/4	1581/2	159¾	140
71	199	2001/2	202	2031/2	179	69	161	162	163	164	145
72	205	2061/2	208	2091/2	185	70	165	166	167	168	149
73	211	2123/4	2141/2	2161/4	190	71	169	1701/4	1711/2	1723/4	152
74	218	2191/2	221	2221/2	196	72	174	1751/4	1761/2	1773/4	157
75	224	2251/2	227	2281/2	202	73	179	1801/2	182	1831/2	161
76	230	2311/2	233	2341/2	207	74	185	1861/4	1871/2	188¾	167
77	236	2371/2	239	2401/2	212	75	190	1911/2	193	1941/2	171
78	242	2431/2	245	2461/2	218	76	196	1971/4	1981/2	1993/4	176
79	248	2491/2	251	2521/2	223	77	201	2021/4	2031/2	2043/4	181
80	254	2551/2	257	2581/2	229	78	206	2071/2	209	2101/2	185

## EAC URGES USING BENEFITS

The Enlisted Advisory Council urges all single members to have a limited power of attorney. "We also urge everyone to have a will," said TSgt. Brenda Young, EAC cochairman.

Sergeant Young, who is also the 507th TFG career advisor. said that this came to EAC's attention because so many 507th people have a mobility commitment. "We have a legal office available for this purpose. Take advantage of this benefit," she added. The legal office, building 1043, is open during UTAs.



TSgt. Gwen Grouse from the 944th Tactical Fighter Group at Luke AFB, Ariz., gets some hand-ons operations training from Noel Sanders, 507th TFG operations specialist. The 944th becomes operational this summer when they get their full complement of F-16s. The 944th TFG commander is the former 507th Commander Col. Jerry Wrucha.



Maj. Scotty Wilson, former deputy commander of maintenance at the 507th TFG, presents Kaz Peterson with a trophy and a Certificate of Appreciation as a way of saying thanks for her "unlimited cooperation" in allowing one of her employees, SrA. John Primo, center, to continue his participation with the Air Force Reserves. Mrs. Peterson is the manager at the Braum's Dairy Store in Midwest City where Airman Primo works.

The trophy, from 507th CAMS, was given as an added thank you to Mrs. Peterson as part of the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve recognition program.

### DAVIS TAKES TOP HONOR

First Lt. David E. Davis, 465th Tactical Fighter Squadron, recently graduated from undergradute pilot training at Vance AFB, Okla. While at UPT, Lieutenant Davis was honored as the Distinguished Graduate.

The lieutenant also excelled in competition with his classmates in military leadership, flying skills and academics and was awarded the Air Training Command's Commander's Trophy.



## CARE TIPS PROVIDED FOR FATIGUES

Wondering how you can keep your fatigues looking new and avoid the fading that sometimes happens? The Air Force Uniform Board is providing the following tips.

Fatigues should not be washed in extremely hot water because they might fade, If practical, shirts and trousers should be washed together. Ironing will not affect color fastness. Commercial spot removers, if used in moderation, will not detract from color or appearance.

An Air Force Uniform Board spokeman explained that fading stem from a combination of factors,

including the perma-press finish, natural cotton fibers and dye process used.

Fatigues are now procured in even sizes for the waist (32-46) and odd sizes for the inseam (29-35). Officials said that with proper care, OG507 fatigues can longer and wear better than previous fatigue uniforms. The fabric for the uniforms was selected for its durability, crisp appearance and comfort. Supervisors should recognize that the fatigue uniform is a work uniforms and that some fading and color differenes between shirts and trousers can be expected:

### DEERS ENROLLMENT FOR WSSF SET

Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System created by the Department of Defense, ensures that eligible military members and their dependents can receive civilian medical care paid for by DOD. Members of the Air Force Reserve are required to enroll their dependents in DEERS.

The computer system is used for confirming eligibility for Defense Department benefit programs, including medical care. In the event of active mobilization, dependents will be able to receive civilian medical care without delay.

