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NEWS FOR THE 507TH AIR REFUELING WING

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control tower

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with special ops

AF adds tactical cap &
maintenance duty uniform

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[Patriot Family Day date announced](#)

The 507th Air Refueling Wing is scheduled to host family day Sept. 11, 2021, Patriot Day, at Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma. Family day is an annual event designed to give families of Okies the opportunity to enjoy aircraft static displays, food and fun.

Sign up for a booth today:

<https://afrc.eim.us.af.mil/sites/507ARW/SitePages/507%20ARW%20Family%20Day.aspx>

[Tinker's new state-of-the-art air traffic control tower opens](#)

The new air traffic control tower, which stands as a landmark on the Tinker Air Force Base flightline, is open for business. The 72nd Air Base Wing held a ribbon cutting ceremony May 5, 2021, to officially open the larger, taller and more advanced tower.

[Okie fuels management integrates with special operations wing \[VIDEO\]](#)

507th Logistics Readiness Squadron fuels management Airmen integrate with the 1st Special Operations Logistics Readiness Squadron to get hands-on training during their annual tour June 17, 2021, at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida and Hurlburt Field, Florida.

[Air Force coins official Maintenance Duty Uniform, adds immediate wear of tactical OCP caps](#)

Air Force commanders of units with aircraft maintenance, industrial and other labor intensive Air Force

Specialty Codes will have the option to authorize wear of a standardized, maintenance duty uniform, also referred to as coveralls, which may be worn on a day-to-day basis upon publication of the updated AFI 36-2903 anticipated for August 2021. The career fields authorized to wear the MDU are: 2A, 2F, 2G, 2M, 2P, 2S, 2T, 2W, 3E, 3D and 1P. Additionally, immediate wear of some tactical OCP caps is authorized while the Air Force continues the acquisition process to complete this new uniform item. These are not yet available through AAFES.

[Active to Reserve, boom operator shares total force experience](#)

The U.S. Air Force Reserve provides combat ready air forces and for some, is a way to continue serving after active duty. Following her initial enlistment, Tech Sgt. Crystal Cash, 63rd Air Refueling Squadron boom operator, found her new home as a Citizen Airman in the 927th Air Refueling Wing.

[Emergency paid leave funds still available to civilian employees](#)

Federal employees may be eligible to receive up to 600 hours, or 15 weeks of emergency paid leave for reasons relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. The qualifying period runs now through Sept. 30, 2021. Paid leave is made available through the American Rescue Plan, which Congress passed into law in March, creating a \$570 million emergency paid leave fund. Emergency paid leave is granted to full-time federal employees on a conditional basis.

[Air Force Reserve led KC-46A candidate bases announced](#)

Today the Department of the Air Force announced six candidate bases for future Reserve-led KC-46A Pegasus operations with plans for 12 permanently affixed aircraft to be stationed at the base chosen.

[Air Force releases updated fitness test score breakdown](#)

Without the waist measurement as a scored component, push-ups and sit-ups will increase from 10 to 20 points each, while the 1.5-mile run will remain at 60 points. Scoring will fall into five-year age groups, as opposed to the previous 10.

[507th ARW July enlisted promotions](#)

[Fiscal Year 2022 UTA schedule available](#)

Message from Leaders

The men and women of the Department of Defense are honored to participate in the first commemoration of Juneteenth as a federal holiday. Juneteenth holds particular significance for the United States military since it marks the date in 1865 — more than two years after the Emancipation Proclamation — on which Union soldiers, led by Army Major General Gordon Granger, issued the famous General Order No. 3, informing the people of Texas that "all slaves are free." We are proud to build upon that legacy of emancipation as we work to defend our freedoms and to make real the full promise of American democracy for all our citizens, on June 19 and every day. I wish our outstanding men and women in uniform and our dedicated civilian workforce a meaningful Juneteenth.

Lloyd J. Austin III
Secretary of Defense

UPCOMING EVENTS

TINKER AFB AIR FORCE BALL TICKETS ON SALE 1 AUG

This year's Air Force Ball is scheduled to be held 1 October 2021 at the Omni Hotel in Oklahoma City from 1800-2359. More info to come in mid July!

Vanwey Dining Facility – Open for business

Mon-Fri		Sat-Sun	
Breakfast	0600 – 0800	Brunch	0600 – 1300
Lunch	1100 – 1300	Dinner	1600 – 1800
Dinner	1630 – 1830		

Due to social distancing requirements and minimal dine-in seating, the Vanwey Dining Facility requests your support in minimizing DFAC congestion by staggering customer meal times. The following schedule shows the suggested time-slots for customers:

10:30am- **507 MXS, 507 SFS, 513 AMXS, 970 AACs**

11:00am- **507 CES, 507 LRS, 513 MXS, 513 OPS**

11:30 am- **465 ARS, 507 OG, 507 OSS, 507 AMXS**

12:00 pm- **507 FSS, 507 ARW, 507 MSG, 507 MXG**

12:30 pm- **507 MDS, 72 APS, 513 ACG**

507th Chiefs Group – TOP 3 – Rising 6 and CGOC Present “Navigating SharePoint”

DATE/TIME: 11 July 2021 @ 1200-1300

LOCATION: Base Theater

COURSE: “Navigating Sharepoint”

DESCRIPTION/OBJECTIVE: Interested in getting involved with the Professional Development or have questions? Contact SrA Alyssa Perry, TSgt Kerra Hibner, Capt Matthew Gregory, SMSgt Jeremy Scoles, Chiefs Group, TOP 3 or Rising 6 representatives. Be on the lookout for the next upcoming training opportunity!

Share your adventure

Telling your story to those around you, your family, friends and co-workers, can make a big difference to them and to the Air Force Reserve. Maybe you will tell your story to someone who lives nearby, someone who lives across the country or a friend who is getting out of Active Duty. The Air Force Reserve has locations across the country, who will you tell your story to?

<https://www.shareyouradventure.us/>

Automated Lodging Registration System is online

FSS excited to inform you that the Automated Lodging Registration System (ALRS) mobile app is now online to make lodging reservations and cancellations for primary UTAs. Currently, rescheduling lodging via the app is not possible.

If you are currently registered in ALRS with your cell phone number, you will receive a text message Oct. 23 with instructions to enroll in the mobile app, but it is recommended users set up the app in advance to ease the process. The app is available for download on Google play store for android users and the app store for Apple users. Finally, if you make your reservation in ALRS Mobile do not use the dial-in if you require a change or cancellation.

If you have any issues downloading the app or additional questions, please contact MSgt Celeste Fletes at: 405-734-5532 or 507FSS.FSV.Lodging@us.af.mil

Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program

Aug 20-22, Los Angeles, California Register here:

<https://www.yellowribbon.mil/url/FY5ORpd2tDfegRHr2DOPlg>

Sep 24-26 Arlington, Virginia

For more information, contact the 507th ARW and 513th ACG YR rep, MSgt Stephanie Charkowski at stephanie.charkowski@us.af.mil

If you would like to submit information or photos to the On-final, email us at 507arw.pa2@us.af.mil.