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Volunteers with "Operation Holiday Cheer" help assemble bags filled with food, treats, and thank you's at the Bellevue Volunteer Firefighters Hall in Bellevue Dec. 5 as part of "Operation Holiday Cheer." The bags will be delivered during the holiday season to single Airmen living in Offutt Air Force Base dormitories as part of a program organized by the Bellevue Chamber of Commerce and Bellevue Economic Enhancement Foundation.

## Putting lifesaving skills to the test

By Master Sgt. April Wickes

U.S. Strategic Command Public Affairs

**OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE** — For one airman, a routine workout at the Offutt Field House turned into an opportunity to put his life saving skills to the test.

Airman 1st Class David Robb, 55th Security Forces Squadron elite guardsman, was starting his warm-up lap during his daily workout Nov. 15, 2017, when something caught his attention. Robb saw enlisted and civilian gym workers sprint past him.

"I know that usually when they do that it means something is going on, and by the way they were running, it was something serious," Robb said. "I picked up my pace and ran to the other side of the gym where I noticed there was a man lying on his back with an automatic defibrillator, or AED, attached to him and someone was in the process of doing chest compressions on him."

After Robb identified himself as an emergency medical technician, he asked the person assisting the patient to temporarily stop chest compressions, then assessed the situation and found that the man had no pulse and wasn't breathing.

"I took over chest compressions and had the other gentleman maintain an open airway so he [the patient] could have a nice open airway," Robb said. "After about 45 seconds of chest compressions the AED said to 'step back from patient, analyzing'."

The AED analyzed the patient and advised a shock.

"I continued with chest compressions for 5 to 10 seconds and once the AED was charged we stood back, pressed the button and the AED shocked the man," Robb said. "I continued to do chest compressions after that for an additional two minutes."

The AED analyzed the patient again and this time no shock was advised.

"At that point we did a quick assessment of the patient because he doesn't need chest compressions anymore," Robb said. "We checked his wrist for a pulse and he had a good strong pulse. He also started breathing again."

In the span of minutes, Robb helped save a life —

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# OPERATION HOLIDAY CHEER ARRIVES AT OFFUTT

## 55th Wing Public Affairs

### OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE

— Volunteers from the Bellevue-Offutt community volunteered their morning on Dec. 6 to stuff bags at the Olde Towne Bellevue Volunteer Firefighters Hall to bring sweet joy to the Airmen of Team Offutt as there were more than 40 volunteers who showed up, filling more than 500 bags with a variety of sweet treats for the residents of Offutt's dormitories.

Once filled, the bags were boxed up and sent to Offutt where they were delivered by first sergeants to the dorms on base.

"This is one of my favorite events of the year," said Doris Urwin, an administrator at the Greater Bellevue Area Chamber of Commerce. "To me, being able to let the Airmen know we care for them and appreciate their service just seems a little more important during the holidays."

The chamber, along with the Bellevue Economic Enhancement Foundation, actively start looking for donations 45 days prior to



Master Sgt. Brian Kruzelnick, 55th Wing command chief, helps assemble bags filled with food, treats, and thank you's at the Bellevue Volunteer Firefighters Hall Dec. 5, as part of "Operation Holiday Cheer."

the event but receive interest throughout the year.

Even Bellevue Public School students assisted with the operation. Students from kindergarten through sixth grade crafted hundreds of hand-written cards, cut in the shape of trees, elves and Santas, that thanked the Airmen for their service.

For some Airmen who are spending their holidays away from home, some for the first time, this bag of goodies is a welcome gift.

Base leadership went to Olde Towne to the Bellevue Volunteer Firefighters Hall and assisted in putting the Operation Holiday Cheer bags together.

"I am humbled and encouraged by the amount of support the community surrounding Offutt Air Force Base displays consistently year after year," said Chief Master Sgt. Brian Kruzelnick, 55th Wing command chief. "This time of year can be difficult for some of our Offutt members, but to have the community rally around them is priceless."

Each volunteer manned a station to place goodies

in the bags as they made their way around the room. When the bags came to the end of the tables, volunteers placed 25 bags in each box and sealed them to be delivered to the base later that day. This process takes more than 90 minutes.

The bags, which were donated by a local business, are sturdy enough to serve the Airmen as backpacks well after the bag is empty of treats. It's made of a heavy fabric with a drawstring top and embossed with the Holiday Cheer logo.

When the Operation Holiday Cheer program began, they used paper bags, but there would be ripped and torn bags by the end. The new bags are tough enough for the Operation Holiday Cheer mission and after that Airmen can use them for other things.

"We couldn't do this without the support of everyone in the Bellevue-Offutt community," Urwin said. "I thank our donors and volunteers and wish our service members the best this holiday season."

