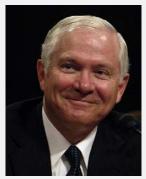




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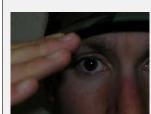
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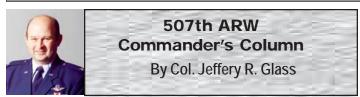


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Thank your families

I hope everyone had a safe and Happy Holiday Season. Now that we all have had our fill of turkey, ham and all of the fixings and maybe put on a couple of pounds, its time to get back to work. The next six months we need everyone to think ORI and what it will take to get ready. Get to know your AFMAN 10-100. This small manual should become your best friend. Also get comfortable with your chemical gear and mask. Even if you are not tasked as an ORE/ORI deployer, you can still be tasked at the last minute to fill in for someone who can not go because of an emergency or an untimely injury. Those not going to the ORI will still be critical assets in the deployment/redeployment phases. We will succeed or fail as a total 507th team.

The next year we will see many changes with the start up of the guard associate unit. You will see more and more guard members working here at Tinker as the year progresses. By September most of their maintainers will be trained on the KC-135. The operators will start flying with us this spring. If you see any of these individuals please make them feel welcome. We have the unique opportunity as the first ARC to ARC association. I know we will make it a complete success.

In closing I can not believe that Kim and I have been here for almost six months, the time has really flown by. Thank everyone for making us feel like part of the "Okie" family. We both wish the entire wing a Happy and SAFE 2007.

<u>New Secretary of Defense</u> Senate approves Gates with confirmation vote

The Senate Armed Services Committee unanimously recommended Robert M. Gates to be the next U.S. defense secretary. The next day the full Senate voted with the confirmation vote.

Virginia Sen. John Warner, committee chairman, expressed confidence in Gates' ability to do the job.

"He's going to be a very strong adviser to the president of the United States and to the Congress, and in his heart (he has) only the best interests of this country and the men and women of the armed forces and their families," Warner said.

Gates faced five hours of questioning before the Armed Services Committee. The war in Iraq dominated the questions.

Gates told committee members during his confirmation hearing that if he's confirmed to the top Pentagon post, his highest calling will be to ensure success in Iraq and look out for the men and women in uniform.

He said the "most humbling" part of his job will be making decisions that will have life-and-death consequences. "Our country is at war, and if confirmed, I will be charged with leading the men and women who are fighting it," he said.

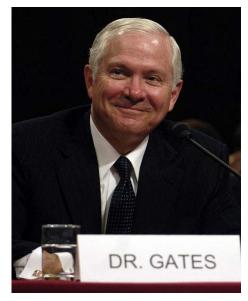
"The patriots who have volunteered to serve in our armed services today have no equal in the world," he said. "I offer this committee my solemn commitment to keep the welfare of our forces uppermost in my mind."

Gates was confirmed to succeed Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld. Rumsfeld has served in office since Jan. 20, 2001. Gates took office as the defense secretary on Dec. 18.

Gates served as director of central intelligence from 1991 to 1993.

When confirmed for the position

he was serving as the president of Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas.



Billy Hughes Memorial Award correction

The On-Final would like to send an apology to a former recipient of the award for the misspelling of his name in the December issue. The winner for 1999 should have read Tech. Sgt. David Dickson of the 507th Security Forces Squadron.

Ford helped U.S. recover from Watergate

by Jim Garamone American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — Americans will remember former President Gerald R. Ford as a man with the courage to heal a nation.

President Ford, who died at his California home Dec. 26 at age 93, assumed the presidency at a grim time in American history.

In the midst of a distinguished career in the House of Representatives, the Michigan Republican was President Richard M. Nixon's choice to succeed Spiro T. Agnew as vice president. Agnew resigned in disgrace on Oct. 10, 1973, after pleading no contest to corruption charges, and President Nixon himself was facing impeachment.

President Nixon's difficulty started with

a break-in at the Democratic National Headquarters in the Watergate building here during the 1972 presidential campaign and evolved into a cover-up that involved many figures in the administration up to the president.

By August 1974, the prevailing mood in the country had turned against President Nixon. He had been re-elected in a landslide in November 1972, but revelations about the Watergate cover-up kept surfacing. A Senate select committee led by Sens. Sam Ervin and Howard Baker investigated, and Americans began realizing how far the corruption had crept into the administration. In July 1974, Congress voted to begin impeachment proceedings against the president.

President Nixon weighed what lay ahead for him, and on Aug. 9, 1974, became the first president of the United States to resign from office.

