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ON THE COVER

A C-17 Globemaster III aircraft is maneuvered on the taxiway at the 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Nov. 5, 2022 as part of the 167th Operations Group Rodeo. The aircraft was reversed to a specific point on the flight line, one of several skills evaluated during the rodeo. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Timothy Sencindiver)

ON THE BACK COVER

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Alexandre Davis, 167th Airlift Wing Maintenance Group, salutes as a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft passes by to taxi to the runway at Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Nov. 5, 2022. The flight was part of the 167th Operations Group rodeo, a competitive skill evaluation. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Staff Sgt. Timothy Sencindiver)



167AW WING COMMANDER
Col. Martin Timko



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167AW WING COMMAND CHIEF
Command Chief Master Sgt. Troy Brawner

167th,

It was a beautiful sound listening to the rumble of the C-17s participating in the Ops Group sponsored Rodeo airlift competition during Saturday of drill weekend. I have received very positive feedback from members across base that participated in the Rodeo and many want to extend participation even more in the future. This was a great example of how hard work and productive training can be accomplished while having a good time too. I am looking forward to the wing maintaining this spirit during our participation in the Cooperacion IX exercise in Peru 8-19 May 23 and the National Scout Jamboree in July 23.

We have a busy summer planned with several training opportunities for wing members. By now, we should all be familiar with the Agile Combat Employment (ACE) and Multi-Capable Airman (MCA) concepts. We will be incorporating these concepts into some of our training scenarios to help keep the edge over our near-peer competitors. Another DoD initiative to help maintain our advantage is to expedite and foster innovation. Many staff members were able to meet with Mr. John Reisenweber from Civil-Military Innovation Institute (CMI2) this month. CMI2 fosters innovation through collaboration between service members and commercial research centers. We are blessed with continuity and experience in the 167th and are ideal candidates for innovative ideas. If you have an innovative idea or even a barrier that needs a solution, please reach out to Mr. Reisenweber. He has offices in Morgantown and Martinsburg and can be reached at jreisenweber@cmi2.org and company information is at www.cmi2.org

I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing Thanksgiving break. I know I am counting down the days for some turkey and pumpkin pie! All of us wearing the unicorn patch have something to be thankful for. I know I am thankful to be surrounded by the positive professionals in the 167th. It's been a few years but the 167th Family Day is back. Please take advantage of the Family Day that is planned for December 4th. This is a great opportunity for your support group to meet the friends that you work with. Who knows, Santa and Mrs. Claus may even make an appearance for the children.

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Respectfully,

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Team,

Thanks for another great UTA. Mother nature did not disappoint with the forecast. We certainly had some excellent weather. I hope you and your teams not only accomplished some good training but were also able to get out and get a little exercise in as well.

October was a busy month for events that brought us together outside of our regular workdays. A large contingent of us along with our significant others attended the 2022 167AW Golden Gala. What an amazing time! We really do know how to throw a party. Not to mention we are a good-looking bunch. A huge thank you to the event committee for all the hours of planning and coordination that it took to put this event together. You guys rocked it. The Gala was followed up later in the month with our annual Halloween event for our little ones. Another great event! I know the kids enjoyed it. Thank you to the volunteers who helped make this event successful.

Our 2022 E7-E9 Airman (Force) Development cycle closed on October 31. I am excited to share that we have taken this long-standing program to new heights and have fulfilled 80-90% of all individual requests for personal development. My fellow Chief's and I take this initiative very seriously. We will be putting even more energy and focus on those of you who have submitted a package for 2023. We're just getting started!

In December each Group will select their most outstanding airmen of the year for the categories of AMN, NCO, SNCO, and 1st Sgt. From there four individuals will be selected to represent the 167AW at the state level for each of the categories. The competition is stiff, and the selection process is intense. I look forward to this process every year. We have some of the most amazing Airmen. This is the time to show them off. I look forward to reviewing all the packages.

Like many of you I look forward to this time of year. Whether it is wrapping up yearlong goals, spending quality time with family and friends, taking in some good football (GO RAVENS!), or spending time in the woods looking for that monster buck, I think we can all find something to be thankful for. Please know that both Col. Sigler and I are thankful for you, your families, and your sacrifices and contributions.

A huge shoutout to our DFAC team. Once again, you guys and gals put together an amazing Thanksgiving feast. You really are the best! Thank you.

