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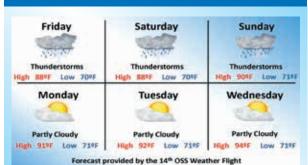
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50th FTS Change of Command

The 50th Flying Training Squadron is hosting a Change of Command ceremony at 8:50 a.m. June 16 at the Fire Station.

49th FTS Change of Command

The 49th Fighter Training Squadron is hosting a Change of Command ceremony at 8:49 a.m. June 19 at the Fire Station.

Enlisted Combat Dining In

An Enlisted Combat Dining In is scheduled for 6 p.m. June 19 at Freedom Park. Tickets can be purchased from first sergeants and Group POCs and are \$10 for junior Airmen, \$15 for NCOs, and \$20 for senior NCOs.

Inside



Feature 8

SUPT Class 15-10 graduates today at 10 a.m. at the Kaye Auditorium.



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman Daniel Lile

Col. John Nichols, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander, and Maj. Brenton Pickrell, 14th Security Forces Squadron Commander, lead a line of 14 shooters to officially open the Columbus Lowndes County Small Arms Range May 8 in Lowndes County, Mississippi. Distinguished shooters included Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant and other local community members who contributed to the planning and construction of the \$1.9 million facility.

Community opens joint small arms range

Sonic Johnson

14th Flying Training Wing Chief of Public Affairs

It became an historic day on May 8, 2015, when Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant came to Lowndes County, Mississippi, to officially open a new small arms range.

The range will be used jointly by Columbus Air Force Base Airmen, Lowndes County, city of Columbus and other local law enforcement departments for weapons qualification and training

The new range is a 26-minute drive from Columbus AFB in East Columbus, just off Mississippi Highway 69.

Columbus AFB currently uses the Columbus Police Department/Lowndes County Sheriff's Office range. Located in downtown Columbus near the Detention Center, it suffers from residential encroachment which now limits night operations. In addition, a new Lowndes County Justice Court was built ad-

jacent to the old shooting range, prohibiting operations when court is in session.

Columbus AFB also uses Camp McCain in Grenada, Mississippi, for additional training, costing \$160,000 annually and removing Airmen from duty for a minimum of eight hours.

The new range is designed to solve all these operational restrictions. The 14-lane outdoor range has covered shooting stations and was designed by the Columbus AFB Combat Arms Training Manager.

There are several small differences between military and civilian ranges. For example, military ranges require wider shooting lanes that civilian ranges. Local officials designed this range to meet our military specifications.

The \$1.9 million range has 14 shooting lanes, 50 meters long, and four additional lanes with 100-meter targets for sniper qual-

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COLUMBUS AFB TRAINING TIMELINE

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ification. The 50-meter lanes have an automated bullet trap for lead containment and recovery for recycling. The training building is a 4,662 square-foot heated and cooled facility for classroom training and weapons cleaning.

This range will also allow an increased opportunity for night shooting and will reduce the number of trips to Camp McCain for defenders doing weapons training. Utilizing the new Columbus shooting range, Columbus AFB will realize an annual savings of \$128,000.

The Mississippi Development Authority solicited applications from the military communities represented by the Mississippi Military Communities Council for the purpose of making upgrades to facilities improving the military value of the bases. The Link submitted the proposal to MDA and was approved for \$1.2 million in state of Mississippi funding. Lowndes County contributed \$322,000 in cash and nearly \$106,000 in-kind services. The city of Columbus invested \$203,000 in cash and nearly \$74,000 in-kind services.

"The significant relationship between the local community and Team BLAZE has garnered many things essential to our success," said Maj. Brenton Pickrell, 14th Security Forces Squadron Commander. "In this case our ability to train our Airmen on a fundamental tool of our trade, our small arms."

This partnership is a concrete testimony to the community support for the men, women and mission of the 14th Flying Training Wing.

"The continuous and robust support we receive from the local community continues to awe me personally," Pickrell

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Air National Guard In-Service Recruiter Master Sgt. Marcus Rawls



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> Columbus AFB breifings are scheduled for 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. June 16 at Phillips Auditorium.

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News Around Town

June 12-13

Magnolia Motor Speedway site at MagnoliaDirt.com. in Columbus, Mississippi is set for The Columbus Convention and Visitor's Bureau Clash at the MAG. Competitors will attempt to tame the "Black Ice" in pursuit of a \$20,000-to-win top prize and a total purse in excess of \$85,000 plus. June 12 the event racing action starts at 8 p.m. with admission of \$25 for adults with Kids (6-10 vears-of-age) \$5, and Kids 5 & under free. June 13 racing action starts at 7:30 p.m. with admission of \$30 for adults, with Kids (ages 6-10) \$5, and kids 5 & under free. Trackside parking is an additional \$30 per parking spot (not included with admission pass). Call to reserve your spot at 386-9191. For more information call 574-2572 or

240-3478 and visit the track's web-

A showing of the critically-acclaimed documentary which chronicles the story behind Rick Hall's Fame Recording Studios is scheduled for 3 p.m. at the Rosenzweig Art Center with singer-songwriter Walt Aldridge on hand to discuss the film. Walt Aldridge will perform at 7 p.m., tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. June 18

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The Sounds of Summer Concert Series is scheduled from 7 - 9 p.m. Enjoy local musical entertainment at Riverwalk Park. Food and beverages are available for purchase. June 27-28

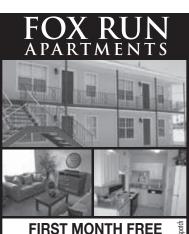
The Tennessee Williams Tribute Committee will have auditions for the play "Summer and Smoke" at 2 p.m. June 27 at the Rosenzweig Arts Center Omnova Theater and at 2 p.m. June 28 in St Paul's Episcopal Church Parish Hall. The play will be presented at the Whitfield Building in the Rent Auditorium on the Mississippi University for Women campus in September. For more information call 328-5413.

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Hunt Housing Public Affairs

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The Hunt Loyalty Program is our latest way of giving back to our current residents who relocate from base to base and continue to choose a Hunt property for their home. When a resident informs a member of our Hunt Property Management Team about their next destination, they will make finding the residents' next home even easier. As part of the Hunt Loyalty Program, residents will enjoy:

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information about the housing area available and make the process easy and smooth. The Military Housing application must be submitted along with all required paperwork to receive a referral, if active duty military.

Loyalty Reward - The resident will receive a \$200 credit for their first month's rent if the resident signs a lease prior to relocating from their current Hunt home, or a \$100 credit to the resident ledger at the new duty station if the lease is signed after departure from the Hunt property location.

Hunt also extended this opportunity to non-standard military residents such as: single service members, military retirees, DoD employees, and federal civil service employees, National Guard and Reserve members and more at participating locations.