The resignation was effective at noon. At 12:05 p.m.,

Gerald Ford began the healing process in a speech to America and the world. "My fellow Americans, our long national nightmare is over," President Ford said. "Our Constitution works; our great republic is a government of laws, and not of men. Here, the people rule."

Ford was born Leslie Lynch King Jr. on July 14, 1913, in Omaha, Neb. His parents divorced, and his mother took him to Grand Rapids, Mich., to live with her parents. In 1916, she married Gerald R. Ford, and Leslie King became Gerald R. Ford Jr.

Upon learning of Ford's death last night, Presi-

dent Bush issued a written statement praising the former chief executive. "With his quiet integrity, common sense, and kind instincts, President Ford helped heal our land and restore public confidence in the presidency," Bush's statement said. In a televised statement this morning, Bush called Ford "a true gentleman who reflected the best of America's character."

In 1979, Ford published his autobiography, titled "A Time to Heal."

U.S. flags will fly at half-staff for 30 days in Ford's honor. The former president is survived by his wife and four children.

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<u>Secretary Donald Rumsfeld</u> Farewell message to the troops

Thursday, Dec. 14, 2006

For these past six years, I have had the opportunity, and, I should add, the privilege to serve with the greatest military the world has ever known. To all of the men and women in uniform, all across the globe: I wish it were possible for me to meet with each of you, personally today so I could look you in the eyes, shake your hands and express my heartfelt gratitude for your service. And to give you some sense of what you have given me: pride in our mission, and an abiding confidence in our country, and in those of you who volunteer to risk your lives to defend us all.

As I complete my second tour as Secretary of Defense, I leave knowing that the true strength of our U.S. military lies not in our weapons, but in the hearts of the men and women in uniform — in your patriotism, in your professionalism, and your determination to accomplish the mission.

President Abraham Lincoln once said, "determine that the thing can and shall be done, and then we shall find the way." That remains as true today as it did during President Lincoln's time. I have seen countless examples of this resolve, when I have met with those of you serving in this long struggle against violent extremists.

I remember visiting a base near Fallujah, where Marines had been engaged in some of the most intense houseto-house fighting since World War II.

It was two days before Christmas. A staff sergeant asked me why there wasn't a way he could extend his tour beyond his unit's service limit in Iraq. And, I think back to a young man I met at Bethesda Naval Hospital. He was in the very early stages of his recovery from multiple wounds suffered in Iraq. He looked up at me, with a tube in his nose, and said, with force, "if only the Ameri-**PAGE 4** "R can people will give us the time we need, we can do it. We are getting it done."

And a soldier I met in Afghanistan not long ago, who said, "I really can't believe we're allowed to do something this important." I feel the same way. I can't believe I have had the chance to be involved in something so important to the safety of the American people and the future of our country.

What you are accomplishing is not simply important. It is historic.

When the cause of human freedom required men and women to stand on the front lines in its defense:

* You stepped forward to liberate more than 50 million citizens in Afghanistan and Iraq;

* You captured or killed tens of thousands of extremists — taking the fight to where they live, rather than waiting for the extremists to attack us again where our families live; and

* You helped alleviate the conditions that foster extremism — in places like the Horn of Africa, the Philippines, and elsewhere — so that your children and grandchildren will not have to face the challenges we face today.

This month has two important anniversaries: the free elections of the Iraqi national assembly, and the seating of the first democratically elected President in Afghanistan's long history. We all remember the images of Iraqis proudly raising purple fingers in the air, after voting in their first free elections; and the images of the Afghan girls singing with joy as their new president took office. Those were historic chapters in the saga of human freedom. And you made them possible.

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Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld

ones who live the successes, and who endure the setbacks of this struggle, who find your daily missions a personal test of will. And you are the ones who, above all, know that the cause of freedom is well worth the price.

In 10 or 20 years, when you are talking to your children or to your grandchildren, you will look back on your service, at what you have accomplished, with a great sense of pride. You will know that you were part of a truly proud history, indeed, that you were the makers of that proud history, and an inspiration to the generations that followed.

It has been the highest honor of my life to serve with you, the men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces. You define the American spirit. You have helped millions triumph over tyranny, during this time of great consequence. You have my eternal respect. And you will remain in my thoughts and prayers — always.

May God bless you and your families, and may God continue to bless our wonderful country.

UNIT NEWS

Stalking the unrivaled wingman

By Lt. Col. Richard Curry 507th ARW Public Affairs

Editor's Note: Last September a new vision statement was released for the Air Force Reserve Command. That statement "One Air Force, same fight – an unrivaled wingman" represents a new focus for the Command, that of a strategically operational reserve force and no longer one of a force in reserve.

Being an unrivalled wingman requires more than equipment — it requires the talented, dedicated people that have made AFRC a recognizable force, one that's forever ready, always there.