# Away for the holidays, on duty

## 55th Wing Public Affairs

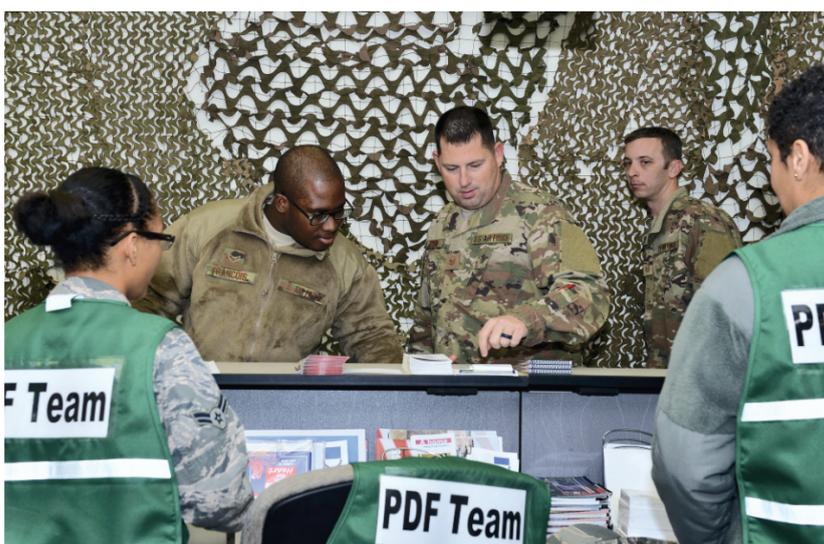
### OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE

— At least 89 Airmen from Offutt Air Force Base won't be home for the holidays. The 55th Wing maintainers, pilots and aircrew members deployed to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar Dec. 5 for a period of 45-120 days where they will be supporting operations throughout the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility.

This was a typical deployment for the 55th Wing members, who have been deployed to that area of operations for 26 straight years. That is considered to be the longest continuous deployment in the Air Force.

Deploying Airmen from one of the most heavily-tasked wings in the Air Force takes a well-run machine. That machine is the Offutt Installation Deploy-

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U.S. Air Force photo by Charles Haymond

Senior Airman Ralph Francois and Master Sgt. Michael Sequin, both from the 55th Maintenance Group, look over some pamphlets from the Airman and Family Readiness Center while processing through the Installation Deployment Readiness Cell at Offutt Air Force Base Dec. 5. They deployed to Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar for a period of 45-120 days where they will be supporting operations throughout the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility.

## Sarpy County - Bellevue

# Lewis and Clark students send 32 boxes of donations to troops

## By Hailey Stolze

Bellevue Leader Staff Writer

Three Lewis and Clark seventh-graders took an annual assignment to the next level, Sarpy County Sheriff's Office Deputy Tricia Maresh said.

Maresh, who teaches Gang Resistance Education And Training, assigned students to give back to their community in some way, whether it be mowing their neighbor's law, serving food at Open Door Mission, picking up trash or in other ways.

Students Riley Sine, Jackson Frill and Logan To-

man took it a step further,

Maresh said, by putting in several hours of work. Sine's brother Caleb, 2010 Bellevue West High School graduate, is on his third deployment as an Air Force member in Iraq serving with an Army unit. Riley and his mother Suzie were discussing how they could use the project to help Caleb.

"It's kind of hard not seeing him," Riley said. "I just wish he could be home for the holidays."

Wanting to put a smile on his face, the boys collect donations to send overseas, which included hygiene products and nonperishable food. They also collected

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ment Readiness Cell. "It's a huge work between the us and the [Installation Personnel Readiness] section, as well as all the unit deployment managers, to make sure we are getting everybody ready to go, trained up and deployed," said Capt. Justin Graham, 55th Logistics Readiness Squadron installation deployment officer.

Once a tasking is received, Graham's team coordinates the travel and works with those offices to identify personnel eligible for deployment.

On the deployment date, the IDRC coordinates the pickup of personnel and any required mobility bag equipment. The deploying personnel then process through the IDRC deployment processing line where they receive additional briefings and any last minute services prior to

boarding the plane. The processing line include representatives from personnel, finance, medical, chaplain and legal offices who are available to provide information or services such as vaccinations and powers of attorney.

"It's just a final set of eyes with a few different work centers to make sure they are 'no kidding' ready to go," Graham said.

For this deployment, Offutt personnel traveled via a commercial airline, which also required additional TSA inspections.

"We have to check all of their bags to make sure there are no weapons and things like that...the same as if you were going to fly commercial on vacation," Graham said.

According to Graham, the IDRC will process between 2,200-2,300 personnel to deployed locations this year. He said the IDRC also processed an additional 400 members not on deployment orders.

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Capt. Justin Graham, 55th Logistics Readiness Squadron installation deployment officer

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donations to offset some of the high shipping costs.

They handed out fliers in Bellevue's Veterans Day parade and put them on cars during Bellevue Public Schools Lied Activity Center basketball games. Several donation drop offs were available throughout the city.

"Out of all the hours they put in, there was not one single complaint," Suzie said. "They were more than happy to do it."

From their efforts, the boys received an estimated \$2,400 worth of donations. Suzie said her office was taken over by boxes of donations.

Suzie mailed the 32 12 inch by 12 inch boxes to Caleb's unit on Nov. 28, which weighed in at 277 pounds and 11 ounces. It cost \$572 to ship. The students raised \$165 for shipping costs, and Suzie paid the rest.

"I'm in communication with my son, and he said everybody is so excited and looking forward to getting those boxes," Suzie said.

The students' principal Mike Smith and teacher Joanna Hike said they were proud of the three boys' work.

Once Caleb's unit



Photo by Hailey Stolze

Lewis and Clark seventh-graders, from left, Jackson Frill, Riley Sine and Logan Toman stand with Sarpy County Sheriff's Office Deputy Tricia Maresh. The boys collected \$2,400 worth of donations to send to troops overseas for a project Maresh assigned.

receives the boxes, it will send back a flag flown over Iraq with a thank you note and a photo of them to be displayed at Lewis and Clark.

