Bradford Freeman, assigned to "Easy" Company, 2nd Battalion of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division, stand with members from the 43rd Flying Training Squadron at Freeman's residency Sept. 3, 2020 in Miss. The 43rd FTS flew an American Flag in each trainer airframe over Columbus Air Force Base, Miss. and raised the flag outside Freeman's House in honor of his service and sacrifice to the U.S.

Band of Brothers member turns 96, CAFB helps him celebrate

Senior Airman Keith Holcomb
14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

Bradford Freeman, a member of the famous Band of Brothers, assigned to E Company, 2nd Battalion of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 101st Airborne Division cele-

Columbus AFB COVID-19 Information
The base is executing a measured approach to reopening in order to protect our people and our mission.

Permitted areas:
- Military personnel may travel two and a half hours outside of Columbus Air Force Base to obtain necessary goods and services and to engage in outdoor recreation.
- Boats, barber shops and other personal care/grooming establishments.
- State and local parks are allowed.
- Freedom Park access from 6 a.m.-8 p.m. You must wash your hands or use hand sanitizer before and after playing at the park. 50 people maximum in line with Governor's outdoor guidance.
- The base pool is open under limitations.
- Overnight lodging facilities.
- Arts and Crafts, and bowling center with limitations.

Off-limits:
- No dining-in at restaurants, bars, casinos or breweries or similar establishments. Take out, drive-thru and outdoor seating at restaurants is authorized.
- Gyms, bowling centers, theaters, auditoriums and events off base are prohibited.

Gathering limitations:
- 20 people indoors and 50 people outdoors
- Physical distancing
- Masks are required if physical distance can't be maintained.
Arlington, Va. — Official physical assessment due dates have been extended to January 1, 2021, based on the recommendation of Air Force officials announced Sept. 16.

“This is an unprecedented situation and we want to put it all into work in a meaningful way so that when we can safely resume fitness testing, our resumption occurs where it makes sense for their locations and their people,” said Lt. Gen. Brian K. Kelly, deputy chief of staff for manpower, personnel, and installation, U.S. Air Force.

“We know people are staying in regions, but we want to give our Airmen the opportunity to get back on some level and the extended dates are the opportunity to make lasting changes that will improve our fitness culture,” Kelly said. “We’re in discussion with our medical counterparts to determine the best way to resume, physical fitness testing has been delayed from October to January 2021, to continue minimizing close contact among personnel during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and ensure units and personnel are ready for the New Year. Sorry for any inconvenience, please call 434-2790.

Key Sponsorship Programs

Military and Family Life Counselor Program

Military and Family Life Counselor Program (MFLCP) provides counseling services to active-duty personnel, family members, significant others, and dependents of Airmen in order to aid in the recovery from stress, provide support, and improve decision-making. For more information, please call your base MFLCP at 434-2107.

Personal Financial Readiness

Need help with Financial planning? Want to make the most of your money? The Personal Financial Counselor can help you and your family manage financial problems and reach long-term goals. For more information, call 434-2902.

Key Sponsorship Programs (KSP)

The mission of KSP is to provide information and resources to Air Force personnel who are either deploying or returning from deploy-

Department of the Air Force pushes fitness testing to Jan. 1

As we continue to work through the challenges created by deployments, reintegration and life transitions, the KSP is a CC’s program. The CC establishes and maintains the Key Spouse Program (KSP) program within the unit, to include selecting team members, providing key spouse selection and training, and ensuring that the selected KSs are fully equipped and trained to help mitigate the challenge of the transition. The KSP is a CC’s program. The CC establishes and maintains the Key Spouse Program (KSP) program within the unit, to include selecting team members, providing key spouse selection and training, and ensuring that the selected KSs are fully equipped and trained to help mitigate the challenge of the transition.

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Available to students age 15-23

- Careers: all the benefits of our Bank Club Checking account
- NO minimum balance requirement
- NO monthly service fee until you turn 23
- Free Mango Languages: Free Mango Language or available at the Base Library, real-life conversations in 50+ languages. For more information, contact 434-2914.

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Pre-Separation Counseling

This counseling is a mandatory briefing for personnel separating or retiring, and is to be completed at least 90 days prior to separation or retirement. To schedule a pre-separation counseling session, please contact your SBP Counselor Mary Chambers at 434-2107.