The 507th Air Refueling Wing is composed of unrivaled wingman. Here is just one of them.

Today we're stalking an unrivaled wingman called Master Sgt. William Dean.

It's difficult to catch up to an unrivaled wingman, but easy to follow his trail.

Sergeant Dean's easy-going mannerisms go hand-in-hand with his 36 years of military experience and almost conceal the fact that he has mastered virtually every skill within the civil engineer career field – and a few others to boot.

Most of civilian life he worked in construction. Originally from Missouri, the sergeant moved to Oklahoma in 1980 where he worked for a time in the oil fields as a welder. Now he's self-employed with his own construction business, "when I have time for it." "Mostly, though, I spend a lot of time here at the 507th doing whatever self-help renovation projects need to be done," he said.

And, as the Project Manager for the wing self-help program, much of his time is devoted to making life and work better for everyone else.

Since joining the wing in 1999, after 19 ¹⁄₂ years with the Oklahoma ANG, JANUARY 2007 "R the sergeant has kept himself busy.

It's easy to see the imprint he has made locally – just take a walk around the wing campus. Start off at building 1048, the 465th Air Refueling Squadron building (including the life support area) which he helped remodel. Then walk down the sidewalk to the Wing Headquarters and go see where he renovated the Mission Support office areas, and commander con-



ference room and commander office areas. Walk to the basement and you can see where he renovated the legal office and LRS area.

Don't stop: This may qualify as part of your fit-to-fight walk.

Continue on to building 1066 to see the wing command post, OG office area and OG conference rooms.

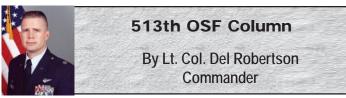
Next head to the main hangar, building 1030. Take a look at the resurfaced and painted hangar floor where he oversaw the contract on that project. Stroll through the completely renovated nondestructive inspection facilities then go upstairs to see the new plasma screens hung up in various training areas. There's an emergency eyewash shower combo unit installed on the main floor area, and a renovated communications flight office area. Upstairs on the far side, the Services Flight members are enjoying their restored office complex as well. If you really want to feel those muscles burn, start walking to the Glenwood training facility just off base where Dean and his team poured concrete pads, repaired building roofs, renovated plumbing and electrical systems to upgrade the training facility to where it is constantly being used by more military organizations in the area.

Dean said his most challenging project was installing two \$40,000 compressors in the hydraulics shops, building 1045. Each compressor had to be moved with a fork lift and weighed about 1,200 lbs apiece. Dean orchestrated the move, ran high pressure lines and hooked it all up "There was a lot of pipe work and welding involved while working in a very tight space," he said.

Better pack your backpack now because Dean isn't content in just improving the quality of life for his own wing. He set out to make a difference elsewhere. During the past few years he has deployed to Kuwait twice where he served as superintendent of the utilities shop ensuring safe, drinkable water for deployed military forces. He also deploved to Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C, where he spearheaded the base's water supply backflow program to ensure a reliable base water supply system and created a 1,000 page continuity book to document the project. He also received the commander's Volunteer of the Quarter award for his 40 plus hours spent with the area agencies repairing several homes for elderly citizens.

"I enjoy what I do and I enjoy working with the people here in the unit. Every day around the unit is a challenge with each new project," he said.

So which project is he most proud of? "I think I'm proud of all of them. I put a lot of work and effort into each effort. I hope my workmanship will be evident and stay around the unit for a long time," he said.



Make 2007 count

For most of us, it's hard to believe we've cracked the seal on another year. How can it possibly be 2007? After all, Y2K was just a year or two ago right? And didn't we just start '06? As one of my "older" relatives has always said "My oh my, time flies when you're having fun!!"

If 7 years have passed since the Y2K "crisis," think about the things you've been a part of since. Change of address? Change of marital status? Births of Children? Educational goals realized? Promotions come your way? Or maybe an ACTIVATION camped on your doorstep for a while? The list for each one of us is unique but one common bond runs through everyone's list... the list of things that have come/gone goes on and on.

As we jump into 2007, a few quotes to bounce around your noggin from a few folks who captured some of the basic truths of "time."

* Time stands still for no one -

* Time heals all wounds -

* No time like the present -

* Time is at once the most valuable and the most perishable of all our possessions -

* Whether it's the best of times or the worst of times, it's the only time we've got -

* The time is always right to do what is right -

My challenge to each of you is to make 2007 YOUR time. Get into life-make time your ally; make time work for you. If it's time to lose 15 pounds-just do "it." If it's time to knock out a degree or PME-get "it" going. Whatever the "it" is, take the initiative to get "it" in gear and moving. You may discover that once you take the first few steps the journey becomes easier, or exciting, or perhaps self-perpetuating.

