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# ON-FINAL

NEWS FOR THE 507TH AIR REFUELING WING

On- Final Anthology out now!

Remembering 9/11: Firefighters participate in a memorial stair climb

## Okies earn Meritorious Unit Award

### [ON-FINAL NEWS BULLETIN – Oct. 4, 2019 \(Vol 39, No. 10\)](#)

[\*\*\(Click headline to follow link to story and photos\)\*\*](#)

#### [Exceptional year earns Okies unit honors](#)

The 507th Air Refueling Wing here was recently awarded the Air Force Meritorious Unit Award to recognize the organization for outstanding service to the United States in direct support of worldwide combat operations from Jan. 1 -- Dec. 31, 2017.

#### [Public Affairs releases first On-Final Anthology](#)

The On-final Anthology Vol.1 is out now! Read all about the wing, the KC-135 and all the amazing things that Okies do everyday.

#### [72nd Aerial Port Squadron participates in rodeo](#)

Members of the 72nd Aerial Port Squadron participated in a rodeo during the September unit training assembly at Tinker Air Force Base. The rodeo incorporated different tasks completed by aerial port in a fun and competitive atmosphere.

#### [VIDEO: Remembering 9/11](#)

507th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighters honor the bravery and sacrifice of first responders who lost their lives on September 11, 2001.

### **[507th ARW October enlisted promotions](#)**

Click the link above to see the 507th Air Refueling Wing's newest enlisted promotes

### **[507th ARW October 2019 Community College of the Air Force graduates](#)**

Click the link above to see the 507th Air Refueling Wing's October 2019 CCAF graduates.

### **[Influenza requirement update – suspense change to Dec. 15, 2019](#)**

IAW DHA-IPM-19-006, 29 Aug 2019, in order to maximize force medical readiness before peak influenza season, the Air Force goal is to immunize greater than 90% of all Active and Reserve Component (RC) personnel by December 15, 2019. Air Force personnel who are required to receive the flu vaccine have become due (yellow) in the Aeromedical Services

### **[AFRC restructures the enlisted grade force](#)**

On October 1, more than 3,500 enlisted Reserve Citizen Airmen will see upgrades to their grade authorizations. MAJCOM senior enlisted leaders and other key members reviewed, evaluated and restructured the enlisted grade authorizations as part of the Enlisted Grade Council, established in 2016.

### **[Facts about DD Form 214's for Guard, Reserve](#)**

The Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, or DD Form 214, is a document Airmen may receive at certain points in their careers such as separating from an active duty unit, completing job training, or returning home from a deployment.

### **[Around the Air Force: Air, Space & Cyber](#)**

Today's look around the Air Force features key topics and discussion points highlighted by Defense and Air Force leaders during the Air, Space and Cyber Symposium at National Harbor, MD. (Hosted by Senior Airman Angelo Rosario)

### **[Air Force marks 72 years since official creation](#)**

On Sept. 18, the United States Air Force will become 72 years old. Yet while this anniversary represents more than seven decades of the Air Force operating as a single organized entity, its history as one of the premier air powers in the world began at the turn of the twentieth century.

### **[Air Force reduces barriers for pregnant aviators](#)**

Effective immediately, remotely piloted aircrew, missile operations duty crews and certain fully qualified pilots are authorized to perform their assigned duties during pregnancy without a medical waiver.

### **[Real science vs. Bro science: Safe supplement use](#)**

Operation Supplement Safety is a DOD initiative that focuses on getting military members the information they need to make smart decisions when it comes to consuming dietary supplements, energy drinks, weight loss supplements and more.

## [Reserve dining schedule to remain in effect](#)

### **NEW BREAKFAST TIME: 0600-0730**

**Saturday and Sunday:** Biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, sausage patties, bacon, hash browns, assorted fruits, assorted juices, water and coffee

### **Lunch: 1100-1330**

**Saturday:** American Road Trip: Country fried beef steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, corn, rolls, apple cobbler and fountain beverages

**Sunday:** Pepperoni Station: Three slice combo pepperoni and sausage pizza, Caesar salad, brownies and fountain beverages

## [Fiscal Year 2020 UTA schedule available](#)

A blue rectangular graphic with white text listing the FY20 UTA schedule. The text is centered and reads: 'FY20 UTA Schedule', 'Oct. 5-6', 'Nov. 16-17', 'Dec. 7-8', 'Jan. 11-12', 'Feb. 8-9', 'March 6-8', 'April 4-5', 'May 1-3', 'June 6-7', 'July 11-12 (if needed)', 'Aug. 1-2', 'Sept. 12-13'.