Professional Financial Readiness

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Instructors Needed

Instructors Needed to prepare and conduct effective training and development classes, classes designed to meet the needs of the target audience. For more information, email 434-2902.

Ride in Style

Columbus Air Force Base is temporarily closed.

Pre- and Post-Deployment Tour Briefing

The Pre- and Post-Deployment Tour Briefing is an annual event with the aim of helping deployers and their families prepare for and navigate the challenges of deployment. The briefing covers a wide range of topics, including military life, family life, and the logistical aspects of deployment. For more information, please call 434-2790.

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Johnny Appleseed Grab & Go Crafts

The Columbus Air Force Base Bowling Center’s Facebook page. Limited to 4 persons per lane.

The hours have changed temporarily to: Monday-Friday: 6:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., Sat & Sun: Closed. Breakfast is offered until 10:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Saturday/Sunday, 9 – 10 a.m.. ODR offers all sorts of rental for the water, camping, and much more! Don’t miss the Independence Pool season has been extended through September 25 at 3:30 p.m. Please call 434-7856 to sign up your child.

FSS Gift Cards

Make your shopping easier! Purchase or redeem your FSS Gift Card at any following locations:

Columbus Club
ITT
FSS Gift Card kiosk in ODR

Contact

For pricing and more information, contact Outdoor Recreation at 434-2772.

A Band of Brothers

On this day-Friday from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Come by and check out their new Information, Tickets & Travel (ITT) office. Information, Tickets & Travel (ITT) is located in the rear of the Shooting Center, the Columbus Club, on Columbus AFB. For more information, call 434-7861.

Assignment Night Transportation

Night transportation with ITT. Reserve the bus, the car or both: The cost is only $5 per bus for Columbus and $10 per car for other locations. Reservations are due at least a minimum of four hours prior to the time you need transportation. Reservation can be made Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Please call 434-7861.

Exclusive Military Vacation Packages

This is a unique opportunity for the men and women around you today,” said Lt. Col. Jason Barlow, 43rd FTS commander. “We are so honored to be here with you today. This flag was flown in each aircraft on Columbus AFB in honor of you, your birthday, and your service to this country.

The 43rd FTS was a bombing squadron in World War II and while Freeman and Ely Company controlled Adolph Hitler’s famous “Eagles Nest,” the 43rd for the last bombing mission over Nazi-occupied Europe. The 43rd once again is your direct link to the commander for any issues, concerns, or questions you may have. This is a preventative measure to help minimize the COVID-19 spread. For continuous
tact 434-2934 or send them a direct message on their Facebook page, Columbus Air Force Library.

Coffe House on 5th

For more information, contact Outdoor Recreation at 434-2772.

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**AF Status**

The AF Status application logo. The AF Status is an application made by Capt. McKenzie Kane, 50th Flying Training Squadron instructor pilot, used at the 50th Flying Training Squadron and Vance Air Force Base for currently disseminating current status information to pilots and flight operations personnel. The AF Status is an innovative, user-friendly, and more efficient communication method.

The concept was developed a year ago, and it is now in testing phases at the 50th FTS and Vance AFB, Kane said. “Having spent most evenings and weekends writing the framework and botting to find a way to deploy the application; it is rewarding to see the app in the test phase.”

As a pilot, Kane says an app is a must have for his flight, since his line is fast-paced, and he must have real-time information to see if a flight is on time. The AF Status application is designed to make weather, status, flying conditions, and operational notes available to pilots via a smartphone or tablet.

Kane said, “This technology advancement is simply up-and-coming and we must adapt or lose the war before it even begins.”

Heart Link

The next Heart Link / Spouse Welcome workshop is from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov 18. This workshop helps spouses identify skills, increase awareness of training opportunities, explore employment options, and develop an action plan to achieve career goals. To register or for more information, please call A&FRC at (662) 434-2790.

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Installation Voting Assistance Office

The Installation Voting Assistance Office is located in the Columbus A&FRC. The office is open 8 a.m.-noon and Mon-Fri, 8 a.m.-noon Wed. The office is closed on all federal holidays. There are numerous locations throughout Columbus AFB that are open for voter registration, designated ballot support and voting assistance. The office can answer questions about federal or state elections, voter registration, polling places, absentee voting, or general voting questions to 이루어진 3000 block of Columbus AFB. The office has access to all federal, state, and local polling places. The office provides assistance including: voter registration, election day assistance, and provision of voting materials. The Installation Voting Assistance Office can also assist with access to voter registration cards. Assistance includes: voter registration assistance, selection of polling place, and assistance in obtaining election materials.