The world is an ever-changing place. Those of us who wear the AFRC patch understand Churchill's remarks noting "The Reservists is twice the Citizen." Similarly we are continuing to evolve from a "reserve force" to a culture as "unrivaled wingmen"...always ready when the nation calls. When the phone rings don't be surprised and don't lament "if I'd only had more time"...the time is NOW.

One last quote to leave you with: "The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot." Take that to heart, get off the couch and get to "it."

Wishing you and yours a safe, happy, and productive 2007...make it count!

Battle uniform available to deploying Airmen this spring

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — The Airman Battle Uniform is on track for distribution this spring to Airmen deploying as part of Air Expeditionary Forces 7 and 8.

The new ABU started in production Dec. 7 and uniforms are being warehoused.

The uniform will be ready for distribution to Airmen deploying as part of AEFs 7/8. Most Airmen will get two ABU sets and two Desert Combat Uniform sets for their deployment.

Battlefield Airmen with Air Force specialty codes for combat rescue, special tactics, pararescue jumper, combat control, tactical air control Airmen, members of the special operations weather team, battlefield weather Airmen and explosive ordnance members will each receive four ABU sets.

begin issuing the ABU to Airmen in basic military training, and in June 2008, the uniform will be available for purchase by the rest of the Air Force in Army Air Force Exchange Service outlets.

The ABU boasts 236

different size options in both male and female sizes. Additionally, its permanent press finish means the uniform cannot be starched, pressed or drycleaned. Airmen will be able to pull the ABU from the clothes dryer and wear it without further treatment. Any ironing could degrade the effectiveness of the uniform.

The cost for the uniform, pants and By October 2007, the Air Force will coat, runs about \$81. Additional items,

such as socks, T-shirts, belts, and ABU-style hats will also need to be purchased. Airmen are authorized to wear DCU-style boots with the ABU until the newly designed green boots become readily

available. The green boots are priced at \$100.

The expected mandatory wear date for the new ABU is October 2011.

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 Excelsior College Examinations (ECE) FREE! (Military Only for Excelsior examinations). 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. You must call us four weeks prior to test date to ensure we will have your test. For more information contact Chief Master Sgt. Sharlotte Epps in the MPF Education and Training Office at 734-7075.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY PAY (FLPP)

Reservists may apply for FLPP by submitting a written request for FLPP testing to his/her commander. FLPP I requires you to be on a tour of duty that requires the language. FLPP II will pay based on active duty days or IDT periods performed. Spanish and Tagalog speakers are not entitled to FLPP II. If you are proficient at a foreign language and are interested in this program please contact Chief Master Sgt. Sharlotte Epps or Master Sgt. Sharon Lochman in the MPF Education Office at 734-7075 for instructions on how to apply for FLPP.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Reserve members are eligible to apply for TA for Distance Learning and In-Residence courses to further their education up to a Master's Degree.

The basic enrollment requirements are that you must:

Be a participating member in good standing (no UIF, Article 15, etc.).

Retainability: Officers - two years; Enlisted - ETS after course completion. Enrollment form must show course number/title, credit hours and cost of tuition. Complete TA forms in our office PRIOR to class start date.

Payment occurs after satisfactory course completion. You must provide a paid receipt and your grade NLT 60 days after course completion. TA reimbursement amounts are set at 75 percent (\$4500) per FY (Masters) or 100 percent (\$4500) per FY (Bachelors). For more information contact Chief Master Sgt. Sharlotte Epps or Ms. Kim Silkwood in the MPF Education and Training Office at 734-7075.

AFRC NCO LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COURSE

The success of the Air Force Reserve NCO corps depends on their ability to apply leadership and management skills learned primarily in a civilian setting to a military environment. Not all of today's mid-level NCOs have extensive first-hand supervisory experience in a reserve environment; therefore, the instruction in this course is intended to improve the students' military supervisor capabilities and understanding of their positions as related to the USAFR. We focus on individual improvement which is ultimately the real source of organizational excellence and success. See your unit training manager for more information. NEXT CLASS: July 9-20, 2007.

FAMILY CARE

If you need to be on the Family Care Plan, notify your first sergeant ASAP - IAW AFI 36-2908. Single parents and dual military couples with children must have a Family Care Plan completed within 90 days of in-processing or family status change.

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Paper testing on the UTA is only available at 0750 on Sunday of the main UTA and is in Bldg. 1030 (Hangar) Room 214.

Computer-based testing on the UTA is available on Sunday at 0800 and 1300 in Bldg. 1030 (Hangar) in Room 214.