For additional information, please contact your local housing office at 434-8213 to learn about the Hunt Loyalty program and how you can participate.

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Lott takes command of 14th CPTS

Col. John Nichols, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander, passes the 14th Comptroller Squadron guidon to Maj. Rickey Lott, the new 14th CPTS Commander, at a change of command ceremony June 5 at the Fire Department.

Team BLAZE members Team BLAZE members selected for promotion to technical sergeant

Nine Columbus Air Force Base staff sergeants were selected for promotion to echnical sergeant lune 9.

The technical sergeant selects are: Bryan Alfred, 14th Medical Group Chris Banzet, 14th MDG

Adrian Galcik, 14th Force Suppor quadron William Gray, 14th Operations Sup-

ort Squadron Chris Iones, 14th Security Forces guadron

Elizabeth McDowell, 14th MDG Michael Talavera, 14th MDG Roger Watrous, 14th OSS **Ieffrey Williams,** 14th Civil Engineer

Squadron

selected for promotion to lieutenant colonel Ten Columbus Air Force Base majors were

selected for promotion to lieutenant colonel The lieutenant colonel selects are:

Daniel Akeredolu, 14th Force Support

Michael Cline, 14th FSS

Jeffrey Dennis, 81st Fighter Squadron Andrew Desantis, 14th Operations Group Stephen Duran, 14th Mission Support

Johnnie Green, 81st FS

Hedgpeth Jeffrey, 50th Flying Training

Nathaniel Miller, 48th Flying Training

Squadron

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14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

As of press time, 32 TEAM BLAZE members are deployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.





U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet 3rd Class Turner Crews speaks to Air Force Academy appointees from the state of Mississippi and their families at a hail and farewell June 5 on Columbus Air Force Base. Mississippi. Amona those selected to attend the Air Force Academy were Airman 1st Class Alexander Colon, 14th Contracting Squadron Specialist, and Airman 1st Class Shanasty Mahi-Lyons, 14th Medical Operations Squadron Specialist, both Columbus AFB Airmen. After the tour, appointees and their families ate dinner, during which officers who had attended the Air Force Academy spoke to the appointees about the challenges they would face during the next four years of their lives.

Airman celebrates acceptance to Academy

2nd Lt. Lauren Woods

14th Flying Training Wing

The Mississippi U.S. Air Force Academy Parents' Club hosted a reception on Columbus Air Force Base June 5 honoring recent Air Force Academy appointees from the state, including an Airman from Columbus

Airman 1st Class Alexander Colon applied for the Leaders Encouraging Airman Development program and found out in April he had been accepted.

"I had thoughts of attending the Academy when I was in eighth grade, but it was something I thought was unachievable," Colon said. "I have had a desire to lead and take the responsibility of commanding so that one day I can be an impactful role model for the next generation of Airmen. When I found out I was accepted, I was ecstatic! I honestly couldn't stop smiling. I was in awe of this literal dream come true.'

Colon was invited to the reception along with eight other appointees from Mississippi. The reception began with a tour, in which friends and families of the appointees learned about the Columbus AFB mission and spoke here. Afterwards they met at the fire station—also accepted to the Air Force Academy.

for a burger burn, where alumni cooked and served food for the future cadets.

Allison Crews, head of the Mississippi USAFA Parents' Club, had nothing but compliments for the evening.

"The event was outstanding," she said. "Appointees were able not only to see a real air base, but also to speak to recent academy graduates and learn where all their hard work can take them if they persevere.'

The Air Force Academy is one of only three commissioning sources for the United

"Attending the Air Force Academy is not like attending a civilian college or university," Crews said. "It is an honor and a privilege, but it is also extremely challenging both academically and physically. Succeeding can be difficult without support from family and friends who have experienced it."

To other Airmen looking to follow in his footsteps, Colon had this advice: "Keep chipping away at your package each and every day, know why you're applying, and don't be discouraged if the first application is not successful. It may sound comical, but considering age requirements it truly is a limited time

One other Airman from Columbus AFB, with Air Force Academy alumni stationed Airman 1st Class Shanasty Mahi-Lyons, was

Celebrating the red, white, blue

Senior Airman Stephanie Englar 14th Flyina Trainina Wina Public Affairs

Every year, Flag Day is celebrated across the United States on June 14. For many, the United States flag is a symbol of freedom, a symbol of honor, and a symbol of courage.

What is the reason behind Flag Day and now did it begin? It all started a few hundred years ago, following America's victory in achieving independence from Britain.

Following the American Independence rom Britain in 1776, President George Washington sought to have a flag created that was different than the Grand Union Flag that was flown earlier that year. Betsy Ross suggested a flag design with five-pointed stars while many others had their own

The following year, June 14, 1777, was when the Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act declaring "that the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, repreenting a new Constellation."

The declaration resulted in the creation of the new flag, however it would take many years before an official day was established to honor the flag.

Flag Day first started unofficially back in 1885 when Bernard Cigrand, a teacher in Waubeka, Wisconsin, placed an American flag on his desk and asked his students to write an essay about the flag's importance. By doing this he wanted to inspire his students, as well as all Americans, to learn about the real meaning of the flag.

Cigrand worked diligently to establish a national Flag Day and is known for holding the first recognized Flag Day. Cigrand continued to enthusiastically advocate the observance of June 14 as 'Flag Birthday', or 'Flag Day' in numerous magazines, newspaper articles and public addresses over the following years. Today, he is known as the 'father of Flag Day."

In 1894, the governor of New York directed that on June 14 the Flag be displayed on all public buildings. With BJ Cigrand and Leroy Van Horn as the moving spirits, the Illinois organization, known as the American Flag Day Association, was organized for the purpose of promoting the hold- of Hawaii into the union. ing of Flag Day exercises.

On June 14, 1894, under the auspices to remember the history and meaning beof this association, the first general public hind our "Grand Old Flag" as we all celeschool children's celebration of Flag Day brate National Flag Day.

in Chicago was held in Douglas, Garfield Humboldt, Lincoln, and Washington Parks, with more than 300,000 children participating. By the early 1900s many groups celebrated Flag Day unofficially on June 14.

Inspired by over three decades of state and local celebrations, its status changed in 1916 when it was officially established by a proclamation by President Woodrow Wilson on May 30, 1916.

In 1949, President Harry Truman established June 14 of each year as the National Flag Day. However, although June 14 is a national holiday, it is not a federal holiday. The only state that recognizes it as an official holiday is the state where the flag was officially created: Pennsylvania.

The American flag has been through many changes since it was originally created by Betsy Ross. Driving along Harpe Blvd. one can observe the United States flag as it has changed throughout the years.

