

SILVERWINGS

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Weather



Today

High: 87, Low: 70
Isolated T-storms



Saturday

High: 90, Low: 71
Partly cloudy



Sunday

High: 97, Low: 72
Partly cloudy



Monday

High: 94, Low: 70
Isolated T-storms

BLAZE Team celebrates Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month at luncheon



U.S. Air Force photo/Mary Crump
Senior Airman Josephine Suarez, 50th Flying Training Squadron, performs the Hawaiian Hula at the Asian-Pacific American Heritage Luncheon May 26 at the Columbus Club.

Senior Airman Jacob Corbin
14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

Members of the BLAZE Team came out May 26 to learn about and celebrate Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month at a luncheon at the Columbus Club.

Dr. Thom Terwilliger, a senior executive of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and the Chief Learning Officer for the FDIC, was the guest speaker for the event. Doctor Terwilliger is a former Air Force officer and enlisted member who served for over 28 years.

"Asian American's are part of the fabric of what makes this country so great," Doctor Terwilliger said. "We should celebrate the contributions of every American. I am so very proud to be an American."

The doctor said he had three messages for those attending the event, be a great follower and a focused leader; embrace diversity; and focus on being the best you can be.

He said public recognition like the various heritage months are important because they give the represented people a chance to feel proud of their heritage; they help explain and inform other people about that heritage; and they help focus people on the contributions every American has made to our nation.

"If we can see the contributions of others then everyone can feel positive about their own contributions and get the mission done," he said.

Doctor Terwilliger said while discrim-
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News Briefs

Class 11-03 Track Select

SUPT Class 11-03 will hold their Track Select ceremony at 5 p.m. Tuesday at the Club.

Class 10-10 Graduation

SUPT Class 10-10 will graduate in a ceremony 10 a.m., Friday at the Kaye Auditorium.

14th CPTS Change of Command

The 14th Comptroller Squadron Change of Command will be at 10 a.m., Thursday at the Columbus Club.

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Feature 8

The 50th Flying Training Squadron "World Famous" Strikin' Snakes are featured this week.

COLUMBUS AFB TRAINING TIMELINE

PHASE II				PHASE III				IFF				WING SORTIE BOARD			
Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Track Select	Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation	Squadron	Senior Class	Squadron Overall	Graduation	Aircraft	Required	Flown	Annual
37th (11-04)	5.71 days	0.32 days	Jun. 30	48th (10-10)	3.53 days	0.17 days	Jun. 11	49th (10-HB)	0.48 days	0.87 days	Jun. 11	T-6	310	228	22,650
41st (11-03)	2.88 days	-3.76 days	Jun. 8	50th (10-11)	-1.91 days	-1.20 days	Jul. 1					T-1	92	97	7,533
												T-38	112	74	7,414
												IFF	20	18	1,358

Graduation speaker: Maj. Gen. Jack Ramsaur, mobilization assistant to the Commander, Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Randolph Air Force Base, Texas.

Eight honored at master sergeant promotion party



Congratulations 2010 Master Sergeant Selects

14 OSS
(M)Sgt. Homer L. Horn II

14 MDG
(M)Sgt. Jennifer J. Baty
(M)Sgt. Naressa M. Allen
(M)Sgt. Mary A. Russell

14 FTW
(M)Sgt. Jennifer S. O'Quinn
(M)Sgt. Martin D. Harden

U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Jacob Corbin

Col. Roger Watkins, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, and Commander Chief Master Sgt. Zef Smith, 14th FTW command chief, stand for a photo with six of the wings newest master sergeant selects. The selects for the 14th FTW are: Tech. Sgt. Mary Russell, 14th Medical Group; Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Baty, 14th MDG; Tech. Sgt. Naressa Allen, 14th MDG; Tech. Sgt. Homer Horn, 14th Operations Group; Tech. Sgt. Jennifer O'Quinn, 14th FTW; Tech. Sgt. Martin Harden, 14th FTW; Tech. Sgt. Peter Knapp, 14th Mission Support Group; and Tech. Sgt. Mark Shelton, 14th MSG.

14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED



As of press time, 73 BLAZE TEAM members are de-deployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.



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APAH

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ination still exists in the world, it can be overcome.

"It all starts with you, it doesn't matter who you are, it starts with you," Doctor Terwilliger said. "If you can take a positive approach to life you can overcome discrimination (you may face)."

Finally, the doctor thanked those assembled for their service to our nation and reminded them what they do every day makes a difference.

"It's easy during a time of war to forget what you're doing is important, but you're doing it because it is important to our nation," he said.

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Air Show Photo Contest



In the May 21 issue of Silver Wings, we congratulated the wrong person for winning our Air Show Photo Contest and taking the above photo. Congratulations for the photo belong to David Fletcher from DynCorp. Our apologies to Mr. Fletcher for the mix-up and our congratulations to him for taking the first place winning photo!

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat/Sun
7	8	9	10	11	12/13
Night Flying Week	Class 11-03 Track Select, 5 p.m. @ Club		14th CPTS Change of Command, 10 a.m. @ Club	Class 10-10 Graduation, 10 a.m. @ Kaye	Super Sonic Golf Tournament
14	15	16	17	18	19/20
	Class 11-01 PPW, 6 p.m. @ Club Hearts Apart, 4:30 p.m.		Active Shooter Exercise	Airman's Day Out, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., @ Base Pool 49th FTS Change of Command Class 10-11 Assignment Night, 5 p.m. @ Club	19th: Daedalian's Golf Tournament

Long Range Events

June 21-26: Night Flying Week
June 22: Newcomers
June 22: MSU Teacher's Tour
June 29: Enlisted Promotions

June 30: Track Select
July 1: Class 10-11 Graduation
July 2: AETC Family Day
July 4: Independence Day Holiday
July 7: 14th CS Change of command

BLAZE Team gives back at blood drive



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Chase Hedrick
Second Lt. Mark Thorley, 14th Communications Squadron, donates during the blood drive at the chapel annex May 27.

