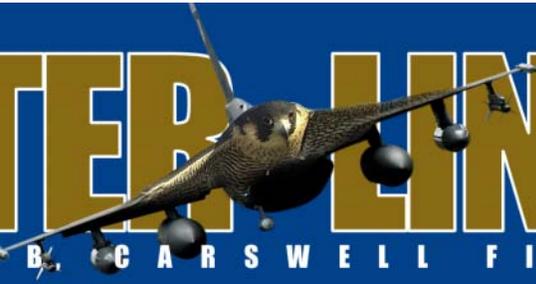




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Tiny Bubbles

Air Force Reserve Command's 301st Fighter Wing conducted a high expansion foam test with Aqueous Film-Forming Foams (AFFF) system recently. This project, which wrapped up two years of coordination with various agencies on base, is now the only fully operational fire suppression system throughout Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth, Texas. After this successful testing, the wing begins installation of another hangar's system while other services on base begin installation in theirs. (U.S. Air Force Photo/Tech. Sgt. Julie Briden-Garcia.)

NEWS BRIEF

Get your mud on

The sixth annual Mud Run is planned for Oct. 28. Get your team together and register at the Web site www.mudrundfw.org

Second AFRES commander visits 301st Reservists

Staff Sgt. Kristin Mack
Public Affairs

A firsthand account of the inception of the 301st Fighter Wing and history of the Air Force Reserve was revealed when a former Air Force Reserve commander who

played a key role in developing this unit paid a visit to Reservists here during the August unit training assembly.

Maj. Gen. Homer I. Lewis (retired) flew in from South Texas aboard his private aircraft to be the guest speaker of the Chapter 70 Reserve Officer

Association's meeting Saturday, August 5.

Welcoming him as he stepped off the plane with his friend and pilot, Bill White (a former Air Force pilot), were an

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Sprints to finish line define deployed duties

“Eagle, Eagle, this is Guardian, over. Go ahead Guardian.”

“Eagle, be advised we have a Code-XX at Gate 1, over. I say again, we have a Code-XX at Gate 1 at this time, over.”

“Roger that, I’m en route.”

This is an example of many radio calls I have received during my time here as the 64th Air Expeditionary Group commander. It’s life here in the United States Central Task Force AOR.

A “code-XX” indicates a Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threat has been detected at one of our gates. It occurs when a Military Working Dog (MWD) team inspects and alerts on any of the 3,000 vehicles, 7,700 pedestrians and 4,000 Third Country Nationals (TCNs) who enter through our gates on a weekly basis.

Needless to say, my MWD teams and Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) personnel have been very busy. Having personally responded to all situations, among the toughest decisions I’ve made is to send my young EOD Airmen to the VBIED scene, with full equipment and gear on, to dismantle tool boxes, packages or items with the questionable device.

Before sending them down to the affected areas, I’ve always looked them square in the eyes and sternly said, “Be careful down there, do what you need to do, and come back in one piece.” Thankfully, my EOD troops have been able to mitigate the threat without getting maimed, injured or blown up.

In addition to the ever-present VBIED threat, my base executes many Suspicious Incident Reports (SIRs) involving cases such as vehicles parking near our perim-

eter fence appearing to be surveying our installation. We also execute SIRs whenever individuals demonstrate hiding, evasive or other strange behavior when spotted by our Defenders.

Whenever SIRs occur, we immediately notify our host nation Ministry of Defense and Aviation (MoDA) forces to travel off the installation and investigate the situation. In addition, our local Office of Special Investigation (OSI) detachment and intelligence staffs are also notified and involved.

The current threat at this Southwest Asia location is very volatile, and can change at a moment’s notice. During our Right Start briefings, I show a picture of the devastated Khobar Towers to remind each of our newcomers that



Col. Max
301st Mission Support
Group Commander
(Deployed)

complacency kills; and our mission is to prevent the same travesty from happening.

Four months have flown by since I arrived here. Similar to my previous deployment, back in November 2004, I have learned that leadership duties at a deployed location can best be described as “sprints.”