The flag Betsy Ross created is located right next to the flight line and is characterized by its 13 five-point stars in a circular pattern. There were several different flags during that year, but the Betsy Ross flag is the most recognizable.

Heading toward the Wing Headquarters building, the second flag on Harpe, with the 13 stars in the now familiar rectangular pattern, was the first officially designated U.S. flag by the 1777 resolution, often referred to as the Francis Hopkinson flag. Francis Hopkinson was a popular patriot, a lawyer, a Congressman from New Jersey, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, poet, artist, and distinguished civil servant. This flag flew over our nation for 18 years.

The next flag in our nation's history is the Star Spangled Banner flag which became official on May 1, 1795. With the addition of Vermont and Kentucky, the new flag had 15 stars and stripes. This is the only flag in our history to have other than 13 stripes and would fly over our country for 23 years. This flag would be immortalized by Francis Scott Key as it was the one flying over Ft. McHenry when he wrote the Star Spangled Banner

The nation's current flag flies over the Gene Smith Plaza in front of the Wing Headquarters building has been doing so since July 4, 1960, marking the admittance

Take a bit of time this Sunday, June 14.

Air Force elevates discharge authority for transgenderrelated Airmen separations

Secretary of the Air Force **Public Affairs**

WASHINGTON — Air Force leaders announced June 4 a change to the deci sion authority for involuntary separations for enlisted Airmen diagnosed with gender dysphoria or who identify themselves a transgender.

"Though the Air Force policy regarding involuntary separation of gender dysphoric Airmen has not changed, the elevation of decision authority to the director, Air Force Review Boards Agency, ensures the ability to consistently apply the existing policy, said Daniel Sitterly, the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

This change follows a similar one insti tuted by the Army in March of this year.

Neither gender dysphoria nor self-identification as transgender is an automatic circumstance that generates involuntary sep aration. A recommendation for discharge because of gender dysphoria must be sur ported by a report of evaluation by a psychi atrist or Ph.D.-level clinical psychologist In addition, after consultation with medical professionals, there must be a commander determination that the condition interferes with duty requirements — including potential deployment — or duty performance Identification as transgender, absent a re cord of poor duty performance, misconduct or a medically disqualifying condition, not a basis for involuntary separation.

If command recommends involuntary separation of an enlisted Airman for gen der dysphoria or for another reason and the enlisted Airman has self-identified as transgender, separation action will be reviewed by the Secretary of the Air Force Personnel Council for recommendation, and then t the AFRBA director, for decision.

Officer involuntary administrative separation decision authority remains with the AFRBA director.



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Malia Jenkins

A B-52 Stratofortress assigned to the 5th Bomb Wing at Minot Air Force Base, N.D., arrives at Royal Air Force Fairford, England, June 5, 2015. During the short-term deployment, three Minot-based B-52 bombers, supported by more than 330 Air Force Global Strike Command Airmen, conducted training flights with ground and naval forces around the region and participated in multinational exercises Baltops 2015 and Saber Strike 2015, over international waters in the Baltic Sea and the territory of the Baltic states and

Minot B-52s participate, train with allies in Baltops, Saber Strike exercises

Senior Airman Malia Jenkins

Minot Air Force Base Public Affairs

ROYAL AIR FORCE FAIRFORD, England — Air, maintenance and support crews from bases around Air Force Global Strike Command forward deployed to Royal Air Force Fairford, June 5, to participate in the multinational Baltops 2015 and Saber Strike exercises.

During the exercises, B-52H Stratofortresses from Minot Air Force Base, North Dakota, demonstrated the ability of AFGSC assets to project conventional air power anywhere, anytime, by conducting flying missions with European nations. This is the second year AFGSC has deployed assets to the European area of responsibility

"We are here as an asset of U.S. Strategic Command in order to participate in Baltops and Saber Strike and the associated countries that participate in both these exercises," said Lt. Col. Bradley Dyer, the 23rd Expeditionary Bomb Squadron commander. "Our partnership with the countries out here in U.S. Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa is significant. We need their support, and we want to assure them they have our support as well for any kind of conflicts that may arise in the future — our relationship with them is key."

Baltops was designed to improve maritime security in the Baltic Sea through increased interoperability and cooperation among re-

Saber Strike is a long-standing, U.S. Army Europe-led cooperative training exercise conducted annually, which aims to improve cooperation and capabilities of participating nations for future contingency operations and train participants on command and control, as well as interoperability with regional partners.

"The significance of us participating with our (allies) and the importance of why we participate with them is to show them we can project bomber capability into the European theater at any time,"

Dyer added that participating in these multinational exercises also reflects the importance of RAF Fairford and keeping the capabilities necessary to support any exercise or mission of AFGSC assets here. Ensuring the capabilities to deploy are here and the base can be used at a moment's notice, demonstrating to our allies and partners we're here and committed to assurance and deterrence within the Europe-

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OPM to Notify Employees of Cybersecurity Incident

Within the last year, the OPM has undertaken an aggressive effort to update its cybersecurity posture, adding numerous tools and capabilities to its networks. As a result, in April 2015, OPM detected a cyber-intrusion affecting its information technology (IT) systems and data. The intrusion predated the adoption of the tougher security controls.

OPM has partnered with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to determine the full impact to Federal personnel. OPM continues to improve security for the sensitive information it manages and evaluates its IT security protocols on a continuous basis the intrusion, OPM has instituted additional network security precautions, including: restricting remote access for network administrators and restricting network administration funcand deploying anti-malware software across the environment to protect and prevent the deployment or execution of tools that could compromise the network.

As a result of the incident, OPM will send notifications This includes following links sent in email. to approximately 4 million individuals whose PII may have been compromised. Since the investigation is on-going, adbefore checking a website's security (for more information, ditional PII exposures may come to light; in that case, OPM—see Protecting Your Privacy, http://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/tips/ will conduct additional notifications as necessary. In order to ST04-013). mitigate the risk of fraud and identity theft, OPM is offering credit report access, credit monitoring and identify theft insurance and recovery services to potentially affected individuals through CSID®, a company that specializes in these serves..net). vices. This comprehensive, 18-month membership includes credit monitoring and \$1 million in identity theft protection—try to verify it by contacting the company directly. Do not services at no cost to enrollees.

"Protecting our Federal employee data from malicious cyber incidents is of the highest priority at OPM," said OPM Director Katherine Archuleta. "We take very seriously our responsibility to secure the information stored in our systems, and in coordination with our agency partners, our experienced team is constantly identifying opportunities to further email filters to reduce some of this traffic (for more informaprotect the data with which we are entrusted."