2010 Columbus' Biggest Loser Competition

Tech. Sgt. Ryian Caviness
14th Medical Operations Squadron

The Biggest Loser Competition is a comprehensive weight-loss program that promotes healthy lifestyles through good nutrition and exercise habits. Participation points are awarded based on the number of classes attended, food logs submitted, and monthly exercise activities completed. There are 18 teams vying for the title of "Columbus' Biggest Loser." Here are the point standings as of June 1:

1. PHAT-A-Licious 4
2. Southsiders
3. Fit To Be Fine
4. The Waist Watchers
5. The Most Known Unknowns
5. The Perfect Strangers
5. Muffins B Gone
6. Too Hungry To Be Happy
7. Chunky Monkey
8. El Gorda No More Da
9. I Pity the Food
10. Dental Spartans

Command Chief Master Sgt. Smith has first enlisted call

Airman First Class Chase Hedrick
14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

Command Chief Master Sgt. Zef Smith, 14th Flying Training Wing, spoke about many topics concerning enlisted members at Columbus Air Force Base during his first enlisted call on May 26 at the Kaye Auditorium.

Airmanship, new opportunities for junior enlisted Airmen, kindergarten through 12th grade education options, honor guard information, changes in professional military education policies, updates to fitness policies and responsible use of social media sites were some of the topics that Chief Smith brought up during the brief.

To start off the enlisted call Chief Smith called up a junior Airman, a non-commissioned officer, and a senior non-commissioned officer to lead the attendants in the Airman's Creed. Chief Smith went on to give a little history on the creed, as well as to let those in the room know he expected all Airmen to know the Airman's Creed.

The brief continued with an overview and a brief explanation by Chief Smith of the wing commander's top five priorities for enlisted members; communication, deliberate development, compliance and standards, honor guard support, and taking care of Airmen and families.

A table for junior enlisted members at the pilot graduation breakfast is one new initiative receiving full support from the Commander of the 14th Flying Training Wing, Col. Roger Watkins. Every three weeks each group's senior enlisted leader will select one junior enlisted Airman to attend the breakfast. Each group's senior non-commissioned officer will also take turns attending.

The breakfast will consist of a buffet as well as a Columbus AFB mission and history briefing. All feedback surveys sent to attendees since the first breakfast on Apr. 30 have shown added value.

Another opportunity that is being introduced by Chief Smith and supported by Colonel Watkins for junior enlisted Airmen is the command chief shadow program. This program is designed to allow junior enlisted Airmen the opportunity to see what a day in the life of the command chief is like. Rotating among groups every three weeks, one group's senior enlisted leader will select one junior enlisted Airman from their group to shadow the chief for a day.

The day is scheduled to begin at 5:30 a.m. with physical training, and end at 9:30 p.m. with the pilot graduation dinner. Other items on the agenda include attending the pilot graduation ceremony, an office call with the command chief master sergeant's executive assistant, and visiting areas outside of the Airman's group.

Chief Smith continued on with the enlisted call and introduced a guest speaker, E J. Griffis Jr., School Liaison Officer here at Columbus AFB. Mr. Griffis spoke about the local education options for enlisted members at Columbus AFB, and some of the benefits of each. Mr. Griffis also presented information about the new school being built on top of Airport Hill, and how that will affect local enlisted.

Mr. Griffis spoke briefly about other school details including pre-schooling, transportation and volunteers. Mr. Griffis also gave advice on attending school meetings for military parents



U.S. Air Force photo

Command Chief Master Sgt. Zef Smith, 14th Flying Training Wing, speaks during enlisted call.

during duty hours, as well as communicating with incoming enlisted members to help them understand the educational climate.

The state accountability rating was another topic briefed by Mr. Griffis. After giving an explanation and some history about the rating in Mississippi, Mr. Griffis presented the ratings for both the Lowndes County and the Columbus Municipal school districts.

After the presentation on local education, Chief Smith brought up the topic of the base's honor guard. At the time of the enlisted call, the base honor guard had 19 members, but is looking for a team of 30. Chief Smith also encouraged supervisors to support Airmen involved in the base honor guard.

Chief Smith brought up several perks offered to base honor guard members, such as parking slots at various facilities around base, suites for those living in Montgomery Village and a newly approved incentive flight once a month.

Upcoming changes to the Air Force instruction about enlisted professional military education were brought up during the enlisted call by Chief Smith. Chief Smith went over changes he suggested to expect with the updated AFI such as waiver changes, an EPME ribbon, and credit for sister service EPME completion. Current passing physical training scores as a requirement for EPME courses should also be expected.

Chief Smith went on to note that the AFIs governing PT are also changing. Chief Smith gave an overview of PT score trends over the last few years, and the responses to them such as fitness cells, no more mandated PT during duty hours, and no overall 5's on evaluation performance report with a referral report. Chief Smith mentioned that other changes are being considered as well, such as patches that may be worn on PT gear for scores above 90.

One of the final topics Chief Smith discussed during the enlisted call was the use of social media. The chief reminded attendees of restrictions, bandwidth usage and some information on what not to release.

Chief Smith led the enlisted call to a close with several reminders including that the active shooter exercise is scheduled to take place on June 17. After the reminders Chief Smith opened the floor to questions and dismissed the attendees.

14th FTW/CC holds civilian call

Airman 1st Class Chase Hedrick
14th Flying Training Wing
Public Affairs

Col. Roger Watkins, commander of the 14th Flying Training Wing, hosted a civilian call on June 1 at the Kaye Auditorium to tell civilian employees about topics that will affect them.

The unit compliance inspection, active shooter exercise, civilian personnel services and nonappropriated fund information were some of the topics discussed during the civilian call.

Colonel Watkins started off the civilian call by presenting awards to two civilians for time in service. Richard Douglas, 14th Mission Support Group Logistics Readiness, and Richard Martin, who also works in the 14th MSG/LGR both received rewards for their 30 years in service. The following individuals were also recognized for their time in service.

20 years in service: Alan Cardenas, 14th Force Support Squadron, Eddie Williams, 14th Civil Engineering Squadron, John Lewis, 14th CES, Leroy Gregory, 14th MSG, Mattie Headd, 14th Comptroller Squadron, Linc Weinrich, 14th CES.

10 years in service: John Enyart, 14th CES, Beverly Grimm, 37th Flying Training Squadron, Steven Grimm, 14th MSG, Calvin Harris, 14th CES, Alicia McMillian, 14th CES, Elizabeth Rivers, 14th FSS, Michael Robertson, 14th CES, Shirley Rush, 14th MSG, Margaret Sherman, 14th Medical Group, Ernest Smith, 14th MSG.