Finally, before we gather with family and friends for the Thanksgiving holiday, I ask that each of you take some time and think about those veterans who have come before us. Think about their service and many sacrifices. Let's honor them. I hope you can attend or take an active role in a public Veterans Day event in your local area. I promise you that you and your community will be better for it. And if nothing else I ask that you take the time to reach out to a vet and simply thank them.

From my family to yours.....Happy Thanksgiving!

Your Chief,

Chief Brawner #8

167th Operations Group holds mobility rodeo event

by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle

"Obtaining additional air transport mobility – and obtaining it now – will better assure the ability of our conventional forces to respond, with discrimination and speed, to any problem at any spot on the globe at any moment's notice," said President John F. Kennedy during his State of the Union address in January 1961.

The following year seven U.S. Air Force wings participated in the first air mobility rodeo to foster training and hone skills in an atmosphere of competition to help meet the President's intent of rapid global mobility.

Air mobility rodeos continued for nearly 50 years, often with international participation.

Keeping the rodeo tradition alive, four teams, comprised of 167th Operations Group aircrew and ground support functions, competed in a rodeo, Nov. 5, at Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia.

"I wanted to have a rodeo competition first and foremost to create a competitive environment involving the entire group and to have fun with an awards ceremony after the event," said Lt. Col. Jonathan McCullough. "The unintended benefits-we accomplished meaningful training. I believe we were successful."

The rodeo competition involved mission generation and execution. The rodeo planners developed a scenario and the teams worked through the events to the best of their abilities, McCullough explained. Crews received intelligence updates as they competed and had to determine how to avoid simulated threats while meeting time on target and location instructions.

Master Sgt. Paul Noel, 167th Operations Support Squadron intel operations, said the rodeo helps build camaraderie among the aircrew and enhances readiness.

"It's not just a good morale event," Noel said. "It helps get us prepared for upcoming readiness exercises and helps shift our mindset to doctrine changes and agile combat employment."

Noel and three other intel specialists provided pre-mission intelligence briefings to the crews, based on fictitious characters and threats and then delivered a last-minute intelligence update on the flight deck of the aircraft prior to the mission launch.

With senior aircrew judging their efforts, loadmasters loaded a vehicle into a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft and pilots were graded on their low-level route navigation, landings and aircraft backing.

The winning team was Lt. Col. John Anacker, Maj. William Goss, Capt. Micah Doeblor, Tech. Sgt. Christopher Regalia, Tech. Sgt. Sarah Hall, Master Sgt. Paul Noel, Tech. Sgt. William Trainor and Airman 1st Class Natalie Rowe. 🐾

Top right: U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Jared Shank, 167th Airlift Wing Operations Group, evaluates the crew of a C-17 Globemaster III aircraft during a flight over Martinsburg, West Virginia, Nov. 5, 2022. Shank evaluated the performance of the crew for points during the 167th OPG rodeo, a competitive skill evaluation. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman James DeCicco)

Bottom right: U.S. Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Daniel Ratcliffe, 167th Airlift Squadron loadmaster, right, evaluates loadmasters on their vehicle loading efforts during the 167th Operations Group rodeo event, at Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Nov. 5, 2022. The rodeo was held to evaluate aircrew skills as part of a fun, friendly competition within the operations group. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)



New STARBASE directors converge at 167th Airlift Wing for training

by Airman James DeCicco

"If you're going to model your program after another program, [STARBASE] Martinsburg is a good one for you to see and get your eyes on," said Mikelle Cronk, a member of The SPECTRUM Group.

As a member of The SPECTRUM Group, Cronk oversees training, curriculum and resources for Department of Defense STARBASE sites across the country and recently she organized a new directors training at the STARBASE site in Martinsburg, West Virginia.

STARBASE is a science, technology, engineering and mathematics based educational program that provides a "hands-on, minds-on" learning experience for students.

The Martinsburg site was chosen for the training, held Oct. 25 - Oct. 27, because of the outstanding performance of the director and staff, Cronk explained.

Sherra Triggs has been involved with the STARBASE Martinsburg program at the 167th Airlift Wing for the last 19 years and serves as the STARBASE state program director in West Virginia. Over that time, she has accumulated experience to continually enhance the STARBASE program, an effort noticed by Cronk in March 2022 during a staff visit.

"Sherra does an incredible job," said Cronk. "Her staff is outstanding, she's extremely orga-

nized and the product she gives the students that come and the public education teachers is just phenomenal."

