

# A DAY FOR FAMILY

"Readiness Is OUR Number One Priority"

### Free from fear

By Chaplain (1Lt.) Dwight Magnus 507th ARW Chaplains' Office

"They" have said that courage is defined as the ability to do our job in spite of our fears. All of us deal with fear more often than we would like to admit. There are different levels of fear. There are pestering fears ("Will this dinner go well?"); there are pressing fears ("Will I lose my job?"); there are paralyzing fears (you unexpectedly lose your job). No matter what fears we face, we need to discover the freedom from fear that God promises. Psalm 91 is a wonderful passage that highlights how to live a life that deals realistically with our fears.

First, we must rest in the character of the God we serve. He is powerful and majestic, as well as tender and personal. Rest in the shadow of the Almighty. Second, we must rely on the promises of God. In return for his love, the Lord promised the Psalmist to rescue him from danger, protect him from harm, be with him in trouble, honor him, and satisfy him. God is reminding us that as we struggle and battle with fear, there is power in calling on His name in prayer. As you pray, don't just tell God about your problem, be sure to give God your problem and the fear associated with it.

May God bless you and keep you!

### We made it!

By MSgt. Darrell Smith 507th ARW Safety Office

Yes, we made it. The 101 Critical Days of Summer are finally over. We escaped any major injuries during that time frame, and as a matter of fact, as of this writing, we have only had one major injury this year.

This does not mean that we can relax, because we must stay alert all year around. Fall season is fast approaching, and with it comes other outdoor activities. Now that it is getting somewhat cooler, some people will start or continue to camp, and fish. Hunting season will soon open with its dangers as well. Please remember and practice safe gun handling procedures.

If you will be taking your son(s) and/or daughter(s), just make sure that they have attended the Gun Safety Course that is mandatory for children born after a certain date. Check with your local gun range for details.

Remember that Halloween is fast approaching, so start preparing now to make sure your child is as safe as they can be on that scary night. On a final note, I would like to thank everyone who has helped to make this one of the safest years in our unit. Thanks a bunch, and until next time, take care and we'll see ya on the line.



### QUESTION MARK

By Col. Mark A. Pillar 507th ARW Vice Commander

What's this I hear about a low-cost dental insurance program for reservists. Can I get coverage for my family as well?

I'm glad you asked! It's true. There is a low-cost dental insurance program being offered to reservists.

The TRICARE Selected Reserve Dental Program (TSRDP), offered through HUMANA Military Healthcare Services, is a voluntary, low-cost, basic dental program that is designed to help you maintain good dental health. The insurance costs just \$4.36 per month, after a one-time initial prepayment of \$17.44 (equal to 4 months premium). Your application form then authorizes a payroll deduction from your Reserve drill pay.

The TSRDP provides low-cost, basic dental coverage with an annual maximum of \$1,000 per enrollment year for covered services. The Department of Defense has made this plan possible because they are paying 60 percent of your overall premium cost. Some diagnostic and preventive services such as exams and x-rays or cleanings are provided at no cost to you, while you pay a portion of the costs on restorative services or oral surgery. Services like crowns, root canals, bridge work and orthodontics are not covered at this time. Family members of reservists are also not covered at this time.

While the program may not cover all your dental needs, it's still a smart way to help trim costs out of your family budget. Like any group insurance plan, the more people who participate, the greater the potential for improved or expanded services.

You can receive an informational brochure about the services provided by calling their toll-free number 1-800-211-3614, accessing their website at http://www.humana-military.com, or writing them at HUMANA Military Healthcare Services, P.O. Box 740085, Louisville, KY 40201-7485.

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This is your magazine. Take it home with you to share with family, friends, and employers.

# On the cover.



Photo by TSgt. Tyrone Yoshida

Everyone had a good time at the 507th Air Refueling Wing's Family Day. Some of the main features this year consisted of a magic act, aircraft displays, plenty of food, and a first-class learning environment for families of reservists.



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The 507th Air Refueling Wing held its annual Family Day for all members and their families last month.

One day each year is set aside for families of reservists in appreciation for their support and to give them chance to see first-hand what their spouses do in today's Air Force Reserve. This year's Family Day was full of fun, food, and plenty of learning as exhibits were set up to teach and entertain everyone, young and old.

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#### AMC commander

# General Robertson ready to move AMC into next millenium

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill.— With a focus on mission readiness, the new commander of Air Mobility Command (AMC) is ready to steer AMC into the new millenium and begin a new era.

After just over a week in the job, Gen. Tony Robertson has already begun to tackle the key issues on the command's plate, emphasizing AMC will have to continue challenging the "old way of doing business" to continue to be successful

When he took command Aug. 3, the general outlined three major themes for AMC: Maintaining a high level of mission readiness, modernizing equipment and improving mobility processes, and ensuring people and family issues are the No. 1 consideration in the decision-making process.

In line with these themes, other issues Robertson plans to take on as AMC commander include these:

airlifter, the C-17 "Globemaster," completion of its beddown at Charleston AFB, S.C., and its follow-on beddowns at McChord AFB, Wash., and Jackson, Miss.

\* Modernization of AMC's material handling and ground support equipment fleet, including the purchase of

the Tunner (60K) aircraft cargo loader and Next Generation Small Loader.

\* Updated defensive systems for mobility aircraft.

\* Necessary communications, navigation and surveillance equipment, and modifications needed for aircraft to meet the stringent airspace performance standards required today and in the 21st century.



Gen. Tony Robertson

#### Infrastructure

Robertson said the command has made great strides over the past several years in identifying major infrastructure problems in challenges to moving personnel and equipment from their homebases through the en route system to forward deployed locations. The command has also made progress in finding the money

to overcome these challenges. "Our focus now must be on the execution of those fixes, the synchronization of those fixes with our mobility processes, and on the avoidance of any future backsliding in our capability," he said.

#### **Operations Tempo**

"The pace of operations in AMC continues to strain the force," Robertson said. "Recent efforts to minimize the pain, including returning security forces to eight-hour shifts and reducing temporary duty time, are steps in the right direction. But more needs to be done," he added.