OPM has issued the following guidance to affected indi-

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- Request a free credit report at www.AnnualCredit-Report.com or by calling 1-877-322-8228. Consumers are identifiable information and report any suspected instances of grams to improve work force performance.

WASHINGTON, DC – The U.S. Office of Personnel entitled by law to one free credit report per year from each of Management (OPM) has identified a cybersecurity incident—the three major credit bureaus – Equifax®, Experian®, and potentially affecting personnel data for current and former TransUnion® – for a total of three reports every year. Confederal employees, including personally identifiable informatiant information for the credit bureaus can be found on the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) website, www.ftc.gov.

- Review resources provided on the FTC identity theft website, www.identitytheft.gov. The FTC maintains a variety of consumer publications providing comprehensive information on computer intrusions and identity theft.
- You may place a fraud alert on your credit file to let creditors know to contact you before opening a new account in your name. Simply call TransUnion® at 1-800-680-7289 to place this alert. TransUnion® will then notify the other two credit bureaus on your behalf.

How to avoid being a victim:

- Be suspicious of unsolicited phone calls, visits, or email messages from individuals asking about employees or other to protect sensitive data to the greatest extent possible. Since internal information. If an unknown individual claims to be from a legitimate organization, try to verify his or her identity
- Do not provide personal information or information tions remotely; a review of all connections to ensure that only about your organization, including its structure or networks, legitimate business connections have access to the internet; unless you are certain of a person's authority to have the in-
 - Do not reveal personal or financial information in email, and do not respond to email solicitations for this information.
 - Do not send sensitive information over the Internet
 - Pay attention to the URL of a website. Malicious websites may look identical to a legitimate site, but the URL may use a variation in spelling or a different domain (e.g., .com
 - If you are unsure whether an email request is legitimate, use contact information provided on a website connected to the request; instead, check previous statements for contact information. Information about known phishing attacks is also available online from groups such as the Anti-Phishing Working Group (http://www.antiphishing.org).
 - Install and maintain anti-virus software, firewalls, and tion, see Understanding Firewalls, http://www.us-cert.gov/ ncas/tips/ST04-004; Understanding Anti-Virus Software, http://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/tips/ST04-005; and Reducing to file a complaint with them.
 - Take advantage of any anti-phishing features offered by your email client and web browser.

To file a complaint:

For California Residents:

Visit the California Office of Privacy Protection (www.privacy.ca.gov) for additional information on protection against identity theft

For Kentucky Residents:

Office of the Attorney General of Kentucky 700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 118 Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 www.ag.ky.gov Telephone: 1-502-696-5300

For Maryland Residents:

Office of the Attorney General of Maryland Consumer Protection Division 200 St. Paul Place Baltimore, MD 21202 www.oag.state.md.us/Consumer Telephone: 1-888-743-0023

For North Carolina Residents:

Office of the Attorney General of North Carolina 9001 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-9001 www.ncdoj.com/ Telephone: 1-919-716-6400

For all other US Residents:

Identity Theft Clearinghouse Federal Trade Commission 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20580 www.identitytheft.gov 1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338) TDD: 1-202-326-2502

identity theft to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center

Potentially affected individuals can obtain additional information about the steps they can take to avoid identity theft from the following agencies. The FTC also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused

Our mission is to Recruit, Retain and Honor a World-Class Workforce to Serve the American People. OPM supports U.S. agencies with personnel services and policy leadership including • Employees should take steps to monitor their personally staffing tools, guidance on labor-management relations and pro-

Top 10 recycling facts with Mike and Mike

Mike Blythe and Mike Jago

14th Civil Engineer Squadron

Many people know recycling is good to do, but do you

The main reasons are for resource conservation and avoiding disposal costs, however there are many more reasons to recycle specific to Columbus Air Force Base.

A list of the top ten reasons to recycle at Columbus AFB are listed below and some may be surprising:

10. Do the math. Over one ton of resources are conserved for every ton recycled. Columbus AFB recycled nine tons of glass over the past year, 68 tons of paper products and 69 tons of metals. We also reuse or repurpose the gravel, concrete and asphalt from construction projects, sell used oil, mulch, and other material, saving another 464.44 tons last year alone.

9. Back in the "bad" old days, paper had to be sorted over 16 grades. Office white letter paper and other white paper were separated, colored paper and magazines were a real problem, and news print and envelopes could not be mixed. Not so anymore. We do separate cardboard from the rest. But paper is paper and we take it all.

8. It takes nearly 1,000 years for plastic to biodegrade, less if it has sunlight, more if it is in a dry landfill like in Arizona. Considering each one of us uses and throws away about 200 pounds of plastic per year, there will be quite a bit of plastic garbage left for future generations if it is not recycled. Columbus AFB recycles as much plastic as possible, but it is the responsibility of each person to put their used plastics in the recycle bin. Just remember; if you drank from it, recycle it. Look for #1 & #2 plastic recycle symbols on the bottle to see if it is accepted.

- 7. Recycling toner cartridges conserves aluminum, plastic, and rare earth metals. Toner cartridges should be sent back to the manufacturer or to a recycling company via the base
- 6. Over two billion wood pallets are in circulation in the U.S. today, half of which will only be used once. Pallets in good condition are sold to be reused, but damaged pallets stack up. Columbus AFB provides a solution, using the pallet wood for fuel instead of throwing it in the landfill. Wooden pallets should be taken to the recycle center. Damaged pallets are shredded to a product called mulch and sold for boiler fuel to nearby factories.



Baled plastics from Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi, are ready to be sent to a recycler. For more information or questions about what exactly may be recycled, please call the Environmental Element at 434-7353/7974.

vironment, due to the heavy metals that leak from them in landfills. Columbus AFB recycles lead acid, non-aircraft batteries via the recycle center and many other batteries using the Call-to-Recycle boxes. To minimize the number of alka-5. Batteries contribute to high levels of toxicity in the en-

batteries, some of which can be recharged 1,000 times.