The new directors' training included presentations on fiscal management, program staffing and curriculum strategies, and provided the directors the opportunity to talk with and observe instructors in a STARBASE classroom environment. Cronk explained that, although they could teach with presentations alone, she really wanted the directors to see the passion of the Martinsburg staff.

"We have brought them into the classroom for the last two days of training so they can interact with the staff, see the excitement the Martinsburg staff have for the program and replicate that back at their sites," Cronk stated.

Triggs said the Martinsburg STARBASE staff members are motivated by passion and pride in their work and that compels them to go above and beyond what is asked of them.

"The SPECTRUM team coming here to teach a new director class is a huge honor, a validation of our efforts and a confidence booster," said Triggs. "I have a lot of pride in that, and it's very important that we continue what we're doing." 🐶



Heather Aguillon, a Department of Defense STARBASE director, watches students perform an activity during a STARBASE class at the 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Oct. 26, 2022. Aguillon was part of a group of new directors who came to Martinsburg for training on how to manage a STARBASE site. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman James DeCicco)



A group of Department of Defense STARBASE directors participate in a presentation at the 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Oct. 26, 2022. The new STARBASE directors sat through presentations on funding, staffing and managing a DoD STARBASE site. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman James DeCicco)



La Denna Piper, a member of The SPECTRUM Group, gives a presentation on financial strategies to new DoD STARBASE directors at the 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Oct. 26, 2022. Piper provided the training to new STARBASE directors to help them learn to manage a STARBASE site. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Airman James DeCicco)

STARBASE Martinsburg and Drug Demand Reduction Program partner for Family STEM Night

by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle

Remote-controlled robots rolled across the hangar floor as foam rockets launched towards the rafters above.

Jupiter could be viewed through a telescope outside, while drones buzzed around the rear of the building.

Drug dogs demonstrated their ability to sniff out illegal substances and students wearing alcohol impairment goggles navigated a road map on a floor mat.

The hangar formerly used by Sino Swearingen at the Eastern West Virginia Regional Airport was full of activity again for the Family STEM Night, Oct. 26, co-hosted by STARBASE Martinsburg and the Air National Guard's (ANG) Drug Demand Reduction Program (DDRP), in honor of Red Ribbon Week, a drug-use prevention campaign.

More than 30 vendors comprised of law enforcement, civilian and military agencies with ties to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) and drug and alcohol awareness were on hand offering activities and education on a wide range of topics.

The event had been a longtime goal for STARBASE Martinsburg program director, Sherri Triggs. She and her staff bring Berkeley and Jefferson County fifth graders to the 167th Airlift Wing to provide STEM education each year, but she had been looking for ways to engage a wider audience with STEM education and STEM career possibilities.

"Creating a big outreach event can be a huge undertaking. The more people you have invested and participating the more success you are bound to have," said Triggs.

Which is why the event only came to fruition after Chief Master Sgt. Christina Rader, senior regional manager for the Air National Guard's Drug Demand Reduction Program, asked Triggs for assistance reaching more youth for Red Ribbon Week.

By joining forces, Triggs and Rader were able to leverage support from STARBASE, regional DDRP, the 167th Airlift Wing and numerous community agencies.

"It seemed natural to partner with STARBASE during 2022 National Red Ribbon Week for a STEM night, promote drug and alcohol awareness and have community helping agencies and resources readily available for families," said Rader. "This event was actually used to serve as a benchmark to show other wings what is possible with prevention, education and outreach efforts when they team up with STARBASE and others in their communities."

Rader and Triggs both hope to make Family STEM Night an annual event during Red Ribbon Week.

"After the success and community outreach of this event, I only see it getting bigger and better," said Triggs. 🐾



Community members take part in the Family STEM Night at the former Sino Swearingen hangar at Eastern West Virginia Regional Airport, October 26, 2022. The event was co-hosted by STARBASE Martinsburg and the Air National Guard's Drug Demand Reduction Program, in honor of Red Ribbon Week. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)

Material Management Flight conducts uniform inspection



U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. James DeCicco, 167th Logistics Readiness Squadron materiel management senior enlisted leader, addresses his flight prior to a uniform inspection, Nov. 6, 2022, at the 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, West Virginia. Airmen were inspected in their service dress uniform to ensure compliance with dress and appearance instructions. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)



U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Shannon Fairburn and Master Sgt. Lewis Staubs ensure Airmen in the 167th Materiel Management Flight are wearing their service dress uniforms in accordance with dress and appearance standards during a uniform inspection, Nov. 6, 2022, at the 167th Airlift Wing, Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)