According to Ms Lavisa Purify, CBPO records section, all 507th members, including those who are single or married to active duty members, need to be enrolled. "We want to make sure everyone eligible is in the computer."

Documentation required to prove dependent relationship are certified copies of birth, adoption, marriage or divorce certificates. Certified copies may be obtained by writing to the state where the event was registered or the State Department for children born overseas.

The 507th Weapons Systems Security Flight is scheduled for DEERS sign up during the March UTA from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in building 1043, room 204. Enrollment must be completed in person by the sponsor.

Other units have been scheduled for a later date. "We will not take walk-ins from other units," added TSgt. Lee Pugh, NCOIC of records/customer service section.

For more information, contact CBPO records section at 734-7491.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

by Chaplain Joel Clay 507th TFG chaplain

The theme for this year's Chaplain's programs is "Called to Excellence." The sub-theme is "Seeking One's Potential."

People working full Christian service talked being called to their ministry. However, it is not true that those who are in full-time ministry as clergy or church workers are the only ones called.

A good friend of mine, who works for Goodyear as a maintenance engineer helped solidify this thought. "I was called to be an engineer, the best engineer I could be. That's what the phrase, 'work as if you work for the Lord' means

for me." What a powerful concept.

During the January UTA as I visited one of the work areas, they were testing a certain piece of equipment -- the firing bolt for the ejection seat. While a small item, fitting easily in your hands, it had the potential for saving a life.

The "call to excellence" of those airmen during the testing could save the life of one of our aircrews, sometime down the road. It is that kind of committment, concern and duty that make up our "call to excellence".

Each person in this unit has a call to excellence. Let's continue to strive to ge an "Excellent" unit.

## PROMOTIONS FOR MARCH 1987

To Master Sergeant Elmer E. Sheely Jr., Douglas E. Pierson

To Technical Sergeant Benny L. Myatt, Ronnie K. Stinson

To Staff Sergeant Stanley E. Hunt, Robert D. Satterly, Bruce E. Stevenson, Yvonne B. Griffin, Harold L. Grubb Jr., Linda V. Johnson, Teresa L. Johnson, Cathy J. Lush, John D. Nugent, Dale A. Richardson, Roger A. Alexander, Vernon D. Barnes, Roy L. Beaver Jr., Michael W. Bock, Ernest L. Chapman, Richard A. Clark, Danny K. Fischer, Steven L. Flora, Terry Sherril, Tammy L. Carlton, Dennis D. Brown, Clifton E. Howard, Wesley G. Smith, Cynthia Diaz

To Senior Airman

Gail Hunter, Jill Martindale, Nicholo Rustia, John Sobrado. Thresa K. Russell, Charles E. Sanders, Gary N. Sears, Jan R. Smith, Darryl T. Woods, Donald D. Gilbert, Brent G. Giles, James A. Moore, Stanleey E. Paregien Jr., Maribel I. Arenas, Billy R. Banks, Charles E. Brownen, Rex L. Clifton, William D. Farris Jr., John W. Fuller, Richard E. Allen, Kenneth C. Walker

To Airman First Class Ferdinand B. Esquivel, Jackie D. Musgrove, Ronald P. Simon, Rhonda L. Tilley



## MARCH/APRIL PAY DATES

The following is provided to keep you informed of the pay dates for March/April. The document date is when the 507th TFG military pay section must have the necessary pay documentation to meet the scheduled pay date. The information must be received by 10:30 a.m. so it can be filed in time to meet the deadline.

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	
March		March 13			
March		March 20			
March		March 27			
March		March 31			
March		April 10			
April		April 15			
April	14	April 24			
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Please note that paydate is March 20 and the April UTA paydate is April 24.

Military Pay sends each squadron a listing of individuals who must recertify their authorization to receive BAQ. Failure to recertify will terminate your BAQ approximately 45 days after the listing is given to the squadron.

## UTA SCHEDULE

07 - 08 MAR; 11 - 12 APR: 02 - 03 MAY: 15 - 16 AUG; 12 - 03 JUL:

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