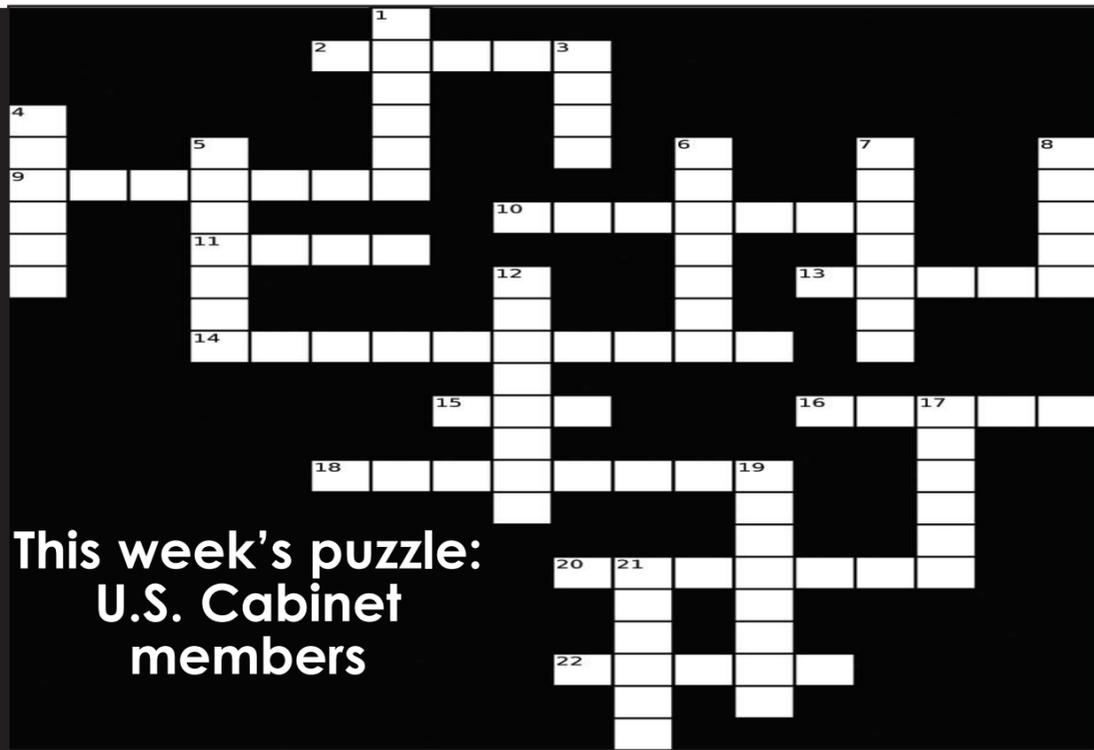
Colonel Watkins continued the civilian call with information and encouragement concerning the upcoming unit compliance inspection. He then passed the stage to Maj. Ervin Powers, 14th FTW Air Force Smart Operations 21. Major Powers then gave a presentation on how he can help in process improvement, stressing on the point that he does not make changes, only suggestions.

Another topic discussed at the civilian call concerned the upcoming active shooter exercise on June 17. Tech. Sgt. Patrick J. Lombardo, 14th Security Forces Squadron, gave a brief on the subject. Sergeant Lombardo gave the attendees information on what to expect and how to react to different situations. Sergeant Lombardo also advised attendees to tell friends and family who visit the base about the exercise and how to respond.

After the briefing, Benny Brock, chief civilian personnel officer here at Columbus Air Force Base, spoke about different services his office can help with, as well as answering some frequently asked questions. Mr. Brock also noted that the secretary of the Air Force has started an initiative to help develop civilians in a deliberate manner in order to help build leaders.

Mr. Brock then transitioned to information concerning nonappropriated funds. Mr. Brock informed the attendees that there has been a change to Sunday premium pay and some civilian members may receive back pay because of it.

Colonel Watkins closed the call with questions and dismissed the attendees.



**This week's puzzle:
U.S. Cabinet
members**

- Across
- 2 Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers
 - 9 Secretary of the Interior
 - 10 White House Chief of Staff
 - 11 United States Trade Representative
 - 13 Secretary of Defense
 - 14 Secretary of Homeland Security
 - 15 Secretary of Energy
 - 16 Vice President of the United States
 - 18 Secretary of Health and Human Services
 - 20 Secretary of State
 - 22 Secretary of Commerce

- Down
- 1 Attorney General
 - 3 Ambassador to the United Nations
 - 4 Director of the Office of Management and Budget
 - 5 Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency
 - 6 Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
 - 7 Secretary of Agriculture
 - 8 Secretary of Labor
 - 12 Secretary of the Treasury
 - 17 Secretary of Education
 - 19 Secretary of Veterans Affairs
 - 21 Secretary of Transportation

BRIEFS

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Children and Moving

Tuesday, 8 June. A lunch and learn class from noon to 1:00 p.m., part of a prepare tomorrow's parents month series presented by the Military Family Life Consultants everyday this week. Participants will learn about the challenges of moving children to a new location, tips for handling the move and ways to adjust to a new school and make new friends.

Life in Balance Relaxation & Stress Relief

Wednesday, 9 June. A lunch and learn class from noon to 1:00 p.m., part of a prepare tomorrow's parents month series presented by the Military Family Life Consultants everyday this week. This presentation addresses how to gain a sense of balance and control in your life and managing stress.

Electronics and Your Children

Thursday, 10 June. A lunch and learn class from noon to 1:00 p.m., part of a prepare tomorrow's parents month series presented by the Military Family Life Consultants everyday this week. Participants will learn both positive and negative aspects of electronic media/cell phone use and methods for lessening the negative impact.

Building Resiliency in Children: A Parent's Guide

Friday, 11 June. A lunch and learn class from noon to 1:00 p.m., part of a prepare tomorrow's parents month series presented by the Military Family Life Consultants everyday this week. This presentation covers characteristics of resilient children and methods for building resilience in children during deployments.

Newcomers Orientation

The next Newcomer's Orientation will be June 22 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the AFRC.

Pre-Separation Counseling (DD Form-2648)

Mandatory briefing for personnel separating or retiring. Briefing should be completed at least 90 days prior to separation and may completed up to 12 months prior to separation or retirement. Counseling held daily at 8:30 a.m. and takes approximately 30 minutes.

Pre and Post Deployment Tour Brief

Mandatory briefings for active duty personnel who are deploying or returning from deployment or a remote tour. Briefings are held daily at the AFRC; Pre-deployment at 9:30 a.m. and post-deployment at 1:30 p.m., 434-2790.