U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Brett Hall and Master Sgt. Justin Walther inspect Tech. Sgt. Wyatt Baldwin's dress blues uniform, Nov. 6, 2022, at the 167th Airlift Wing, Martinsburg, West Virginia. 167th Materiel Management Flight conducted the inspection to ensure the Airmen in compliance with dress and appearance instructions. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)



Congressman Mooney's staff visits 167th

U.S. Air Force Maj. Blake Bennett, 167th Civil Engineering Squadron deputy base civil engineer, second from right, discusses ongoing construction in an aircraft hangar with Blayne Callas, legislative assistant, Nate Higgins, legislative aide, and Dan Neff, economic development and outreach liaison, for U.S. Rep. Alex Mooney, Brig. Gen. David Cochran, Assistant Adjutant General-Air West Virginia National Guard and Col. Christopher Sigler, 167th Airlift Wing acting commander, at Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Oct. 17, 2022. Neff and his team visited the wing to get an overview of the wing's current operations and missions and its impact to the eastern panhandle of West Virginia. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)

Bird netting installed in storage area near airfield



Above: U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Sterling Hall and Senior Master Sgt. Nate Smith, loadmasters tasked to the 167th Airlift Wing safety office, attach bird netting to the ceiling of a liquid oxygen storage facility to deter birds from roosting and nesting in the building, at Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia, October 19, 2022. Birds can pose hazards to air traffic and their droppings can cause safety and sanitation issues. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)

Top right: U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Sterling Hall, Senior Master Sgt. Nate Smith, loadmasters tasked to the 167th Airlift Wing safety office, and Chad Neil, a biologist with the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, prepare bird netting for installation in a liquid oxygen storage building at Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia, October 19, 2022. Birds can pose hazards to air traffic and their droppings can cause safety and sanitation issues. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)

Bottom right: Chad Neil, a biologist with the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, attaches netting to the ceiling of a liquid oxygen storage facility to deter birds from roosting and nesting in the building at Shepherd Field, Martinsburg, West Virginia, October 19, 2022. Birds can pose hazards to air traffic and their droppings can cause safety and sanitation issues. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. Emily Beightol-Deyerle)



167th Airlift Wing members enjoy night out at Golden Gala



The 167th Airlift Wing Golden Gala was held at the Holiday Inn, Martinsburg, West Virginia, Oct. 8, 2022. Brigadier General Christopher "Mookie" Walker, was the keynote speaker for the event. Walker, a former 167th Airlift Wing member, currently serves as a special assistant to the Director of the Air National Guard. The Adjutant General of the West Virginia National Guard, Maj. Gen. William Crane and his lovely wife, Jennifer, were among the distinguished guests for the event.

Airman SPOTLIGHT

Name:

Staff Sgt. Andrew Bartley

Hometown:

Inwood, W.Va.

Job Title:

Bioenvironmental Engineering Special-



Staff Sgt. Andrew Bartley is a bioenvironmental engineering specialist for the 167th Medical Group and the 167th Airlift Wing's Airman Spotlight for November 2022.

As a bioenvironmental engineering specialist, Bartley is responsible for reducing health hazards for personnel and their work environments. This can mean detecting radioactive materials, checking for pollutants in drinking water, and ensuring safe industrial hygiene conditions.

Bartley joined the 167th Airlift Wing after spending six years on active duty. Soon after joining the wing he supported the West Virginia National Guard's COVID response efforts through the pandemic. Bartley completed technical training then returned to the "BEE Hive" or bioenvironmental engineering office where his prior aircraft maintenance background proved to be invaluable as he standardized the Occupational Health Program, explained Master Sgt. Justin Bird, the non-commissioned officer in charge of bioenvironmental engineering at the 167th.

"He has been a tremendous asset to our shop and an unbelievable team member. His intellectual ability to comprehend difficult tasks and apply the knowledge to keep members safe is critical to our programs and saves lives at the 167th AW," said Bird.

Hometown: Inwood, WV

Job Title: Bioenvironmental Engineering

How long have you served in the unit? I have served a little over 2 years in the unit. I was previously active duty for 6 years as an Avionics Systems Specialist for the F-22 working for the 1st Fighter Wing at Langley Air Force Base.

How does your job support the 167th's mission? My job supports the 167th's mission by assessing all radiological, chemical, and bacteriological hazards that may be present in certain workplaces and making sure that people do not get injured or sick.