"We've got to continue to work that problem. Every once in a while, you have to take a bold step to find solutions."

#### **Modernization of AMC assets**

"Modernizing our KC-135 "Stratotanker," C-5 "Galaxy," and C-130 "Hercules" fleets is critical to both our continued success as well as our ability to claim world-class status as we enter the new millenium," he said.

AMC will continue to push:

\* Acquisition of the world's newest and greatest

#### **Total force**

The Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve are the best teammates the active force could ever ask for in this mobility business, he said. "Our relationship and our association with them is, without a doubt, the best in the entire Department of Defense. I consider myself their No. 1 cheerleader and supporter," he added.

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#### From AMC/CC



"Our goal must be to continue to work in lock-step with our Total Force partners in every modernization effort we undertake, in every process we seek to improve and in every major mobility decision that we make. And if anyone has an idea that will strengthen our relationship even further, feed it to me," he said.

# **Expansion of the global transportation network**

As well as commanding AMC,

Robertson has charge of U.S. Transportation Command, one of nine unified commands in the Department of Defense. In that role, he is responsible for meeting DOD's mobility needs. "It is a phenomenally huge, global mission," he said. "No other country or commercial venture can match our operation. No one can claim the accomplishments of this command. We have to continue and expand that success record."

# Fulfilling the C-130 "Masterplan"

Robertson said the C-130s are "back in the fold," having returned to AMC in April 1997. Now, he wants to complete the reintegration of the aircraft into the command and continue to build on its role in future operations. "Today, we face a period of declining budgets while our 'to-do' list is as long as ever," he said, and outlining three ways to deal with declining resources. Either you (1) find more resources over which to spread the mission, (2) you start saying 'No' to more lower priority missions, or (3) you become more efficient.

"We will work on all three, but clearly our first step is to become more efficient, and I can think of no better way to do that than by implementing the three themes," he added.

The air mobility story is told every day supporting operations around the globe, the general added. "We have a lot to be excited about. We have the best mission in the Air Force. Nothing can happen without air mobility." (AMC News Service)

# DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE HEADQUARTERS AIR MOBILITY COMMAND (AMC)

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL AMC PERSONNEL

FROM: AMC/CC

SUBJECT: Safety Policy

- 1. As we move boldly into the 21st century, our top priority must be READINESS! Expeditionary Aerospace Forces must be ready to safely respond—at any time—to any situation.
- 2. Decreasing resources require we continually seek more efficient ways to accomplish our critical and complex Global Reach missions. Operational Risk Management can help us protect our people and equipment, while enhancing training and increasing combat effectiveness!
- 3. Everyone has responsibilities for safety. Commanders must balance safety with operational performance, while staffs should integrate safety into programs, plans, and orders. Supervisors need to apply

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safety concepts to daily tasks, helping operators identify and implement risk reduction efforts. Safety specialists can help managers assess risks and educate personnel, but all individuals must report hazards and issues beyond their control.

4. We have made great strides in reducing flight, ground, and weapons mishaps over the past few years. Our continued goal in Air Mobility Command is ZERO fatalities and 10% fewer other mishaps each year. To safely provide the force enhancement capability our country depends on, Mobility Air Force team members need to think readiness, use risk management, and communicate!

//Signed//
CHARLES T. ROBERTSON, JR.
General, USAF
Commander



# "Pat in pay"

By Marilyn Trask Civilian UPAR

Meet Patricia Linze, military payroll technician, more commonly referred to by 507th Air Refueling Wing (ARW) and 513th Air Control Group (ACG) members as "Pat in Pay."

Pat is one of the 507th ARW's civilian employees. Pat started her civil service career at Tinker AFB in November, 1983, at the Base Hospital appointment desk. She



transferred to the 72nd Air Base Wing as a supply technician in November of 1985, and then to the 507th ARW in May of 1993.

She is responsible for processing monthly pay for about 1,400 reservists, some of these several times a month. In addition to 507th ARW and 513th ACG members, she also processes pay for about 450 Individual Mobilization Augmentees assigned to Tinker AFB and throughout the country.

It goes without saying, she has a very demanding and important position, one that some members would say (when it comes to receiving pay on time)— the most important position!

"Everyone knows what I do even if they don't know how I do it, and as long as they get paid, they are happy, even if they do have to put up with me!" Pat said. She went on to say that she especially enjoys working on UTA weekends because she gets to see people who only come to the unit once a month, and gets to inprocess Newcomers. Many 507th ARW and 513th ACG members appreciate

Pat's expertise and willingness to "go the extra mile" to ensure their pay needs are met.

"Pat greets every customer with the same cheerful smile that everyone has come to expect." said Capt. Ralph Hawkins, executive officer for the 507th ARW.

He went on to remark that her outgoing and contagious personality makes it a pleasure to work with her.

"Pat is our *go to* person for all military pay needs. She does an outstanding job for our members," said Col. Martin Mazick, commander.

On the personal side, Pat's biggest hobby is getting away from the city every non-UTA weekend and relaxing at her lake property, where she plans to be during her retirment. Fishing, boating, and swimming are all part of the weekend's activities. She has been married to George Linze, Vice President of Manufacturing at Units Parts Company, for 22 years. They have three children and six grandchildren. One grandson, who she refers to as "her special buddy," lives with her and her husband. Pat holds a special place in our "Okie" hearts.

# **Engineering playtime**

By SSgt. Dave Jablonski Chief, Public Affairs, Rhein-Main AB, Germany

Reservists from the 507th Civil Engineer Squadron installed seven pieces of playground equipment at Rhein-Main AB, Germany, making it the largest project completed during their two-week active duty annual tour June 14 to 28.