After the Air Force departed this base over five years ago, the 64th AEG reactivated to assume Force Protection and Integrated Base Defense responsibilities from the U.S. Army in January 2006. Since that time, we have “sprinted” to reestablish Air Force operations at this base. I’ve learned, however, that these “sprints” are manageable by keeping five key leadership principles in mind: 1) have a vision and establish a “Battle Rhythm”; 2) insist that training continue at a deployed location-- exercises keep unit personnel razor-sharp;

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Chef's cooking goes to the dogs, cats



Staff Sgt. John Dake, 301st Services Flight, donated more than just time to some needy foster pets. He helped raise more than \$2,000 for the charity, Paws and Claws, by hosting a home-cooked meal. (Courtesy photo)

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3) personnel problems do not disappear in a combat environment—understand it and take immediate action to resolve them as they occur; 4) empowering Airmen and capitalizing on their ideas significantly enhances unit quality of mission, work and life; and lastly, 5) visibility, optimism and sharing the same hardships are powerful force multipliers.

I would like to close this article by thanking all 301st Fighter Wing members for their support during my deployment. I honestly could not perform my critical duties here without each of them stepping up and

assuming additional duties in my absence.

I'm fully aware that Lt. Col. Slayton, Lt. Col. Walsh and my immediate staff are masterfully handling the day-to-day business of the 301st Mission Support Group and support of the wing in my absence. For that, I am eternally grateful for their sacrifices, hard work and dedication in ensuring our home station mission continues on.

In the meantime, the Global War on Terror continues on in this part of the world. Each event (i.e., Israel, Lebanon, Hezbollah conflict) significantly drives what we do here, and we stand ready to meet any challenge ... "Stay alert ... Stay alive ... D5!"

Tech. Sgt. Stephen Bailey Public Affairs

Staff Sgt. John Dake, 301st Services Squadron, is always looking for an opportunity to showcase his passion for cooking and to satisfy his desire in lending a helping hand to people in need.

That opportunity came recently when he visited a local pet store to purchase his new family pet – a baby kitten interestingly named, Cayenne, after his favorite seasoning.

"I saw a notice in the pet store's window that the owners were soliciting for donations to help with the care and feeding of the numerous pets they were trying to help," Sergeant Dake said.

He mentioned that a great money maker idea could be to 'raffle off a chef.' He then explained that he would be willing to prepare and serve a five-course meal to the winner and would provide all of the food if all the raffle proceeds could go to the pet shop.

"Needless, to say, the owners were extremely excited!"

Work then began to advertise and promote "Paws

and Claws" which, according to the organizers of the event, took off like gangbusters with hundreds of tickets being sold and more than two thousand dollars raised for the charity. The grand prize winner just happened to be Heather Hays, a local television personality for FOX 4 News, along with a few of her friends, who were wined and dined during the grand prize evening.

"A huge 'thank you' to a man who cares about his craft - and about the world around him. He donated countless hours to prepping and preparing the meal he proudly served. Kindness like his is not often seen," said Ms. Hays.

Sergeant Dake, a 2003 graduate of Aims Culinary School in Dallas, prepared the five-course meal to the winning eight. "The evening was great and everyone seemed to enjoy the food and all the preparations," Sergeant Dake said.

"These events give me the chance to strengthen my cooking skills and it's a great way to network and develop future opportunities. I was glad the event was a huge success."

Annual Family Day Picnic planned

The annual 301st Fighter Wing Family Day Picnic and softball tournament is set for Oct. 14.

From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. booths and free food will be available to all wing military and civilians as well as their immediate family members. The traditional menu of hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages and side dishes will be served.

Fun for the children include free game booths complete with prizes and a various jump houses.

Anyone wishing to join this year's softball tournament must call Maj. Chris Clark, 817.782.5868 to sign up.

Volunteers are also needed in various areas from set-up/clean-up to working an hour or so at the children's game booths. Please call Lt. Col. John Moyer at 817.782.6875 to help make this year's picnic another success story. If you'd like to set up a booth or other type of organized activity at the picnic, contact Lt. Col. Moyer.