Civilian job: Wiring Specialist Contractor for Northrop Grumman and NASA

Education: Through my two careers I have over 70 credits towards Electrical and Environmental Engineering degrees.

Hobbies: spending time with family, Fishing, football, basketball, and video games.

Goals: My goal is to finish my Environmental Engineering degree within the next few years and to keep working and learning in my current career path as a bioenvironmental engineer.

I am proudest of: My beautiful wife Hannah for supporting me all these years and our two little boys Blake and Drew.

People may be surprised to know this about me: I have been deployed two times in my active duty career and have visited five foreign countries.

The most exciting thing I've done in the military is: Being able to fully run up an F-22 and tag and identify other aircraft that were flying overhead. Also, I would have to say visiting so many foreign places and cultures.

One of the most valuable lessons I've learned throughout my career: Somedays may be very challenging, but anything worth doing usually is.

My advice to the newest Airmen in the Wing: Always do the right thing even when no one is looking, go that extra step to get the job done, but don't let your job take over your personal life.

The best thing about working with my team is: The best thing about working in the medical group is that there are so many different people coming together and sharing stories and advice about the military and life in general. 🐶

STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

Credit Monitoring

Preventive Law Tip-Credit Monitoring for National Guard Members

The nationwide credit reporting agencies – Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion – have confirmed that they will provide free electronic credit monitoring services to active duty service members and National Guard members.


A credit monitoring service can alert you to mistakes or problems on your credit report that might be the result of identity theft. For example, it would tell you if there's a new credit card or loan in your name. If you knew about that, great. But if you didn't, that could be an early warning of identity theft.

Once you have the credit monitoring service, you will be notified by mobile app, email, or text of certain changes to your credit file. These can include changes of address, payments that are more than 30 days late, bankruptcy information, foreclosures, liens, and new accounts opened in your name.

To learn more: <https://consumer.ftc.gov/consumer-alerts/2019/10/free-electronic-credit-monitoring-coming-soon-military>

<https://www.identitytheft.gov/#/CreditBureauContacts>

For details on how to sign up, go to the websites for each of the credit reporting agencies. Details below.

 **FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION**
IdentityTheft.gov [Log In](#)

Credit Bureau Contacts
Contact the national credit bureaus to request fraud alerts, credit freezes (also known as security freezes), and opt outs from pre-screened credit offers.

Equifax Equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services 800-685-1111	Experian Experian.com/help 888-EXPERIAN (888-397-3742)	TransUnion TransUnion.com/credit-help 888-909-8872
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Capt Bradley Dunkle
Area Defense Counsel for all
members of the WVANG

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If you are needing representation concerning investigation for military misconduct, actions of counseling, or administrative discharge; you may contact your Area Defense Counsel (ADC). Your ADC has offices located at the 167th Airlift Wing in Martinsburg, WV and at the 130th Airlift Wing in Charleston, West Virginia

The ADC provides members of the West Virginia Air National Guard with legal representation when facing potential adverse or administrative actions. Your ADC is an experienced Judge Advocate located outside of your local chain of command, which prevents any appearance of, or possible command influence or conflicts of interest. This allows airmen of the WVANG to receive completely confidential representation and assistance.

You may need to contact your ADC if you are facing any action against you such as:

- WV Non-Judicial Punishment
- Administrative discharge and Demotion actions
- Denial of Reenlistment
- Referral EPRs/OPRs
- Suspect Rights Advisements
- LOCs, LOAs, and LORs
- UIF entries and control rosters
- Any other adverse actions in which counsel for an individual is required or authorized

The ADC is not able to assist in certain areas such as personal civil legal matters and congressional complaints. However, if you have any questions as to the availability of our services, please call to make an appointment.

The Area Defense Counsel is available for WVANG members only. Sister services must contact the nearest servicing base for representation.

Military and Family Readiness Program Office

For Our Service Members And Their Families

Military & Family Programs Office

Upcoming Events –

4 December – 12 – 2pm, 167 Airlift Wing Family Day, Wing Hangar

7 January 2023 – 8:30 am – 3:30 pm, VA Benefits & Services Briefing, Base Auditorium. Open to WVNG service members and their spouse/significant other. See announcement for more information.

4 February 2023 – 8:00 am – 2 pm, Military Retirement Seminar, location on base to be determined. Open to WVNG service members and their spouse/significant other.

