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ON THE COVER

167th Airlift Wing Airmen de-board a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft at the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center, Alpena, Mich., May 5, 2019. Approximately 300 167th AW Airmen participated in a week-long readiness training exercise there. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Jodie Witmer)

ON THE BACK COVER

167th Airlift Wing aircraft maintainers simulate decontaminating a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft during a readiness training exercise at the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center, Alpena, Mich., May 8, 2019. Approximately 300 167th AW Airmen participated in the week-long training event. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Jodie Witmer)

COMMAND COMMENTS



Col. David Cochran
167AW WING COMMANDER



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167AW WING COMMAND CHIEF

Vision

The Premier Airlift Wing
Mission Ready, Devoted to Airmen and Community,
Dedicated to Continuous Improvement

Team 167th,

Thanks for ensuring we had an excellent May UTA and success with Exercise Thunder Bay in Alpena, Michigan! Nearly 300 wing members flew away to the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center and exercised our wing's full spectrum readiness (FSR). Each participant contributed to a dynamic training environment, while engaging in challenging scenarios. Every section of the wing played a key role in demonstrating and practicing the wing's capabilities, while training for efficient operations and working cross-functionally. The wing staff witnessed hard-charging, enthusiastic Airmen, and impassioned leadership from supervisors and commanders throughout the exercise. We will continue training to better accomplish our mission and to survive and operate anytime and anywhere. The wing IG, our wing inspection teams (WIT), and the exercise planning working group were instrumental in the success of Thunder Bay. Chief Brawner and I want to especially thank Chief Gretchen Close and her team for their efforts in helping to synchronize our generation, positioning, employment, sustainment and re-deployment of the wing. Nice work. The wing also met our expectations on the safety front; zero reportable incidents during the exercise. Which is fortunate, but also a testament to your safety culture. Keep that focus always, and continue to encourage appropriate risk management and a culture that rewards and expects safe practices in all we do. As we examine the data from the exercise, we will identify new focus areas and some improvement areas. I challenge each of you to maximize our opportunities to improve, and look to the future for better and more efficient methods to stay READY. We'll be back in Alpena this fall, are you ready?

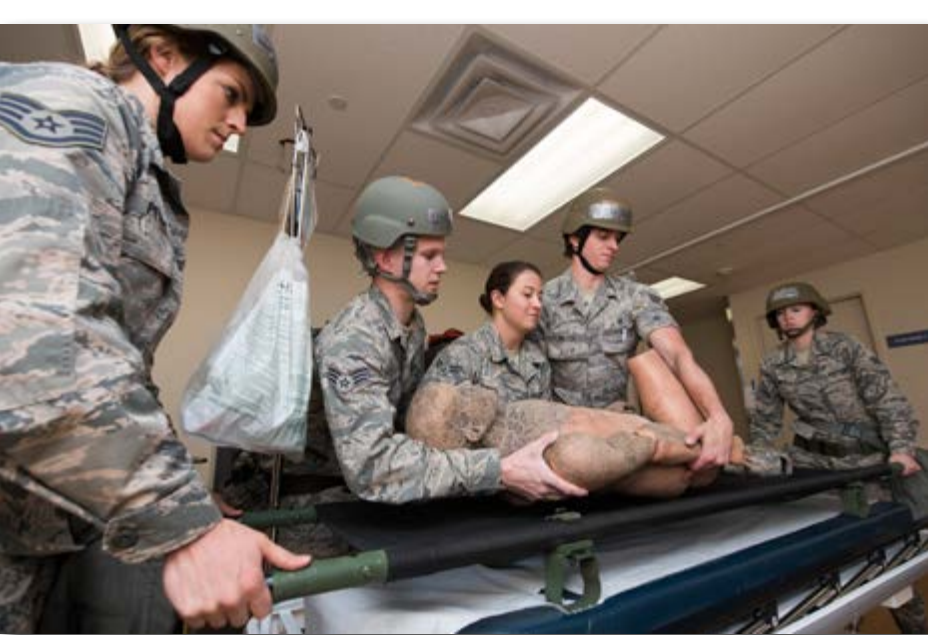
Chief Brawner and I also want to recognize the Thunder Bay superior performers during the exercise in Alpena, as determined by our IG and WIT: SSgt Gregory Fuqua, SFS; SrA Kathryn Demory, OSS; A1C Jordyn Zilian, LRS; A1C Alisia Turner, MDG and SMSgt Charlie Moore (WIT, OPG). Outstanding job! To quote the Chief, "All I can say is I am so excited to be your Command Chief! I was certainly impressed with your technical abilities and knowledge but more than that I was impressed with your attitude and overall spirit. As I reflect on the last seven days, I can't help but smile and feel immense pride of this unique team of ours. For some of us, it is one more experience to add to our careers. For others, it was the first of many memories that take place in a career that is just getting started. Wherever you fall in that continuum, I hope it was a positive experience for you. I hope you were able to make new friends and reconnect with old ones. I know I did."