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6 October (Sunday)

- No activities scheduled

7 October (Monday)

- CDC (Bldg 940) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.
- Fire Drill at CES (Bldg 385)
- CDC (Bldg 940) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.

8 October (Tuesday)

- Fire Drill at A&FRC (Bldg 1114)
- Sparky visit Freedom Park

9 October (Wednesday)

- Fire Drill at SFS (Bldg 926)
- Sparky visit Wing HQ (Bldg 724)
- CDC (Bldg 940) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.

10 October (Thursday)

- Fire Drill (Bldg 158)
- CDC (Bldg 940) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.
- Fire Drill at CES (Bldg 385)

11 October (Friday)

- Parade through housing 9 – 10 a.m.
- FTW/CC & MSG/CC Live Fire Training 9 – 10 a.m.
- Fire Drill at Education Center (Bldg 916)

12 October (Saturday)

- Sparky visit Freedom Park
- CDC (Bldg 940) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.
- CDC (Bldg 956) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.
- Sparky visit Frequent Park

13 October (Sunday)

- Sparky visit Frequent Park
- CDC (Bldg 940) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.
- CDC (Bldg 956) Reading with Sparky 9 – 10 a.m.
- Sparky visit MDO (Bldg 735)

Fire Prevention Week Schedule of Events

Blaze Hangar Tails: RQ-4 Global Hawk Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

Mission

The RQ-4 Global Hawk is a high-altitude, long-endurance, remotely piloted aircraft with an integrated sensor suite that provides global all-weather, day or night intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance capability. Global Hawk’s mission is to provide a broad spectrum of ISR collection capability to support joint combatant forces in worldwide peacekeeping, contingency and wartime operations. The Global Hawk provides persistent near-real-time coverage using imagery, intelligence, signals intelligence and moving target indicator sensors.

Features

Global Hawk is currently fielded in three distinct blocks and is flown by a Launch and Recovery Element and a Mission Control Element. The LRE is located at the aircraft home base and functions to launch and recover the aircraft while en route to and from the action area. The MCE controls the Global Hawk for the bulk of the ISR mission. Like the LRE, the MCE is manned by one pilot, but adds a sensor operator to the crew.

Control and command data links enable complete dynamic control of the aircraft. The pilot workstations in the MCE and LRE are the control and display workstations providing aircraft health and status, sensors status and a means to alter the navigation/track of the aircraft. From this station, the pilot also communicates with outdoor entities to coordinate the mission such as air traffic control, airborne commanders, ground controllers, and other ISR assets.

The sensor operator workstations provide capabilities to task the sensor, dynamically update the collection plan in real time, instant sensor calibration and sensor status monitor. The sensor operator must also identify and access the exploration node with image quality control, target track prioritization and ensure fluid operations.

Background

Global Hawk began as an Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration in 1995. The system was determined to have military utility and provide watchfulness with an evolutionary high-altitude, long-endurance ISR capability. The Global Hawk has been deployed operationally to support overseas contingency operations since November 2001. In the RQ-4 name, the “R” is the Department of Defense designation for reconnaissance and “Q” means unmanned aircraft system. The “4” indicates a system purpose-built remotely piloted aircraft system. The “T” in “RQ” delineates the communication configuration of the BACN-equipped aircraft.

General Characteristics

Primary functions: high-altitude, long-endurance ISR
Contractor: Northrop Grumman (Prime), L3, Raytheon, BAE Systems (MCE)
Power Plant: Rolls-Royce Aerial Fanjet
Options:
- Thrust: 3,500 pounds
- WingSpan: 135.09 feet (41.30 meters)
- Length: 12.06 feet (3.72 meters)
- Height: 11.33 feet (3.46 meters)
- Weight: 14,054 pounds (6372 kilograms)

Maximum takeoff weight: 31,250 pounds (14162 kilograms)
Fuel Capacity: 17,300 pounds (7847 kilograms)
Takeoff: 16,000 pounds (7256 kilograms)
Speed: 302 knots (347 mph)
Range: 12,300 nautical miles
Endurance: more than 34 hours
Ceiling: 60,000 feet (18,288 meters)
Armament: None

Contractor: Northrop Grumman (Prime), BAE Systems (MCE), Raytheon, L3 (sensor operator)

Operating capability: 2016 (Block 30); 2018 (Block 40)

Inventory: active fleet, 33 (three new Block 30s purchased, to be fielded in 2021).