Adrenaline-rush is why I stay

“I’ve always wanted to fly ... ever since I can remember. It was a fascination I had even as a small boy.”



17-year-old schoolmate busied themselves at various charter airports around Houston: fueling, oiling, cleaning, and restocking the food and drinks in personal aircraft.

After graduation in 1979, he attended Embry Riddle Aeronautical University Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program where he received his pilot slot, earned his degree and his obtained commission in '81. He then went on to train and to fly various fighters in the active-duty Air Force for the next eight years.

In 1989, he joined the 301st Fighter Wing to fly the F-4E as a traditional reservist. He trained here and flew full-time with Delta

Airlines for the next couple of years. It was at that time, when the Gulf War exploded on the scene, the wing transitioned to the hometown-built F-16 aircraft.

He has worn many hats since joining the unit from flight commander, assistant deputy commander of operations to the commander of the operations support flight, the fighter squadron and now as vice commander of the 301st FW.

Within his current position, he has many responsibilities. First and foremost, he says, is to support the wing

commander.

“The vice’s objective is to ensure the wing is in lockstep with Col. Pottinger. I also ensure the wing continues to function in his absence.” Colonel Williams also took charge of a program very near and dear to his heart, the Human Resource Development Council.

“The Air Force Reserve is not all about airplanes. It’s about people; people of all ranks and backgrounds engaging together in the same mission yet encouraging diversity.”

This is what he does; this is what he has done for the past 26 years and what he plans to continue doing for some time to come. In the event Colonel Williams leaves the Air Force Reserve, he does have a second passion--race cars.

“I know whenever it comes time to stop flying F-16s that the level of adrenaline I reach when flying jets can easily be replaced racing cars. It’s a real adrenaline inducing activity.”

“I’m 45 years old and there are other things out there that I’ve never got to experience.”

He already has amateur racing in his sights; he owns his own Spec Miata which he lets loose in Cresson, Texas, a track southwest of here called Motor Sport Ranch.

“I consider it an immense honor and privilege to serve the members of this outstanding Fighter Wing,” said Colonel Williams.

Tech. Sgt. Julie
Briden-Garcia
Public Affairs

He slid his elbow onto the table, took a sip of water from the bottle, twisted the cap back on, and began to reveal what this vice commander is made of.

Even though Tommy Joe Williams was born in Oklahoma, he moved to Houston with his family where his lifelong fascination with airplanes began.

Colonel Williams knew as a

boy that he wanted to fly. “I’ve got pictures that I drew when I was three years old of jets--fighter jets.”

When he became old enough to fly, he worked in a store sacking groceries for \$30 a week. He explained that the dual pilot lessons he signed up for cost \$29 a week, leaving him a dollar for the rest of the week--and there was a girlfriend and car.

“It didn’t go very far but I did get my pilot’s license at 17.”

He continued to work. However, now he and another



Tech. Sgt. David Nemons, 301st CES HVAC journeyman, levels and scrapes off excess materials in the most efficient manner available, a wooden 2x4, at the 301st Fighter Wing's alert facility. (U.S. Air Force Photo/Tech. Sgt. Julie Briden-Garcia)

Engineering assistant Master Sgt. Victor Rice, 301st Civil Engineer Squadron, goes to new lengths to get the job done. He stretched across the wet cement to smooth out all the uneven areas before the 100+ degree day began to dry his work. (U.S. Air Force Photo/Tech. Sgt. Julie Briden-Garcia)



Staff Sgt. Lonnie Williams and Master Sgt. Victor Rice, both 301st CES, fill a frame with concrete. The pad is being constructed to hold the wing alert facility's stand-alone generator. (U.S. Air Force Photo/Tech. Sgt. Julie Briden-Garcia)



Maj. Gen. (ret.) Homer Lewis reminisces with 10th Air Force Commander, Maj. Gen. Craig Collins, following a Reserve Officer's Association luncheon held recently here. (U.S. Air Force Photo/Staff Sgt. Kristin Mack.)