Chapel Schedule

Vacation Bible School

Come join us on the High Seas for Columbus Air Force Base Chapel Vacation Bible School. June 7 to 11 from 9 a.m. to noon, for ages 5 to 12 years old. Register your kids now at the Base Chapel! There will be crafts, games, snacks and good clean fun. Crew Leaders are needed and the ages are: 18 yrs. and up for crew leaders and 12 yrs. and up for assistant leaders. Nursery care will be provided for crew leaders. For more information call 434-2500. Military members are eligible for PTDY, ask your supervisor for details (AFI 36-3003 Section 12 Table 7 Rule 29).

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Study

The CAFB Chapel will be holding a variety of Adult Bible Studies from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. A Pot Luck dinner

will be served at 5 p.m., please bring a side dish or dessert to share if you are able. Please call the Chapel at 434-2500 for a list of studies.

Protestant Worship Service

Sunday:
9 a.m. — Adult Sunday School
10:45 a.m. — Traditional Worship Service (Children's Church)
All are invited to a fellowship luncheon following the 10:45 a.m. service the fourth Sunday of each month.

Catholic Services

Tuesday
6:30 p.m. — Choir Practice
Sunday:
3:30 p.m. — Religious Education, grades K-9
3:45 p.m. — Choir Practice
4:30 p.m. — Confession
5:00 p.m. — Mass
6:00 p.m. — RCIA

Remember: Drive safe, we need you!

**Officials
release new
selective
re-enlistment
bonus list**

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas -- Pentagon officials recently released the latest selective re-enlistment bonus list which contains 89 Air Force specialties.

The revised listing places heavy emphasis on retaining Airmen with 17 months to six years of service, said Technical Sgt. Dina Elefante, NCO in charge of Air Force re-enlistments at the Air Force Personnel Center here.

"Using SRBs provides the Air Force with a highly effective retention tool to address shortages in certain Air Force specialties essential to support our mission at home and abroad," Sergeant Elefante said.

Officials added seven Air Force specialty codes to the list and increased 20 AFSCs in at least one zone. Twenty-one AFSCs had a zone eliminated or decreased and two AFSCs were removed from the program.

All increases and additions will be effective June 1 and all decreases and deletions will go into effect July 1. Any re-enlistments or extensions of any length that have been completed prior to the official message release will remain valid. Airmen who are eligible for re-enlistment and are affected by decreases or removals should re-enlist before June 30 to receive the previously approved bonus.

These bonuses do not apply to Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard personnel.

To determine eligibility for re-enlistment with a SRB entitlement, contact the career development element at your local military personnel section.

For more information about the SRB program, contact your local military personnel section or call the Air Force's 24/7 Total Force Service Center toll-free at (800) 525-0102 or DSN: 665-5000. You can also visit AFPC's secure personnel services website, <https://gum.afpc.randolph.af.mil>.

Six enlisted members promoted at ceremony



Congratulations to the 14th Flying Training Wing's newest promoted enlisted members. The promotees are as follows: (front row) Senior Master Sgt. Veronica Spears, 14th Security Forces Squadron; Senior Airman Charles Bassett, 14th Operations Support Squadron; Staff Sgt. Stephen Toussaint, 14th Force Support Squadron; (back row) Staff Sgt. Cody Cole, 14th Medical Support Squadron; Senior Airman Alexander Nevsky, 14th Medical Operations Squadron; and Senior Airman Oscar Samame, 14th Comptroller Squadron.

U.S. Air Force photo/Melissa Duncan

Memorial Day Tears

**Master Sgt. Darrell Habisch
407th Air Expeditionary Group**

ALI BASE, Iraq — This Memorial Day in Iraq, I have shed many tears for a Soldier I never met.

I was asked to videotape a memorial service for an Army major killed in action May 24 when an improvised explosive device pierced his Mine Resistant-Ambush Protected vehicle near Numaniyah in southern Iraq.

Soldiers filed in and filled up seats until the hall was standing-room only. To videotape, I positioned myself toward the front and to the side.

Finally, a Soldier asked the assembly to rise for the arrival of the official party. Four Soldiers walked on stage.

The service began with an invocation by the chaplain, followed by remembrances from his commander and friend, then his first sergeant, followed again by the chaplain, who

was a close friend.

They talked about what a great guy he was, great sense of humor, how he was always concerned about his Soldiers.

When his seemingly routine mission began that day, the major asked some of the members of the squadron to fly a flag in honor of his wedding anniversary. He would send it back to his wife. They raised his flag in front of headquarters for him. That afternoon, after the attack, they lowered his flag to half-staff, in memory of him.

The memorial was a table covered by a black and gold cloth upon which sat his boots, an inverted rifle standing upright with his helmet placed on top. His dog tags were hanging from the top of the rifle. The table had various items Soldiers placed there, his coffee cup, papers and other things that only have special meaning for them and their lost comrade.

When the song ended, the room was called to attention. The first sergeant on stage called for roll call for Headquarters and Headquarters Troop.

He yelled, "Captain Lloyd!"

A booming voice yelled back, "Here, First Sergeant!"

He yelled, "Major Robinson!"

"Here First Sergeant."

He yelled, "Major Culver!"

There was silence.

He yelled, "Major Ronald Culver!"

Silence.

He yelled again, "Major Ronald W. Culver, Jr.!"

And a voice said, "He's not here first sergeant, for he's gone to Fiddler's Green."

Profound silence.

"Sergeant Major, strike Major Culver's name from the roll."

Major Ronald Culver was a member of the Louisiana Army National Guard Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 2nd Squadron, 108th Cavalry Regiment, Shreveport, La. The 44 year-old officer left behind a wife and two teenage children.

We added his name to the list of the fallen read at Memorial Plaza on Memorial Day.

Base News

Airman's Day Out

"Airman's Day Out" is scheduled for Friday, June 18, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the base pool. A choice of a burger or bratwurst, chips, a drink, and a raffle ticket will be available for \$5. The raffle prizes will be a \$100 gift card for females and another for males. Additional raffle tickets may be purchased for \$1.

IDEA Program

The Air Force Innovative Development through Employee Awareness is looking for submissions of individual, group, or team ideas about how the Air Force can accomplish something more efficiently. Cash rewards for ideas are possible. Visit <https://ipds.randolph.af.mil> or call Tech. Sgt. Angela Coleman at 434-2388.

AETC Civilian Tuition Assistance

To be eligible for Civilian TA, the civilian employee must be an appropriated fund, permanent AETC employee or in a term position with more than one year before the "not to exceed" date. Temporary employees will be considered on a case-by-case basis. AETC civilians can use up to \$4,500 per fiscal year. Civilians are restricted to ONE course per term, and the per semester hour tuition cap is \$250. Courses must be Air Force mission-related. Call the Education Center at 434-2562/2563 or send an email to edward.hodge@columbus.af.mil for more information.