- 4. Mercury is essential to compact fluorescent light bulbs operation. Manufacturers have reduced the amount in the bulbs to as little as .004 grams in the green tip bulbs, but the mercury is still present. Compact CFL bulbs can have as much as 0.1 gram per bulb. Mercury is easily boiled to a gas at 140 degrees Fahrenheit and helps the conductivity of the gas in the bulb. Each bulb only contains a small amount of the substance, but if disposed of improperly the thousands of drops of mercury easily bioaccumulate and can affect the immune and central nervous system of humans, fish and mammals. Last year we recycled over 4,000 bulbs from military buildings. Unfortunately Columbus AFB Recycling Center cannot accept bulbs at this time.
- 3. Fuel and oil are expensive, so used oil and contaminated fuel still have some value. Still, thousands of gallons are leaked on the ground, out of boats, dripped from lawn mowers, small equipment, cars and more. Spills from accidents and neglect add millions more gallons of petroleum products into our soil and water. Do your part and take the time to take back used oil to the point of purchase, many of which have used oil collection. Used oil can be taken to the recycling center on Columbus AFB during regular business hours. Please be neat and follow the directions to minimize the chance of drips and spills.
- 2. Nearly everything can be recycled back to some beneficial use. The problem is it is all mixed up with other stuff. Over 70 percent of garbage is single-ingredient items such as paper, plastic, glass, metal, or organics. By sorting those five categories into piles it suddenly changes from trash to product. The U.S. Air Force's goal is 65 percent recycling by 2020. Columbus has achieved 55 percent last year and we are on track for 46 percent this year, when lots of other bases are still struggling to break 35 percent. Our success is directly attributable to the base community and lots of contractors taking the time to place some of their trash in the right recycle bin.
- 1. Recycling is easy, the recycle center does most of the vork and all that is required is to remember to place recyclable items in a recycle bin, and it goes to a better place than a landfill. The Air Force's 65 percent goal requires recycling correctly 95 percent of the time. This means everyone, all the time, or it just will not work. Please use the recycle bins.

For more information or questions about what exactly may be recycled, please call the Environmental Element at

Retiree Affairs Did you know...?

Retirees, did you know you can get cur- E-mail is the quickrent and up-to-date information about any est and most effective and all retiree activities, services and facil- means of keeping our ities sent directly to your e-mail address or retirees informed, sign sent bi-weekly upon request? Just call the up via phone or e-mail.

at 434-3120 and leave your e-mail address on the recording or pass it on to the director.



Commander's Action Line • 434-1414

The Commander's Action Line is your direct line to the commander for comments and suggestions on how to make Columbus AFB a better place. Although the Commander's Action Line is always available, the best way to resolve problems is through the chain-of-

The Commander's Action Line phone number is 434-1414. Callers should leave their name and phone number to receive an answer. All names will be kept confidential. Message may be answered in the Silver Wings without names.

Written questions may also be brought to the PA office in the Wing Headquarters building, BLDG. 724, suite 210. Questions and answers may be edited for brevity and style.

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

Purchasing, installing, managing software licenses

14th Communications Squadron

Base Software License Manager

Compliance with software licensing requirements is mandatory by United States Code, Department of Defense, and Air Force instructions.

To ensure that Columbus Air Force Base and all subordinate units comply with these requirements, strict controls have been put in place. Procedures on how to acquire, install, track, and inventory software are just a few examples of these

Should an individual or unit require software for their government system to support their unit's mission, they would Connect is obtained, the BSLM Office can request a quote—ate a ticket and provide the name of the software they are—ment, please contact the BSLM by calling 434-2375.

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from an authorized vendor and provide it to the unit IAO to requesting in the Comments field. start the unit's ordering process.

licenses should be provided to the BSLM office immediately following purchase. All software should be delivered to:

Base Software License Manager

Network Control Center

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Columbus AFB, MS 39710

BSLM office that the software is available through the Media Sign-Out process. This allows for the installations to be pliance with laws and applicable guidance will quickly follow. performed up to the limit of the licenses purchased for that need to contact their Information Assurance Officer to make unit while also maintaining the software in a secure environsystems and never make copies of software without permisthe request through the Work Order Management System. ment when not required by the unit. A ticket to request the sion of the copyright owner. United States Copyright Act, The IAO would then work with the Base Software License installation of software can be created by using the vESD pro- Title 17 of the United States Code, covers software from the Management Office of the 14th Communications Squadron gram located on the desktop of government systems, clicking moment of its creation and prohibits making any copies withto ensure the software is authorized for installation and use Software and opening the Software Wizard. The option for out permission of the copyright owner. on Air Force networks and systems. Once an Authority to Install Software should be available for the requestor to cre-

Once a technician receives the ticket, they will work with A copy of the software order containing the number of the BSLM office to ensure there are available licenses and to acquire the media for installation. After the software has been installed, the software is to be returned to the BSLM office where a record of the number of installations against the number of purchased licenses will be maintained in order to verify compliance with the software licensing agreement.

Maintaining software licenses and software inventories is The unit IAO will then be notified upon receipt at the a responsibility that users, BSLMs, and the Comm Squadron all have a piece in. Without each doing their part, non-com-

Never load personally-owned software onto government

For more information with respect to software manage-



Security and policy review

Did you know that as a military nember you must coordinate all information relating to speeches, presentations, academic papers, multimedia visual information materials and information proposed for release to a publicly accessible Worldwide Website, with exception of Air Force publications, through the 14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs Office? For more information contact the 14th FTW/PA at 434-7068.



Buckle up! It's the law.

Air Force Readiness Programs

(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.)

First Term Officer's PFR

The First Term Officers' Personal Financial Readiness Workshop, 9 - 10 a.m. June 16, is required by AFI for all newly assigned personnel to their first station. Call 434-2790 to sign up.

Capstone

Γhis class is scheduled for 8 a.m. – noon June 18. The Capstone is required for all separating/retiring personnel and should occur no later than 90 days prior to anticipated separation/ retirement; however, if a member has less than 90 days left in the military, the member should attend as soon as possible within their remaining period of service. It verifies if service members have/have not met their Career Readiness Standards/Individual Transition Plan Checklist, DI Form 2958. The checklist, in conjunction with the ITP, will be used by the A&FRC to verify status of CRS completion. Call 434-2790 for more information.

Wina Newcomers Orientation

This brief will be from 8 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. June 23. It is mandatory for newly arrived active-duty and civilian personnel. Spouses are encouraged to attend. The orientation is held at the Kaye Auditorium. For more information call 434-2839.

Military Life Cycle

The Military Life Cycle workshop, 1 - 2 p.m. June 23, allows the VA contractors to explain to service members, whether first term, separating, retiring or a veteran, what services the VA offers and what they are able to provide throughout the member's military career and how to apply for benefits. To register and more information please call 434-2790.

Heart Link For Spouses

This event is 8:30 a.m. - noon June 24 and is for dependents new to Columbus AFB or the military lifestyle. The event is held at the Golf Course. It is a fun-filled spouse orientation program with info on protocol, finance, benefits helping agencies, local conditions and prizes. It is a great way to meet others new to Columbus AFB. To register and for more information, please call 434-2790.

Hearts Apart Social

The Hearts Apart Social program is a monthly event to provide community bonding, fun and appreciation for the families of active duty personnel who are deployed, remote, or on an extended TDY. Food and activities are provided. This month the social will be 5-7 p.m. June 25. Please call 434-2790 in advance to **Program**

14th FTW Chapel hosts VBS

Community



Children from Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi, stand together with volunteers for a group photo June 4 during Vacation Bible School here June 1-5. Children spent the week learning and celebrating with the theme of Weird Animals.