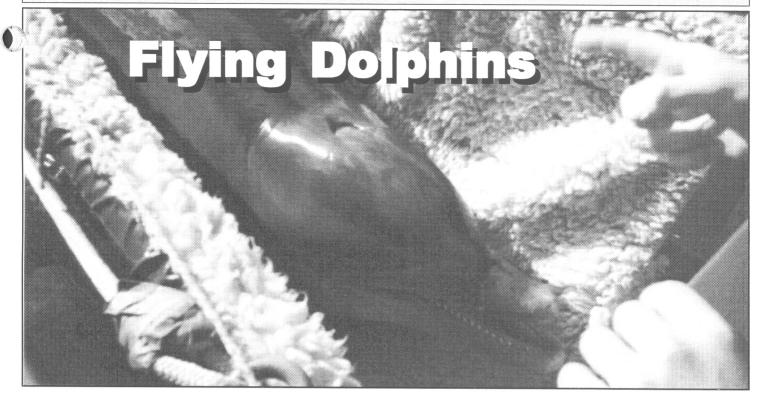
It was the last of three visits by the unit which represented more than 7,000 man-hours of work.

SMSgt. Gary Bourisaw, 507th CES superintendent, said the playground project was the unit's most visible effort and required the most skill and precision.

"We did everything from design and layout of the seven sites to coordinating resources and installation," Bourisaw said.

The engineers did more than playgrounds. They also performed electrical repairs, removed more than 2,000 feet of wiring from Hangar 38, site of Berlin Airlift commemoration special events, and performed checks and maintenance on all backup generators. According to Bourisaw, the engineers also attacked a long list of pending projects in plumbing and heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems.

#### **Spotlight**



# By SSgt. Robert Shahan 72nd APS UPAR

Throughout the course of its history, the 72nd Aerial Port Squadron (APS) has had the privilege of shipping many unusual items such as presidential limousines, food and supplies for disaster victims, and Care packages to name a few. Now the 72nd APS can add Dinky and 15 other dolphins to this unique list.

During the August 1998 annual tour to Hickam AFB, Hawaii, the 72nd APS's 20-member deployed team received, prepared and shipped 16 Navy dolphins and their handlers to San Diego, CA.

Trained to locate downed pilots and munitions, the dolphins and sailors were in Hawaii in support of RIMPAC '98, a wargames exercise involving several Far Eastern countries.

Driving a 40K loader full of cargo to an aircraft requires full concentration. When you consider each dolphin is valued at \$3.2 million, the concentration - and pressure - increases.

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"I was driving a 40K with six of them (dolphins). I was multiplying \$3.2 million times six, or roughly a total of \$18 million," SSgt Joseph Lomo, Air Transportation Specialist said.

According to their handlers, dolphins, like humans, are more at ease facing the direction they are traveling in. This means that on all transportation, whether by truck or plane, additional time and care is taken to ensure they are always traveling nose-facing-forward. The animals were loaded onto the aircraft while riding in animal transport carriers which are, basically, big blue bath tubs on wheels, fitted with synthetic sheep-skin-lined slings, allowing the dolphins to lay comfortably in eight inches of cool water without scraping the bottom or sides of the ATCs during transport.

"I was not worried about it. I was kinda excited to carry a vet (veteran) from Vietnam. Kinda different," Lomo said.

The veteran Lomo referred to is Dinky. Dinky quickly became a favorite of 72nd members as his handlers regaled stories painting him as quite a character.

"Dinky is a ladies man," one Navy handler said. "He got loose one night looking for female companionship and came across a school of sharks. Dinky came back pretty beat up with a huge gash. We were lucky he came back when he did."

So the next time you look across the flightline and see cargo being loaded, let your imagination wander. You never know what you're going to "come across" with the 72nd APS.



(Left to right) SrA. Dirk Smith, Dinky, SSgt. Rob Shahan, MSgt. John Prokup, and Capt. John Fitter pose together for a group shot prior to loading the dolphin onto the transport aircraft.

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#### 507th ARW News

SMSgt. Lloyd Domer was at his desk in the hanger bay overseeing the phase dock operation for one of the unit's KC-135R "Stratotanker" aircraft when he happened to look toward the tops of the hangar doors and noticed something that wasn't quite right. TSgt. John Cardoni went over to investigate, and what he found was shocking and scary. It didn't take long to realize the inherent dangers above as...

# Rafters held hidden hangar hazards

By TSgt. Melba Koch 507th ARW Public Affairs Office

The 507th Air Refueling Wing's (ARW) main hangar, Building 1030, holds a lot of history for the unit.

It has been home to mass unit processings, family day activities, and activation and change of command ceremonies.
Unfortunately, it was recently discovered to be home to a dangerous threat.

A recent safety hazard release by Boeing announced that an undetected piece of Foreign Object Damage (FOD) material, a reinforcement bar, fell from a rafter, piercing the wing surface of a just-completed aircraft.

Because of that message, our maintenance troops were alerted to look for items, too. SMSgt. Lloyd Domer, phase dock

supervisor, was looking up in the hangar one day and noticed a piece of metal hanging from a steam pipe. "It was hard to tell if the piece of metal was leaning from the steam pipe to the wall or if it was a brace. A closer look showed us it was an 8-foot section of electrical conduit, holding onto half inch of the conduit by a nut," said Domer. "This was probably the most dangerous item in the search. Just a little bit of wind could have knocked it loose to fall on someone's head."

Using a highlift, TSgt. John "Wolfman" Cardoni, aircraft mechanic from the phase dock area, conducted a four-day FOD material search of every single rafter in the hangar. "It took the longest to find the little items, and pick up all the fasteners on the beams, and having to reposition the highlift and move it throughout the hangar," said Cardoni.

Some of the items found included a 4-foot section of 2x12-inch board, an Army Air Corps loudspeaker, an old soft

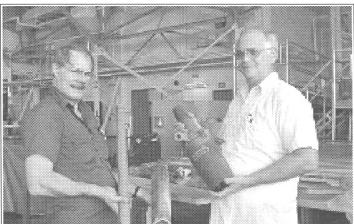


Photos by Capt. Wendy Deemer

SMSgt. Lloyd Domer and TSgt. John Cardoni show what they found in the rafters of the hangar which could of been hazardous not only to equipment but to anyone inside.

drink bottle, light bulbs, and sections of steel pipe. The oldest item was a welding rod that has been around since the hangar was built over 40 years ago. Most of the fasteners may have been inadvertantly left there when a new roof was added last summer.