There were other significant events for the wing since April UTA. Mission Support Group hosted our promotion ceremony for Colonel Sigler, Congratulations to him! The wing bid farewell to Lt Col Joe O'Rourke, our last active duty C-17 conversion advisor. Joe became a part of our family over the years, so we thank him and wish him and his family well in retirement. The 167th also received the 2018 C-17 Award for Aviation Energy and Innovation during the 2019 PHOENIX Rally conference at Scott Air Force Base. This award is a testament of the hard work our wing performs on a daily basis and represents the true professionalism of our Airmen. We strive to do it the right way, every time, with integrity. During PHOENIX Rally, Gen. Maryanne Miller, AMC commander, established a forum for presenting her priorities for the command, which include: FSR, airmen development, modernization and innovation, among others.

During April, WVANG state staff and I attended the ANG senior leader's conference (ASLC). This was another opportunity to ensure our wing and the WVANG is in concert with the other 90 ANG wings. Ensuring we are all working together to achieve the goals of not only the ANG, but the total force. Chief Brawner participated in the Senior Enlisted Leadership Summit, during which, he networked with fellow Chiefs from active duty, AF Reserves and ANG. Our take-away from the multiple events this last month, is that 167th is positioned for success but we will continuously need all of you to know your roles in support of the nation and stay committed to continuous improvement in all facets of your craft. The future will present new and unique challenges, and we ask you to stay engaged, aware, and ready for that fight.

Thanks for all you do in support of our mission. Performing as a premier airlift wing, now and in the future, is no easy task. Let's continue taking care of each other, maintaining our readiness, and exemplifying professionalism. We look forward to seeing you in June for our annual Super Drill.

Mountaineer Pride Worldwide!



Readiness exercise provides training, tests Airmen

by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle

Approximately 300 167th Airlift Wing Airmen deployed to the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center, Alpena, Mich., as part of a readiness training exercise conducted May 3-10.

Dubbed Thunder Bay, the robust exercise tested the wing's ability to mobilize, operate and sustain its mission while operating in a contested environment.

"We don't do this for fun, we do this for preparedness," said Col. David Cochran, 167th AW commander. "We do this to stay ready to do the bidding of our nation."

Personnel representing functions across the wing participated in the event giving Airmen opportunities to train on processes they don't typically encounter during unit training assemblies at home station.

"Training in the most realistic conditions possible strengthens each member's muscle memory, thereby reducing the stress induced by the fog of war. After watching our Airmen perform this week, I am confident that the 167th will succeed in any mission we might be tasked with," said Lt. Col. James Freid-Studlo, 167th AW Inspector General.

The 167th AW is scheduled for an operational inspection by the U.S. Air Force Air Mobility Command this fall. 🐕



New mobile app empowers 167th Airmen

167th Public Affairs Office

167th Airlift Wing Airmen have a new, mobile friendly way to find important base and career information.

Unit personnel can now access the 167th AW Sub App within the USAF Connect mobile app. Simply install USAF Connect from the Apple App Store or Google Play, select 167th Airlift Wing when prompted to add Favorites and swipe left from the USAF Connect home screen. Airmen can Favorite up to 10 organizations.