Smooth Move

This class, 10-11:30 a.m. July 1, is a class that provides relocating members/families with valuable information about moving. You learn what to expect from TMO, Housing, Military Pay, Legal, Billeting, Tri-Care, Medical Records, and A&FRC. Please call 434-2790 to register.

Pre-separation Counseling This counseling is a mandatory briefing for

personnel separating or retiring, to be completed at least 90 days prior to separation. It may be completed up to 12 months prior to separation or retirement. The counseling is held daily at 8:30 a.m. It takes approximately 60 minutes. Please contact A&FRC, 434-2839/434-2790 for more information.

Pre, Post Deployment Tour Brief

These briefings are mandatory briefings for active-duty personnel who are either deploying or returning from deployment or a remote tour. The briefings are held daily at the A&FRC. Pre-deployment is at 9:30 a.m., and post-deployment is at 1:30 p.m. Please contact A&FRC, 434-2839/434-2790 for more information.

Survivor-Benefit Plan

Are you nearing military retirement? The one decision you will need to make before you retire involves participation in the Survivor Benefit Plan. As with all good decision-making, you need to know the facts before you can make a sound decision, and be wary of anyone telling you they can offer you a better deal. Always get the true facts about the SBP before making up your mind. Additional details are available by calling your SBP Counselor Jamey Coleman at (662) 434-2720.

Military and Family Life Consultant

The MFLC counselors provide non-medical

counseling to help Airmen (both single and married), their spouses and other family members to cope with stressful situations created by deployments, reintegration, and life challenges such as martial issues, parenting, career stress and anger. All consultants are licensed mental health providers. Counselors can meet either on or off base. There is no charge for services and appointments can usually be made within one to two days. To contact the MFLC, call 662-364-0504.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Airman & Family Readiness Center. We have volunteer opportunities located throughout the base for a one-time event, special events, or on a continual basis. Volunteers are needed on base at the Youth Center, Child Development Center, Library, Golf Course, Medical Clinic, the Chapel, Airman Attic, Thrift Store, the Retiree Activities office and many others. For more information please call A&FRC at 434-2790.

Air Force Recovery Coordination Program

The Recovery Coordination Program streamlines and improves the way care and support are delivered to wounded, ill, and injured Airmen and their families. The RCP provides the support of a Recovery Care Coordinator who guides the Airman and family along their road to recovery. Those eligible include wounded, ill and injured Airmen who: (1) have a serious illness or injury (2) are unlikely to return to duty within a specified amount of time (3) may be medically separated from the military. Additional details are available by contacting the Columbus AFB RCC at DSN: 493-3399, Office: 334-953-3399 or tim.griggs.1.ctr@us.af.mil.

Temporary Jobs for the Summer

Job opportunities include: Clerical, Life-

guard, Recreation Aid, Computer Clerk, General Laborer and others. Posting on USA Jobs began March 9 at usajobs.gov.

Job Opportunity for Data Entry Per-

A Job opportunity is open for Data Entry personnel. The solicitation number is F1N-3MC5133A001. You can view this announcement on FedBizOpps.gov. Small Business with DUNS and Cage Codes are eligible to bid on the contract. For more information call 434-7762.

Base Community Organizations

Learn How to Read Your LES

Having a hard time understanding your Leave and Earning Statement? Need a refresher so that you can mentor your subordinates on their entitlements? Finance has you covered. It you would like for Finance to come to your next CC call or Professional Organization event, you can contact Master Sgt. Sabrina Spriggs at DSN 742-3068 or Senior Airman Julianna White at DSN 742-2715.

DRMO

Recycle first by using the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office as your facility's source of supply. Authorized personnel may retrieve property free of charge if the property is still physically located here in Base Supply and marked at DRMO facilities. Other DRMO processing is available via the web at www.drmo.dla

mil. Cost of shipping will apply.
Please call Inspection at 434-7231 to review DRMO property or Stock Control at 434-7197 with questions or concerns you may have. Parking and assistance is available in the back of

Chapel Schedule

Whether you are new to Columbus Air Force Base or have been around for a while, our parish communities welcome you to join us as we worship, fellowship, and encourage one another. For more information, please call 434-2500.

Catholic Community

3:15 p.m. – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (Chapel Annex) 3:45 p.m. – Religious Education, grades K-9

(Chapel Annex) p.m. – Choir Practice (Chapel Sanctuary)

p.m. – Confession (or by appointment)

p.m. – Mass w/Children's Church

Tuesday:

1:30 a.m. – Daily Mass

Protestant Community

9 a.m. – Adult Sunday School (Chapel Library) 10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship Service

5 p.m. – Student Pilot Bible Study (Chapel Li-

4 p.m. - Music Rehearsal

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Force Support Squadron Website

Join our Facebook page at Columbus AFB Living, Twitter at @columbusafbliving, MyAirForceLife App on any smart phone or visit our website at columbusafbliving.com to keep up to date with all the great events happening around base. Check out the calendar on the website for important Airman and Family Readiness Center events. For more information, contact 434-2337.

Free Pool Passes and FootGolf

Independence Pool Passes are included with Whispering Pines Golf Membership. FootGolf is coming July 1 and is also included with membership. If you have an individual golf membership, you receive an individual pool pass and if you have a family golf membership, you receive a family pool pass. Visit Outdoor Recreation for your free pool pass today. For more information, contact 434-2505.

Summer Reading Program

The Base Library is offering a summer reading program for all ages. Register at the library and enjoy a summer of stories, activities, crafts and tons of fun. The program will run until July 23 with a Summer Reading Awards Ceremony at 1 p.m. For more information, contact 434-2934.

Missoula Children's Theater "Sleeping Beauty"

Missoula Children's Theater presents "Sleeping Beauty" June 13 at the Youth Center. For more information, contact 434-2504.

Bridgestone Golf Ball Fitting Challenge

Whispering Pines Golf Course is offering a golf ball fitting challenge. Choosing the right golf ball for your game can make a dramatic difference in your performance on the golf course. Stop by June 17 between 1 - 6 p.m. and find the right ball for you. All Bridgestone golf balls 15 percent off. For more information, contact 434-7932.

Youth Golf Clinic

Whispering Pines Golf Course is offering a Youth Golf Clinic June 17, 18, 22, 24, and 25; 4:30 p.m. ages 6 – 9; 5:15 p.m. ages 10 and up. Clinic includes course etiquette and basics of golf. The cost is \$25 per person (with own clubs) or \$125 per person (receive golf clubs to keep). For more information, contact 434-7932.

