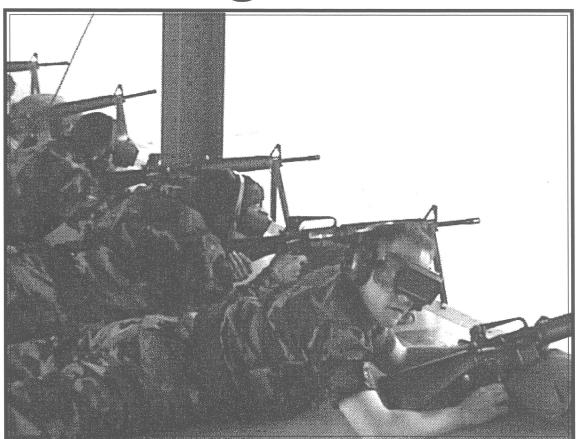


# Pushing



new boundaries



#### 507th ARW Commander's Column

By Lt. Col. David Beavin 507th LG Commander

#### Common sense with muscles

In the 507th Logistics Group community, various members have been going on three-day TDYs to receive training on **managing risk**. These members would return and start talking about a way to *minimize* daily job functional hazards. Being the skeptic that I am, I would listen, then say, 'If we use common sense, the same results would occur.' I soon found I became a 'target' for these folks.

Their suggestion to me was "Sir, you need to go to an executive leadership session." Well .... I did and they were correct in their 'pointed suggestion' to me.

Operational Risk Management (ORM) is more than just common sense. ORM is common sense-with-muscles! ORM is a powerful tool to meet significant challenges faced by today's military leaders. One challenge is the need to reduce the frequency and severity of a wide-range of losses that can impact mission performance.

ORM is the natural evolution from the traditional risk management, that is, the specific process to "manage" risk. It's a systematic decision making tool that covers *all* dimensions of risk considered. In the Air Force, it's about 'risks,' not safety. Regardless, if it's on the job, or off, everyone needs to manage the risks in all they do. This is not just an Operations or Logistics issue. This is an Air Force issue effecting all phases, both military and civilian.

Due to the high cost of equipment (aircraft, tanks, ships, trucks, etc) and the high value/cost of training for individuals to do their jobs -It is important that Air Force Reserve members embrace the ORM process from the top-down to the first-line supervisors, to save from loss and effectively utilize its valuable resources.

The Army has been working for 15 years at this and they're still learning and refining the process. The Air Force is currently in its fourth year. This will be a slow journey, but one we need to be on.



#### 513th ACG Commander's Column

By Lt. Col. Rod Lane 513th MXS Commander

#### Mentoring in today's Air Force Reserve for tomorrow's leaders

Air Force Instruction 36-3401 delineates responsibilities for conducting an effective mentoring program. It defines a mentor as "a trusted counselor or guide" and goes on to say "Mentoring is therefore a relationship in which a person with greater experience and wisdom guides another person to develop both personally and professionally."

I believe we have been doing mentoring long before this directive was established. We just didn't put a name to it. The real question is how are we, the current 'persons with greater experience and wisdom' are doing in guiding our young junior officers to prepare to take our place in the 21st Century Air Force Reserve?

The current force of young junior officers, I believe, are some of the best and brightest young people this great country has to offer. They are dedicated, highly motivated, and very good at what they do. So how do we adequately prepare them to step into our shoes? There is more to it than taking them down to the flightline and saying 'You see all of this? Someday it will be all yours.' In my opinion we should make mentoring a top priority. They say experience is the best teacher, that's the way most of us 'old guys' learned what we did, and it was usually painful. We as senior officers must be keenly aware of what it is our junior officers need to be taught for them to take over when we are put out to pasture. Therefore, when you look at the actions we do in our day-to-day functions, each of us must ask ourselves, "Have I adequately transferred my experience and knowledge to my junior officers so they can be effective leaders?"

#### Chaplain's Corner

By Chaplain (Maj.) Leslie Sias 507th ARW Chaplains' Office

#### Kindness, a forgotten trait

Is kindness a forgotten trait? As a clergyperson, I often ask that question and I'm sure you've ask the same question. We see so many people living by various philosophies, such as, 'what's in it for me', 'this is a dog-eat-dog world', and 'if it feels good do it.' It seems as though some of these philosophies have invaded our hearts and dampen the spirit of kindness. Inspite of what we may see or hear, I want to remind you that kindness is not a forgotten trait.

An author by the name of C.N. Bovee said, "Kindness is a language which the dumb can speak, the deaf can understand." Simple acts of kindness, done by us or for us, makes a difference in the life of people who cross our path. Some time during the course of this busy world, I challenge you (including myself) to do a kind deed for a friend, co-worker, or a stranger.

I hope and pray that Bovee's words ring loudly in your ears and together we can be kind to one another. Remember Ephesians 4:32, "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you."

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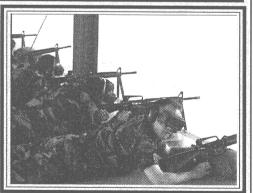


Photo by Maj. Rich Curry

In order to prevent excessive noise effecting local community residence, Security Forces members conducted a first-ever test last month to simulate night fire conditions while wearing welding goggles. (Forefront) 1lt. Layne Wroblewski, 507th ARW Military Personnel Flight, waits for others on the line to finish firing.



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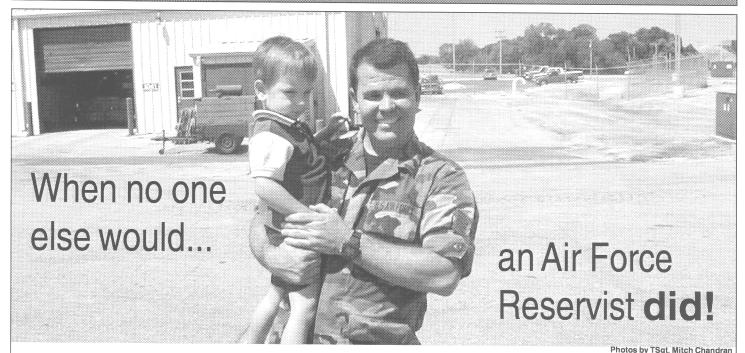
#### One busy month.....10

Last month, members of the 507th Air Refueling Wing were involved in many events and saw much change, both personally and structurally.