In all, 216 pounds of potential FOD material was discovered and removed. Some of the recovered FOD material included the following: Faster ers/welding rods, etc. 29 lbs; 2 x 8 boards, 21 lbs; long pipe, 13 lbs; wheel, 13 lbs; speaker, 12 lbs; and a 3-inch pipe, 9 lbs. Because of their efforts, life for fellow maintenance workers as well as the rest of us has just became a lot safer.



Cardoni and Domer show there was no discrimination on the size of objects left lying up in the rafters. Even in Oklahoma, a tremor in the ground or strong wind could have sent any of these objects to the ground.

### **NCO Academy In-Residence**

Listed below are the FY 99 NCO Academy In-Residence class dates. A letter of recommendation from your unit commander must be forwarded to 507 MSS/DPMT not later than 60 days prior to class start date.

Class	Quotas	Dates	Location
99-2	1	990104-990211	Tyndall AFB, Fl
99-3	1	990223-990401	Tyndall AFB, Fl
99-4	1	990420-990527	Tyndall AFB, Fl
99-5	1	990621-990729	Tyndall AFB, Fl
99-6	1	990802-990909	Tyndall AFB, Fl

#### TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR DISTANCE LEARNING

Reserve members are eligible to apply for Tuition Assistance (TA) for Distance Learning to further their education up to a Bachelor's Degree (members who have a Bachelor's Degree are eligible to pursue a second degree). The basic enrollment requirements are that, you must:

- Pay for the course up-front and after satisfactory completion, be reimbursed 75% (tuition only) per course, not to exceed \$1500 per FY.
- Enroll in only 1 course at a time, using the institutions listed in one of the three DANTES catalogs.
- Be a participating member in good standing (no UIF, Article 15, etc.).
- Complete enrollment form and be approved by unit commander. For more information contact SMSgt. Epps or TSgt. Miller in the MPF Education & Training Office @ 734-7075.

### SRNCO Academy In-Residence

Listed below are the FY99 Senior NCO Academy class dates. The Supplemental Board will be accepting applications for classes 99B and 99C only!!! Alternates will be selected for 99A, 99B, and 99C. Deadline for submission is 4 Oct 98.

Class Number:	<b>Class Start Date:</b>	<b>Grad Date:</b>
99-A	2 Nov 98	16 Dec98
99-B	20 Jan 99	3 Mar 99
99-C	18 Mar 99	28 Apr 99
99-D	12 May 99	23 Jun 99
99-E	8 Jul 99	18 Aug 99
99-F	9 Sep 99	21 Oct 99

You must have a current (less than 1 year old) full length 3/4 turn pose photo without jacket or decorations. A current Report on Individual Personnel (RIP), and nomination letter must also be submitted. Contact MSgt. Cain @ x47075 for an application.

For more information on Officer PME, JOLDS, or any other special officer courses, contact MSgt. Dennis Cain in the MPF Education & Training Office @ 734-7075.

#### **HOT TOPICS:**

- ✓ Deadline for submission of Senior NCO Academy packages to DPMT is 4 Oct 98.
- ✓ IEU: Hours of operation are 1200-1500 on main UTA Saturdays and 0800-1400 Mon-Fri. You can call them at x93444. Check with your Unit Orderly Room before you attempt equipment issue or exchange.
- ✓ CDC Testing is accomplished at 0800 on Sundays of the (main) UTA. You do not have to schedule it, just show up at 0800 at Bldg 460 (the active duty HQ), Room 213. You need to enter through the South East corner door. If you cannot make it, our Education office also tests on Wednesdays. You DO need to schedule this one 24 hours in advance Important note: If you are retaking a test, make sure you bring the Commander's evaluation/authorization letter with you or you will not be able to test.
- ✓ EDUCATION REMINDER:
  This is just to remind everyone who wishes to update their Education Records, officer and enlisted, that we need OFFICIAL Transcripts to send or accomplish any updates. This means that it CANNOT say "ISSUED TO STUDENT." You may have the college/university send it, we can request it, or you may bring it in as long as it is in a sealed envelope with a SEAL on the flap AND it does not say "ISSUED TO STUDENT."

The New FY 99	UTA Schedule
03-04 Oct 98	10-11 Apr 99
07-08 Nov 98	01-02 May 99
12-13 Dec 98	05-06 Jun 99
09-10 Jan 99	10-11 Jul 99
06-07 Feb 99	07-08 Aug 99
06-07 Mar 99	11-12 Sep 99
as of	1 Aug 98
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October 98 Schedule of Events	Meetings, Etc.	Pre-UTA Cmdr Staff Mtg Pre-UTA First Sgts Mtg <b>Quarterly Training Review</b>		Sign In	Newcomers In-Processing Ed&Tng Open/Walk-in Service	Self-Inspection	Mobility Rep Meeting	First Sgts Meeting IG period w/Col Pillar	Training Managers Mtg	Sign Out			Sign In	Ductouting Change Coming	riotestant Chaper Service Catholic Chapel Service	MPF Closed for In-House Tng	Newcomers Ancillary Tng Ph II	CDC/PME Course Exams  Himan Resolutes Dev Collecit	Escorts pick-up Newcomers	EO 2000 Training	SORTS Mass Briefing	Sign Out					
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#### FREE COLLEGE TESTING

The opportunity now exists for Air Force Reserve spouses and civilian employees to take DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSSTs) or the College-Level Examinations Program (CLEP) tests FREE! The DSST and CLEP programs consist of a series of examinations that test college-level knowledge you may have gained through your job, reading, travel, or hobbies. Combined, the programs offer you more than 85 ways to get college credit. Spouses may test at any Reserve or Guard DANTES approved test center. Call 734-7075 for info.