Celebrate International Picnic Day

Whispering Pines Golf Course is offering Picnic Buffet on the Patio from 5:30 – 7 p.m. June 18. The cost is \$8.95 per person; \$4.75 ages 5 – 9; free ages 4 and under. Buffet includes hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, cole slaw, chips, cookies, and drinks. For more information, contact 434-7932.

Youth Golf Registration

The Youth Center is offering Youth Golf. Open to ages 6 – 18. Cost is \$40 per youth; register at the Youth Center by Grand Opening July 1; ribbon cutting at 9:14 a.m. Enjoy free wide and they never go out of style.

FootGolf all day with food and drink specials. Door prizes to be given away. For more information, contact 434-7932.

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Class

INTERNATIONAL PICNIC DAY

Thursday, June 18

5:30 pm - 7 pm

Buffet includes Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Baked

Stop by and shop the NAF Sale from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The Fitness Center is hosting a Father's Day 5K Run/Walk

The Youth Center is offering British soccer camp June 8 –

12 for ages 3 - 18. The cost varies according to age. Stop by

the Youth Center or call 434-2504 for more information or

4:15 p.m. for military ID holders; 4:30 p.m. for the general

public. For more information, contact 434-2504.

at 7 a.m. June 19. Commander's Trophy Points awarded. For

June 19. For more information, contact 434-2310.

Father's Day 5K Run/Walk

British Soccer Camp

Tops In Blue

more information, contact 434-2772.

register online at challengersports.com.

FootGolf Grand Opening

Beans, Cole Slaw, Chips, Cookies, and a drink

contact 434-2504.

NAF Sale

\$8.95 per person

FREE Kids 4 & under

\$4.75 Kids ages 5 - 9

Free classes are scheduled every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 6 p.m. The benefits include huge gains in confidence, functional strength, flexibility, discipline, and overall physical conditioning. Mandatory equipment: BJJ Kimono (Gi); for ages 13 and up. For more information, contact 434-2772.

Wood Shop Self Help

Do you need to complete a wood project? The base wood shop is open Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. for only \$4 per hour. For more information, contact 434-7836.

RV Storage Lot

Don't clutter your home space, park with us. Outdoor Recreation offers a great place to store your RV year around. You will have 24-hour access and can pay monthly or yearly. For more information, call 434-2505

Green Plate Special

The Pro Shop at Whispering Pines Golf Course offers a special for lunch Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 434-7932 or check us out on Facebook at Columbus AFB Living or Twitter @CAFBLiving!

Instructional Classes at Youth Center

June 19. Volunteer coaches needed. For more information, Youth Programs is offering piano lessons, guitar lessons, tumbling classes, dance classes, and martial arts instruction. Times and ages vary for all classes. Call 434-2504 or stop by the Youth Center for more information.

Fitness on Request

CAFB Fitness and Sports offers a truly comprehensive group fitness platform that is available all day and completely customizable to meet your needs with over 30 different classes on the Fitness on Request system. For more information, call 434-2772.

Space A Lodging

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

Ride in Style

If you don't want to leave your car at the airport over a vacation, we can help you out. Outdoor Recreation offers a A free Tops in Blue performance, "Freedom's Song," beshuttle service to the airport of your choice. Transportation gins at 5 p.m. June 20 at Rent Auditorium on the campus one way is \$175 for Birmingham and \$50 for Columbus. Call of Mississippi University for Women. Doors will open at 434-2505 for more information.

Hot and Easy to Use

Force Support Squadron gift cards are available in increments of \$5 to fit any budget. They can be used at most Force Join Whispering Pines Golf Course for the FootGolf Support Squadron facilities at Air Force installations world-

Every day is an air show at Columbus

50th Flying Training Squadron Assistant Director of Operations

Do you remember your first air show?

I was 10 years old when my family took me to the Toronto Lakefront Air Show. I was not a military brat and didn't grow up near Air Force bases, so this was a big deal to me.

I remember seeing fast jets like the F-14 and vividly watching a fire fighting plane scoop and drop water from Lake Ontario. I had the ratty old program until just recently.

That air show was 31 years ago, but it inspired a passion for aviation and set me on a vector for the rest of my life.

So, after flying the A-10 and supporting Air Force missions around the globe, here I am a few years later at Columbus Air Force Base with all of you. I'm still living my dream every day; teaching and training students who will be the next generation of military aviators.

to mentor and inspire others and share my passion for avia-

tion and the U.S. Air Force. It requires a positive attitude and a sense of enthusiasm. It's easy to maintain a positive attitude at Columbus when all you have to do is open your ears or look end road trip might be tough. However, if you are already up; every day is an air show at Columbus.

One of the things I enjoy about Columbus is the continuous cycle of track selects, assignment nights and graduations. If you find yourself worn down by the daily grind and in need of some motivation yourself, go to one of these events. What an awesome sight to see the students' pure excitement and ment at graduation.

you've been — go. While you're at it, why not invite friends from the off-base community to witness the results of what it means to "produce pilots."

I've had an amazing flying career full of unique opportunities. One of those opportunities was flying the A-10 in air shows myself. I was blessed and fortunate enough to be the As one of the experienced crowd it's now my responsibility awestruck kid one day, and actually flying in air shows a few years later.

As we enter the summer months here in the deep south, most of the air shows have moved North or West, so a weektraveling the country, check out the calendar on the International Council of Air Shows website at airshows.aero/Page/ ASCalendar to see if something might fit into your plans.

SILVER WINGS
June 12, 2015

If you need something to get you through the hot summer days besides dreaming of SEC football, mark these dates on your calendars for easy weekend trips in the fall: Sept. 26 emotion on assignment night and their sense of accomplish- and 27— Memphis Air Show (Thunderbirds performing); and Oct. 30 and Nov. 1 — The Great Georgia Air Show in If you've never been before — go. If it's been a while since Peachtree City, Georgia (Blue Angels performing).

> Air shows have been a driving factor in my life since I was a child. Now I've been given the opportunity to help host the next Columbus AFB Open House. Though the date is to be determined, what a great opportunity to share our passion for aviation and the Air Force with the local community, people of the Golden Triangle, and aviation enthusiasts from the southeast. I'm looking forward to working with you all because this will truly be a complete Team BLAZE effort.

AF News

Don't get hooked by phishers

Tech. Sgt. Dan DeCook

Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs Command Information

WASHINGTON — Fast cash promises on popular social media sites like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter are causing major problems for service members.

Phishing scams have continued to evolve in an attempt to keep up with progressing technology. Today, some phishing scams have been using social media outlets to fool users into revealing sensitive and personal information at an alarming rate.