This full-featured app improves workforce engagement and efficiency by providing an array of robust features that enhance access to the information Airmen need to manage their Air Guard life and career. Top features include:

- Base Directory
- PFT Calculator
- Push notifications
- Private Groups
- Plane Talk

Airmen at the 167th AW are encouraged to download USAF Connect and add the unit Sub App to their Favorites. Additionally, when prompted, Airmen should allow the app access to the requested permissions; the app cannot be used to track your location and it collects no personal data.

"The USAF Connect app, along with our 167th sub app, provides Airmen with access to the information they need, whether it's specific to our wing or information from big Air Force," said Col. Cochran, 167th AW commander. "I encourage everyone to install this app, it will provide another means to communicate with each other; and this is the future of communication."

Cochran added he is especially excited about the Groups feature which will give our DSG's an easier way to stay connected with their shops throughout the month.

USAF Connect is an Air Force-wide mobile app designed to enable, engage and empower Airmen by centralizing and increasing access to the information they need for their careers. In addition to providing headquarters-level information, local units can maintain Sub Apps, accessible through the USAF Connect Favorites Portal.

The 167th Sub App is maintained by the 167th Public Affairs Office. If you would like to add content or have suggestions to improve the app, please contact the Public Affairs Office at extension 5251.

Be sure to connect to the 167th AW Sub-App through the AF Connect App. The 167th AW standalone app will no longer be supported.



167AW Mobile App Groups feature

Groups is the easiest and fastest way to connect and instantly communicate with any group within our unit. It's easy and intuitive. Anyone can request to start a group. Any unit-affiliated function can have a group. You can belong to multiple groups. Members must use their .mil email address to request a group. Once they join, members will have access to important information such as messages, schedules, event details, photos, notifications, and more.

Groups is an informal, non-secure communication system not approved for classified, PII, FOUO or other sensitive information. Always consider OPSEC when posting to a Group. Groups are periodically monitored for compliance.

Local Civil Air Patrol units visit wing, fly on C-17

About 50 Civil Air Patrol cadets and seniors from the Virginia Wing, the Fredericksburg Composite Squadron, the Martinsburg Composite Squadron and the Potomac Highlands Composite Squadron based in Petersburg, W.Va., visited the 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, W.Va., April 17, 2019, to learn about the wing's mission and participate in an orientation flight on a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft operated by the 167th AW. The Civil Air Patrol is an auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, providing citizen Airmen to carry out emergency services and disaster relief missions nationwide. The West Virginia Air National Guard and the West Virginia Wing CAP have worked together on numerous initiatives and more integrations efforts are being planned. (U.S. Air National Guard photos by Tech. Sgt. Jodie Witmer)



Cochran accepts fuel efficiency award



Gen. Maryanne Miller, Air Mobility Command commander and Command Chief Master Sgt. Terrance Greene, AMC command chief, present Col. David Cochran, 167th Airlift Wing commander, with the Aviation Energy and Innovation 2018 Award for C-17 aircraft, April 12, 2019, during Phoenix Rally at Scott Air Force Base, Ill. The wing was selected due to its significant contributions to effective and efficient aviation fuel usage.

167th AW defender earns best warrior title



Above: Staff Sgt. Gregory Fuqua, 167th Security Forces Squadron, competes in the 2019 Best Warrior Competition April 26-28, 2019, at Camp Dawson, Kingwood, W.Va. More than 30 Soldiers and Airmen from West Virginia and the District of Columbia participated in the three-day event designed to measure a Soldier or Airman's physical abilities, leadership skills, teamwork and critical thinking while completing basic and advanced core warrior competencies. Below: Brig. Gen. Christopher Walker, left, the Assistant Adjutant General – Air, West Virginia National Guard, and the West Virginia Air National Guard Command Chief, Chief Master Sgt. David Stevens, right, stand with Staff Sgt. Gregory Fuqua and Senior Airman Christopher Marcum, 130th Security Forces Squadron. Fuqua and Marcum took honors for the NCO of the Year and Airman of the Year, respectively, for the WVANG. (U.S. Army National Guard Photos by Bo Wriston)



Emergency manager attends bomb making awareness training



Master Sgt. Jennifer Blood, 167th Airlift Wing emergency management NCO-IC, second from right, recently attended a Bomb-Making Materials Awareness Program Administrator course. She is photographed with William Minear, West Virginia Department of Homeland Security Deputy Director, Chuck Leas BMAP program manager, and Sandy Green, WV Region 3 Federal Emergency Management Agency liaison officer.