# **Newcomers Ancillary Training**

Newcomers Ancillary Training Phase I & II are conducted **monthly** in Bldg 1030, Classroom 1 (Room 217). **Unit training managers are responsible for ensuring their new personnel are scheduled to attend** within 90 days of their first UTA. If you have any questions, contact the MPF Education & Training Office @ 734-7075.

		Phase I	
	Time	Subject	OPR
Saturday	1500-1530	Local Conditions-Traffic	SE
Saturday	1530-1630	Human Relations	SA
		Phase II	
Sunday	0730-0800	Base Populace	CEX
Sunday	0800-0900	Drug and Alcohol	SG
Sunday	0900-1030	UCMJ/Ethics	JA
Sunday	1030-1130	Counter Intel/Protection	SP
		from Terrorism	
Sunday	1130-1200	Security Awareness (C4 SATE)	CF

#### **UCMJ Briefing:**

All enlisted personnel are required to have the UCMJ briefing within two UTAs of their first reenlistment. This briefing is held during Phase II of the monthly Newcomers Ancillary Training at 0900 on Sunday of the UTA in Bldg 1030, Classroom 1.

#### **Ethics Briefing:**

All reserve personnel are required to have the DOD Ethics Briefing within 90 days of reporting for duty. This briefing is held in conjunction with the UCMJ briefing during Phase II of the monthly Newcomers Ancillary Training at 0900 on Sunday of the UTA in Bldg 1030, Classroom 1.

#### **Disaster Preparedness:**

Unit Training Managers must schedule Chemical Warfare Training, by name, at least one UTA prior to the requested dates by calling CEX at 734-4460. All personnel must bring a complete training ground crew ensemble (GCE) including the mask and its hood to all classes. Those attending Initial must be prepared to process through a tear agent chamber. Wear of contacts is prohibited in all classes. Anyone arriving late, without a complete GCE with mask, or wearing contacts, will be released back to their unit and reported as a no-show.

**Drug Testing:** You must report within two hours of notification.

#### AFRC NCO LDP

Listed below are the FY99 NCO LDP class dates:

Class 99A: Phase I 11-15 Jan 99
Phase II 1-5 Feb 99

Class 99B: Phase I 12-16 Jul 99 Phase II 2-6 Aug 99

See your Unit Education & Training Manager for more details.

# BAQ Recertification Deadlines

If your SSAN ends with a 2 or 7 you have until 31 Oct 1998 to recertify your BAQ or have it terminated. Please see your Unit BAQ monitor to complete the AF Form 987. 507th ARW Pay sends the list to Unit BAQ Monitors who must return the list complete with all recertifications to the Military Pay Section. NOTE: If you don't have dependents, you do not need to recertify.

#### Military Pay

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### Here's your chance

# Want to be a First Sergeant?

CMSgt. Bob Kellington, 507th Air Refueling Wing (ARW) Senior Enlisted Advisor is accepting applications for the First Sergeant position in the 507th Combat Logistics Support Squadron.

Application packages are due by Friday, November 6. The selection board will meet on Sunday, November 8. Below are the minimum qualifications and requirements for applicants per AFI 36-2113 and AFMAN 36-8001:

- 1. Must be a volunteer for the First Sergeant position
- A letter of recommendation from present supervisor endorsed by your unit commander or the First Sergeant if commander is not available
- 3. Resume citing education (military and civilian), community involvement, self-improvement, leadership, and managerial skills
- 4. Be a MSgt (E-7) or eligible for promotion to MSgt
- . Possess an AFSC at the 7-skill level
  - 6. Be a high school graduate or GED equivalent
  - 7. Have completed the NCO Academy
  - 8. Possess a minimum aptitude score of 45 administrative or 58 general
- 9. Ability to speak distinctly
- 10. Be financially stable
- 11. Meet minimum weight and body fat standards.

  Overall image should exceed minimum standards
- 12. Selectee must attend AFRC First Sergeant Academy at the earliest possible date, but no later than one year after selection
- 13. Meet the First Sergeant Review/Interview Board comprised of the wing Senior Enlisted Advisor, one unit First Sergeant, and a Senior NCO of equal or higher grade than the applicants
- 14. Applications must be turned into MSgt. Lane Jones, 507th ARW DPMSA-Employment NLT 1500 hours on 6 Nov. 98. The Employment section will request a RIP on 507th applicants from the MPF. All applicants outside the 507th need to supply an information RIP with their application package.
- 15. The interview board will convene 8 Nov. 98 (Sun-UTA) at 0900 hours

For more information, contact CMSgt Kellington at 734-5101.

# ALKC NEWS SUMMARIES

This summary is intended to give the reader a brief look at some Air Force Reserve events which occurred during the month.

## Reserve seeks better understanding of Native Americans

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. - Air Force Reserve Command is proud of its stride to mirror the demographic make-up of the nation it defends. Cultural diversity is a major issue of importance with commanders at all levels, aggressively implementing human resource management processes to increase and promote it throughout their units.

To combat what is being perceived as insensitivity to the Native American way of life, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command's social actions office entered the fray and devised a way to help defuse a potential powder keg. Social actions' mission - find out all there is to know of the different Native American taboos, cultures and traditions.

#### Museum highlights enlisted force achievements

DOVER AIR FORCE BASE, Del. — The Air Mobility Command Museum unveiled its newest exhibit here Aug. 9 with the dedication of the "Enlisted Achievement Display."

The display is the work of the base Chief's Group as part of its salute to the command's Year of the Enlisted Force. Its central theme is "Service before self, the essence of the enlisted mission."

On hand for the opening were two retired Air Force Cross recipients, Maj. Tom Newman and Chief Master Sgt. Jon D. Harston. Both are highlighted in the exhibit's Air Force Cross display.

#### Air Force delivers \$8 million in aid to Armenia

YEREVAN, Armenia -- Almost 10 years after its first humanitarian shipment to earthquake-shattered Armenia, the Air Force once again delivered aid to the eastern European country: this time more than \$8 million in medical supplies and equipment.