This special four-page photo feature shows some of the many activities of last month and is testimony that this is truly a dynamic wing.

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Standing in front of a 507th Maintenance Squadron's shop where he works, SSgt. Jeffrey Lupp once again holds little Michael after saving his life last month. Lupp came across Michael in his grandmother's arms choking on candy. He performed the child's version of the Heimlich maneuver dislodging the candy and allowing Michael to breathe again.

Editor's Note: The following is an exerpt from a letter written by Paula Pittman, Michael's grandmother, to Brig. Gen. Jack Gingerich, commander of the 507th ARW, regarding the actions SSgt. Jeff Lupp took for Michael.

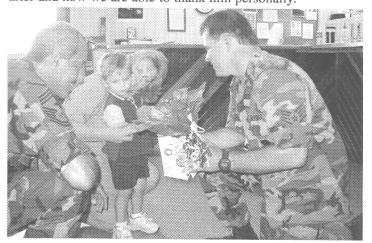
Our words will never be able to express the gratitude that our family has for SSgt. Jeffrey Lupp. Jeff gave us a gift that we will never be able to repay -- he saved the life of our three year old grandson, Michael.

On Wednesday, August 30, Michael and I had just pulled out of our neighborhood to run a few errands. As I turned onto S.E. 59th Street, I heard my grandson make an unusual sound. I looked through my rear view mirror to see Michael choking on something. I pulled to the curb and jumped out to get to him. I tried everything that I knew to try to dislodge what he was choking on, but was unsuccessful. I had become frantic by this time because NO ONE was stopping to help me! I started praying to God to send someone to help. I looked up and Jeff was running toward us asking me what is wrong. I told him Michael was choking and I could not dislodge it. Michael was starting to get very lifeless by this time. Jeff said, "I have EMT training, don't worry."

Jeff took Michael and performed the neccessary measures that it took to SAVE HIS LIFE. I know this was the most important prayer that God could ever answer in my life! We do not know what Michael will become in his future, but Michael has his future back because of Jeff's unselfish act of heroism that saved his life.

When the police officer arrived, he asked us what was going on. I started explaining the events and how Jeff was the only one that would stop and help. He asked if we were okay now.

Jeff did not do this for recognition, because we never even exchanged names. I knew I had to locate the gentleman that saved Michael. A good friend of our family, Donald Moore, retired Air Force, was called upon to help us locate him. The only information that we had was that I remembered seeing "LUPP" on his fatiques. Don was able to find Jeff shortly thereafter and now we are able to thank him personally.



CMSgt. Larry Deal, (left) first sergeant for the 507th Maintenance Squadron looks on as Michael and his grandmother, Paula Pittman, present SSgt. Jeffrey Lupp with a token of their appreciation.

#### 507th ARW Command Post takes AFRC's best

By TSgt. Mitch Chandran 507th ARW Public Affairs Office

The 507th Air Refueling Wing (ARW) Command Post is the another organization in the wing this year to be selected for an Air Force Reserve Command level award.

The 507th ARW was selected by the State of Oklahoma for the 1999 Oklahoma Quality Achievement Award and the 707th Communications Flight was selected for the Outstanding Air Force Reserve Command's 1999 Communications and Information Professional Award. Nine members in the wing have also claimed AFRC level individual awards for 1999 with one member a nominee for the Air Force Sergeant's Association Pitzenbarger Award competing at Air Force level.

The 507th ARW Command Post is cited for many accomplishments. Among them is their participation and flawless performance in the US Strategic Command's (USSTRATCOM) Single Integrated Operational Plan (SIOP) Global Guardian '99 exercise greatly enhancing the overall success of the unit's role in the exercise. Members of the Command Post applied their knowledge of the SIOP mission and prevented a potential error in a real world environment among all SIOP forces worldwide. Command Post controllers identified discrepancies in the Strategic Command's Emergency Action Procedures and the USSTRATCOM Directive which prompted that organization to correct and publish intermediate changes to both directives, effective immediately to worldwide forces.

Controller's in the Command Post using their expertise in interpreting Emergency Action Traffic and implementation of appropriate SIOP procedures, was directly responsible for the successful launch of all tasked 507th ARW alert sorties.

The Command Post was also credited for coordinating air operations in which the 507th ARW was the lead unit for a three-week deployment to Naval Air Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, and served as the liaison between all 507th ARW assets and the wing senior staff. They were also instrumental in the success of the Air War College mission to Southeast Asia and assisted in the coordination of diplomatic clearance request and downline station requests for the duration of the mission.

Members also supported air operations for volunteer wing deployment to Istres, France, in support of Operation Nobel Anvil, Operation Deliberate Guard, and also Operation Joint Forge. They were also tasked by higher headquarters to support alert missions at Keflavic Air Base, Iceland.

Controllers were also tasked by USSTRATCOM to conduct

a no-notice alert launch in support of the Airborne National Command Post and Navy alert forces. Their superb reaction minimized timing to launch these sortie.

The Command Post made considerable contributions to the 507th ARW's overall mission.

They were cited for superlative records in past inspections contributing to the 507th Air Refueling Wing's Outstanding AFRC Unit of the Year Award. They also supported and coordinated administrative activities in support of the unit's conversion to Pacer CRAG - the KC-135's navigational upgrade. Among other contributions, Command Post staff ensured the wing's senior staff was advised of the effects the conversion had in relationship to the unit's Status of Resources and Training System (SORTS). They maintained strict control of all SORTS requirements during this time period and coordinated the loan of aircraft to backfill the 507th ARW during this conversion. This ensured that all reporting requirements were updated to maintain control of the 507th alert force.