Twenty-three state, local, and private sector first responders from West Virginia completed the BMAP Administrator Trainer course giving them the skills to conduct outreach within their community as well as train community liaisons. During the course, participants gained the knowledge and ability to conduct outreach to industries and businesses, increasing public and private sector awareness of homemade explosive precursor chemicals and improvised explosive device components.



Airmen share their ANG career experiences with local students

Airman Basic Danielle Burdette, a flight and operational medical technician for the 167th Airlift Wing, shows students at Mill Creek Intermediate School, how to perform self-aid and buddy care using a medical training mannequin, April 10, 2019. Burdette, a former Mill Creek Intermediate student, and Tech. Sgt. Travis Sites, a health services technician for the 167th AW, spoke to about 600 students at the school as part of a career day there. (Photos by Tech. Sgt. Travis Sites)



Airmen participate in Denim Day to help bring awareness to the fight against sexual violence



Left: Airmen left their uniforms on the hangers and wore our jeans instead, at the 167th Airlift Wing, April 24, 2019, in honor of Denim Day and Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Denim Day began after a ruling by the Italian Supreme Court in which a rape conviction was overturned because the justices blamed the victim for wearing tight jeans. Above: Members of the 167th Force Support Squadron took it one step further, wearing superhero shirts, to show their fight against sexual violence.

PRESERVING OUR HERITAGE

Tech. Sgt. Daniel Barrow and Tech Sgt. Daniel Baker use a pressure washer to remove decals from the F-86 Sabre Jet static aircraft displayed near the main gate at the 167th Airlift Wing, Apr. 30, 2019. The 167th's sheet metal shop will be replacing the faded decals with new decals and cleaning the aircraft's metal.

The F-86 is one of the first aircraft flown by the 167th which relocated to Martinsburg from Charleston, W.Va., in 1955. The unit flew P-51 Mustangs prior to operating the F-86. The unit moved to Martinsburg while converting from the P-51's to the F-86's. The F-86's required a longer runway than they had in Charleston at the time, spurring the unit's movement to the eastern panhandle of West Virginia. The 167th operated the F-86 for only a few years before a mission change brought C-119 Flying Boxcars to the unit in 1961.



Did you know the 167th Airlift Wing operated a fleet of eight C-121 Super Constellations for about 10 years, from 1963 to 1972?

These aircraft gave the unit, then called the 167th Military Airlift Squadron, worldwide capability. The 167th MAS often hauled cargo to support efforts in Vietnam.

Did you know one of the C-121's assigned to the 167th has been on display for about ten years at the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, Udvar Hazy Center in Chantilly, Va.?

Aircraft serial number 54-177 was once assigned to the regular U.S. Air Force then transferred to the Mississippi Air National Guard before coming to West Virginia. When the 167th transitioned to C-130 aircraft, 54-177 moved on to the Pennsylvania Air National Guard and eventually the Military Aircraft Storage and Disposition Center at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz. In 1981 it was sold at an auction. The buyer intended to start a commercial air transportation company but when that venture fell through the aircraft made its way to the Smithsonian.

"After crossing many oceans, and visiting many countries of the world, after living at numerous bases, after surviving The Bone Yard, after being forced to live at the corner of an old field, one of the 167th Air Guard's former Connies is almost home in its new home," wrote the late Senior Master Sgt. Jimmie James after helping with the aircraft's restoration.

Several retired and current 167th AW members helped apply the West Virginia markings onto the aircraft prepping it for display at the museum.

Air Force senior leaders update OCP uniform guidance

Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs / April 23, 2019

The Air Force announced April 23 new rules on Operational Camouflage Pattern uniforms that aim to better fit the needs of Airmen and the jobs they do while also holding fast to tradition.

The changes highlighted include authorization of the two-piece Flight Duty Uniform in garrison and updated patch guidance for the OCP uniform.

"During the initial rollout of the OCP, we originally matched our sister services regarding patch configurations as we sought to emphasize our role as a joint warfighting force," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David L. Goldfein.