Please schedule all tests NLT 1500 on Friday before the UTA. If you are unable to keep the scheduled time please e-mail the training office or call 734-7075 prior to scheduled testing time. All testing is also available on Wednesdays at 0800 and 1300 and Thursdays at 1300.

NOTE: If you are retaking a test, you must bring the authorization letter with you or you will not be allowed 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."

Pass and ID Hours of Operation: 0800 -1200 on Saturdays of the UTA.

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Nomination packages for AMN, NCO, or SNCO of the quarter are submitted quarterly. Packages are due by 1400, on Saturday of the UTA after the end of the quarter. (Apr, Jul, Oct, Jan)

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OCCUPATIONAL SURVEYS

These surveys provide information essential for developing personnel programs, classifying occupations, and developing trainning programs. The Wing Survey Control Monitor (SCM) works with the Unit Training Manager (UTM) to ensure surveys are completed. AFI 36-2623, paragraph 2.7 makes completion of these surveys mandatory for all Air Force Reserve members. It is extremely important these surveys are completed by the suspense date. If you have any questions, contact Ms. Kim Silkwood or Staff Sgt. Jeremy Hudson at 734-7075 or your UTM.

Newcomers Ancillary Training

Newcomers Ancillary Training Phase I & II are conducted **monthly** in **Bldg 1043**, **Wing Training Room in basement. Unit/Ancillary Training Managers are responsible for ensuring their new personnel are scheduled to attend** within 90 days of their first UTA. If you have questions, contact the MPF Education & Training Office at **734-7075**.

Day	Time	Subject	OPR
		Phase I	
Saturday	1305-1315	Wing Lodging Program	SVF
Saturday	1315-1345	Information Assurance	CF
Saturday	1345-1445	Drug and Alcohol, Suicide/	
		Workplace Violence Prevention	SG
Saturday	1430-1500	Local Conditions/ORM	SE
Saturday	1500-1530	OPSEC Training	OG
		Phase II	
Sunday	0800-0815	Base Populace	CEX
Sunday	0815-0830	IG Briefing	IG
Sunday	0830-1000	UCMJ/Ethics	JA
Sunday	1000-1030	Counter Intel/Awareness	SF
Sunday	1030-1100	Human Relations	ME
Sunday	1300-1600	First Duty Station	ME

UCMJ Briefing:

Training Room.

Disaster Preparedness:

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 0830 on Sunday of the UTA in Bldg 1043, Wing Training Room. **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 0830 on Sunday of the UTA in Bldg 1043, Wing

Unit Training Managers must schedule Chemical Warfare Training, by name, at least one UTA prior to the requested dates by calling CEX at 734-5249. 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.

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Military Pay (405) 734-5016

BAQ Recertification Deadlines

If Last Then Forward Recertifica-Digit of Listing to Unit tion due in SSAN is: Commander in: by end of month in:

1	November	January
2	December	February
3	January	March
4	February	April
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7	May	July
8	June	August
9	July	September
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If you need assistance or have suggestions on how we can improve our service to you, please call us at (405) 734-7075, or stop by our office in Building 1043, Room 213. Editor: Assistant Editor: Master Sgt. Sharlotte A. Epps, Chief, Education & Training (ART) Contributing Editors: Cont

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TRAINING PLANNER

'SHIRT' CORNER

<u>News from 'the shirt'</u> **Making a difference**

Are you committed? Commit to what? Do you look for opportunities to get involved? These are questions you might ask yourself, or ask yourself from time to time. It doesn't matter what your rank is; involvement happens at all levels. With this being the beginning of a new year, ask yourself, what have I completed? Did I meet the goals I set for myself last year? What are my goals going to be for this year? Was I committed to meeting my goals?

Commitment comes from within and each proud member of our great military needs to feel it. If you do not, find it, get it and use it. It is our responsibility to stay involved – not an option; an actual responsibility. If you don't believe me, just check out that little brown booklet called The Enlisted Force Structure. It's all spelled out in there. How many times do you correct folks on uniform violations or do you leave it up to the first sergeant to be the bad person? Are you proactive with feedbacks, counselings (both good and bad), EPRs, decorations and awards for your outstanding performers? Are you preparing yourself to becoming an effective leader? Are you involved in local organizations? If not, you need to. The effectiveness of our Air Force depends on each and every one of us to do the absolute best job we can, at all levels.

One of the best quotes I ever heard was "As a leader, you do not have the



Master Sgt. Tracy House 970th AACS First Sergeant

option to quit at the beginning or at the end." This is all too true. I challenge each of you to get involved, not just in your unit, but wherever you go in life. To touch the lives of others and to make a positive, lasting impression is the greatest feeling in the world. Get it, catch it, and keep it. Happy New Year.