Military personnel

Whenever you move your residence (including from one base residence to another), it is important to update your new address as well as your Virtual Record of Emergency Data (vRED) in Virtual Military Personnel Flight (vMPF). It is vital that your dependent's emergency contact information always remain current in vRED.

vMPF may be accessed via the Air Force Portal or the AFPC Secure Applications website. To update one's address in vMPF, select Self-Service Actions, Personal Data, Record Review/Update, Individual, and then click on the blue links to update your data. To update one's vRED, there is a link at the bottom left of the vMPF main page. If you have any questions, please contact the AFPC Total Force Center at DSN 665-5000.

MPS Training dates require appointments

The Military Personnel Section (MPS) in building 730 will hold in-house training on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons during Night Flying Weeks. They will utilize appointments-only on these days to accommodate this neces-

sary training. If you have any questions, contact the MPS Supt, Master Sgt. Heng, at 434-2611.

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Base Thrift Shop

The Base Thrift Shop is open on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Consignments till 12 p.m. Please visit the Thrift Shop for more information on consignments. Donations are accepted and very much appreciated. They can be dropped off anytime in the donation shed. The Thrift Shop is non-profit and all proceeds benefit CAFB Community. It is located in Bldg/ 345, Imes Street (next to Youth Center), Phone: 434-2954.

School Liaison Officer

The Columbus Air Force Base School Liaison Officer works with local school districts, schools, parents and students on issues related to elementary and secondary education for the children of ALL personnel (civilian, military and contractor) assigned to the installation. As parents of school age children are aware, there are many unique issues our children face as they transition to new schools. The role of the School Liaison Officer is to assist families ensure their children receive the best possible education regardless of where they attend school. For assistance, please contact the School Liaison Officer at 434-2792 or via email at slo@columbus.af.mil.

Retiree Activities Office

The 14th Flying Training Wing Commander is soliciting applicants to lead the

Retiree Activities Office on Columbus Air Force Base. The Retiree Activities Office Director supports the commander and is the liaison with our retiree community to include retirees, spouses, widows and widowers. The Director publishes local retiree newsletters, coordinates staff for volunteer efforts, maintains pertinent information for our retiree community, and works with the Wing to plan and execute an annual retiree appreciation day. If you are interested in applying to be the Retiree Activities Office Director, please contact Capt. Terry Wagner at 434-2616 for additional information.

Library Story Time

The base library will hold Story Time on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Story Time will continue to be held each week.

Education Counseling Hours

Education counseling (CCAF, Bachelor's/Master's programs, Tuition Assistance, etc.) is now available Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only. Please contact Edward Hodge at 434-2562 to schedule.

Attention All Deployers

The 14th Communications Squadron has a new system which allows you to place "free" telephone calls back home from your deployed location via DSN. You can call every day or once a week; whichever you prefer (allotted time is 3.5 hours a week). Pin numbers are required and can be picked up along with instructions from the Telephone Systems office located in Building 900, Room 9. Please call 434-2020 for additional information.

DRMO as a source of supply

Authorized personnel may retrieve property that is marked for DRMO Facilities only if they are still physically located in Base Supply. For more information, call the Inspection Section at extension 434-7233 to review the property, Stock Control at 434-7198 to check for authorization and Customer Support at 434-7178 to order the property. All other DRMO processing is done via the Web at: www.drms.dla.mil.

Do you have a supply problem?

Do you need status on an item you ordered? Did you receive the wrong part? The Customer Support section is the single point of contact when requiring assistance on supply related matters. For assistance, you may contact Customer Support at 434-7178.

Zero overpricing program-incentive awards

Overpricing is an issue everyone should be working. All personnel are encouraged to par-

ticipate, and will be rewarded for any tangible savings resulting from their price challenge. Monetary awards will be given in accordance with AFI 38-401, The Air Force Innovative Development Employee Awareness (IDEA) Program. Advice and guidance are available by calling the Customer Support section of Base Supply, located in Building 158, at 434-7178.

Airman and Family Readiness Center

(Editor's note: All activities are offered at the Airman & Family Readiness Center unless otherwise specified. For more information about any of the activities listed, call 434-2790 or email afrc@columbus.af.mil.)

Smooth Move

Learn what to expect from TMO, Housing, Military Pay, Billeting, Tri-Care, Medical Records, and the Airman and Family Readiness Center during your move. June 16, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Advance registration required. Must register no later than 10:00 a.m. the day of the workshop. To register call 434-2790.

Cook It Up, Registration Deadline

All cookie bakers interested should contact the Airman and Family Readiness Center, no later than June 9. To register call 434-2790.

Hearts Apart with Cook It Up

Hearts Apart social gathering with information, refreshments, and prizes for families of deployed (over 30 days) or remote personnel. 15 Jun, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Advance registration required, call 434-2790.

DePLAYment Tag Pass Pack

Families of deployed members are eligible for a special DePLAYment Tag Pass Pack. Provide a copy of deployment orders, and pick up your DePLAYment Tag Pass Pack at the ARFC, then log onto the HYPERLINK "<http://www.myairforcelife.com>" www.myairforcelife.com website to register. Once registered, you may use your tag-pass for discounts and free programs identified by the installation. For more information on benefits and how to use contact ARFC 434-2790.

Helping Children Cope with Post Deployment Issues

Monday, 7 June. A lunch and learn class from noon to 1:00 p.m., part of a prepare tomorrow's parents month series presented by the Military Family Life Consultants everyday this week. This program will look at the different issues and reactions children may have with reunion and reintegration.

Let's Make Summer Safer

Lt. Col. Kevin Sutton
14th Flying Training Wing
chief of safety

As we kick off the Critical Days of Summer campaign, take a moment to reflect on how this dubious title originated. Air Force safety statistics show a historical rise in mishap rates, especially off-duty ground mishaps, during the period beginning on Memorial Day weekend and running until the end of Labor Day weekend. During last year's Critical Days of Summer, the Air Force lost 22 invaluable Airmen of which 17 were due to vehicle or motorcycle accidents. No one leaves home each day intending to have an accident, but it still happens. Thus, it is appropriate that we put a little extra planning into our summertime activities to reduce our chances of becoming the next "statistic."