"In response to overwhelming feedback received from Airmen, we will make an easy 'sleeve swap' of the patch configuration to further elevate our focus on honoring the heritage of squadrons as the war-fighting units of the world's greatest Air Force. We will now place the squadron patch on the right sleeve along with the U.S. flag and move the higher headquarters patch to the left sleeve of the OCP."

Additionally, to provide commanders with expanded uniform options to fit myriad missions, on April 15, the two-piece flight suit, otherwise known as the 2PFDU, will be authorized to be worn in both garrison and deployed locations. The 2PFDU continues an effort to provide Airmen with improved form, fit and function to perform their duties in any environment.

The traditional flight duty uniform will also continue to be an option. Squadron commanders will now have the flexibility to make combat uniform decisions based on what is best for their Airmen to meet mission requirements.

"The new unit patch configuration of the OCP and 2PFDU also aligns with the traditional FDU, elevating the significance of squadron focus and identity, which supports CSAF's intent to revitalize squadrons," said Lt. Gen. Mark D. Kelly, Headquarters Air Force deputy chief of staff for Air Force operations.

In May 2018, Air Force leaders decided to transition to the OCP following feedback from Airmen that it is the best, battle-tested utility uniform available. It will also eliminate the need to maintain two separate uniforms – one for in-garrison and one for deployments.

The service expects to fully transition to OCPs by April 1, 2021.

For more information, Airmen should view Air Force Guidance Memorandum 2019-01 and check Air Force Instruction 36-2903 for updates, which are available on the public website of the Air Force's Personnel Center at <https://www.afpc.af.mil/Career-Management/Dress-and-Appearance/>.

167th Airlift Wing members will be receiving an email with a scheduled time to report to Clothing Issue over June UTA to get sized for their OCPs.



Patrol caps will be worn with nametapes embroidered with **spice brown** thread and placed on the back using Velcro or sewn on. **Officer rank** will be sewn on the front of the hat and centered 1/2 inch above the visor.

T-shirt will be **coyote brown** effective 1 June 2020.

Name and USAF tapes and **occupational badges** will be embroidered using **spice brown** thread.

Right Sleeve
(max. 2 Velcro patches)

The U.S. Flag and unit patches are mandatory upon effective dates (see timeline). **Non-unit entity patches** (e.g. Directorates/AF Elements) are authorized/optional. All will be embroidered using the **spice brown** color criteria.

Left Sleeve
(max 2 Velcro patches)

HHQ patches are mandatory and should be centered in the middle of the left sleeve. Exception: **Awarded Joint qualification tabs** (subdued cloth) may be worn above the HHQ patch as a third patch (e.g. Army Ranger, Sapper, Air Commando, SERE, etc.).

School graduate patches (e.g. WIC, SAAS) are optional.

Graduated commanders may affix the insignia above the HHQ patch on the left sleeve.

When authorized, **duty identifier tabs** (e.g. Air Advisor, EOD) may be worn. List of approved duty identifier tabs is listed in AFGM to AFI 36-2903.

Authorized list of embroidered **spice brown** color criteria left sleeve patches are listed in the AFGM to AFI 36-2903.

Boots will be **coyote brown** effective 1 June 2020.

TIMELINE

2019

1 APR

Expansion of in-store AAFES sales locations continues

2020

1 JUN

Coyote brown boots mandatory
Coyote brown T-Shirt mandatory
U.S. Flag **spice brown** color criteria mandatory
Spice brown officer rank mandatory
DLA green socks/coyote brown socks mandatory

2021

1 APR

OCP Utility Uniform mandatory
All AF patches must be converted to the **spice brown** color criteria.

BENEFITS

- The OCP works in all climates and across the spectrum of missions we perform
- Over 100,000 Airmen have been issued and/or are already wearing OCPs. This includes AFGM, AFSOC and our AFGSC Defenders
- The OCP will bring back Air Force heraldry with unit patches
- The OCP celebrates our joint warfighting excellence and close ties with the Army

AIR FORCE OCP UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Further official wear guidance will be available soon in AFI 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance

Antiterrorism & Force Protection: Surveillance Operations

submitted by Lt. Col. Tim Rice, Wing Antiterrorism Officer

These Antiterrorism/Force Protection tips address surveillance operations and actions to take if you suspect someone is conducting surveillance operations.