Armenian officials and media greeted the C-5 "Galaxy" cargo aircraft from Dover Air Force Base, Del., as it touched down July 31 at Zvartnots Airport carrying more than 140,000 pounds of supplies.

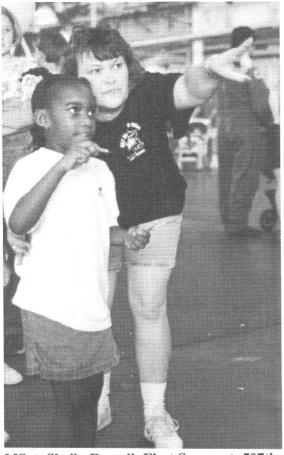
#### A-10 tank killers fly Southern Watch

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. - Air Force Reserve Command A-10s are going back to the Persian Gulf region to keep tabs on Saddam Hussien's ground forces.

The 442nd Fighter Wing, Whiteman AFB, Mo., and the 926th FW, Naval Air Station New Orleans Joint Reserve Base, La., will each send three A-10s and a total of approximately 180 reservists to provide anti-armor support for Operation Southern Watch. The deployment to Al Jaber, Kuwait, starts in mid-September and ends in early November.

Most of the reservists will serve two weeks overseas before rotating back home.

#### **Feature**



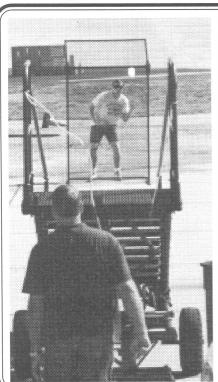
MSgt. Sheila Russell, First Sergeant, 507th Air Refueling Wing, helps a young lass take aim at the balloon bust board.

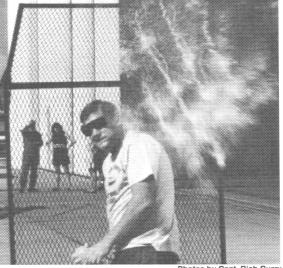


A big hit with the young at heart was Magician Dewey Beene.

Family Day 1998

# Plenty of food, folks, and fun





Photos by Capt, Rich Curry

Capt. Ralph Hawkins, 507th Air Refueling Wing executive officer, is the target of his own "invention." At left, the slingshot propels a water balloon. Above, the balloon bursts upon impact with wire mesh fence.

## **Balloon toss** goes ballistic

When the idea of a dunk tank for Family Day surfaced, safety complaints from past "dunkees" quickly sank it.

Necessity inspired the waterballoon slingshot.

Made of surgical tubing tied between the handrails of a jackstand, water balloons are aimed at "dunkees" standing behind a wire-mesh fence. The water balloons burst upon hitting the mesh, soaking the dunkee.

Safety glasses required.

#### **Feature**



Getting pumped up to check out the fire truck.

# Story and Photos By TSgt. Ty Yoshida 507th ARW Public Affairs Office

There was plenty - plenty of food and drinks, plenty of folks and plenty of fun at this year's 7th Air Refueling Wing's Family Day. The plenty of smiles was the pay-off for plenty of good planning and hard work.

Free rides and games for the kids included the Moonwalk, the Berry-Go-Round ride, face painting, cakewalks, basketball toss and sledgehammer game.

Also there to entertain the kids were clowns and the top draw of the day, Magician Dewey Beene. His magic shows baffled the young with some deft sleight of hand tricks.

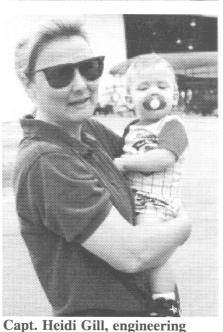
The kids (and parents) also had a chance to sit in a fire truck, and view the inside of a KC-135R "Stratotanker" and E-3 "Sentry" aircraft.

Also popular were finger printing, dog tag booths, and the water balloon slingshot.

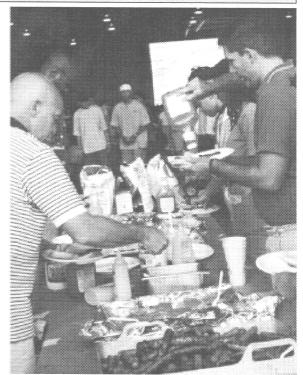
Family Day was plenty of fun with plenty of good weather - not too hot, and it didn't rain.

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flight chief, 507th Civil Engineer Squadron shares the day with Daniel.



Plenty of hamburgers, hotdogs and chips for everyone during Family Day. The beans ran out early.



For once the weather cooperated - not too hot and no rain.

# New NationsBank Visa Travel Card Program

Members of the 507th Air Refueling Wing (ARW) should expect to change from their current American Express Government travel credit card to the new NationsBank (NB) credit card.

The current contract with American Express (AMEX) will expire November 29, 1998 at 11:59 p.m. GMT (5:59 p.m. CST) and NB VISA will start November 29, 1998 at 6:01 p.m. (CST).

The NB card will be sent to the 507th ARW Finance Management Office around mid-October. First sergeants will pick up the cards prior to the November Unit Training Assembly (UTA) and issue them to members in their units.

All members are required to turn in their unusable American Express credit cards to their first sergeant during the December UTA.

Payment is due upon receipt of the bill without interest being charged. The familiar green AMEX card will be replaced by a plain gray card. A picture of the United States Capitol dome and a commercial passenger airplane will be featured on it.

The NB card is designed for travelers with special needs as deemed necessary for travel overseas. This "generic" card will have the same first 5 digits as a regular card so it looks different but can still be traced to the government travel program

For exact VISA ATM locations, travelers may use the website, http://www.visa.com.

The new VISA card program reduces Department of Defense's (DOD) ATM fee from 2.75% (the current rate with AMEX) to 1.9%.