Riley, Frill and Toman said they were glad to have a chance to give back to service men and women.

"I just felt grateful that they were out there spending their holidays overseas," Riley said. "I just felt really great that I could help them out."



Lewis and Clark seventh-graders Riley Sine, Logan Toman and Jackson Frill stand by boxes of donations they collected to send to troops overseas.

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something he had prepared for from his extensive CPR and EMT training.

In addition to the CPR training Robb is required to have as a security forces airman, he earned his national EMT certification in January 2015. The certification included specialized training in adult and infant CPR, and use of an AED.

"I'm coming to the end of my enlistment. I'm going to be separating soon and my ultimate goal is to become a firefighter. In order to become a firefighter you have to be a certified EMT," Robb explained.

Robb's father was a paramedic firefighter in Mesa, Arizona, and like his father, he always desired to help people.

In fact, Robb's desire to help the man at the gym didn't stop when the Bellevue Fire Department showed up and took the patient to a local hospital.



Photo by U.S. Strategic Command Public Affairs

Airman 1st Class David Robb, 55th Security Forces Squadron elite guardsman, was recognized as part of U.S. Strategic Command's H.E.R.O. (Helping Everyone Recognize Others) program Nov. 17 at Offutt Air Force Base. Robb performed CPR on a civilian in cardiac arrest at the base gym.

That evening, Robb went to the hospital to check on the man he helped rescue.

"I really wanted to see if I could offer any assistance," Robb said. "Growing up around firefighters, paramedics and police officers, [I know] the majority of the time when they go on a rescue and they do what they need to do, they drop the patient off at the hospital, and they never see them again. They don't know the outcome."

The patient's wife and a nurse were at the hospital and thanked him for what he did. Robb also cleared up some information that was not passed on to them, such as where and when the patient was found at the Offutt Field House.

This was the first time Robb assisted someone in cardiac arrest in the more than two and a half years he's been EMT certified.

"With me separating soon, and my goal to be a firefighter, I felt like I hadn't been put up to a challenge yet to see if I could really do this under pressure, in a real life situation," Robb said. "When the situation presented itself, I did what I could. When he [the patient] started breathing again and had a pulse, I was euphoric! I couldn't believe it. I don't think I came down from that euphoria for the rest of the day. I had

trouble sleeping that night, because I cannot believe it's finally happened."

When Capt. Keith Saylor Jr., 55th Security Forces Squadron elite guard operations officer, received the news, he explained that he was a bit shocked because although Robb is a "steadfast defender, he is not always the most vocal person in the room."

"In most cases, he will not be the first person to raise his hand, but knows all of the answers," Saylor said. "On the other hand, his actions are not surprising. We teach our defenders from day one of training that they are security forces 24/7, 365 days a year, and to always be prepared to react to the adversary or provide support to those in need."

Robb stated that when he's on duty as an elite guardsman, he anticipates that things like this event could happen, but to him, rescuing someone during his off duty time seemed "completely out of the blue."

Robb also noticed something that concerned him.

"I noticed there was a large group of people, even when I went over to start doing compressions," Robb said. "Nobody was really doing anything except for one guy. I don't know if those people knew CPR,

but I also find that people are afraid to do it; they're afraid to get involved. To me it just doesn't make a whole lot of sense; if a person is in cardiac arrest, you can't do any more harm than what's being done."

Robb also explained why he thinks people should learn CPR.

"The reason it's so important to me is because you never know when situations like this happen," Robb said. "They say that the average person in a non-rescue type profession will at least one time in their life be put in a situation where someone will be required to perform CPR."

"The last thing I would want is to be in that situation and think, 'man, I had the opportunity to take the training, but now I can't do anything.' To me that is a scary feeling."

For more information about CPR and AED training, visit the American Heart Association website at <http://www.heart.org>

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# Offutt's Tactical Air Navigation System upgraded

**55th Wing Public Affairs**  
**OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE**  
 —The Tactical Air Navigation System, or TACAN, located on the flightline here, was replaced and upgraded as part of an Air Force wide \$43M modernization project Nov. 29.

The TACAN is a beacon for aircraft within 200 nautical miles of the system providing aircrew the proper bearing and distance to assist them for their return flight to base.

The new system will increase reliability, and overall cost savings on maintenance, supportability and repair compared to the old system installed in 1994. It has a dual transmitter intersystem that the old TACAN did not provide and can provide 100 percent uptime rate, reducing overall downtime while enhancing

safe flight operations.

“The legacy system had become outdated and met the end of its service life due to a strained supply chain and outdated electronics,” said Master Sgt. Nancy Murillo-Alvarez, 55th Operations Support Squadron NCO in-charge of air traffic control and landing systems. “The upgrade will definitely help with day-to-day operations due to increased reliability.”

Previously, Murillo-Alvarez's section had been responsible for providing support and maintenance to the legacy system, but the new TACAN changes that.

“The new TACAN will be remotely monitored and about 90 percent maintained by the regional maintenance center out of Oklahoma City,” she said.

In addition to reducing



U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Jacob Skov

At left, airmen and contractors guide Offutt's old TACAN system, to be upgraded as a crane operator hoists it off its tower last month.

the maintenance requirements for the 55th OSS, the new system will enable the regional maintenance center to perform flight checks remotely as well.