DEFINITION

- Continuous or periodic act of observing a person, a place, or a thing for the purpose of gathering information.

TYPES:

- Stationary
- Enroute Or Moving
- Technical Surveillance

INDICATORS:

- Illegally or suspiciously parked vehicles (e.g., along the installation perimeter or by high risk facilities)
- Occupied parked vehicles
- Personnel in unauthorized areas
- Personnel taking photographs, sketches or observing specific operations (air traffic, vehicle traffic, construction, etc.)

ACTIONS:

- Conceal your suspicions
- Do not force a confrontation
- Stop operations being observed
 - If possible and would not alert suspects
 - If operations are critical or sensitive, immediately stop actions
- Call the authorities (remember all details and make a report)
- Attempt to keep individuals under observation until authorities arrive

REMEMBER: Antiterrorism and Force Protection is EVERYONE'S job.

These tips, and other important information are located in the CJCS Guide 5260, Service Member's Personal Protection Guide: A Self-Help Handbook to Combating Terrorism, which can be found on the base intranet.

REMEMBER: Antiterrorism and Force Protection is EVERYONE'S job. The 167th Airlift Wing Antiterrorism Officer is Major Tim Rice, 242-5084.





For Our Service Members And Their Families

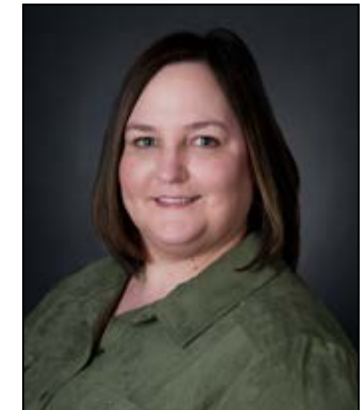
Airman & Family Program Office

* If you are retiring from the military in the next 2 years, or separating military and have an Active Duty tour in your past of at least 180 consecutive days, stop in to the Airman & Family Program Office and ask about the Transition Assistance Program (TAP). It's time to start your post-military planning and get familiar with the resources available to you. The Airman & Family Program Office is in building 120, room G37.

* Need a new resume? Are you looking for a career change? Contact the Airman & Family Program Office, 304-616-5590, and schedule an appointment for Federal career coaching and resume review. Airman & Family Program employment services are also available to your spouse or significant other.

167th Family Readiness Group (FRG)

* Family Readiness Group Quarterly Meeting – The next meeting is Tuesday, 11 June 2019, at 6 PM, on base in the Wing Conference Room, building 120. The meeting is open to all 167th service members, their families, and retirees.



The Family Programs Office is located in Bldg. 120, lower level. For more information contact Airman & Family Readiness Program Manager Sherry Lewis at 304-616-5590 or 1-866-986-4325

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Perspectives

by Chaplain (Capt.) Jumaane Green



**Chaplain (Capt.)
Jumaane Green**

You're probably reading this article in a room somewhere surrounded by: 4 walls, a ceiling, and a floor; a normal perspective of one's environment. How would it look if we were to adjust our perspective to a macro level? It would be something like this: You're in a room that is part of a building within a town, in a county which is part of a state. There are 50 states that make up this country we call United States, part of North America, one of 7 continents contained within the planet Earth. This world is one of 8 planets that make up the solar system (Pluto no longer a planet). Several hundred million solar systems make up the galaxy we call the Milky Way. There are 2 trillion galaxies contained within the universe that stretches 93 billion light years from one point to another.

Let's take the reverse of it by viewing at a micro perspective. Your

body contains hundreds of muscles that allow for movement. Each muscle contains numerous fibers and within those fibers are a plethora of tissues. Looking further the tissues contain many blood vessels, in which blood is transported. Contained in blood are cells, which houses many DNA's, made up of many chemical elements that have countless atoms. Atoms are known to be the basic elements of matter.

What matters in life? From a tiny atom to the observable universe everything is significant, no matter the perspective. While we limit ourselves to the perspective of the human scale, God sees all things that matter from great to small. "For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together" (Colossians 1:16-17). Remember, you matter because you're made of the unique matter known as the Image of God, an astonishing perspective.