167th Families,

The Wing's Family Day is next month! The Military & Family Readiness Program Office will be setting up an information table in the Family Day hangar. The table will have all sorts of things like military kids coloring books and lots of other goodies. Stop by the table and say Hi! Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus will be joining us for the event. I hope you will too!



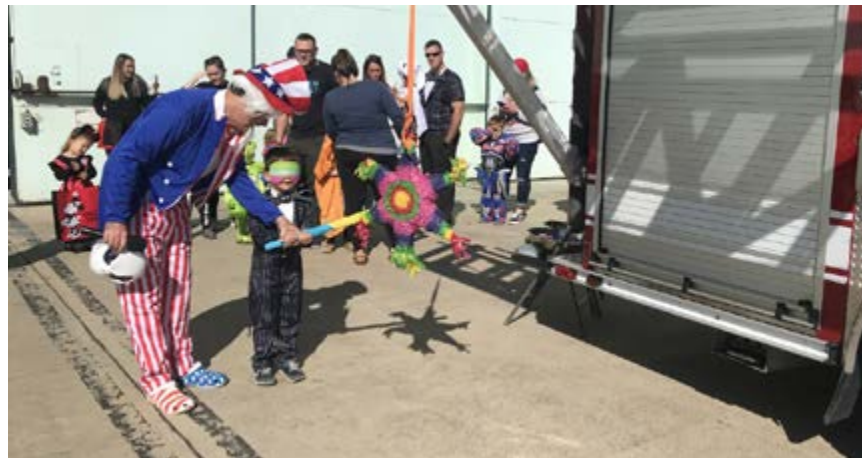
*The Military and Family Readiness Program Office is located in Bldg. 120, lower level.
For more information contact Airman &
Family Readiness Program Manager
Sherry Lewis at
304-616-5590 or 1-866-986-4325*

167th Family Readiness Groups holds annual Halloween Bash for wing families

by Family Readiness Group President Ron Glazer

When 28 military families and 47 kids get all dressed up in Halloween costumes, you know you're about to have some real fun at the 167th Family Readiness Halloween Bash. On Saturday, 22 October the FRG sponsored an afternoon of crafts, pinatas, music, trunk or treat and multiple cakewalks. Florence Wolford and Geri Mohn had a variety of crafts, including coloring harvest gourds and Iris Jean & Dan Duckwall coordinated and gathered the snacks. DJ Richard Chancellor kept them all wiggling to fun tunes while Ron Glazer (aka Uncle Sam) kept the ghouls and goblins walking, hopping and clapping around the cakewalk circle.

The event was a huge success thanks to many 167th members donating goodies and candy for the kids, the fire department helping with the pinata game and our trunks decorated to impress. Barb and Steve Wright also made sure we had hay and gourds for the bash. The FRG volunteers want to thank all those who donated and participated. If you have time to volunteer for family events, PLEASE reach out to Ron Glazer at 301-992-4803 or by e-mail at 167awfrg@gmail.com. We always need help and new ideas.



Antiterrorism & Force Protection - Travel Security

submitted by Capt. Roderick Toms

These tips address travel security precautions.

One time when complacency can get us in trouble is when we travel. Here are a few tips that will increase your security the next time you go TDY, take leave, or PCS to an OCONUS location.

- Avoid using military style bags such as A-3, B-4 or duffel bags, unless traveling Military Air.
 - Remove all military logos, patches and stickers from your luggage.
 - Ensure your luggage tag doesn't show your rank or military address.
 - Travel in conservative civilian clothing when using commercial transportation or when traveling military airlift if you are connecting with a flight at a commercial terminal in a high risk area.
 - Don't wear distinct military items such as organizational shirts, caps or issued shoes or glasses.
 - Wear a long sleeved shirt if you have a visible U.S. affiliated tattoo.
 - Remember to be aware of your surroundings, be suspicious and don't become the target.
 - Do not use rank or duty title when registering in a hotel (if possible)
 - If staying in same hotel for extended period of time, try to change rooms
 - Try to get a room on the 2nd to 6th floors
 - Ensure room is locked and valuables are secured (e.g., safe, take them with you)
- 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 Capt. Roderick Toms, 242-5084.



Sexual Assault Prevention & Response

**Have questions? Need Help?
We're here for you!**

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NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH

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November is National American Indian Heritage Month

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In the month of November we honor the heritage and history of Native Americans – both Native American Indians and Indigenous Alaskans. Native Americans and native Alaskans are people having origins in any of the original peoples of North, South or Central America and maintain tribal affiliation or community attachment.