NB will not charge an extra fee to DOD cardholders to use the card at any of their 14,700 NB ATM locations. This includes military banks overseas. In addition to ATMs, travelers may walk into a bank that accepts VISA and get cash for official travel the same as if they had visited an ATM for that purpose.

Travelers should not have to rely on cash to accomplish temporary duty and/or permanent change of station, given the wide acceptance of the VISA card worldwide. For these reasons the DOD has lowered the amount of cash that a traveler can receive from the VISA card to \$500 or less depending upon the type of card you have.

#### **Facts about NB VISA Card:**

- \* As of June 1998 it is accepted at 15.3 million locations in 241 countries. This is almost 7 times greater than AMEX.
- \* It is accepted at approximately 482,000 (7 times more than AMEX) ATMs.

# Some additional features provided by NB to travel cardholders:

- \* Travel Assistance Services (Medical/Legal).
- \* Value Added Tax reclaim services (returns taxes charge in foreign countries like England).
- \* Emergency card replacement and emergency cash.
- \* Lost luggage insurance up to \$3,000 replacement coverage.
- \* Accidental death and dismemberment travel insurance, up to \$200,000.
- \* Card sleeves and pocket program guides.
- \* The NB cardholder Service Center is in Norfolk, VA, and will feature a 24 hour a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, toll free number for cardholders. This number will be published in mid-November, 1998.
- \* These cards will automatically be issued to current cardholders who are in good standing (not suspended or canceled by AMEX) as of Aug 1, 1998. They will also be automatically issued to new cardholders established with AMEX between Aug 1 Nov 1, 1998.
- \* Commanders will not have to collect and store cards in a safe. Under the NB EAGLS software, cards can be turned off/on for specific periods of time.
- \* In answer to your requests, NB allows cardholders to transfer within the DOD and never change cards. Their balances will transfer with the card.
- \* Components that are using an AMEX centrally billed account (CBA) for payment of transportation will be provided a new CBA with NB. These account setups are currently scheduled for late October, 1998.
- \* Split-disbursement, the payment method whereby the traveler may opt to have his/her travel card bill paid via EFT and the balance will go to the travelers checking account at voucher settlement time. This feature was suspended for all AMEX charges on October 1, 1998. This time saving feature will restart for NB on December 1, 1998. This is being done so that DFAS can process all split-disbursements to AMEX before the end of the contract.
- \* An individual traveler check program that mirrors the AMEX "ATM-In-Your-Pocket" program will be available by the end of March, 1999. The new NB program is called "Payment Upon Presentment" (PUP). This PUP program was popular for travelers who had difficulty getting their AmEx card accepted. It is expected that because of the vast number of merchants and ATMs that accept your government VISA few Air Force travelers will need this program feature.





MSgt. Robert Lee, 507th Combat Logistics Support Squad-

ron, works a KC-135 phase inspection at McConnell AFB, Kan. during their recent off-station UTA.

After her recent graduation from the Air Force Reserve Recruiting School, TSgt. honda Nolan completes her first enlistment with Rob Stephens. He will be assigned the 513th Maintenance Squadron upon completion of basic training and technical school.



Photo by 2Lt. Stan Paregien



Photo by TSgt. Mitch Chandran

Lt. Col. William Simpson addresses members of the 507th Aircraft Generation Squadron during his Assumption of Command ceremony 12 Sep. Simpson transferred from the 513th Maintenance Squadron where he was commander.



Photos by TSgt. Mitch Chandran



Maj. Donold Harlan, 507th Combat Logistics Support Squadron commander, talks to squadron members (top) during his Assumption of Command ceremony 13 Sept. Harlan is pictured here with his wife, Robin.



Photo by 2Lt. Stan Paregien

MSgt. Larry Wheatley, 507th ARW Recruiting Office, poses with the family of another new member. Already a member of the 507th Medical Squadron, SrA. Diana Malony-Harger, stands with her husband, (third from left) Airman Eric Harger, who transfered from the Army National Guard and is now assigned to the 507th Security Forces Squadron. On the far right is Diana's father, SSgt. Patrick Maloney, 507th Maintenance Squadron. Both daughter and father transferred here from Scott AFB, II.

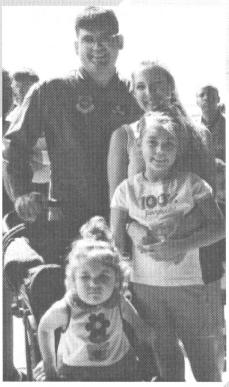
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The following *Upclose* photos are of members of the 507th Air Refueling Wing family enjoying themselves during Family Day, Sept. 12th.



Michelle, SSgt. Ricky Aynes of 72nd Aerial Port Squadron,
Austin

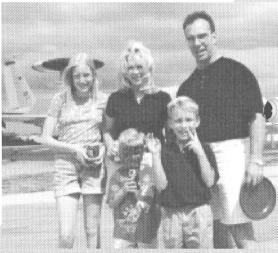
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TSgt. Douglas Coleman of 507th Medical Squadron, Kristi, Chelesie, Jordan



Kim, SSgt. John Shepard of 507th Logistics Support Squadron, Timothy, Bethany, Heidi



SSgt. George A. Gould of 72nd Aerial Port Squadron and family



TSgt. Norma Foster of 507th Operations Group, Chiari, Monica, Erica



Jeremey, Myra, SSgt. Tanya Rich of 507th Civil Engineer Squadron, Troy

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# WHO'S WHO in the 507th Air Refueling Wing



Name: TSgt. Ivy Goodlow

507th Maintenance Squadron, Information Management

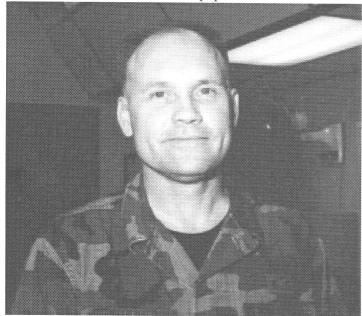
Assistant

Full-time job: Housewife

"hat are you thankful for today? Having good health and a

nily who supports me

Favorite music: Jazz, Christian, pop



Name: TSgt. David Canary

507th Maintenance Squadron, Aircraft Mechanic

Full-time job: Aircraft fuel mechanic with the 135 section Bldg. 3001

What are you thankful for today? The rain

Favorite music: various
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On-final "Readiness Is OUR Number One Priority"



### October



Oct. 15, 1948: President Truman's Executive Order 10007 directed the Air Force and the Army to devote more attention and resources to their reserve components. The Air Force established Continental Air Command to administer its Reserve programs.