“Monetary savings is behind the regional maintenance center concept and provides the Air Force a return on investment with the modernization,” Murillo-Alvarez said. “An estimated 400 manpower positions will be superseded by the modernized system Air Force wide.”

The bulk of the upgrade effort was led by Tech. Sgt. Anita Hooper and Staff Sgt. Brian Magee of the 55th OSS' air traffic control and landing systems team.

“Without prior project management experience, they worked very hard to comply with established deadlines for a successful project completion,” Murillo-Alvarez said. “However, without the outstanding and timely support from agencies across Team Offutt to include the 55th Communications Squadron, 55th Logistics Readiness Squadron and especially the 55th Civil Engineer Squadron, the project's completion would not have been possible.”

The upgrade initiative falls under the Navigational Aids Family of System modernization project managed by the Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, out of Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma. The project began in 2015 and is expected to conclude by 2020.

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## 595th Group marks one year, looks to maximize capabilities

Commander of the group says they have met or exceeded nearly all goals

**By Staff Sgt. Rachel Hammes**  
 55th Wing Public Affairs

**OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE**  
 —The 595th Command and Control Group celebrated its one year anniversary as a group in October 2017, and they've spent that year working to excel in their mission.

The group stood up in October 2016 in order to align under Air Force Global Strike Command and 8th Air Force.

The group's mission is to ensure U.S. strategic

deterrence and enable strategic assessment and global strike capabilities.

Col. Robert Billings, commander of the 595th CACG, said the group has met or exceeded almost all of its goals for their first year.

“It's been pretty impressive on how the group as a whole got together and said, ‘OK, this is new – how do we make it ours?’” Billings said. “They owned it, leadership set the goals and the plan, but the group owned it.”

The group's goals are focused on four categories – mission, families, weapon system advocacy, and Airmen leadership.

One of Billings' most important goals was to provide 100 percent aircrew manning for the group's mission, all day, every day.

“That's the main goal – you don't want to mess that up,” he said. “We provided our aircrew operators and maintainers for the secretary of defense, the National Air Operations Center, the Strategic Automated Command Control System, inter-continental ballistic missile air launch control systems and other Global Strike missions.”

As Billings looks toward the group's second year, he is focused on maintaining the excellence at which the group has operated.

“I would like to see increased support and sustainment,” he said. “Because now you have the founding leadership members of the group starting to depart. We need to make sure the organization continues to move forward as new leadership arrives.”

Maj. Andrew Kasperek, commander of the 595th Strategic Communications Squadron, said that the realignment under GSC has allowed his squadron to connect with other units within the major command with similar goals and problems.

“We are realizing the partnerships and the synergies that were always available but unknown to us,” he said. “There's really a call and a desire to lash together. We realized there are a lot of other people outside of our group doing similar work. We're figuring out who the other players are that are also struggling with similar problems, for years, and we come together and match up our solutions.”

Kasperek has also organized new training for his Airmen.

“We've been able to realign, over the last year, that we can leverage industries to be able to augment the training that is provided at technical school,” he said. “We've sought out other training that Global Strike provides to round out our Airmen's training. We had never been to any of these trainings before.”

This focus on synergy and new routes for training has paid off for the group. The 595th SCS alone has won three MAJCOM level awards over the last year.

Billings said he is incredibly impressed with how the 595th CACG has performed since it stood up.

“It's just amazing what they do every day,” Billings said. “Change is hard, and they've taken it in stride and executed the mission without failure. The nuclear mission isn't going away, and the professional nuclear warriors of the group keep it relevant.”

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**THURSDAY, DEC. 14**  
Santa's Workshop, 8305 Park View Blvd. in La Vista will be open from 4 to 7 p.m. Children of all ages can visit with Santa, decorate cookies and have hot chocolate. There will also be live reindeer present.

The Bellevue East Take II and E Street jazz groups will perform at the Bellevue Public Library, 1003 Lincoln Road, at 6 p.m. as part of the Holiday Music Series.

**FRIDAY-SUNDAY, DEC. 15-17**  
Suburban Newspapers and the United States Air Force Heartland of America Band will present "Sounds of the Season," as a

holiday gift to the community. The concert series is free and will be held at Bellevue East High School, 1401 High School Drive, at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 15 and 16, and at 2 p.m. Dec. 17 in the school auditorium. For tickets (limit four), go to [usaheartlandofAmericaBand.eventbrite.com](http://usaheartlandofAmericaBand.eventbrite.com). Organizers advise getting tickets early as there are usually more requests than available seating. For ticket questions or concerns, contact Master Sgt. Alex Serwatowski at 402-232-4090.

**SATURDAY, DEC. 16**  
Santa's Workshop, 8305 Park View Blvd. in La Vista will be open

from 9 a.m. to noon. Children of all ages can visit with Santa, decorate cookies and have hot chocolate.

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20**  
The Lowis Music Duo will perform at noon at the Bellevue Public Library, 1003 Lincoln Road, as part of the Holiday Music Series.

**THURSDAY, DEC. 21**  
Christmas Break Out Boxes will take place from 5 to 6 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the La Vista Public Library, 9110 Giles Road. This is a tween/teen event that is similar to escape rooms and puzzle challenges. Individuals must sign up in advance for one

of the available time slots (6 to 10 participants per time slot is ideal). To sign up, contact the library at 402-537-3900.