As military members, this federally recognized month of celebration provides the opportunity to learn about the native people of the Americas, not only their culture and heritage, but also their contributions and service.

The Department of Defense has selected several prominent members of the Native American community to highlight this month. The first of which is the DOD Native American Indian Heritage Month poster focus, US Army U.S. Army Technician 5th Grade Joseph Medicine Crow, the last Crow War Chief.

Crow was the first of his tribe to earn a Master's Degree and left his PhD program to serve in World War II. During his European wartime service, he completed each essential task required to designate him a Crow War Chief – counting coup (touching an enemy without killing him), taking an enemy's weapon, successfully leading a war party, and stealing an enemy's horse. Crow is the last Crow Indian to earn the title. And for those same efforts, Crow earned the Bronze Star, the French Legion of Honor and the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Other featured Native Americans are US Marine Corps pilot, Nicole Aunapu Mann, the first American Indian woman to go to space and Mary Peltola, the first female and indigenous representative in the US Congress.

Historically, the relationship between Native Americans and the US has been contentious, which has included bloodshed, the forced removal of Indigenous People from their land and the continued friction regarding sovereignty of Native American tribes. . . Sovereignty is the right of a nation or group to self-govern. Native Americans and Alaskans are US citizens first but have the additional option of becoming citizens of their tribe or villages as enrolled tribal members.

Native American culture is woven into the fabric of American society with food such as corn and squash as well as names of landmarks. Twenty-eight states and numerous cities have derived their names from Native Americans. Locally, familiar names such as Potomac, Algonquian, Opequon and more all find their origins in Indigenous tribes. And although the official West Virginia State history indicates that there were no Native Americans living in West Virginia at the time of the first settlers, archeological data suggests otherwise.

In West Virginia, archeologists have discovered evidence of indigenous people as far back as 14,000 years and though historians have little recorded history of them throughout the State in the Eastern Panhandle, historical data dating back to the 1600's reveals that several tribes migrated, hunted and lived the land we now call home.

Today, the US Census Bureau 7.1 million American Indians living in the US and there are approximately 11,000 Native Americans living in West Virginia. There are 574 federally recognized tribes who maintain sovereignty.

If you are interested in learning more about Native American Indian Heritage Month, visit the Human Resource Advisor SharePoint page; check out the links and the documents section to download bookmarks, coloring pages and a PowerPoint presentation.

The 167th Airlift Wing Human Resource Advisor strives to empower, educate and equip Airmen to leverage diversity through training and initiatives that enhances cultural competencies and through this, create an inclusive culture within the organization.

The mission of the 167 Airlift Wing Heritage and Diversity Council is to promoting the heritage and culture of Wing members and the broader community in an organic, grassroots effort to support inclusion and diversity at the 167 Airlift Wing. All members of the 167AW population are invited to join regardless of gender identity, cultural background, religious affiliation, or military status.



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Native American Names and Origins		
NAME	MEANING	ORIGIN
Wheeling	"place of the skull"	Delaware tribe
Ohio	"great river"	Seneca tribe
Seneca	"place of the stone"	Mohegan tribe
Kanawha	"water way"	Delaware tribe
Monongahela	"river with sliding banks"	Seneca tribe

Wild, Wandering West Virginia

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Combating Trafficking in Persons Program Management Office

U.S. Department of Defense

What is Trafficking in Persons (TIP)?

The **use of force, fraud, or coercion** to compel a person to provide labor, services, or commercial sex. Any minor (under 18 years of age) involved in commercial sex is a victim of human trafficking (no force, fraud or coercion need be proved). TIP is the recruiting, harboring, transporting, providing, or obtaining a person for the purpose of exploitation. In sex trafficking, it also includes soliciting and patronizing.

Common Types of TIP: Labor Trafficking, Sex Trafficking, Child Soldiering, Domestic Servitude, Debt Bondage/Peonage, Involuntary Servitude

Who is at risk?

Victims can be of any:

- Race
- Gender
- Nationality
- Social status
- Economic status
- Immigration status

Vulnerable populations:

- Undocumented migrants
- Runaway and homeless youth
- Women and children with limited resources
- Oppressed social or cultural groups
- People displaced by natural disaster or civil conflict
- Victims of prior sexual or physical abuse

What are some indicators of TIP?*

Physical/Environmental indicators. Victims may:

- Have signs of physical abuse (bruises, cuts, burns, broken bones)
- Not possess identification papers
- Live at or be confined to their worksite
- Be escorted or closely monitored at all times
- Be in debt bondage to employer
- Suffer medical conditions such as serious communicable diseases, injuries from violence or hazardous work conditions, malnutrition, dehydration

Psychological/Behavioral indicators. Victims may be:

- Fearful
- Submissive
- Anxious
- Nervous
- Depressed
- Dependent on others
- Emotionally abused
- Lacking ability to move freely

*Indicators listed are not absolute signs of TIP, but when presenting with several are a sign of TIP.