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entourage of greeters who were just as excited to see him, as he was to see them and the base. It has been 32 years since his last visit here.

"I want to see what the 301st looks like today and I'm really impressed," said General Lewis. "Everything has changed. It looks really amazing."

As he walked around the base, his face beamed with excitement and he greeted everyone with a friendly smile. He made his way over to the civil engineers building to give a talk to the ROA, which was opened up to the base populace to attend on this special occasion.

"Thank you for inviting me today ... I want to tell you where you're coming from and where you've been," said General Lewis. "This is a fascinating story."

The general knows "this" story better

than almost anyone else today. He was selected by the U.S. President in 1971 to become the second Chief of the Air Force Reserve and assumed the position of Commander of the Air Force Reserve in 1972 as an additional duty. This made him the first person in Air Force Reserve history to wear the dual hat of commander and chief. This dual role still continues today.

"What is interesting is, Air Force history doesn't say anything but facts, figures, names, dates and places ... just like it is -- but there is no romance," said General Lewis. "I'm a romantic. I want to tell you what really happened and how we got to where we are."

He told the story of how the 301st began. Due to a handshake agreement that the Air National Guard would be responsible for fighter missions and the Air Force Reserve would handle "heavies", the reserve component did not have any fighter units at first. Somehow the guard wound up

with both airlift and fighter capability, so a change in the reserve mission was appropriate. As the Vietnam conflict drew to a close, they were deciding where to place the aircraft and weapon systems that were coming back to the United States. Most of the equipment was headed straight to Air National Guard units until General Lewis swiftly intervened.

"The program manager told me, I will give you an F-105 wing if you can make an exemplary transition," said General Lewis. "So when the 105s were available, they gave them to the Reserve, provided that we would perform in exemplary position. I said we'll do that or I will resign."

Once the aircraft was established, it was an even a greater task to find good people to fly and fix them.

"It was quite a challenge to find qualified pilots," said General Lewis. "We looked all over and didn't find any so I went to Fort Wayne, Indiana, to select John Taylor from the Air National Guard to be the commander. He had that look in his eyes."

So it was then the wing began. It was also around this same time that the ROA chapter began. "We got really involved in ROA; went to Washington and started encouraging everyone to be involved," said General Lewis.

General Lewis still remains actively involved with the ROA and it was at the ROA Texas state convention where he met Capt. April Schroeder, 301st Maintenance Group executive officer.

"When he found out I was from the 301st Fighter Wing, General Lewis' face lit up," said Captain Schroeder. "He has a real soft spot for this wing."

The conversation sparked a lot of questions and soon led to an invitation to speak at the next ROA meeting, which General Lewis gladly accepted.

Although today he organizes ranches (five total - two in Mexico and three in Texas) instead of squadrons, General Lewis continues to spend a lot of his time supporting today's military.

Happy Birthday U.S. Air Force

The Department of the Air Force was born Sept. 18, 1947 when the first Secretary of the Air Force, W. Stuart Symington was sworn in and the U.S. Army transferred over all air activities.



Officials encourage purchase of renters insurance

Steven Donald Smith
American Forces Press
Service

WASHINGTON (AFPN)— With hurricane season in full-swing, military officials are encouraging servicemembers who don't own their own homes to purchase renters insurance to protect their personal property.

"Hurricane season is now upon us. We urge you, particularly if you live in an area prone to nature's fury, to examine how prepared you are to protect your family financially," Air Force Secretary Michael W. Wynne stated in a recent letter to airmen regarding personal financial management.

Wynne said one of the lessons learned from the 2005 hurricane season is that it is important to assess insurance needs sooner rather than later.

"Too many of our teammates, including retirees, were caught unprepared and now are bearing an avoidable financial burden," he said. "All Air Force members, whether living on base or off, should

consider their family's needs for adequate personal property (renters) insurance."

Wynne said Airmen should make a detailed inventory of their personal property and also should consider purchasing flood insurance, which is not part of standard homeowner or renter insurance policies.