**FRIDAY, DEC. 22**  
Breakfast with Santa will be held at Karen's Fireside, 1214 N. Monroe St. in Papillion from 9 to 11 a.m. Tickets are \$11 which includes breakfast and opportunity to meet Santa and have a picture taken. Register at [papillion.org](http://papillion.org) by Dec. 15.

Christmas Colorpalooza will take place at 10 a.m. at the La Vista Public Library, 9110 Giles Road. Supplies will be provided. All ages are welcome and parental participation is required.

## Free courses being offered to improve child development

55th Wing Public Affairs

**OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb.** — Beginning next year, free specialized parenting courses will be offered to Offutt parents through the Offutt Family Advocacy Program.

Dale Sundermann, FAP outreach manager and course instructor, said the courses will provide valuable learning opportunities often overlooked by parents.

"We spend time learning and studying things that we'll never use," Sundermann said. "Yet parenting and raising kids and our family is what we identify as most important in our lives."

Sundermann said many parents approach parenting as something that comes naturally. However, courses like these offer proven techniques to help your child reach their full potential.

"If you're not learning to become a better parent, your kids are at a disadvantage in the classroom."

According to Sundermann, some of the biggest parenting challenges among military members can be beneficial to child development.

"If parents are deliberate about how they're parenting their kids, you can actually use a deployment to develop your kids to be better, not as something to simply get through," he said. "And we know how to do that."

The series of courses are conveniently offered from 4:40 - 5:30 p.m. at the Offutt Youth Center.

The first course, "Parenting Rewired," is scheduled for January 11 and uses the latest scientific research to provide valuable insight into why some parenting practices work and why some fail miserably.

"Parent-Child Communication" is scheduled for February 8 and focuses on developmental issues for various age groups. It addresses how you can help children process their feelings and how to effectively communicate with them.

"Raising Smart Children: It's not Magic" will be offered in two sessions, March 14 and 15. This fast paced and engaging course is designed to bring out the best in children by effectively using praise to foster growth.

"Parenting Skills for the Single Parent Service Member" is scheduled for April 11. This course focuses entirely on the single parent military member and provides useful tips such as child discipline techniques, long-distance parenting and building a support network during deployments.

If these courses go well, Sundermann said the FAP office will look at adding additional classes for the remainder of 2018.

For additional information, call the FAP office at 294-7886 or the AFRC at 294-4329.

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### President's Message

from Jim Ristow

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## 55TH MEDICAL GROUP

## Volunteers sought for new advisory council

55th Wing Public Affairs

**OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb.** — The 55th Medical Group is seeking volunteers to participate in their new Patient and Family Advisory Council, or PFAC.

The council will consist of 10 - 12 volunteers to include a combination of active duty, retirees, military family members and Ehrling Bergquist Clinic staff members.

"We are very excited to get the PFAC underway, but first we need a good mix of applicants from across our beneficiary demographic," said 2d Lt. Ruchelle Austin, 55th Medical Support Squadron TRICARE operations and patient administration flight commander.

Those interested in participating in the PFAC must be enrolled to the 55th Medical Group and can request an application by emailing [usaf.offutt.55-mdg.mbx.pfac@mail.mil](mailto:usaf.offutt.55-mdg.mbx.pfac@mail.mil). The application can be downloaded here.

The PFAC concept was mandated by the National Defense Authorization Act as a requirement for all military healthcare facilities.

"We want this council to empower our patients to collaborate with us and share ideas that will improve patient experience and satisfaction," Austin said.

The goal is to have the first PFAC meeting in December.



Photo illustration by Joey Waller

There are some helpful hints to keep thieves away from your packages this holiday season.

## Protect yourself from holiday theft

By Eric Taylor

Papillion Times  
Managing Editor

How can you work to keep the Grinch away this holiday season?

According to Papillion Police Chief Scott Lyons, a little common sense goes a long way.

"I think the worst thing people can do is get complacent," Lyons said. "They live in a great community and they get a false sense of security. We live in a different day and time. Unfortunately, there are criminals out there waiting to prey on you if you give them the opportunity."

Lyons said there are basic precautions people can take to avoid having a blue Christmas.

"Check and make sure all your doors on your house and car are locked before you go to bed each night,"

he said. "I think if people could get into a routine of doing that, they would avoid a lot of frustration."

Other tips for the holiday season:

- If you are shopping at multiple stores in the same location, change parking spots so thieves can't keep track of where your car and packages might be.

- Place packages in the trunk, not in the view of criminals.
- Shop with others.
- Keep your purse/wallet close.

- Carry only the credit cards you intend to use.
- Break down the boxes from the gifts you receive and throw them away. Don't leave them out and visible for criminals to see what new items you might have.
- Stake down decorations so it takes longer and is harder to steal.

Lyons added people also need to be aware of packag-

es being stolen from their porches.

"A lot of people are getting security cameras on their porch and the quality and speed of those has really improved," he said. "But if you don't have one of those, try and be at home when you're package is being delivered or have a neighbor pick it up for you."

Personal packages can be trickier, Bellevue Police Department Capt. Tom Dargy said, since they can't be tracked online. If you're sending someone a package, drop it off to be mailed by a company you trust, he said. Let the receiver know it's coming so they can look for it.

Credit card theft is also a concern during the holidays.

Dargy said the biggest mistake people make is saving their credit card and billing information online. If you don't input it every

time, it's much easier for hackers to find. Even if you don't save it, though, they can still track it in other ways.