Controllers also supported the 931st Air Refueling Group's, (ARG) Wichita, Kansas, transition to reassignment to the 507th ARW. The staff assisted and provided guidance for SORTS Reporting procedures to the 507th Security Police Squadron during a natural disaster (flood) that caused over one million dollars in damage to SORTS critical communication equipment. This take charge attitude ensured that higher headquarters remained informed. They provided a tour for 15th Air Force Commander and AFRC commander by briefing them on the overview of the 507th Alert Force mission and the intricate role that the Command Post plays in the SIOP mission.

Among other accomplishments, controllers volunteered to work extended hours to support and coordinate flying activities for both the 931st ARG and the 513th Air Control Group during the Presidential Selected Reserve Call-Up in 1999 for each unit.

Command Post controllers received other recent recognition. Controllers received both Airman of the Quarter and NonCommisioned Officer of the Quarter (NCO) Awards in 1998. One controller went on to be awarded the NCO of the Year award for the 507th ARW in 1998. Command Post controllers were also approved to receive the Humanitarian Service Medal for the May 3. tornado disaster among other recognition.

Bad news, good news...

## Facts about Enrollment in Tricare Dental

By Maj. Eric Kean Chief, 507th Med Sq. Dental Service

The Department of Defense now requires Reserve component members to provide proof that they have had an annual dental examination, cleaning and any other necessary dental work done each year. The member, not the military, is responsible for meeting these expenses, which can run up to \$100.00 for the examination and cleaning alone. Did you know that you could loose your world-wide-qualified status and potentially your reserve position if you fail to meet these requirements?

The good news is you can avoid many of these dental care related expenses costs by joining the Tricare Selected Reserve Dental Program (TSRDP) program. TSRDP provides basic dental services, to include examinations, cleanings, some fillings and some extractions for only \$4.22 per month, and it can be deducted from your reserve paycheck by allotment!

The best news is that it is very easy to enroll. If you have access to the internet, you can get information and even enroll online by contacting the following website:

#### www.Humana-military.com\dental\home.htm.

If you do not have access to the internet, you can call Tricare to ask questions and have an enrollment form mailed to you. The number is: 1-800-211-3614.

As military members, we are all responsible for maintaining our dental health at a level that would prevent having problems in a deployed environment. The Tricare Select Reserve Dental Program is an excellent means of meeting this responsibility at a price you can afford. An initial enrollment fee \$16.88 is required.

# A new way of doing business

BY TSgt. Greg Inlow 507 ARW Communications Flight

In a world where technology is rapidly changing, it is important that we remain informed and proficient in order for us to meet the demands of the future.

The 507th Communications Flight is committed to managing infrastructure to support wing capabilities in meeting mission requirements.

We will continue to educate customers on issues which im-

pact communications and provide guidance on how to reduce problems with systems in working environments.

To assists us in this endeavor, the 507th Air Refueling Wing and the 513th Air Control Group are in the process of hiring full-time Workgroup Managers (WGMs) who will be assigned to each group. The Support Group hired TSgt. Dennis Derry to fill the WGM position.

"I am very excited to be assigned to the 507th Air Refueling Wing, said Derry, "Since the Workgroup Manager position is new there will be many challenges ahead, however, I look forward to working with the other workgroup managers, LAN Administrators, and more importantly the customers. The support I have received from the information systems office, the support group commander, Robert Greenlee and Pam Brandt have been outstanding," he said.

His responsibility encompasses personnel assigned to Headquarters and the Support Group. If you need to report a computer related issue you can contact him at ext 4-5101.

The Information Management career field is rapidly evolving from traditional administrative support duties to a more technical role in the Communications & Information field.

Technology has changed the way we do business, and we had to change with it. Information Managers at all levels have been tasked and challenged to become proficient in computer applications, computer repair, networking, web page development, and performing help desk functions. These are not additional duties, but are core-training tasks identified in the Information Management Career Field and Education Training Plan (CFETP) and mandated by the Air Force Instructions.

To help the reserve community achieve this objective, the flight initiated two phases; in phase one, all reserve Information Managers successfully completed a forty-hour Workgroup Administrator (WGA) course that taught basic skills and applications, maintenance of hardware, and familiarization with the Local Area Network (LAN). Upon successful completion of this course, phase two was implemented which scheduled WGA's for computer based training courses and handson experience to provide on-site support for their unit. Since it will take a period of time to certify WGA's at a level comparable to WGM's, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command authorized the hiring of WGM's at reserve wings.

What is the role of the WGM? "The WGM's will be highly qualified computer technicians capable of providing immediate support and oversight for C&I programs, Help Desk Support, Networking Support, Information Protection, and Training" stated SMSgt. David Hernandez, Chief, Information Systems. Once again, the command has led efforts to ensure wings were provided the necessary resources to support their mission. This is a great resource that will benefit the reserve community.

# Commander's Coin recipients for September

Commanders in the 507th Air Refueling Wing present a Commander's Coin monthly to unit members demonstrating dedication to the Air Force Core Values of Integrity First, Service Before Self, and Excellence in All We Do. The following individuals received coins.

#### Capt. Ken Humphrey, 507th Air Refueling Wing

"I presented my coin for Sept. to Captain Humphrey for doing an outstanding job in preparing the unit for Global Guardian. He has demonstrated professionalism and leadership in the accomplishment of this task."

-- Col. Mario Goico, 507th ARW Vice Commander

#### MSgt. Gary Bristol, 507th ARW Safety Office

"Sergeant Bristol stepped up and provided ground safety briefings and participated in all wing meetings in place of the office OIC. He took the initiative to ensure the new safety administration troop completed inprocessing without any problems. Sergeant Bristol also worked with our XP providing upcoming deployment ideas. He is not hesitant to work any issue and can be relied on to complete any tasking in a first class fashion.