GLORIFYING GOD
SERVING AIRMEN
PURSUING EXCELLENCE





ACCOLADES



Welcome

AB Niko Leonard, MDG
AB Tyler Desrochers, MDG
AB Tyler Shewbridge, MDG
A1C Justin Ashby, CES
A1C Devon Berry, AS
A1C Benjamin Weller, SFS
SSgt Travus Heck, LRS

Welcome Back from Technical Training

A1C Colin Gibney, MXS
A1C Robert Holste, LRS

CDC High Scores

A1C Travis Johnson, CF
SSgt Michael Beall, CES

Fitness Test Scores - 100%

Maj Erika Meyers, AS

Promotions

To Airman

Danielle Burdette, MDG
Carissa Hensley, MDG

To Senior Airman

Reilley Moore, MSG
Hailee Holloway, LRS
Andrew Stover, LRS
Brandon Grafton, LRS
Trey Stamey, SFS
Mark DeHaven, SFS
George Delinski, MXS

Promotions

To Staff Sergeant

Tiffani Anders, FSS
Rachel Spates, MOF
Chad Remley, MXS

To Technical Sergeant

Victoria Shrieves, FSS
Michael Whittington, AMXS

To Master Sergeant

Shaun Leatherman, MSG
Shad Jenkins, LRS

To Lieutenant Colonel

Emily Nelson, AS

Retirements

Lt Col Christopher Blackman, AS

CCAF Graduates - April 2019

TSgt Wyatt Balwin
TSgt Levi Cameron
TSgt Joseph Charette
SSgt Jessica Dube
SrA Erin Engle
SSgt Mitchell Gaylor
TSgt Samantha Kesecker
SSgt Jeffrey Langerhans
SSgt James Loy
TSgt Glenn Macher
TSgt Kevin Myers
SSgt David Smith
MSgt Nathaniel Smith
TSgt Caleb Twigg
SSgt Trevor Whittington
SSgt Jordan Willis

167th families enjoy afternoon Easter egg hunt



167th Airlift Wing Airmen and their families enjoyed an afternoon of Easter activities including an egg hunt, games, crafts and refreshments at the 167th AW, April 23, 2019. The Easter Bunny was there, too, at the annual event hosted by the 167th AW Family Readiness Group. (photos courtesy of Command Chief Master Sgt. Troy Brawner)

IG INSPECTOR GENERAL COMPLAINTS



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167 AW Inspector General



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If you have a concern and are unsure if you should file a complaint, contact your local IG office for guidance.

Who May file Air Force IG Complaints?

Any Air Force military or civilian member may file an IG complaint. However, many Department of the Air Force civilian complainants (e.g., discriminations, sexual harassment, and conditions of employment) must be addressed by agencies other than the IG. Anyone, including civilians with no affiliation, may file Fraud, Waste, and Abuse (FWA) disclosures. Depending on the circumstances, the IG may also accept complaints from dependents or relatives of active duty members and retirees and their dependents. It's always best for the actual "victim" or person who witnessed the alleged wrongdoing to file the complaint.

What type of complaints are appropriate?

Any FWA and violations of law, Air Force instructions, or policy should be reported through the appropriate grievance channels. The subject of your complaint must be an Air Force program or person. Bear in mind, however, the fact that you may disagree with your supervisor(s) over management styles or have what you believe is a "personality conflict" does not constitute an injustice or mismanagement. If you are not sure your concern is a reportable matter, contact your local IG office for guidance.

When are IG complaints appropriate?

Individuals should attempt to resolve FWA issues and personal complaints at the lowest possible level, using command channels before elevating them to the next higher level or to the IG. Further, complaints must be promptly filed within IG, command, or other grievance channels. IG's may dismiss a complaint if there is no FWA, recognizable wrong or violation of law, regulation, or policy. Also, complaints more than 60 days from date of occurrence will normally be dismissed, unless there are extraordinary circumstances or special Air Force interests to justify an investigation.

Where (I.E., with whom) should complaints be filed?