Every time we set about accomplishing a possibly dangerous

activity, whether on-duty or off-duty, we should apply something called operational risk management, or ORM. When we apply ORM, we identify the risks associated with the activity and any actions we can take to mitigate that risk. Most of us do this already; we just don't consciously say to ourselves, "I am applying ORM right now." For example, driving a car involves inherent risk. Even though we may drive safer than anyone else on the road, we know that it only takes one distracted driver to run a red light and hit us. Therefore, we put on our seatbelts when we get in the car, not only because it provides protection but also because it is the law. If the risks involved outweigh the benefits of performing the activity, it is probably best to avoid that activity, at least until a change in conditions allows for performing the activity in a safer manner. ORM helps us do things safely; safety and ORM go hand in hand.

Does this mean we should avoid any activity that involves risk? Certainly not! Gen. Stephen Lorenz, Air Education and

Training Command commander, acknowledges that we can never drive risk to zero, but we should always strive to do things in a safer manner. Our wing commander, Col. Roger Watkins, realizes this also, but his goal, and therefore our goal, is zero preventable losses of person or property. We may not eliminate all risk, but we can use ORM to mitigate risk wherever possible. That includes both on-duty and off-duty.

Have fun this summer, but do it safely. Whether you are going boating on the lake, mountain climbing in Colorado, or just grilling burgers in the back yard, make sure you have identified and mitigated the risks before you get started. As your new 14th FTW Chief of Safety, my job is to help us meet the Wing goal of zero preventable losses of person or property. I cannot do it alone. Colonel Watkins and the rest of the BLAZE Team leadership need all of us to watch out for each other. If you see something wrong or questionable, fix it on the spot or tell someone who has the authority to fix it. If you don't know who to call, dial 434-SAFE and I will ensure the issue gets channeled to the right person. Let's make the Critical Days of Summer an enjoyable and mishap-free experience for the 14th FTW.

Mentorship: Our unwritten core responsibility

Col. Don Bacon
3rd Air Force deputy commander

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany — The Air Force grows its military leaders from within. Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz started out as a lieutenant, and Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James Roy as an airman. None of our leaders are hired directly from the corporate world into their current positions.

Thus, all Airmen need to embrace that mentoring other Airmen is one of our core responsibilities — the future of our service depends on it. Furthermore, Airmen will receive a great sense of satisfaction when they see the positive fruits of their investment in others.

To appreciate the impacts of being and having a mentor, consider how one mentor had a huge impact on a junior officer and how that investment eventually shaped the outcome of World War II, the Korean War, the birth of NATO and eight years of a presidency.

Dwight Eisenhower started World War II as a lieutenant colonel and within three and a half years was a five-star general, leading the Allied war effort in Western Europe. He

later became the first commander of NATO and then sworn in as president of the United States in 1952.

What most don't know is years earlier, he was not considered competitive enough to get into the Army's Command and General Staff College, which is where the Army sent majors with the most potential for senior leadership.

When Eisenhower was assigned to Panama, he served as the executive officer to Brig. Gen. Fox Conner. The general saw potential in Eisenhower and invested significant time mentoring him.

He had the young Eisenhower read Carl Von Clausewitz's "On War" three times and also had him study Plato, Tacitus, Nietzsche, Polybius, Xenophon and Vegetius. He quizzed him on battles Napoleon and Caesar fought, as well as on the Greek and Roman wars. He also had him study the major campaigns of the Civil War, analyzing the strengths and weakness of the leaders and their decisions. He taught him how to develop strategy, to adapt tactics to different terrain and to write effective and concise orders.

After Eisenhower was not initially selected to attend the Army's CGSC, General Conner arranged for him to be assigned to the recruiting

command, where they still had quota slots available for CGSC. With this, Eisenhower was selected to attend CGSC... and he aced the program as the top graduate of his class. Following school, General Conner helped Eisenhower get a job with Gen. John Pershing, which later led to working for Gen. Douglas MacArthur and Gen. George Marshall.

General Conner had a tremendous impact on one of America's most important leaders in the 20th century. But don't let this story mislead you. You don't have to be a commander or a superintendent to be a great mentor.

I remember when I was a second lieutenant, Capt. Rick Donalson took me under his wings and helped me get a great start in the Air Force. What I didn't know was he was passed over for major and the Air Force was removing him from the service. But yet, Captain Donalson was selfless with his time and had a great impact on my early career. I admire his example.

We all have a responsibility to prepare future leaders—the quality of our future Air Force leaders depends on it. When we invest time in others we change the world for the better.

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vided at each level to encourage families to continue on the path of wellness. The FitFamily program encourages Air Force families to make healthy lifestyle choices and provides resources and tips in an effort to promote overall family fitness. For more information, contact the Youth Center at 434-2504.

Space A lodging

The Magnolia Inn usually has openings for Space A family and single units. Contact the lodging desk at 434-2548.

Tickets available

The information, ticket and travel office has discounted tickets for Disney World, Universal Studios, Dollywood, Sea World, Busch Gardens, Six Flags Over Georgia, the Memphis Zoo, Alabama Adventure, the Dixie Stampede, Geyser Falls, and more. Call 434-2507 for more information.

Youth Center sponsorship program

Moving is hard, but it is also a time to meet new friends, find new hangout spots, get involved in fun and different things and go on trips to interesting places. The Youth Sponsorship Program at Columbus was created by and just for youth. To help make your transition from your old base on to your new base, contact the Youth Center and join in the fun of the youth sponsorship program. For more information, call 434-2504.

Casino trip

Register at outdoor recreation for this monthly trip the first Friday of every month to the Silver Star and Golden Moon casinos. Cost is \$25 and includes transportation and \$25 in player money. Bus leaves at 5:30 p.m. from the BX parking lot and returns at 1 a.m. For more information, call 434-2507.

Base families offered a variety of activities

Golden Tri

The fitness center is taking reservations for this 750 meter swim, 20 kilometer bike and 3.1 mile run scheduled for June 5. Check in for the race from 7 to 7:45 a.m. with the first heat of race starting at 8 a.m. Race will be held rain or shine. All events start and stop at the Columbus Club. Registration is \$50 for single athlete and \$75 for team entry. Heats are in 11 age groups. Awards given immediately following completion of final heat and will be awarded to top male and female per age group, top three male/female overall; top male/female military member and top team. Entry fees may be paid by cash, check or money order only. Make checks payable to Columbus AFB Services. For more information, call the fitness center at 434-2772.

Super Scramble

The 8th annual super scramble sponsored in part by Sonic Drive-In is June 12 starting at 8 a.m. Tournament format is an 18-hole four-person scramble. Entry is \$50 per person and includes greens fees, cart, prize fund, mulligan, door prizes, goody bag, breakfast and lunch. Field is limited to the first 18 teams. Deadline for entering is June 10. For more information, call 434-7932.