Phishers typically send a short message targeting young adults and, recently, more service members, asking if they would like to make quick cash. Preying on those in need of money, phishers entice victims with the idea of an easy payday. Many service members are sending debit card personal identification numbers or online credentials, only to be left holding a large bill.

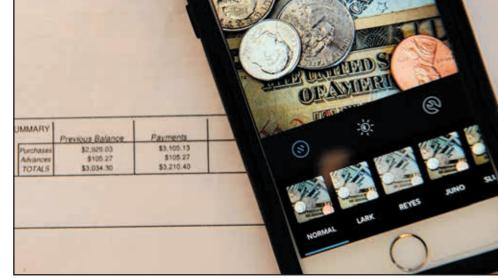
One popular scheme involves a phisher depositing a fake check into a willing member's account and then using the personal information obtained to withdraw funds from that account. For example, an Instagram post with the hashtag #USAA offers a \$5,000 deposit to establish dialogue with a potential victim. The victim then provides account that." information, allowing the phisher to upload

a phony check into their account. Since many banks offer immediate withdrawals, the phisher can take the money and run. In some cases, the victim agrees to the scheme and deposits the fake checks themselves with the intention of claiming no knowledge later on. Either way it's done, the account holder is responsible for the funds.

Recently, a 20-year-old Sailor had a checking account balance of \$25 with USAA. After he engaged with a phisher and provided account information, several fraudulent checks were deposited into his account, totaling \$17,453. The fraudster withdrew his fee and left the Sailor liable for \$6,500. Phishers often deposit large amounts because only a portion of a deposited check is avail-

While many service members are falling for these fake check phishing attempts, banks aren't. They also aren't paying the bills left in the wake.

"USAA is not going to post something like that on social media," said Brent Mosher, the USAA executive director of financial crimes, investigations and recovery. "Fraudsters ask for things we would never ask for — personal identifiers, debit card information, account numbers — we already have all



comes with being a willing, or unwilling, victim. Security clearances, which take financial standing in account, can also be affected. Depending on their level of involvement in the schemes, service members may face legal action and possible discharge.

Phishers aren't content with just social media sites. They are also crafting emails with company logos from official looking addresses. Phishers send emails from what appear to be trusted establishments.

A financial woe isn't the only thing that within the office of Headquarters Air Force cent billing statement.

Communications, these emails often contain links to fake websites which ask the potential victim to enter their personal and account information. The site then records the information entered giving phishers all they need to wreak havoc on such things as bank accounts and credit cards. Banks and other financial institutions do

not ask for personal information or account information via email. If you suspect an email or social media post is phishing, contact the According to the Cyber Security Division company directly using information on a re-



SUPT Class 15-10 earns silver wings





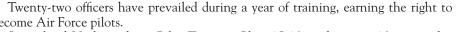
Capt. Ben Bilbrey Dayton, Ohio C-130, Pope Field, N.C.



Capt. Bob Guerriere Hackettstown, N.J. KC-135, Pittsburg IAP, Pa.



1st Lt. Jeremy Fabling Castle Rock, Colo. KC-10, Travis AFB, Calif.



Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 15-10 graduates at 10 a.m. today

during a ceremony at the Kaye Auditorium. Retired Lt. Gen. Michael Gould, former Superintendent, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, is the graduation guest speak-

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

1st Lt. Kyle Nazarek, T-38, and 1st Lt. Benjamin Kram, T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 1st Lt.

Kyle Nazarek, T-38, and 1st Lt. Pia Goodman, T-1. The award is presented to a graduate in each flight who excelled in training and typified the tenets of the association; promoting aerospace power and a strong national defense.

1st Lt. Kyle Nazarek, T-38, 1st Lt. Benjamin Kram, T-1, and 2nd Lt. Noah England, T-1, were named the distinguished graduates of SUPT Class 15-10.

The 52-week pilot training program begins with a six-week preflight phase of academics and physiological training to prepare students for flight. The second phase, primary training, s conducted in the single-engine, turboprop

T-6A Texan II at Columbus AFB, Miss. Students learn aircraft flight characteristics, emergency procedures, takeoff and landing procedures, aerobatics and formation flying. Students also practice night, instrument and cross country navigation flying.

Primary training takes approximately 23 weeks and includes 254.4 hours of ground training, 27.3 hours in the flight simulator and 89 hours in the

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

Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

Advanced training for the fighter track is done in the T-38C Talon, a tandem-seat, twin-engine supersonic jet. T-38 training emphasizes formation, advanced aerobatics and navigation. Training takes approximately 26 weeks and includes 381 hours of ground training, 31.6 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 and airdrop missions. Training takes about 26 weeks and includes 185 hours of ground training, 53.6 hours in the flight simulator and 76.4 hours in the T-1A.

Each class is partnered with business or civic organizations during their year of training. This program is designed to foster closer ties between the community and 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 1st Lt. Daniel Pickett from their partners. SUPT Class 15-10 pilot partner is PACCAR.



1st Lt. Justen Fazekas Verona, N.Y. C-17, Travis AFB, Calif.



1st Lt. Pia Goodman Chatham, III. MC-130J, Cannon AFB, N.M.



1st Lt. Christopher Kirk Burlington, III. F-16, Tucson ANG, Ariz.



1st Lt. Beniamin Kram C-21, Ramstein AB, Germany



1st Lt. Anthony Navaroli C-17, McChord AFB, Wash.



1st Lt. Kyle Nazarek Hollywood, Md. F-22, Tyndall AFB, Fla.



2nd Lt. Saud Al Saud Jeddah. Saudi Arabia Eurofighter Typhoon, Saudi Arabia





2nd Lt. Noah England Ponca City, Okla.



2nd Lt. Mike Farinas Atlanta, Ga. C-130, Dobbins AFB, Ga.



2nd Lt. Arturas Kucharevas Vilnius, Lithuania L-39, Lithuania



F-15C, Kingsley Field, Ore.

2nd Lt. Shawn Lewis Pittsburg, Pa. KC-135, Pittsburgh IAP, Pa.



2nd Lt. Patrik Mohr Medford, N.J. KC-10, McGuire AFB, N.J.



2nd Lt. Nikki York Kenneeunkport, Maine KC-135, Maine ANG, Maine



1st Lt. Andrew Quallio 1st Lt. Bradley Schneider Jacksonville, Fla. St. Louis. Mo. C-17, Elmendorf AFB, Alaska E-3, Tinker AFB, Okla.



1st Lt. Lauren Sako Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. C-21, Ramstein AB, Germany



1st Lt. Nicholas Wawrzyniak Toledo. Ohio RC-135, Offutt AFB, Neb.

2nd Lt. Tavlin Eckols T-1, Columbus AFB, Miss.

C-17, Martinsburg ANG, W.Va.