"Chance favors the prepared," he said.

Most insurance policies cover renters of all types, including those living in apartments, dorms or base housing.

Servicemembers having personal financial safeguards, such as renters insurance, in place helps the military meet its responsibilities, because such planning prevents distractions to military members, Wynne said.

"Although we often see our professional life in a very disciplined way, we sometimes don't realize how our personal well-being affects our job performance," he said. "When your personal life is in order, you are a better warfighter for the joint team."

Battery Recall



Dell has identified a potential issue associated with certain batteries sold with some of their laptop computers.

In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission and other regulatory agencies, Dell is voluntarily recalling certain Dell-branded batteries with cells manufactured by Sony and offering free replacements for any defective ones.

Under rare conditions, it is possible for these batteries to overheat and catch fire.

Visit <https://www.dellbatteryprogram.com/Default.aspx> and follow the instruction on the Web site to see if your battery is on the recall listing. For more information on additional recalls, visit the Online Resource for Recalls at <http://www.recalls.gov/>.

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National POW/MIA Recognition Day
September 15, 2006

T. Wynne AFN

Uniform Briefs

Following the Air Force Chief of Staff's vision of "lasting heritage - limitless horizons," the Air Force Uniform Board made minor changes to the enlisted uniform.

These changes include returning to the insignia with circle for the service dress uniform and the deletion of the optional shoulder board enlisted rank for the blue uniform, making the sleeve chevrons mandatory.

The implementation date for the circled insignia is Jan. 1, 2007; mandatory wear of chevrons on the sleeves is Oct. 1, 2006 as stated in AFI 36-2903.

Annual Combined Federal Campaign kicks off

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — The 2006 to 2007 Combined Federal Campaign runs for six weeks Sept. 1 through Dec. 15 for both continental United States and overseas bases.

Last year, federal employees and servicemembers donated a record setting \$268 million to the CFC. Contributions can be in cash, check or by payroll deduction.

Local CFC project officers have more information. The CFC Web site is at www.opm.gov/cfc.

Accountability procedures improved

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga.— If a national emergency occurs, Air Force Reserve Command has improved procedures in place for keeping track of its military people and their families.

The command developed the procedures to prepare for future disasters after hurricanes devastated the Gulf Coast last year.

“Our goal is to educate each individual on the importance of timely personnel accountability after any devastating event,” said David Holly, AFRC personnel readiness operations branch chief.

Under the new procedures, commanders use a two-phase approach to account for their people. Each phase – pre and post – will be completed within 48 hours of notification to begin the accountability process.

People assigned to or living in an affected area must check in with the unit. They should check in at the first available opportunity, but no later than 48 hours after the start of the crisis. People on temporary assignment or on leave in a disaster area should report their location and status to their unit of assignment.

“Personnel accountability is a top priority for Air Force Reserve Command,” said Mr. Holly. “Our most important resources are our people and their families.

“In the event of a disaster, we need timely accountability of our people,” he said. “Since we must always be prepared to accomplish our mission, we need to

know their status and availability.”

Reporting instructions are available on the command Web site <https://wwwmil.afrc.af.mil/>. People can link to the instructions by selecting the “Hot & New Items” icon, going to the drop down menu and selecting “Personnel Accountability.” (AFRC News Service)

Air Force launches profile on MySpace

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — The Air Force is joining the Internet’s largest social networking site and will enter the MySpace race when it launches its own user profile today.

With close to 98 million registered users, MySpace.com is an ideal venue for the Air Force to connect with potential recruits and promote awareness for its up-and-coming documentary-style ad campaign “Do Something Amazing.”

As the third most popular Web site, MySpace reaches 49 percent of all Internet users between the ages of 18 to 24. The site’s users can chat with old friends, make new friends and post blogs, photos and videos to their profiles.

“In order to reach young men and women today, we need to be in tune and engaged in their circles,” said Col. Brian Madtes, Air Force Recruiting Service’s Strategic Communications director. “MySpace.com is a great way to get the word out to the public about the amazing things people are doing in the Air Force.”