ATOC members inducted into Canadian unit

Three members of the 376th Expeditionary Logistics Readiness Squadron's Air Terminal Operations Center were inducted into the Canadian Forces Movement Control Unit, Det. 4, Nov. 11 by Capt. Sean Pettis (second from right) Canadian Forces officer in charge and Warrant Officer Francois Bessett (right) Canadian Forces Air Movement Control officer. According to Capt. Pettis, this is the first time anyone outside of Canada has been inducted into this unit. The inductees included (from the left) Master Sgt. Tim Thompson, ATOC lead load planner/cape forecaster deployed from the 27th Aerial Port Squadron Minneapolis Air Reserve Station, Minn., Master Sgt. Ronnie Byrd, ATOC information controller, deployed from 72 APS Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., and Senior Master Sgt. Gerald Fox, ATOC Air Terminal manager, deployed from the 34th APS

Milwaukee ARS, Wis. The members were recognized for the logistical and operational expertise they provided during the recently completed Canadian Forces armor movement into Afghanistan.



Inductees pictured, from left, are Master Sgt. Tim Thompson, Master Sgt. Ronnie Byrd and Senior Master Sgt. Gerald Fox. Canadian Forces officers are Warrant Officer Francois Bessett, right, and Capt. Sean Pettis, second from right. (U.S. Air Force photo/Capt. Jennifer Coyne)

Will you be a survivor?

By Staff Sgt. Nekia Mbaye 507th Medical Squadron

Knowing about Quantitative Fit Testing (QNFT) can make a difference between life and death. If you know the answers to these questions about QNFT, then you will know how to protect yourself in an attack from Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Agents (NBC).

What is QNFT?

Quantitative Fit Testing (QNFT) is an Air Force training program according to AFMAN 46-6002. While there are two types of fit-testing, "qualitative," and "quantitative," the Air Force has adopted Quantitative Fit-Testing. During the qualitative test banana oil, smoke irritant or liquid hazard stimulant (LHS) are introduced outside of the mask. If the wearer does not smell the substance, the mask fits correctly. If the wearer smells the substance problem shooting will be done until the mask fits correctly. The quantitative test results in an actual number score corresponding to the fit of the mask. The minimum "fit factor" (not a protection factor) is 2000. This score indicates how well the mask fits.

Who needs QNFT?

Everyone who is medically qualified to wear a respira-

tor or gas mask, including ground crew NBC masks and firefighter NBC masks needs QNFT.

Why do you need QNFT?

It is an Air Force requirement. QNFT gives member awareness on NBC threat and NBC defense. It confirms the correct mask size. It also gives the mask wearer confidence in mask protection. It gives the wearer an opportunity to learn how to don the mask and secure it in a way that will provide intended protection. Then the wearer will know how the mask should feel when it is worn correctly.

How do you get QNFT?

The Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight in the Medical Squadron performs QNFT.

Please call 734-3151 to schedule your fit-test.

When is QNFT conducted?

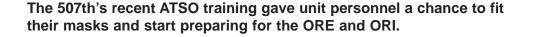
The requirement for QNFT is within 60 days of assignment to your new unit. Then once every 30-40 months after initial testing. Fit-testing is conducted every UTA by appointment. Fit –testing should be rescheduled if the wearer has a medical condition that could interfere with fit-testing. A new fit-test should be performed if the wearer has had a 10% weight change,

> "extensive dental work, facial surgery, scarring or disfigurement," or if the wearer feels that the mask no longer fits correctly.

Where is QNFT conducted?

QNFT is conducted in building 5801, in the Dental Conference Room.

The Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight wants to do its part to keep Air Force members safe. Please contact the Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight to get fit-tested. Also, please ensure that your training is current. Be a survivor.



KUDOS

AFRC NCO Leadership Development Course graduates

The Air Force Reserve Command Non-commissioned Officer Leadership Development Program was established in 1989 in response to a need to provide meaningful, challenging leadership training to mid-level enlisted personnel.

The NCOLDP is a 10-day course administered in two phases. It combines college level academic management and leadership instruction, with a military practical, experiential, hands-on application. Phase One includes management process, leadership and military heritage and students apply techniques learned to a military environment. Phase Two covers communication skolls, principles of counseling, time management, stress in the workplace, and effective writing. The course concludes with military facilitators helping students apply techniques learned to a military environment followed by a leadership exchange.

The NCOLDP provides an educational environment for NCOs to explore current AFRC issues.