Complaints may be filed with a superior or commander in your chain of command, an IG or other appropriate inspector, or within any established grievance channel. FWA complaints may be reported to the Air Force Audit Agency (AFAA), Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI), security police, or other proper author. Promptly advise the AFOSI of suspected criminal misconduct or fraud. If you would like to file a complaint, please contact the local IG office. Complaints may be filed in person, by letter, via email or through a complaint hotline.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

167th Airlift Wing members can expect an email from LRS in the upcoming weeks with a schedule to get sized for OCPs over June UTA.



Communications Flight Monthly Ticket Report

Month	# Opened	# Resolved	% Complete
Jan 19	234	284	121
Feb 19	220	181	82
Mar 19	262	243	93



167th Morale Event
Enlisted-Only Combat Dining In
8 June 2019

More details to follow by next UTA
Any questions please contact MSgt Jenn Day at ext. 5432
or TSgt Justin Bird at ext. 5368



NGAWV & EANGWV STATE CONFERENCE

MAY 10-11, 2019 | HOLIDAY INN & SUITES WEST
CHARLESTON, WV

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, May 10

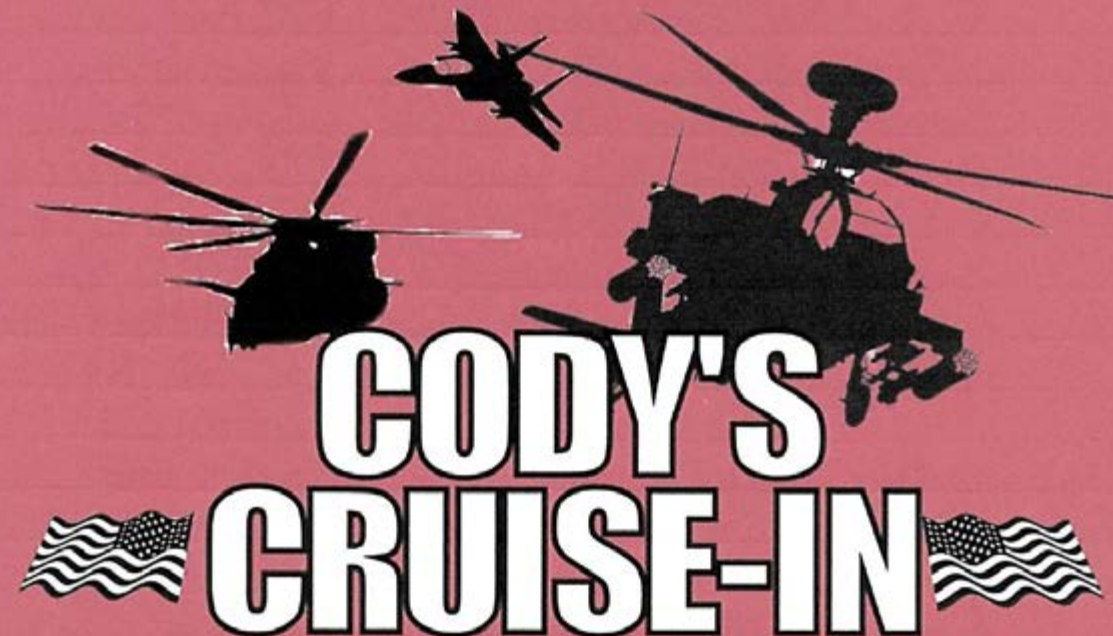
9 AM - 3 PM | Golf Tournament
4:30 - 6:30 PM | TAG Reception (*Invitation only*)
6 - 7:30 PM | Association Social (*Free Drinks/Appetizers*)
7:30 - 9 PM | Comedy Show (*Free Show/Dinner available to order*)
9 PM - UTC | Evening Entertainment

Saturday, May 11

6:30 - 7:30 AM | BG Broadwater Memorial 5K Fun Run
7 - 9 AM | Breakfast/Vendor Set-Up
8:30 - 8:50 AM | Prayer Breakfast
9 AM - 12:30 PM | NGAWV/EANGWV Business Meetings

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Saturday Sept. 7th. 2019

Rain Date Saturday October 5th 2019

Time: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Location: Parkersburg City Park 1920 Park Ave.
\$10.00 Entry Fee / 50-50 / Door Prizes / T-shirts / Silent Auction

In Memory of SPC. Cody R. Flanagan

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