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Visit www.columbus.af.mil to learn about Columbus AFB agencies and other important information.

Fire Prevention Week

The 2020 Fire Prevention Week theme, “Save Up SFates In the Kitchen” effectively served to remind us that we need to be aware of the potential fire hazards in our daily lives.

Columbus AFB is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living and working our installation. Fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire.

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An RQ-4 Global Hawk sits static in a hangar Oct. 18, 2013, at Naval Air Station Sigonella, Italy. The RQ-4 Global Hawk is a high-altitude, long-endurance, remotely piloted aircraft with an integrated sensor suite that provides global all-weather, day or night intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance.

An RQ-4 Global Hawk takes off Oct. 24, 2018, at Naval Air Station Sigonella, Italy. The aircraft can reach altitudes of 35,000 feet and stay airborne for more than 30 hours.
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Considerations and answers on the FVAP website at http://www.fvap.gov. You may access many voting-related questions and complete a list of 14 FTW voting assistance officers at https://www.columbusafb.com/votingassistance. Columbus AFB Living has a commercial (662) 434-2701 or E-mail vote.columbus@us.af.mil. Additionally, your unit has at least one appointed Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) who is trained and available to help you. Your UVAO can help you fill in an absentee ballot.

If you have not received your absentee ballot, you should complete and return the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) immediately. You are welcome to drop the completed FWAB off at the Installation Voter Assistance Office (IVAO) located in the Airman and Family Readiness Center, Building 114, or an assigned voting assistance officer will gladly mail it for you.

As Americans, we are fortunate to have many rights. Many of these rights didn’t come easy, thus they must be protected. One of these rights is the right to vote, and as a uniformed service member, you not only enjoy this right, but you protect it... for yourself and all Americans. This year's National General Election will be held on 3 November 2020, and it's fast approaching.

As service members physically live away from their state of voter registration, and therefore vote by absentee ballot. Hopefully you've had a chance to register and/or request your absentee ballot.

Brown and Bass discuss PT tests, empowering Airmen and leading during pandemic

For example, we will not be able to do the PT test as it is currently structured, your unit has at least one appointed Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) who is trained and available to help you. Your UVAO can help you fill in an absentee ballot. The vast majority of service members physically live away from their state of voter registration, and therefore vote by absentee ballot. Hopefully you've had a chance to register and/or request your absentee ballot.

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SUPT Class 20-24/25 earns silver wings

T-1A Jayhawk

Twenty-three officers have prevailed during a year of training, earning the right to become Air Force pilots.

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 20-24/25 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Kope Auditorium.

Students will receive their silver pilot’s wings at the ceremony, and students who excelled in their respective training tracks will be recognized.

First Lt. Johnathan Kibbe, 2nd Lt. Brett Bradford and 2nd Lt. Alisson Moraes excelled in training and placed the laurels of the association; promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

The distinguished graduates of Class 20-24/25 received their wings at Columbus AFB. Today, each student will be given a set of pilot wings with their names engraved on the back as a token of good luck from their partners.

Students also practice night, instrument and cross country landing procedures, aerobatics and formation flying.

Primary training takes approximately 23 weeks and includes 244.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 99 hours in the T-6A aircraft.

After primary training, students select, by order of merit, advanced training in the fighter-bomber or airlift-tanker track.

Both tracks are designed to have trainees ready for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38 Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation flying, advanced aerobatics and navigational training; takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 33.6 hours in the flight simulator and 118.7 hours in the T-38C aircraft.

The airlift-tanker track uses the T-1A Jayhawk, the military version of a multi-place Beech Jet 400 business jet. Instruction centers on crew coordination and management, instrument training, cross-country flying and simulated refueling andirdropping missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 33.6 hours in the flight simulator and 76.4 hours in the T-1A.

Tenure at a high level with business or civic organizations during their year of training. The program is designed to foster closer ties between the community and Coast Guard facilities.

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