To date, approximately 60,000 AFRC reservists, civilians, active duty, and other brances of the military have attended this course. The NCOLDP is valuable training that is vital in helping participants achieve their potential as supervisors. Eligible attendees include staff and technical sergeants, fast-track senior airmen, Air Force active duty, civilians, and other brances of service. Nominees must be recommended by their supervisor and/or commander.

Students are awarded two college credit hours in management from the civilian institution.

The next NCODLP class will be held July 9-20, 2007.

Contact the 507th MPF Education and Training Office at 734-7075 for more information or to enroll.



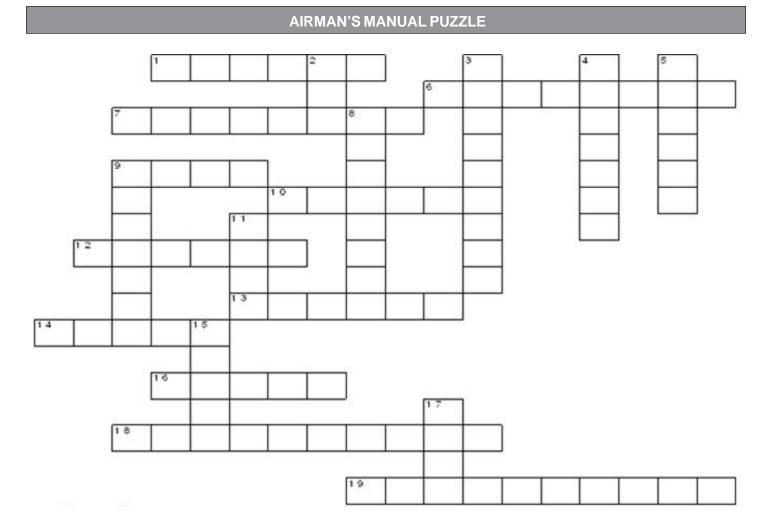
The 507th ARW graduates included: Staff Sgt. Beals, Timothy, MDS; Staff Sgt. Brierton, Sandra, APS;Staff Sgt. Caughman, Jerry, MDS; Senior Airman Ellerd, William, CES; Staff Sgt. Hosang, Jessica, MXS; Tech. Sgt. Martin, Daniel, MDS; Staff Sgt. McMiller, Lakeisha, MDS; Staff Sgt. Nelson, Michael, MOF; Staff Sgt. Strong, Travis, MDS. 507 ARW graduates were accompanied by Command Chief Master Sgt. Tina Long and Col. Jeffery R. Glass, 507th ARW Commander.



The 513th graduates included:

Tech. Sgt. Alexander, Barry, 513MXS; Tech. Sgt. Hall, Richard, 513MXS; Staff Sgt. McKinley, Brett, 513MXS; Staff Sgt.Mulenex, Jennifer, 513AMXS.

513th ACG graduates were accompanied by Command Chief Master Sgt. Tina Long; Lt. Col. Dale Andrews, 513th ACG Deputy Commander, Maintenance; Chief Master Sgt. Joseph DiTommas, 513th AMXS; and Chief Master Sgt. Michael Sulanke, 513th MXS and Col. Jeffery R. Glass, 507th ARW Commander.



Across

1. Acronym for immediate action procedures for a M16A2 which fails to fire

- 6. Use this injector after using all three Mark-1 Kits
- 7. Use this to limit exposure to radiation
- 9. The first of the challenge steps
- 10. Name of the general who did the introduction
- 12. VX droplets are expected to be 200-250 of these in size

13. The type of sandbag you should use in a chem/bio threat area (pg 62 fill 3/4)

- 14. This alarm is the normal condition of readiness in wartime
- 16. The sight you should focus on when firing a weapon.
- 18. Another name for weapon disassembly
- 19. Protection system which provides overpressure and filtration.

Down

2. Number of feet away from a facility a unit's contaminated waste container should be

- 3. Spreading critical assets out to maximize their survival
- 4. Type of nuclear radiation
- 5. Use this report for ground attacks.
- 8. These codes are used to positively identify someone in MOPP 4
- 9. Biological agent individual protective action
- 11. AF Form 440 is this type of threat aid
- 15. Most lethal chemical agent

17. Legal instrument that allows you to dispose of your property after death

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Successful failure?

By Chaplain (Maj.) Dwight Magnus

The Book of Heroic Failures contains a story about the 1978 strike of British firefighters, when the army filled the gap for the missing firemen.

One afternoon the replacement firefighters got a call to rescue a cat caught high in a tree. The soldiers rushed to the scene, put up a ladder, brought down the cat, and gave it back to the owner. The woman was grateful and invited them in for tea. After a wonderful time, they said goodbye, got in the truck, and backed away-over the cat.