When viewing the Air Force profile, users can see a series of five rough-cut

clips that will give them a behind-the-scenes look at the extraordinary things Airmen accomplish every day. They will also have the opportunity to vote on which commercial will kick off the “Do Something Amazing” advertising campaign. The one with the most votes will air Sept. 18 during the FOX network’s TV show, “Prison Break.”

Following the Sept. 18 commercial premiere, Internet users will be able to go to the DoSomethingAmazing.com Web site where they can view more than 100 videos of Airmen in action. (Courtesy of Air Force Recruiting Service Public Affairs)

SGLI begins new program

Compensation for the survivors of servicemembers who die in combat zones and insurance coverage for servicemembers will both increase significantly this year. An increase in death gratuity benefits from \$12,500 to \$100,000 already has taken effect, and Servicemembers’ Group Life Insurance maximum coverage will increase to \$400,000 starting Sept. 1.

The increase in death benefits took effect May 11 and is dated retroactively to Oct. 7, 2001. This means that survivors of servicemembers who died between Oct. 7, 2001, and May 11, 2005, will receive the increased benefits, as will survivors of servicemembers who die from May 11 on.

When the increase in SGLI coverage takes effect Sept. 1, it also will be dated retroactively to Oct. 7, 2001. Survivors of servicemembers who died in a

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Letter to Airmen Every Airman a Communicator

Michael W. Wynne
Secretary of the Air Force

Because of our Airmen, the United States Air Force is the best air and space force in the world and we're gaining leadership in cyberspace. Yet many citizens do not fully realize what you do and the sacrifices you make every day. Because you do your job so well, most Americans simply don't think about the Air Force's contribution to the Global War on Terror - to include the efforts of those of you serving on the ground in Iraq and Afghanistan.

To get this message out, we've embarked on an enhanced Strategic Communication program. Our Strategic Communication efforts will build better relationships with key audiences and the support that is critical to operational success, force modernization, and the development of our most precious resource: Airmen. Our major enhancement is you. The success of this effort will rely on making every Airman an ambassador for our Air Force, at home and abroad. Your stories resonate the most with local newspapers, schools, and rotary clubs. The American public looks up to you as a model of integrity, and by sharing your experiences you are the best spokesmen for our Air Force.

This responsibility means that Airmen must understand air, space and cyberspace power and how the Air Force contributes to the Nation's defense. To assist you, we will soon distribute "The Air Force Story," which will provide you with information to discuss with family, friends, and the public.

Those Airmen who have deployed should have an "Airman's

Card," available from your commander or Public Affairs office. This card will help guide your communication efforts. It reminds you that when telling your story, "You represent the Air Force, its values, and its image. Be honest, candid, and stay within your area of expertise."

The new Air Force advertising campaign, "Do Something Amazing," harnesses the power of your individual story. These television and Internet videos feature our outstanding Airmen describing the contributions they make every day to our nation's defense. One person's story carries the hopes and dreams of a new generation of Airmen and confirms the public's belief that we serve on their behalf.

I encourage you to show your pride and share both your personal story and the Air Force story with others. Your active involvement in this communications strategy will help the public better understand their Air Force and the contribution we make to the Nation's security every day.

You are the finest Airmen the world has ever seen. Be proud of yourself, your Air Force, and your heritage. Our Air Force is counting on you to communicate your story like no one else can.

Michael W. Wynne

Preparing for annual fitness should be routine, not torture



from the First Sergeant's desk

Master Sgt. Lois Fontenot

610th Regional Support Group First Sergeant

Physical fitness is very crucial to our success, units and to the Air Force Reserve.

We live in a much different world today. Events have caused the Air Force to deploy to all regions of the world with many different conditions. Some of you have been deployed to those regions and know the importance of being in shape.

Many of us no longer have washboard abs, large biceps and lean muscular legs that were considered "the Air

Force's finest." So the "more mature" have to work harder and the younger Airmen have to get motivated, so stop being a couch potato!