Oct. 1, 1961: Five Air Force Reserve C-124 wings and more than 15,400 Air Force reservists were mobilized for the Berlin crisis. They were released from active duty Aug. 27, 1962.

Oct. 30, 1961: Members of five Continental Air Command Air Force Reserve air rescue squadrons volunteered for 60 days of active duty to provide rescue support during the "Stair Step" deployment of Air National Guard fighter units to Europe.

Oct. 28, 1962: Eight Air Force Reserve troop carrier wings, equipped with C-119s and C-123s, and six aerial port squadrons were mobilized during the Cuban Missile crisis. A total of 14,188 reservists were mobilized. They were released from active duty Nov. 28, 1962.

Oct. 1, 1976: The Tactical Air Command Reserve Augmentation Test and Evaluation (TACRATE) Program, a test of a modified fighter associate program, began at Moody AFB, Ga. The two-phase test ended on Sept. 30, 1978.

Oct. 23, 1983: Air Force Reserve units assisted in the evacuation of more than 700 American and foreign citizens from Grenada during the civil disturbance on that island. Reservists flew 20 strategic airlift missions and four tactical airlift missions as well as assisting in medical evacuation missions.

October 1989: Air Force reservists responded to the call for disaster relief following an earthquake in northern California.

Oct. 1, 1993: The Air Force Reserve activated its first B-52 unit, the 93rd Bomb Squadron, assigned to the 917th Wing, Barksdale AFB, La.

Oct. 1, 1994: All Reserve flying groups were redesignated as wings as part of Air Force-mandated force structure changes. The term "associate" was eliminated from unit designations.



#### Safety Training Schedule

Teaching proper safety practices is an ongoing effort and has a direct relationship with our unit's mission effectiveness.

Below is the Safety Training Schedule for the rest of Fiscal Year '98.

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**TRAINING** 

MAY UNIT SAFETY REP (USR)

JUN SUPERVISOR SAFETY

TRAINING (SST)

JUL HAZCOMM TRAINING

AUG USR

SEPT SST

All training will be held on Sunday of the Main UTA in the 507th Combat Logistics Support Squadron's Classroom 2, 2nd floor, North side of Building 1030 (The Hangar) from 0815-1100 hrs.

Please send an AF Form 2426 with personnel who are attending these classes. Any change in this schedule will be posted on the Bulletin Board. If you have any questions, feel free to call the safety office at 4-2014.

# Reserve seeks new senior enlisted advisor

Air Force Reserve Command is looking for candidates to apply for the command's senior enlisted advisor position.

Applications for the three-year, extended active-duty tour must reach Headquarters AFRC by Oct. 15. The job starts Jan. 1.

The Reserve's senior enlisted advisor works for the AFRC commander, serving as a liaison between the commander, key staff members and the enlisted force. The command's highest ranking enlisted person communicates

with the commander on problems, concerns, morale and attitudes of the enlisted force, and in turn ensures the commander's policies are known and understood by enlisted people.

The assignment is open to unit reservists, individual mobilization augmentees, air reserve technicians and reservists in the Active Guard Reserve program.

Candidates must be chief master sergeants.

#### **EAC** meets

Thirteen members of the Enlisted Advisory Council (EAC) met last month to discuss issues facing 507th ARW members.

Among the topics discussed were Family Day, day care, billeting issues, the November 6 Enlisted Dining Out, and reserved parking, for airman and NCO of the quarter winners.

The members in attendance agreed that last month's Family Day was successful, adding in a few suggestions for improvements next year. The EAC is still working on trying to establish and provide day care services for children of reservists during weekend drills. Regarding billeting, problems still exist. However, unit first sergeants are going to start taking turns at the Billeting Office on Friday nights before UTAs to provide help in resolving these problems.

The Enlisted Dining Out effort still needs additional volunteers. EAC members also discussed methods to raise funds for the event.

It was pointed out that people are parking in spots that have been reserved solely for unit Airman, NCO and Sr. NCO of the Quarter winners. In the future, those cars will be ticketed. The group is also checking to see if 507th ARW award winners are permitted to park in the spots reserved at the BX for base winners.



ABOVE & BEYOND

Help unit recruiters by giving them a name, or contact them directly by calling any of the following numbers:

Tinker AFB, OK

MSgt. Larry Wheatley (405) 734-5331

<u>Tinker In-Service Recruiter</u> TSgt Eric Glick

(405) 739-2980

Midwest City, OK

MSgt. Linda Smith SSgt. Bill Thompson SSgt. Jody Sutton

(405) 733-9403

Tulsa, OK

MSgt. Michael Lugrand (918) 665-2300

Sheppard AFB, TX

MSgt. Larry Giles (940) 676-3382

Lawton, OK

MSgt. Larry Wheatley (405) 357-2784

McConnell AFB, KS

MSgt. Terry Gosh (316) 652-4350 MSgt. Lester Shaw

Vance AFB, OK

MSgt. Terry Gosh (316) 652-4350

(316) 652-3766

### CyberSpace

All new employees requiring network userids/

passwords must first complete the Air Force Safeware Training logged on to the network under another's userid/password. Instructions or assistance in doing this can be obtained from MSgt. Bob Greenlee, ext. 4-3742.

After completion of the training, the attached form must be entirely filled out with all signatures and sent to the LAN Administration office 507CF/SCBN. The LAN office will then create the new account and give the new employee their logon information.

507th ARW

Communications Working Group