This prompts the question, "Could that rescue mission really be considered a success?"

As we get ready for our ORI, lets not "run over" other people for the sake of a great rating. Take care of each other.

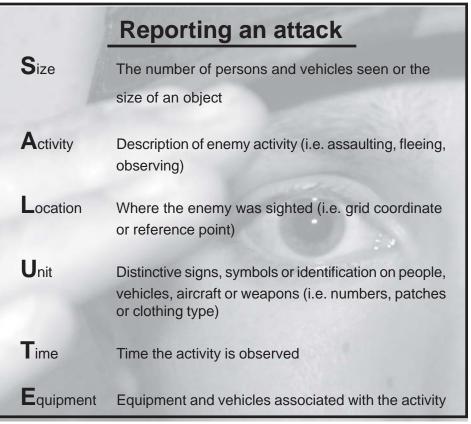
ORI PREPARATION

Operation Airmen Essentials

Are you prepared

What are you doing to prepare for the upcoming ORE/ORI? With only two UTAs remaining, members turn their attention to last minute affairs. Questions to ponder include:

- 1. Are my family affairs in order?
- 2. Do I have a will or power of attorney?
- 3. Is my employer informed?
- 4. Have I read my Aiman's Maunal?
- 5. Have I reviewed my mobility folder?
- 6. Have I completed SATE training?
- 7. Have I completed small arms training?
- 8. Have I completed LOAC training?
- 9. Do I have enough clothes for the time I will be deployed?
- 10. Do I have all of mobility gear in order and ready to go?





Tinker Reserve First Sergeant's Council Pictured from left are the newly elected 2007 Executive Council members of the Tinker Reserve First Sergeant's Council, Master Sgt. Deborah Kidd, president; Master Sgt. Tracy House, vice-president; and Master Sgt. Walt Simco, treasurer. Not pictured is Master Sgt. Takesha Williams, secretary.

The IG says

Roles of the IG in Relation to the Commander:

1. Be the "eyes and ears" of the commander.

2. Keep the commander informed of potential areas of concern.

3. Function as the ombudsman, fact-finder, and honest broker in the resolution of complaints.

4. Educate and train commanders and members of the base population on their rights and responsibilities in regard to the Air Force IG system.

For questions or concerns, contact Capt. Mark Vardaro at: 507th ARW/513th ACG FWA Hotline: 405-556-1745; Toll Free: 877-225-5928 (Enter 405-694-4026); or Fax at: 405-

AFRC FWA Hotline: (800) 223-1784 Ext. 7-1513 **SAF/IGQ FWA Hotline:** (800) 538-8429 **DoD FWA Hotline:** (800) 424-9098

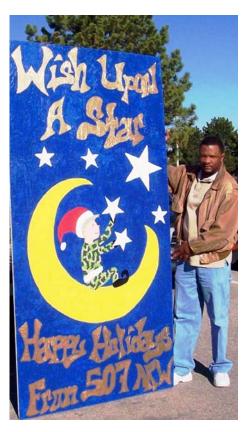
HOLIDAY PHOTOS



Col. Jeffery Glass and wife Kim ride in one of the carriages participating in the Annual Tinker Holiday Parade which was held on Nov. 29th. Air Force photo by Lt. Col. Richard Curry



Col. Jeffery Glass, 507th ARW commander, helps a veteran open his gift at the Norman VA Center annual Christmas party last month. The 507th and 513th adopted over 200 veterans at the center and attended their Christmas party to help them celebrate. The veterans expressed their appreciation by words, hand shakes and facial expressions as they opened the packages. Thanks to all who participated in this very worthwhile event again this year. We hope to adopt all of the veterans in 2007 by starting earlier, collecting money and raising funds to support the cause.



Capt. Adrian Mahon, 507th LRS, displays the holiday card he designed for this year's base competition. This year's theme was "Holiday Dreams and Wishes." The 507th ARW card, along with other unit cards, were displayed along the road by the base golf course during the month of December.

Air Force photo by Lt. Col. Richard Curry

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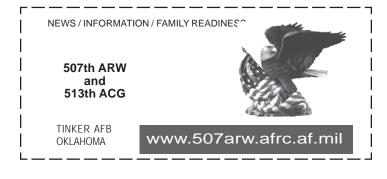
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R-News

Upcoming blood drives

The next campus blood drive will be held Sunday, Jan. 7, 2007. Other dates include March 4, 2007; May 6, 2007; July 15, 2007; and Sept. 9, 2007.



507th ARW Recruiters

http://get1now.us

Tinker AFB, OK (In-Service Recruiter) Master Sgt. Gene Higgins (405) 739-2980

Midwest City, OK

Moore, Norman, OK

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