-- CMSgt Robert Kellington, 507th ARW Command Chief Master Sergeant

1st. Lt. Jodi Velasco, 507th Combat Logistics Support Sq. "Lt. Velasco recently put together a squadron yearbook documenting and highlighting the squadron's activities for 1999-2000. Each squadron member received one of the yearbooks. All sections within the squadron were represented with photographs and narratives in the yearbook. The yearbook also provided historical information on the squadron's past, present, and future. I have presented the yearbooks to other Commanders within the Group and Wing. Some of the comments I have received on the yearbook from the other Commanders are that it is the best of its type that they have ever seen. Lt. Velasco spent many hours of her personal time to put the yearbook together. I appreciate Lt. Velasco's efforts in getting the yearbook started and bringing it to completion. The yearbook will be something that squadron members will want to keep for years to come as a reminder of their days in the reserve."

-- Maj. Donald Harlan, 507th CLSS Commander

#### Maj. Eric Kean, 507th Medical Sq.

"I have given the commander's coin to Major Kean. I gave the coin to him due to his efforts in leading the Dental Section, incorporating new processes to streamline patient flow, and encouraging suggestions from users of the section on how the service can be improved. He works hard on behalf of his troops; mentoring, encouraging, and facilitating, often being one of the

last squadron members to leave the building. He is constantly looking for ways to improve the section, squadron and himself. -- Col. Steven Gentling, 507th Med. Sq. Commander

#### SMSgt. Jerald Calvert, 507th Maintenance Sq.

"I presented Sergeant Calvert with the coin for his 25 plus years of sustained superior performance, dedication, and friendship to the 507th Maintenance and Aircraft Generation Squadrons. He will retire in November at age 60 and will certainly be missed.

#### TSgt. Jerry Lloyd, 507th Maintenance Sq.

I presented Sergeant Lloyd with the Commander's Coin for performance excellence as an Aircraft Fuels Mechanic. Jerry has never let the maintenance team down and continuously answers the 911 calls when called upon for his expertise. He is leaving the ART program to go make OC-ALC a better place to work and boost their performance ratings. We'll definitely miss him around here Monday through Friday and look forward to his help on the UTAs.

-- 1Lt. Dan Moore, 507th MXS Commander

#### TSgt. William Dean, 507th Civil Engineer Sq.

"I presented my commander's coin to Sergeant Dean for his outstanding performance as the Glenwood Camp construction project manager. This is an on-going, joint active duty-reserve venture for improving conditions for field training at Glenwood. Sergeant Dean was recognized for his expertise and for leading the effort in completing the preliminary phases of work despite several weather delays. The unit was able to inaugurate the newly finished concrete pads by setting up tent city for its biannual bivouac. He coordinated the ordering and purchase of materials as well as the phasing and scheduling of equipment. He was given the plan and he made it happen."

-- Maj. J. Renee Lane, 507th CES Commander

#### SSgt. Steve Shockley, 465th Air Refueling Sq.

"Sergeant Shockley is one of the Life Support Technicians for my squadron. He is the primary platform instructor for several of our survival and aircrew chemical defense classes. He does a superior job teaching us how to use our life support equipment and how to survive under combat conditions. Recently, he went above and beyond to teach a comprehensive chem gear class for 1st ASF aircrew members who don't have their own Life Support section—he did an outstanding job, as always!

-- Col. James Jackson, 465th ARS Commander

#### TSgt. Debi Malone, 507th Logistics Support Sq.

"I gave my coin to Sergeant Malone of P & S. At 0600 during the Sept. 10 morning, the Operations Group was ready to walk and due to a mix-up, no fitness monitor was present. Once Sgt Malone was made aware, she jumped many "holes" to get to the ramp to monitor the walk for them. Making alot of folks "happy".

-- Lt. Col. David Beavin, 507th LG Commander



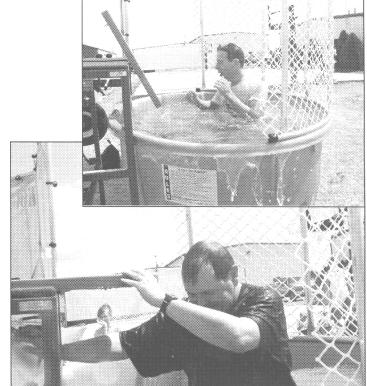
Col. John Fobian (right), commander of the 513thAir Control Group, takes time to talk with unit members and their families during their Family Day Sept. 9. Family Day is one day set aside for family members and friends of reservists to visit the reserve work areas in a relaxed atmosphere and see first-hand the role of reservists and the Air Force Reserve as a whole toward the Total Force.

### 513th Air Control Group hosts Family Day

Photo story by 1Lt. Stan Paregien 507th ARW Public Affairs Office



Along with good company is good food as seen here with TSgt. Tom Turner, chief of Information Management for the 513th ACG, grilling up hamburgers and hot dogs. (Right) Some 513th ACG members get the opportunity to "cool off" during the hot day with the help of some of their friends.



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#### FREE COLLEGE TESTING

Air Force Reserve members, spouses and civilian employees may take DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSSTs) or College-Level Examinations Program (CLEP) or Regents College Examinations (RCE) tests FREE! These examinations test college-level knowledge you may have gained through your job, reading, travel, or hobbies. You must test at your Reserve DANTES approved test center. Testing at another DANTES test center will be on a case-by-case basis. The third Tuesday of each month at 0800 has been set aside for testing. The next test date is 17 October 2000. You must call us four weeks prior to test date to ensure we will have your test by test date. Some tests are stocked while others must be ordered. For more information contact CMSgt. Epps in the MPF Education & Training Office at 734-7075. The 2000 Edition CLEP and DANTES Study Guides are in our office.

#### PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

Become a certified professional in a field related to your military training. DANTES and AFRC funded certification examinations are available for certain career fields. Go to http://www.voled.doded.mil/dantes/cert/index.htm and click on AFR Matrix which identifies the eligible AFSCs, certification exams available and internet addresses for more info. If you desire to take an exam, contact CMSgt. Epps in the MPF Education & Training Office at 734-7075.

#### **TUITIONASSISTANCE**

Reserve members are eligible to apply for Tuition Assistance (TA) for Distance Learning and In-Residence courses to further their education up to a Bachelor's 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 \$2500 per FY.
  - Be a participating member in good standing (no UIF, Article 15, etc.).
  - Complete enrollment forms in our office.

For more information contact CMSgt. Epps in the MPF Education & Training Office at 734-7075.

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

Listed below are the FY 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:

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Class	Quotas	Dates	Location
2001-1	1	08 Nov - 20 Dec 00	Tyndall AFB, Fl
2001-2	1	08 Jan - 15 Feb 01	Tyndall AFB, Fl
2001-3	1	27 Feb - 5 Mar 01	Tyndall AFB, Fl
2001-4	1	17 Apr - 24 May 01	Tyndall AFB, Fl
2001-5	1	04 Jun - 12 Jul 01	Tyndall AFB, Fl
2001-6	1	06Aug - 13 Sep 01	Tyndall AFB, Fl
2001-7	1	24 Sep - 01 Nov 01	Tyndall AFB, Fl
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#### PARTICIPATION IN PAPER-BASED ECI COURSE 8 (SNCOA)

Effective 1 October 2000, Air Force reservists will no longer be authorized to enroll in the paper-based Senior Noncommissioned Officer Academy Correspondence Course 8. Instead, they will sign up for the SNCOA Multimedia Course 5 or attend the academy in-residence. People actively enrolled in Course 8 before the Oct 1 cutoff date will be allowed to complete their enrollment. If the course cannot be completed during the enrollment period, students will be disenrolled and serve the appropriate restriction time before becoming eligible to enroll in Course 5.

#### **HOT TOPICS:**

✓ CDC Testing is accomplished at 0750 on Sundays of the (main) UTA. You do not have to schedule it, just be there NLT 0750 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 at 0800 and 1300. 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 allowed to test.

If you are testing for Course 5A, please call DPMT at extension 47075 at least two days prior to the UTA.

#### ✓ 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."

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1200-1600 on Saturdays of the UTA.

- ✓ IEU OPEN FROM 1200-1500 ON SATURDAY OF THE MAIN UTA.
- ✓ WING COMMANDER'S CALL ON SUNDAY, 15 OCTOBER AT THE BASE THEATER. THIS IS MANDATORY FOR ALL 507 ARW PERSONNEL.

#### FY2000/2001 UTA Schedule

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0830-1030	HAZCOM	Bldg 201, Base Education Bldg	0830-1030	Additional Duty Safety Rep	Bldg 201, Base Education Bldg
0750-1115	CDC/PME Course Exams	Bldg 460, Room 213	0750-1115	CDC/PME Course Exams	Bldg 460, Room 213
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#### **EDUCATION**

Air Force Reserve members needing info on the ACT, SAT I, GRE, GMAT, PRAXIS, or LSAT contact CMSgt. Epps in the MPF Education & Training Office at 734-7075.

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#### **Newcomers Ancillary Training**

Newcomers Ancillary Training Phase I & II are conducted monthly in Bldg 201, Base Education Building. 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 at 734-7075.

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Saturday	1330-1400	Security Awareness (C4 SATE)	CF
Saturday	1400-1500	Drug and Alcohol	SG
Saturday	1500-1530	Local Conditions-Traffic	SE
Saturday	1530-1630	Human Relations	SA
		Phase II	
Sunday	0800-0830	Base Populace	CEX
Sunday	0830-0845	IG Briefing	<b>I</b> G
Sunday	0845-1015	UCMJ/Ethics	SA
Sunday	1015-1115	Counter Intel/Protection	SP
		from Terrorism	

#### **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 0845 on Sunday of the UTA in Bldg 201, Base Education Building.

#### **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 0845 on Sunday of the UTA in Bldg 201, Base Education Building.

#### **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.

#### **Record of Emergency Data** (DD Form 93)

This is the single most important source of information within your personnel record for dependent data and notification of next-of-kin in an emergency. If data is incomplete or incorrect, the Air Force cannot extend dependent benefits, nor can proper and timely notification be made in the event you become injured or die on duty. You are the only one who can update this record. If any information is in error or out of date, see the people in the MPF Customer Svc Office.

#### **BAO** Recertification **Deadlines**

If your SSAN ends with a 0 you have until 31 Oct 2000 to recertify your BAQ or have it terminated. Please see your Unit BAQ monitor to complete the AF Form 987. 507th 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.

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# Reserve appoints chief to represent IMA enlisted people



ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. – Speaking with a Heart-of-Dixie accent, Chief Master Sgt. David E. Headley tells people when he meets them that he is originally from LA.

"That's Lower Alabama, not Los Angeles," he says with a grin.

In addition to his sense of humor, Headley brings 29 years of military experience as an Air Force reservist to his

new duties as individual mobilization augmentee to the command chief master sergeant of Air Force Reserve Command.

"This job involves visiting IMAs, hearing their concerns and looking out for their welfare," said Headley, who officially started the assignment Aug. 1. "In some cases, an IMA is assigned to one unit, attached to another and working at a third location. Under those circumstances, a person may not be getting the right kind of support for a good military career.

"I see my role as being a spokesman for IMAs, to address issues that concern them," said Headley, who serves 5,500 enlisted IMAs nationwide.