Youth center trips

The youth center is offering a trip to the Tupelo antique car museum and buffalo park June 10. Cost is \$17 for both. Transportation is free. Deadline to register is June 7. Open to ages 9 to 18. Children, ages 9 and younger, must be accompanied by an adult.

A trip to the Alabama Adventure Amusement and Water Park is June 15. Register by June 9th at the youth center for this trip. Cost is \$40 and includes tickets and transportation. For more information, contact the youth center at 434-2504.

Parents Night Out

The child development center and youth center offer this night out from 5 to 11 p.m. June 12. Register at the respective facility by Wednesday, June 9. Cost is \$4 per hour per child. A \$5 non-refundable deposit is required to hold a space.

Operation Orlando

The information, ticket and travel office is offering a trip to Orlando starting June 14. Accommodations are one price of \$325 for up to six people in the same room. Bus transportation is \$180 per person. For more information, call ITT at 434-2505 or 2507.

Blaze "N" Wheels car, truck and motorcycle show & flea market

Mark your calendars for June 19 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. for this fun day of fun, food and entertainment in Freedom Park. Register for the car show from 8 to 10 a.m. Showtime is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Entries must be ready to judge by 10:30 a.m. Classes include: classic (1950-85), late model (1986 to present), antique (pre-1950), trucks (all years), and motorcycles. Entry fee is \$15 per vehicle if paid by June 5 or \$20 per vehicle after June 5. Guaranteed \$500 cash prize for "Best of Show" in all categories. First and second place trophies awarded for all classes. Entry forms may be downloaded at www.cafbservices.com. For more information, call 434-2772 and ask for Tim Dill or 434-2314 and ask for Linda Dodson.

Summer Reading Program

The Base Library will begin registering children for the Summer Reading Program Tuesday. This program is open to children and teens up to the age of 19 (at the time of registration). Preschool children can participate — parents read to preschool participants and record reading in a log. Prizes, crafts, stories and more. This year's program theme is "Voyage to Book Island". For more information, call 434-2934.

Cruise in 2011

The Information, Ticket and Travel Office has book two group cruises in 2011. Register by Aug. 1 for the five-day cruise starting Feb. 12 to Cozumel and Progresso. Register by Sept. 1 for the four-day cruise starting Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 24 and going to Cozumel. Cost for two people for the February trip is as low as \$682 with a \$75 shipboard credit. Cost for two people for the November trip is as low as \$816 with a \$50 ship board credit. For more information, call 434-2507 or 7861.

New Orleans Saints

The ITT office has tickets for the Saints home games and pre-season games. For more information about the tickets and group trips, call 434-7861. Limited seating/tickets available.

Tops in Blue

Tour positions are available with this special group with auditions open now for trumpet, bass, video technicians and technician support staff. The deadline for audition packages for the 2011 worldwide talent search is Nov. 5, 2010. The competition will be held December 5 to 13 at Lackland AFB. Go to www.topsinblue.com to begin the application process.

Karaoke's Best

The Columbus Club is hosting this ten-week contest every Thursday from 7 to 11 p.m. until June 10. Contestants will be judged by audience response and guest judges. First second and third place winners will be decided each night. Winners will receive \$25, \$20 and \$5 plus a \$5 Indy's coupon, respectively. First place winners each week will automatically compete in the finale. Finale date will be announced later. Second and third place winners may continue to compete throughout the ten-week run. Grand prize for first place winner at the finale will be \$300, second place is \$100 and third place is \$50. For more information, call 434-2490.

Vegan menu available

The bowling center now offers a vegan menu. To place an order, call 434-3426.

Club scholarship program

Write a 500-word or less essay on "What does it mean to be part of the Air Force Family? Open to current Air Force club members and their family members. Entries are due by July 1 to the FSS commander. Twenty-five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded throughout the Air Force. For more information, go to www.afclubs.net.

Youth Summer Day Camp Registration

The youth center is accepted registrations for the summer day camp program until all slots are filled. A \$10 nonrefundable deposit is required for each week to hold a space. Cost is based on total family income. All meals, educational entrance fees, supply costs, etc. are included in cost. For more information, call 434-2504.

Family child care homes needed

Ever dreamed of owning your own business? Are you willing to work out of your on base home? Do you enjoy working with children? Then family child care might be for you. Please contact Kat Savage, Airman and Family Services at 434-3602 for more information.

DePLAyment Tag Passes available

DePLAyment Tag Passes are at the Airman and Family Readiness Center until the program's end in July 2010. Air Force active duty members with children and/or spouse are eligible for the tag pass who have been deployed in support of an active operation anytime after July 2009. Deployment is described as TDY for 30 days or more; or 365-PCS in support of an active Operation and documented on official orders. Family members must bring in a copy of their sponsor's orders and register for their tag passes

for such items as free instruction classes, youth sports, youth events or hourly child care.

Zumba fitness classes

The fitness center now offers these classes Sundays from 3 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$3 per person per class but the first class is free. For more information, call 434-2772.

Lunch and Bowl

The Bowling Center offers two free games of bowling with the purchase of an adult lunch combo, Monday thru Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and all day Sunday. For more information, call 434-3426.

Cosmic Bowling Special

Every Wednesday from 6 to 9 p.m. - \$5 per person unlimited bowling and that includes shoe rental. For more information, call 434-3426.

Mommie and me crafts classes

Stop by the Arts and Crafts Center to check out the display of upcoming projects for both youth and adult. Classes are held Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 434-7836.

British Soccer Registration

Register online at www.challengersports.com for this annual soccer camp for children ages 3 to 18. The camp dates are June 7 to 11. Call the youth center at 434-2504 for details.

Squadron DUI-Free Bowling Party

The bowling center is offering a free squadron bowling party from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday for those squadrons who have been without a DUI for three months. Shoe rental, food and beverage charges still apply. For more information or to reserve the center, call the Bowling Center at 434-3426.

Lifeguards/Instructors needed

Outdoor Recreation is looking for swim instructors and lifeguards for the coming summer season. For more information, call Steve Bocek at 434-2507.

Join FitFamily!