Also, you should initial calls to your credit card company, to ensure you're really talking to them. If you receive a cold call, don't provide any information. Instead, Dargy said to hang up and call your credit card company to verify it was them.

Beware, some fraudulent websites may almost identically mock the real bank sites, Dargy said.

Getting robbed anytime of year is not a pleasant experience, but Lyons said that is magnified when it happens during the holiday season.

"It's tough to see things get stolen from under the Christmas tree this time of year," he said.

— Hailey Stolze contributed to this report

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## Good mental health critical to readiness

By Peter Holstein

Air Force Surgeon General  
Public Affairs

**FALLS CHURCH, Va.** — Mental health is a critical part of every Airman's medical readiness. Although many service members worry that seeking mental health care will negatively affect their career, the opposite is usually true. With early identification and the right treatment by a medical professional, most mental health issues get better quickly without any negative career impact.

Unfortunately the reverse is also true, says Maj.

Joel Foster, a psychologist and chief of deployment mental health for the Air Force Medical Service. Left untreated, even relatively minor mental health issues can become more serious, evolving into depression or suicidal thoughts and actions. These present serious risks for an Airman and an Air Force career.

"It's absolutely true that having an impaired mental state can negatively affect an Airmen's ability to complete their mission," said Foster. "People suffering from depression can experience symptoms like difficulty sleeping, fatigue, indecisiveness or poor decision making, and inability to focus. It's easy to see how these symptoms can put an Air Force career at risk."

Numbers bear this out. Complications from mental health issues are one of the most common reasons for medical evacuation of Airmen from theater.

"Most, if not all jobs in a

combat zone require high cognitive function," said Capt. Jordan Fields, an Air Force clinical psychologist at Wilford Hall Ambulatory Surgical Center at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland. "Someone in a deployed environment can't afford to be distracted by depressive thoughts. This can decrease their reaction time, affect their ability to make decisions, and diminish their ability to prioritize things."

Deployed environments are often stressful and Airmen are isolated from their usual support network. Beginning deployment with even a low or moderate level of depression is a recipe for possible problems, says Fields.

"We always try to tackle mental health issues before deployment. A real challenge for us as mental health providers is getting patients to reach out to us before problems get so severe as to affect an Airman's readiness."

The good news is that treatment for mental health issues is far more effective than most people realize. Once a patient is in treatment, they are very likely to see real improvement within four visits to a mental health professional.

"People respond quite quickly to evidence-based treatments for depression. Weekly treatments usually lead to major improvement within a month," said Fields. "It's critical to get people in, start to change behaviors and give them some hope. Even patients with severe depression can experience significant relief quickly, and get back to being mission-fit."

Depression pulls people away from family and friends, valued activities, and other engagements. Treatment for depression focuses on rebuilding those connections. Simple things like renewing social activities, basic self-care activities, eating well, exercise, and sleep are critical parts of therapy. These deceptively simple actions can reverse the downward spiral of depression.

"For many Airmen, the most challenging part of treatment is just coming through the door to begin," said Fields. "Not everyone who feels sad is depressed, and sadness is a common and even natural symptom of other traumatic events. For anyone struggling with depression, or other mental health issues, that first step to get treatment is the most important one they take."

Recent Air Force research shows that Airmen who seek earlier help for depression see better outcomes from therapy and fewer negative outcomes to their careers. Self-referral for mental health care can be very challenging, but more education will help break down some of those barriers.

"Every patient is different, but one constant we see is that depression usually doesn't get better on its own," said Foster. "Many depressive symptoms are self-perpetuating. If you feel alone, you are likely to isolate yourself. Social isolation keeps building. Patients shouldn't worry that something bad might happen if they seek help. They should worry about what might happen if they don't."



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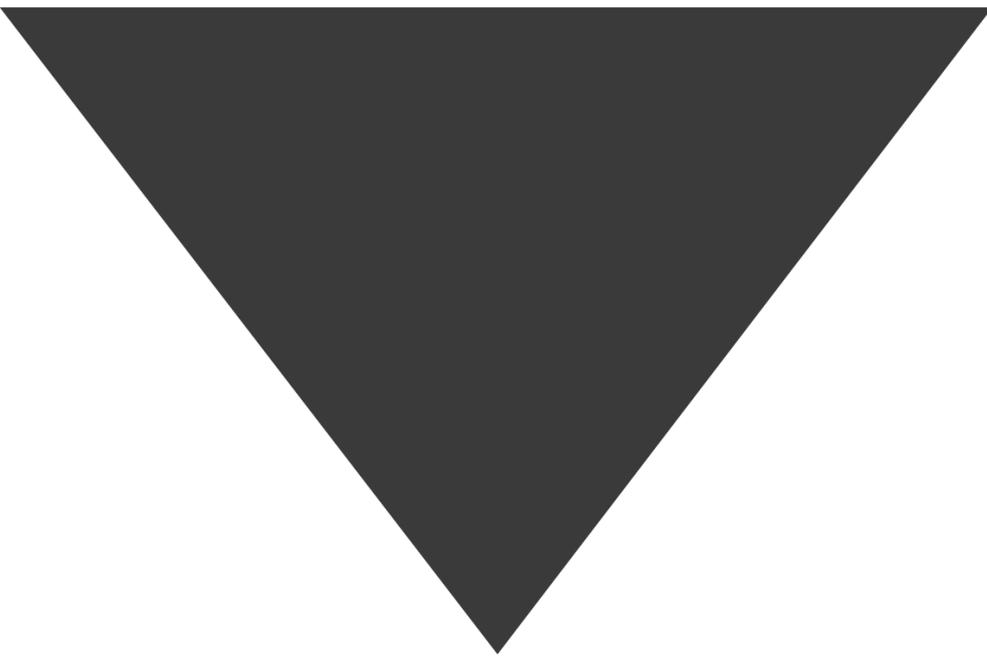
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**Preseparation Counseling** is mandatory for all military members who are retiring or separating from the military. Preseparation counseling should be done not later than 90 days prior to your anticipated retirement or separation date. To schedule the briefing, stop by the Airman and Family Readiness Center in Bldg. C, Room 206, or call 402-294-4329.