<b>FY20 UTA Schedule</b>
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## **MESSAGES FROM AIR FORCE LEADERS**

### **Memorandum from the Chief of Staff of the Air Force**

To the Airmen of the United States Air Force:

On 11 September 2001, our Nation was attacked by terrorists whose purpose was to inflict harm and incite fear. They may have knocked us down, but we rose to confront this evil head-on.

Those who lived or served through this event will never forget where they were, what they were doing, and how they were impacted. We will not forget the lives lost, both victims and first responders, or those Airmen who have sacrificed so much since then in defense of our nation. For perspective, our newest Airman was born eighteen years ago on this fateful day. We encourage you to share your story with those who follow behind you, so that we may never forget.

As we proudly serve, we are also fortunate to receive continuous gratitude from our fellow Americans for our personal sacrifices. This should be a source of strength and resolve for each and every one of us and a sentiment for which we can be thankful.

Thank you for your service to this great country we all call home—proud to be on your team.

Matthew P. Donovan  
Acting Secretary of the Air Force

David L. Goldfein  
General, USAF

Chief of Staff  
Kaleth O. Wright  
Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force

## **Memorandum from The Chief of the Air Force Reserve**

### **Changes to AGR Program:**

HQ AFRC/A1 Email 19-153

The Chief of the Air Force Reserve has authorized numerous changes to the AGR program. They include adjustments to tour lengths for initial AGR assignments, elimination of the AGR Review Board (ARB), and an increase to the period a career AGR may serve. These changes will undoubtedly provide more predictability and permit extended service for Reserve Citizen Airmen interested in the AGR program.

The attached policy memo and attachments offer further details on the changes. Additional strategic communication will be provided to your FSSs and Reserve Citizen Airmen at large to bring awareness to the program changes.

Questions or concerns regarding the AGR program may be directed to the ARPC/DPAAs workflow box ([arpc.dpaaworkflow1@us.af.mil](mailto:arpc.dpaaworkflow1@us.af.mil)).

This message and others can be found on the A1 SharePoint at <https://afrc.eim.us.af.mil/sites/A1/Lists/A1%20Emails/active1.aspx>.

Look for SM posts this week on the change that can be shared onto your sites as well. POC is Tyler Grimes, [tyler.grimes@us.af.mil](mailto:tyler.grimes@us.af.mil), 478-327-2250 or DSN 497-2250.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Yellow Ribbon Dates and Locations Released for November and December**

- **November 22-24, Orlando**
- **December 20-22, Orlando**

If you received a call to Active Duty in support of a deployment for 75+ days or more, which resulted in separation from your family for the majority of the deployment, you are eligible to attend one pre-deployment event and two post-deployment Yellow Ribbon Events.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Katie Johnson at 405-734-7207 or email [katie.johnson.10@us.af.mil](mailto:katie.johnson.10@us.af.mil)

**Oct. 5, 2019 – 507th ARW Commander’s Call, Base Theater**

**Oct. 5, 2019 – Third Quarter Award packages due by 1400**

Third Quarter Award packages (July- are due NLT 1400 Saturday, 5 October 2019.

All MSG packages will be sent to: CMSgt Julie Hudson at [julie.hudson.1@us.af.mil](mailto:julie.hudson.1@us.af.mil)

\*\*\* Please email all other packages to TSgt Jocilyn Grable at [jocilyn.grable@us.af.mil](mailto:jocilyn.grable@us.af.mil) and cc CMSgt Taunya Avery at [taunya.avery@us.af.mil](mailto:taunya.avery@us.af.mil) \*\*\*

4th Quarter: Oct 2019 - Dec 2019 (due Jan UTA)

**Oct. 15, 2019 – Civilian of the Quarter packages due**

**Nov. 15-19, 2019 – Unit Effectiveness Inspection**

**Dec. 6, 2019 – 21st Annual OHS Steak Supper**

**Jan. 11, 2020 – Fourth Quarter Award packages due**

**Every UTA, 2019 – Finance hosting travel assistance; sign up via [SharePoint link](#)**

Financial Management is scheduling members for both RTS and DTS assistance in 30 min. increments starting at 0730 until 1400. Please use the link below to schedule a time. Walk-ins will be helped as usual; however, members who schedule a time will have priority.

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**If you would like to submit information or photos to the On-final, email us at [507arw.pa2@us.af.mil](mailto:507arw.pa2@us.af.mil).**