Air Force Services family fitness and wellness initiative, FitFamily is an integral component of the Year of the Air Force Family. Families can register as a team at www.USAFFitFamily.com to earn points and achieve levels for participation in Family Fun activities, family sports and fitness and family nutrition. Recognition is pro-

50th Flying Training Squadron "World Famous" Strikin' Snakes

Lt. Col. Steve Ankerstar
50th Flying Training Squadron
commander

It isn't easy being world famous. The more than 150-strong team of those assigned or associated with the Strikin' Snakes try their best though. With 40 active duty instructor pilots, 30 more reservist instructors, nine enlisted, two civilians, a world-class spouse organization, and over 60 associated students at a time, we boast a total force team that is committed to our mission.

Today, I'll press beyond what made this squadron world famous in the past to highlight a few things that make the 50th FTS "world famous" today.

Our mission is clear—we train pilots. We utilize the T-38C supersonic jet trainer to offer one of two Phase III SUPT "tracks" that transition students from the T-6 to their follow-on weapon systems. Traditionally, our squadron has trained students for follow-on assignments primarily in fighter and bomber units, but the drawdown in combat air force assets has changed this slightly. Beginning in late 2009, we began sending students to mobility airframes as well. Our syllabus remains the same and every graduate of our program earns a single-seat fighter qualification.

However, those opportunities are rare these days. With the F-35 around the corner, we provide the Air Force with a qualified pool of resources that may later transition from the mobility world into the fighter world. Until then, we tell our students that they could see almost any aircraft in the inventory when they turn and face the screen on assignment night. Such experiences build character.

Our priorities are also clear—train, educate, and motivate. Training remains our highest priority with our syllabus consisting of 82 aircraft sorties, 30 simulators, and 112 hours of academics. However, we try to round out this training with education along the way by answering "why" instead of just teaching our students "how." We treat our students as professional young aviators that will lead tomorrow's Air Force and we make/take every opportunity to educate and mentor them along the way.

Every Friday afternoon, we stand down for a flying period to focus on training excellence and professional aviation. Our students attend these "all ops" meetings and participate in debriefing the highlights (both good and bad) of the week. We show HUD tapes and ACMI lines to demonstrate our lessons learned and we do this en masse to allow all of us to learn from each incident. The real value to the students is in hearing the discussion behind each event to allow all of our aviators, instructor pilots and student alike, to add to their professional aviation understanding on a weekly basis. These meetings also provide the backbone of a strong aviation safety culture of owning up to mistakes, talking through the experience and passing on lessons learned.

Motivation exists in many forms. As such, we pride our-

selves in offering multiple avenues to motivate our students to achieve more than they thought possible. For starters, we sacrifice a flying training period every week to focus on fitness and motivational team-building. Every Wednesday afternoon (or morning on night weeks), we can be seen on the football field outside the squadron or at the gym or running perimeter road (too hot for that now). By far the most motivational event we have is the regular instructor versus student dodge ball game. The presence of multiple flying projectiles does wonders for building situational awareness. Other motivation techniques in our motivational tool kit are: the charm bracelet, the touk (Canadian for a particular style of hat) of shame and Friday T-shirt contests.

One must ask a current Snake instructor or student for the finer nuances of exactly how each of these specific methods enhance memory and motivate students to achieve more on a daily basis. Part of being world famous is having the foresight to rejuvenate viable motivational techniques that have been cast aside by today's institutions of higher learning.

Lastly, and most importantly, the core of our "world-famousness" is our support network. Our life support personnel have the cleanest life support facility that I have ever seen and their pride in their facility demonstrates the same pride they have in taking care of each of us.

Our ops desk personnel take great pleasure in ensuring that no Snake steps out the door without all the appropriate paperwork and qualifications to do so.

Our maintenance team provides us ready to fly airplanes every day without fail and politely revises their schedule when ours explodes (daily).

Our civilians, Ms. Cathy and Michelle, form a front office team that will welcome you to our squadron with open arms while simultaneously extinguishing the multiple office fires that pop every day.

Our Honorary Commander, Mr. Paul Swain, graces us with his presence and we could not ask for more support than he and Linda provide.

And finally, our spouses—the Strikin' Sisters—and our families keep us grounded in reality and remind us that our world-famousness only exists within the four walls of the squadron.

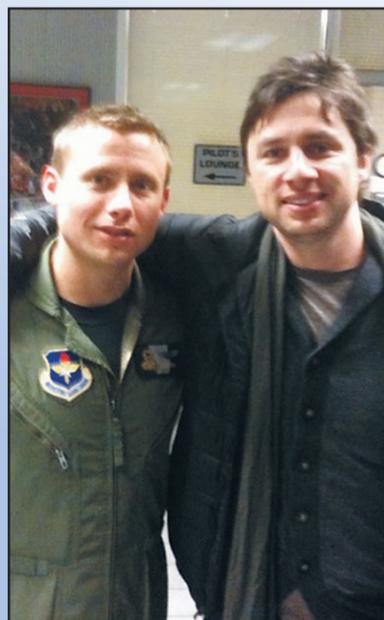
I commonly brief the wing commander on our Thursday stand up meetings that, "Life is good in the 50th" and it truly is. In addition to the sheer privilege of training, educating, and motivating tomorrow's Air Force leaders, we also get to showcase the US Air Force to our primary customer—the American public—on a regular basis.

We supported multiple air shows this past year from coast to coast, Arlington funeral flybys, Officer Training School graduations, and multiple televised sporting events to include—opening day for the Atlanta Braves, a Miami Dolphin NFL game, and two NASCAR races. We are a proud squadron with a proud history and we are working hard to get better every day. Please visit us at our Facebook page—50 FTS Strikin Snakes—to learn more.



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Maj. Bill Lester gives a step brief to 50th FTS pilots at the squadron. On average students at the 50th FTS go through 82 aircraft sorties, 30 simulators and 112 hours of academics during their time at the squadron.



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First Lt. Jay Doerfler stands with TV star Zach Braff.



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Two-year-old Alexa Ankerstar, daughter of squadron commander Lt. Col. Steve Ankerstar, holds the squadron mascot.



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Pilots walk through the "World Famous" door to the flight line at the squadron headquarters.



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Capt. Aaron Kiser instructs a student in the finer art of tactical formation.



U.S. Air Force courtesy photo

Participants in Spouse Taxi Day 2009 are shown.



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Pilots with the 50th FTS stand with members of the Miami Dolphins cheerleaders after a flyover November 2009.



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First Lt. Jay Doerfler and Leslie Watkins, wife of 14th Flying Training Wing Commander Col. Roger Watkins, pause for a photo on spouse taxi day.



U.S. Air Force courtesy photo
Maj. Esther McElhinney shows no fear of the 50th FTS mascot.