**A Reintegration briefing**, held Monday-Friday at 11:30 a.m., assists in the transition from the deployed environment to family life and work site.

**A Predeployment Briefing** is held every Wednesday, 3-4 p.m., in Bldg. C, Room 206. The briefing is mandatory for deployments or temporary duties lasting at least 30 days. Walk-in briefings are available only to those who are given short-notice deployment orders.



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## RALSTON

# Scout to honor first responders

By Eric Taylor

Ralston Recorder  
Managing Editor

Tyler Richards recognizes the impact first responders have and he wants others to be aware of that impact as well.

The sophomore at Ralston High School is working on a project that will honor those who often put their own lives on the line to save others. Richards will earn his Eagle Scout badge as well.

Richards' plan is to have three bronze statues placed in Koch Park at 75th and Main streets. The statues would be of a police officer, firefighter and someone from the medical profession.

"I want to recognize those people for all the hard work they've done and I want people to appreciate them," Richards said.

"I don't feel like they get a lot of recognition."

Richards said he got the inspiration from a similar project he saw that had statues to honor first responders as well as military personnel.

"We started laying the groundwork in August," he said.

After getting approval from both the Ralston Parks Board and City Council, Richards is ready to move forward with the first phase of his project - fundraising.

The statues come already made and cost about \$3,500.

He also plans on a combination of bricks and concrete in a 25-foot diameter area to place the statues on, as well as landscaping around the project. He anticipates the total cost will be about \$19,000.

Richards said he will attack fundraising on several different fronts. Bricks will be for sale that can have names of first responders on them whom people would like to honor. He also plans on selling Support Blue flags, fire extinguishers and first aid kits.

He will also be starting a GoFundMe page to seek donations for concrete, a flagpole, benches and landscaping materials.

He plans to spend the next few months fundraising and getting to work constructing the project in early spring.

"I'm going to enlist the help of other Boy Scouts to help and I know there are plenty of Ralston High students that need to complete volunteer hours," Richards said.

He is optimistic the project would be finished in June, just in time for the Ralston Independence Day celebration.

While much work and planning lies ahead over the next several months, Richards is excited for what the project will mean to both him and the community.

"The planning is long, but I feel like the end result will be worth it," he said.

"I want to recognize those people for all the hard work they've done and I want people to appreciate them. I don't feel like they get a lot of recognition."

Tyler Richards



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Three statues honoring first responders will be placed at Koch Park as part of Tyler Richards' Eagle Scout project.