In addition to working for IMAs, the chief also represents Chief Master Sgt. Billy G. Blackburn, the AFRC command chief master sergeant, if Blackburn is unavailable to attend a function. A resident of Montgomery, Ala., Headley, has briefed Air Force Senior NCO Academy students at Maxwell AFB's Gunter Annex and has given the AFRC perspective to those attending the First Sergeant Academy at Maxwell AFB.

Initially, Headley's job was to be the command chief master sergeant for the Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver, which provides administrative support for IMAs. Command officials decided to make it an IMA position because Blackburn also represents the center as the AFRC command chief master sergeant.

Before accepting his current assignment, Headley was the IMA to the commandant of the Air Force Senior NCO Academy for 2 ½ years. From May 1994 to March 1998, he was the command chief master sergeant for the Reserve's 908th Airlift Wing at Maxwell AFB.

During the U.S. postal strike of 1968, Headley and others in his unit were mobilized. They had packed their bags, were on the plane and were ready to leave the base when they were told they did not have to go.

In 1973 he retrained as a command post controller and five years later took a break in service. A master sergeant at the time of his separation from service, the only position available to return to was a staff sergeant slot.

#### **AFRC News Summary**

This summary is intended to give the reader a brief look at some Air Force Reserve issues and recent events.

#### Revised commissary card reflects authorized visits

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. - A revised version of the Department of Defense's DD Form 2529, Reserve Component Commissary Privilege Card, goes into effect Jan. 1.

The revised card contains 24 blocks to record the dates of 24 authorized visits. The current card, which becomes obsolete Dec. 31, has 12 blocks. Two copies of the current card have to be issued to record a year's visits.

The fiscal year 1999 National Defense Authorization Act, which was signed by the president Oct. 17, 1998, changed the entitlement from 12 visits per year to 24 for reservists in the Selected Reserve and reserve retirees younger than 60.

Air Force Reserve Command officials at Robins said unit reservists should receive the new cards during their December unit training assemblies.

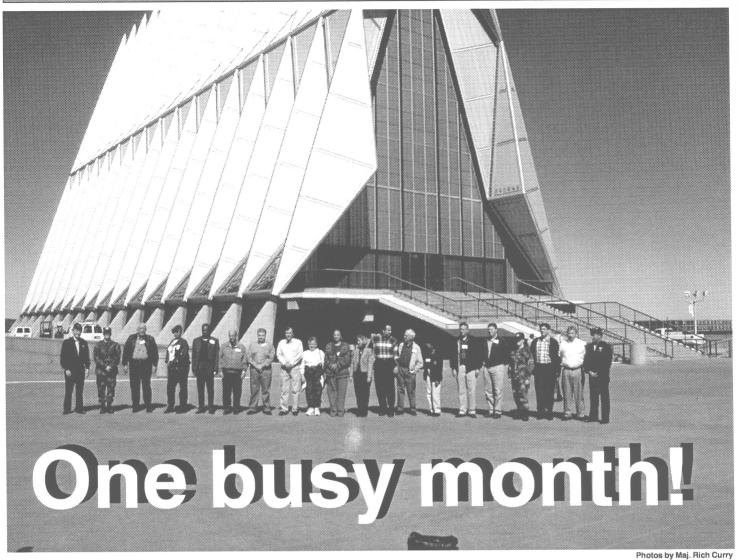
### Reservists train while building low-income housing

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. - In Gallup, N.M., this summer, Air Force Reserve civil engineers picked up valuable training while members of the Navajo Nation gained new homes.

Building homes for Native Americans has been a staple of Air Force Reserve Command's Innovative Readiness Training program since 1995. This year the civil engineers partnered with Americans for Native Americans to build houses under Operation Footprint between May 15 and Sept. 15. The original plan called for four houses, but they built five houses and completed three-fourths of a sixth house.

Twelve to 16 reservists worked on the project at any one time. Some were on the job for the entire four months, others for a month, but most were there for two weeks. The crews were a mix of unit reservists and individual mobilization augmentees.

"This training is kind of what I expected," said Master Sgt. Malada Mouse of the 507th Civil Engineer Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla. "I've done this kind of work before painting, putting up sheet rock and framing. In my squadron, I help out other sections, so I'm used to this work," said Mouse, who was in Gallup from mid-June to mid-July.



By TSgt. Mitchell B. Chandran 507th ARW Public Affairs Office

Activities, missions, and events abound for members of the 507th Air Refueling Wing with the month of September showcasing the men and women of the Air Force Reserve.

It is not uncommon to find reservists in this unit deployed to support a mission or receive training, participate in an exercise, or involved in community projects at any given time during the year. About 10 percent of this unit's reservists can be found supporting and event or partnering with their Air Force or other service's counterparts at any time. And in between all that, reservists are participants of a dynamic work environment here at home station.

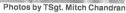
September 2000 brought with it many events, activities, and for some, changes for the better for reservists and civilian employees and is another example that the old days of "just doing business on the weekend" is long gone.



(Above) civic leaders within the Oklahoma City Metro area get to see what the Air Force Academy is all about and how it ties in with the Air Force Reserve (Below) as briefed during the day.

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(Top left) Maj. Tamera Herzog, senior director for the 970th Airborne Air Control Squadron (AACS), gets her new rank pinned on by her sister, MSgt. Peggy Stanford, and her mother during her pin-on ceremony. (Top) Maj. Teresa Beardslee, air surveillance officer for the 970th AACS, gets her new rank pinned on with the help of her father and mother. (Top right) Maj. David Omstead, senior director for the 970th AACS, gets his new rank pinned on with the help of his wife, Maj. Barbara Omstead, and his daughter during the same pin-on ceremony. (Right) TSgts Latina Devaughn, supply technician for the 507th Combat Logistics Support Squadron, and Darryl Wingo, technician for the Family Support Section, assist unit recruiters in telling the public about the Air Force Reserve at the 507th Recruiting Booth, State Fair. (Bottom right) Maj. Bryan Runion, maintenance officer for the 507th Combat Logistics Support Squadron, takes a last look at his promotion cake before it gets cut up during his pin-on ceremony. (Bottom Left) MSgt. Kathy Lowman, boom operator for the 465th Air Refueling Squadron, controls the refueling of an E-3 "Sentry" aircraft while one of the civic leaders watches and sees how this reserve mission works hand-inhand with active duty services.