We should all know the requirements. But if you need a refresher, the test consists of: a one-and-a-half mile timed run, sets of one-minute timed push-ups and sit-ups, and body composition (waist measurement). Points are awarded in these four areas. See your First Sergeant or physical fitness monitor if you are unclear on

the point system and your requirements.

During testing, you should pace yourselves for the best possible score. Know in advance what is required for a passing score. Not all of us can obtain excellent scores, but we should all aim for rating in the good range. We should encourage our comrades who struggle to complete these requirements; don't let them get discouraged — push them! It's amazing what a little team spirit and support will do.

The physical fitness program has become imbedded in our Air Force lives, you can't participate without it, can't participate in your Professional Military Education, or get promoted without it. That's the

bottom line.

So Airman, tell me ... are you ready for your fitness test?



Mexican-style burger burn set

First Sergeants are holding a Taco Burn fund-raiser Sunday, Sept. 10, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Pick up your lunch at the 301st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron's flightline or at the 457th Fighter Squadron's patio. Donations go to the first Sgts.' booster club fund.

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combat zone, combat operations or combat-related situations between the October date and Sept. 1 will receive \$150,000 in transitional insurance, which will bring them to \$400,000.

For more details, call customer service at the 301st Mission Support Squadron, 817.782.6855.

'YGOF' site set to scale down

WASHINGTON (AFP)—Budget constraints and contract services reductions have forced officials to make changes to the "Your Guardians of Freedom" Web site starting Oct. 1.

The Web site enables Air Force members to order pins for employers of activated Guardsmen (E pin), parents (P pin) and spouses (S pin). Pin recipients also receive a personalized letter signed by the Air Force secretary and chief of staff thanking them for supporting the Airman's service.

The pins are a contemporary adaptation of the World War II "E" flags used to recognize companies for contributions to the war effort.

The program was established in November 2001 to recognize employer support of activated Guard and Reserve Airmen. It expanded in 2003 to recognize parents of total force Airmen, spouses of Airmen and Air Force civilians.

"To date more than 833,000 pins have been delivered," said Capt. Tynisha Jones-Vincent,

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OPSEC tip of the month -

How critical is critical information? Its very important to people like Osama bin Laden, one of the two persons involved in the bombing of Khobar Towers, June '96.

YGOF program manager. "Basic training and officer accessions have been the biggest customers of the program."

The change to the program leaves it open only to new accessions. Other members have until Oct. 1 to use the Web site for placing orders.

"Members still have two months to order parent pins; we will make sure all orders and backorders received through Oct. 1 are fulfilled,"

Captain Jones-Vincent said.

The next phase of the program will include a new user-friendly Web site. The "S" pin will continue to be available to order online for active-duty members through the Air Force Portal. This will allow Air Force members who have married since joining the service the opportunity to order a spouse pin. The "E" pin will no longer be available after the Oct. 1 deadline.

PROMOTIONS, REENLISTMENTS and NEWCOMERS

Reenlistments

301 AMXS

Airman Basic Denise Santiago
Tech. Sgt. Lance A. Keeling

301 CF

Tech. Sgt. James H. Rowe

301 FW

Staff Sgt. Thomas L. Marsden

301 LRS

Senior Airman David L. Britton

301 MSS

Airman 1st Class Efrain Gonzales, Jr.

Staff Sgt. Jeremy G. Fleshman

Staff Sgt. Franklin P. Helton

Tech. Sgt. Michael R. Murray

Tech. Sgt. Richard D. Hull

Master Sgt. Jeffrey D. Anderson

Master Sgt. Doyle S. Easterling

301 SFS

Tech. Sgt. William P. Swetlick

Master Sgt. Paul L. Wright

457 FS

Senior Airman Korina L. Longoria

610 RSG

Master Sgt. Vanessa K. Franz

610 SFS

Airman 1st Class Alicia A. Brackin

Airman 1st Class Talinia Lynette Haynes

Airman 1st Class Janell I. Lopez

Staff Sgt. Douglas D. Fackler

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73 APS

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Senior Airman Tomas A. Ortizbonilla

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