How to respond if TIP is suspected:

If you suspect a TIP situation, do not get directly involved. **Report the situation to the appropriate authority immediately:**

Chain of Command

DoD Inspector General Hotline

1-800-424-9098, or visit

<http://www.dodig.mil/hotline/>

National Human Trafficking Resource Center

1-888-373-7888

Local Law Enforcement

Report and avoid any establishments or persons that you believe may be involved in TIP.

Never act alone, you may want to help, but trafficking situations are dangerous.

www.ctip.defense.gov



Travel Preparedness

Planning a Trip Soon?

Tips for Driving Safely

The holiday season brings a number challenges that make safe driving difficult. During this time of year, there can be difficult weather conditions, limited daylight, and visiting drivers in unfamiliar areas.

Plan Ahead

Before you start your trip, make sure your vehicle is in good shape for travel. This is especially important for winter driving conditions. Check the weather before prior to your departure..

Stay Fresh and Alert

Make sure you're well-rested before a long drive. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found that 91,000 drowsy-driving-related crashes resulted in 50,000 injuries and 800 deaths. Get home safely! When possible, share driving responsibilities and take regular breaks to avoid drowsy driving.

Avoid Distractions

On average, sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road for five seconds. At 55 mph, that's enough time to travel the

Length of a football field. Driving requires your full attention.

Mind Your Speed

Give yourself plenty of time and distance to react to the traffic around you. Studies show that for every one percent increase in speed, a driver's chance of an accident increases by two percent, the chance of serious injury increases by three percent, and the chance of a fatality increases by about four percent.

Drive Defensively

Increased holiday traffic and winter road conditions can be frustrating. Let impatient and aggressive drivers pass you or go through the intersection ahead of you so that you can control the situation. And respond defensively.

Don't Drive Impaired

If you plan to drink, don't plan to drive. Using a designated driver or ride service is a necessity when indulging with "holiday refreshments". Think ahead and be safe!

What Should You Keep in the Car?

- A properly inflated spare tire with jack, or inflation kit
- Jumper cables
- Tool kit and/or a multipurpose utility tool
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Reflective triangles and brightly colored cloth to make your vehicle more visible
- Compass
- First aid kit with gauze, tape, bandages, antibiotic ointment, aspirin, a blanket, nonlatex gloves, scissors, hydrocortisone, thermometer, tweezers and instant cold compress
- Nonperishable, high-energy foods, such as unsalted nuts, dried fruits and hard candy
- Drinking water
- Reflective vest in case you need to walk to get help
- Cell phone charging capability
- Fire extinguisher
- Duct tape
- Rain poncho

Additional items to keep in your vehicle, specifically for cold weather include: a snow brush, shovel, windshield washer fluid, warm clothing, cat litter for traction and blankets.

"We hope for the best, but are prepared for the worst."



ACCOLADES



Welcome

Amn Zane Melton, FSS
AB William Stafford, LRS
AB Hunter Link, CF
MSgt Staci Lentz, MDG

Promotions

To Airman

James DeCicco, AW

To Airman First Class

Avah Rivera, FSS
Ella Joseph, OG

Promotions

To Senior Airman

Kohl Holderbaum, MXS
Austin Wesner, AS

To Staff Sergeant

Samuel Marshall, LRS
Raymie Roberts, AS
Kyle Jackson, SFS
Yolanda Pinkcett, FSS
Ethan Wilson, SFS
Zachary Bagley, AW
Ian Hose, MXS
Joshua Lemessuruer, AW
Jacquelyn Kernan, MSG
Seth Knight, CF

Promotions

To Technical Sergeant

Geoffrey Harris, SFS
Jennifer Ramaekers, MXS
Michael Price, SFS

To Master Sergeant

Kevin Myers, MXS

To Senior Master Sergeant

Wayne Benson, LRS

Retirements

CMSgt Jacob Fairburn, OG
MSgt Christopher Barrow, MXS
MSgt Bruce Chrisman, CES

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