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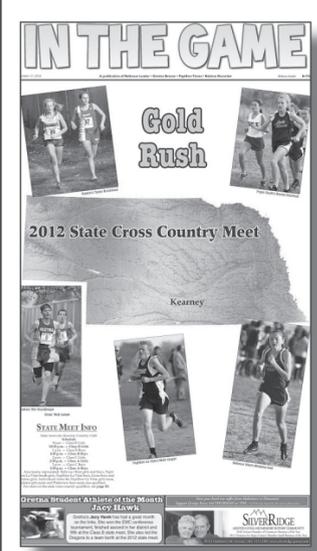
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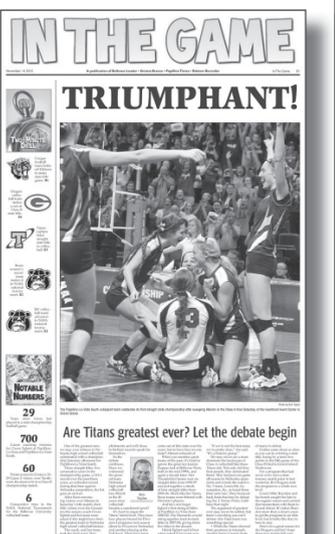
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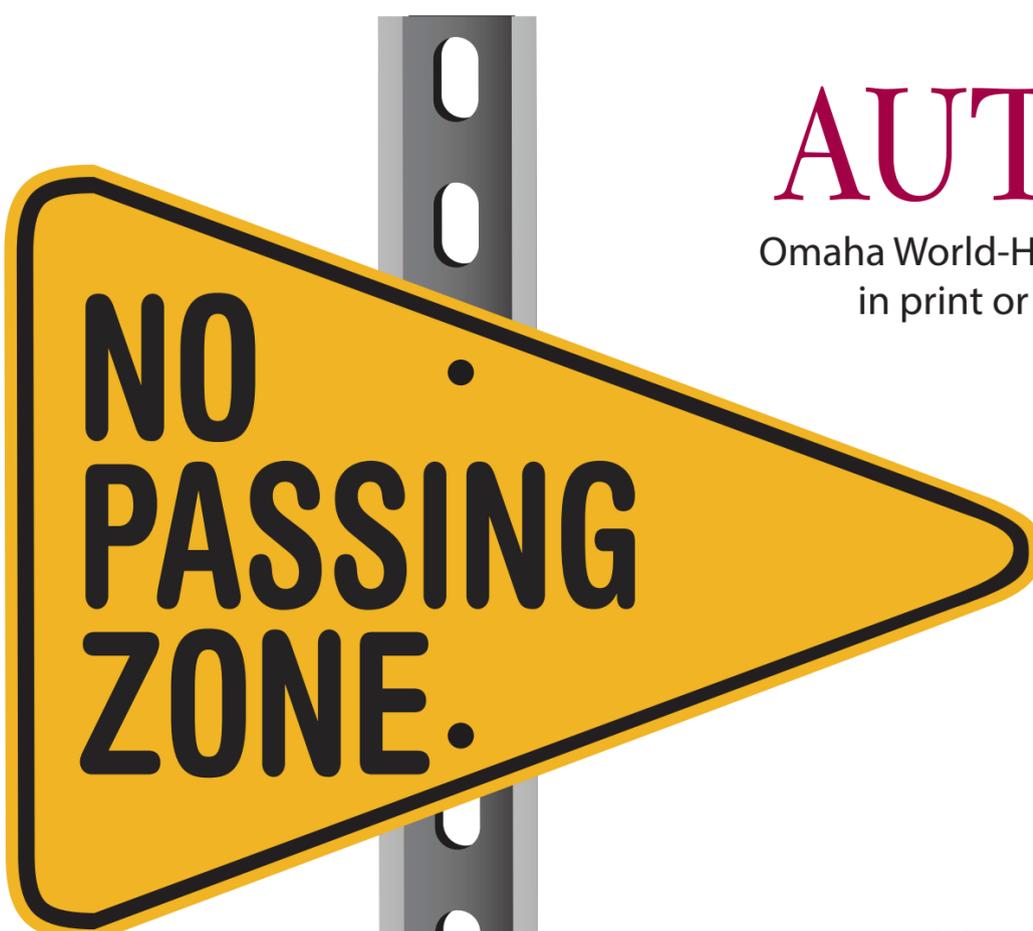
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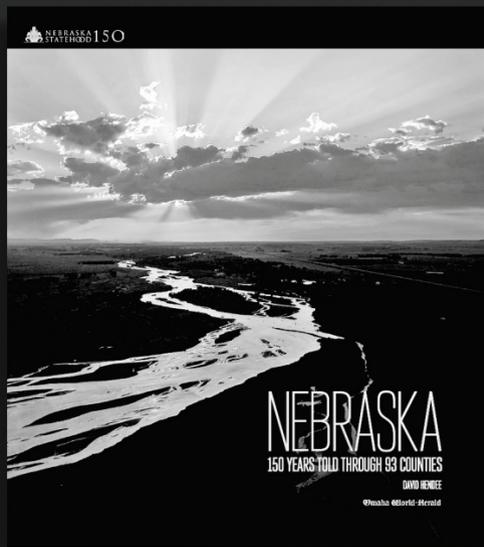
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**SERVICES:**

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Christmas Day - 9:00 a.m.  
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New Year's Eve - Fellowship Sunday 10:30 a.m.

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**Christmas Eve Candlelight Services**

10:30 am, 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm

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**Christmas Cantata**  
December 17: 8:30 and 11:00 am

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December 24: 3:00; 5:00 & 7:00 pm

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**Our Services:**

Christmas Eve - December 24th, 5:00 pm  
Christmas Day - December 25th, 9:00 am  
New Years Eve - December 31st, 5:00 pm

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**Christmas Day Service**  
10:30 a.m.  
(No Sunday School)

The Church will be doing it's Christmas Eve format Sunday Morning which includes Live Worship, Scripture Reading, Video Clips, Children's Story and Candle Lighting  
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Worship & Prayer 10:00 p.m.  
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**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

December 24th  
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December 25th  
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Thursday - December 21, 3:30 p.m.

**Christmas Masses**  
December 24 - 4:00 pm & 6:00 p.m.  
Music Concerts at 3:30 & 11:15 p.m.  
Midnight Mass - December 25  
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Christmas Day, December 25  
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December 17th - 10:00 AM - Christmas Cantata  
December 24th - Christmas Eve Services  
4:00 PM - Contemporary Service | 6:00 PM - Classical Service  
9:00 PM - Multilingual Service | 11:00 PM - Special Music Service  
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"Lead Me Back to Bethlehem" - Chancel Choir - 8:00 a.m.  
8:00 a.m. East Campus

**Children's Christmas Program**  
"The Light Has Come"  
Sunday School Children  
5:30 a.m. West Campus

*\*\*Please join us for cake and ice cream following the service in celebration of Jesus' birth.*

**December 24**

**Christmas Eve Services**  
8:00 a.m. East Campus  
Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 a.m. West Campus  
Combined Worship Service  
7:30 p.m. West Campus  
Candlelight Service  
11:00 p.m. East Campus  
Communion and Candlelight Service

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Candlelight and Communion | 7:00 and 9:00 PM

**Family Life Center**

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**Sunday, December 24**  
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**CHRISTMAS EVE Services**

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10:00 AM

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