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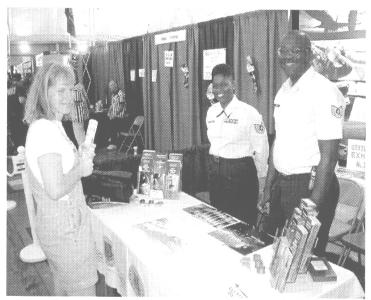


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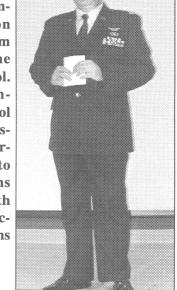
Maj. Michael Miller assumed the deputy commander position for the 507th Support Group under Col. Gary Mixon, group commander, on Aug. 6. After serving more than four years on active duty, Maj. Miller joined the Air Force Reserve in October 1972 and became an air reserve technician with the 507th Tactical **Fighter** Group. In September 1982, he was selected for a direct commission as a seclieutenant ond through the Deserving Airman Commissioning Program.

# A weekend of change within a busy month

(Left photo) Capt. Wendy Deemer, 507th Logistics Support Squadron commander, speaks to unit members after accepting command of the squadron during an Assumption of Command ceremony Sept. 9. Deemer said she was honored to accept this command. Joining her on stage was Capt. Mark Dodds, Lt. Col. David Beavin, Lt. Col. William Simpson, and Maj. Don Harlan. Capt. Dodds (inset) assumed command of the Aircraft Generation Squadron and Lt. Col. Simpson became the Logistics Group Deputy Commander under the command of Lt. Col. Beavin.



(Top and right) Assuming command of the 507th Mission Support Squadron, Maj. Tim **Collins** accepts the squadron's guidon from Col. Gary Mixon, group commander, Sept. 9, as a symbol of acceptance during the Assumption of Command ceremony. During his speech to squadron members, Collins said trust and support, both ways, were among his expectations. MSgt. Clyde Hankins helps with the flag.



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Photo by Maj. Rich Curry

Col. James Kerr, 507th Operations Group commander gives the Oath of Office to his stepson, David Vanderbrug, who recently joined the 507th Air Refueling Wing. "I am very proud of him," Kerr said, "that he is willing to serve and gain a better appreciation for his country."

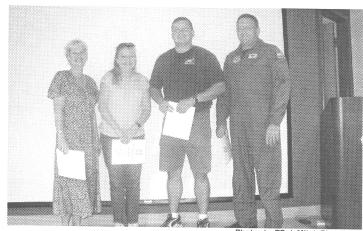


Photo by TSgt. Ty Yoshida

SMSgt. Jerald Calvert, propulsion mechanic for the 507th Maintenance Squadron, is handed an American flag during his Retirement Ceremony Sept. 9. and officially retires in November. He has been with the 507th Air Refueling Wing since March 1979.

John Cameron was presented a flag during his civilian retirement ceremony Oct.1 by Col. Gary Mixon. 507th SG commander. The flag was flown over the Capital Building in Washington, D.C. July 17 and flown again at the 507th ARW Sept. 21. OCTOBER 2000

Air Reserve Technicians and civilians with the 507th Air Refueling Wing received tenure pins during the civilian all-hands commander's call

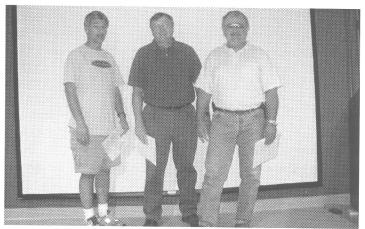


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10-year pins were received by (left to right) Debora Tilschner, Valerie Daugherty, Shad McFarlane, and Ricky Erwin. Ben Walker and Robert Cameron (not shown) also received a pin.



20-year Pins were received by (Left to right) Michael Tucker, Rod Garrison, Mike Grady, John Cardoni, Rich Curry, Janice Lyles, Dan Moore, Neville Comas, Deborah Malone, and Sharlotte Epps.



30-year pins were received by (Left to right) Mike Tompkins, Ray Hahn, and Doug Stewart.

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"Readiness Is OUR Number One Priority"

# War Wagon experience offers tips for ORE success

SrA Andy Stephens 507<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing Historian

With the wing preparing for its Operational Readiness Inspection early next year at Volk Field, Wis., members can get a head start in preparing themselves. Here are a few tips I picked up at Tinker Air Force Base's War Wagon 00-09/Raging Bull 02 exercise recently.

Inserts for chem masks—Civilian glasses are not worn underneath the mask because they compromise its air-tight seal. Military-issue inserts do not affect the seal, but can take up to 90 days to arrive and require a prescription from a qualified optometrist. Exercise players should bring in their prescription NO LATER THAN the November drill.

Immunizations—Some immunizations require a period of time to pass before being approved, i.e., tuberculosis test. Suggest immunizations reviews during December and February drill weekends.

Work gloves—Setting up a bare base means setting up tents and other demonstrations of brute strength. Personnel who did not have work gloves developed calluses and injuries to the hand. Add work gloves to "A" bag inventories.

Equipment approval and carry-on —Check with your unit's AFWUS to see if equipment is hand-carried or can be palletized. If equipment is hand-carried, be prepared to carry it. Personnel passing through the mobility line for this exercise carried "A" and "C" bags, and their personal bag. Personnel hand-carry "C" bags and firearms while en-route, but "A" and personnel bags can be palletized. Laptop computers, however, will be hand-carried if they do not meet mission requisites determined by the AFWUS.

Hot weather uniforms—Air Force officials have approved wearable water packs for temperate conditions. The canteen holds two pints (32 oz.), whereas the smallest commercial water pack holds 70 oz. Water packs let servicemembers drink water when needed relatively hands-free. During the Warwagon exercise, personnel with water packs were more comfortable in 110-degree weather. Once in chem gear, personnel ingest one canteen of water every ten minutes on average.

Time limits for MOPP changes—Mission-oriented protective postures have to be met within a certain time limit. Ideally, an airman should be able to go from MOPP Zero to MOPP Four (Full wear of protective ensemble) within less than six minutes.

Test the fit of the ensemble and practice going from Zero to Four at the same time.

Security Clearances—Need-to-know is not automatically given, even if you have a Top Secret clearance. If deployed or attached to an active duty unit or mission, clearance credentials need to forwarded electronically from your contrl section to the accepting unit. Hand-carried credetials are not approved, due to security risks.

#### LETTERS FROM BASIC TRAINING

Hello Sergeant Wheatley,

I'm still here and kicking. This week I'm in my last and final week. We are now starting to wear our blue uniform. It's been really exciting getting to this stage. After this card, all I have to work on is technical school. Thank you very much. I'll get in touch once I get back to Oklahoma.

-- Amn. Richard Garcia

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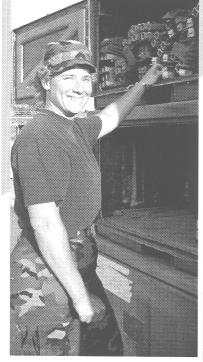
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# By TSgt. Ty Yoshida



MSgt. Delonna Fowser "It's a beautiful walk around Lake Hefner. We all got up at 5 this morning for our annual three mile fitness test."

The following question was asked of members of the 507th Civil Engineer Squadron at the conclusion of an overnight bivouac during the September UTA:

"What did you learn this weekend?"



Capt. Jennifer Kilbourn "We had a plan when we came out this weekend. I learned flexibility and a positive attitude are key to success."

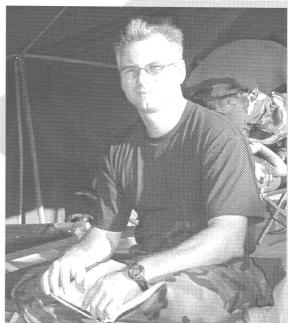


SMSgt. Dennis Clapp
"It took alot of teamwork
to get operations set up,
and to rebuild Glennwood
Springs."



TSgt. Tanya Rich "I learned how to hammer a nail properly."





TSgt. Ricky Nissen
"It was a tough weekend, and I had to pace
myself. I learned perseverance."





#### Leaders Needed for Top-3

Another year has came and gone and it is time again to elect new officers for our organization.

The Top-3 Executive Board wants to thank you for allowing us to serve you this past year.

We have had a good year. Our membership has increased, we are supporting a number of other organizations on and off the base: Christmas in April, Chiefs Induction, Leadership Development Program, Airman and NCO of the Quarter/Year, Maintenance Person of the Quarter/Year for the 552nd AWAC, Base Food Pantry, and Rodeo 2000).

We are continuously looking for opportunities to help our fellow NCO's. If you know of anyone in your organization that wants to make a difference in the quality of life for the Enlisted Reserve Force here at Tinker AFB, please come to our group meeting, Oct. 15 in the AWAC Autotorium, 0930, and nominee them for a Board position. If you are unable to attend you may have another member present your nominee.

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(Above) The team from a 1998 Air Force Reserve Command Leadership Development Program break ground with the commanders of the 507th Air Refueling Wing and 513th Air Control Group. The groundbreaking ceremony is the result of their team project and suggestion to install an electronic marquee just west Memorial Hall.

From left to right are TSgts Michelle Carloss, 507th MSS; Michelle Adams, 507th CES; and Randy Unger, 931st CES; Col. John Fobian, 513th ACG commander; Brig. Gen. Gingerich, 507th ARW commander; TSgt. Darrell Gamble, 72nd APS; and MSgt. Billy Serviss, 507th AGS.

#### CONGRATS TO:

#### Nominees of the Hughes Memorial Award

SMSgts Robert Gaspar, 507th OSF; Joe Lafitte, 507 MXS; Michael Reed, 507 CES; MSgts Gary Burkhart, 507 LSS; Kathy Lowman, 465 ARS; TSgts Bryon Carlson, 707 CF; Robert Enriquez, 507 MPF; Tim Laguinda, 72 APS; Mark Wilson, 507 CLSS; SrAs Phillip Baker, 507 MDS; and Michelle Rice, 507 SFS

#### Hangar update

The contractor's demolition crew has started preparing the south side of Building 1030. When finished, a framing crew will proceed with rebuilding the south side of the hangar while the demolition crew starts preparing the north side.

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

#### Tinker AFB, OK

Lawton, OK

(405) 734-5331

MSgt. Danny Bretthorst MSgt. Nathan Bickle (580) 357-2784

MSgt Larry Wheatley

MSgt. Georgina Gee-Wells (405) 739-2980

#### Sheppard AFB, TX

Midwest City, OK

(940) 676-3382

MSgt. Michael Tubbs MSgt. Darrell Batchelor MSgt. Pam Peterson (405) 733-9403

#### Tulsa, OK

TSgt. Bill Thompson

(918) 665-2300

Altus AFB, OK MSgt. Ronald J. Salafia

#### Vance AFB, OK

(In-Service Recruiter) (580) 481-5123

MSgt. David McCormick (316) 652-3766

#### McConnell AFB, KS

MSgt. David McCormick (In-Service Recruiter) (316) 652-3766 SSgt. Patrick Johnson (316) 652-4350

