



Local community members lay out their blankets to watch the 2016 Fireworks on the Water choreographed show July 1 at the Stennis Lock and Dam in Columbus, Mississippi. More than 10,000 participants came together to experience food, live music and a full fireworks display.



Col. John Nichols, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander, speaks at the 2016 Fireworks on the Water July 1 at the Stennis Lock and Dam in Columbus, Mississippi. Columbus Air Force Base partnered with the local community to help put on the event.



U.S. Air Force photos/Airman 1st Class John Day

ABOVE: Attendees gather around the stage to dance along to Danika Portz, pop and country music singer, who performed during the 2016 Fireworks on the Water July 1 at the Stennis Lock and Dam in Columbus, Mississippi. Johnny Coleman and Swing Shift, a local Mississippi band, opened before a speech from the Honorable Robert Smith, Mayor of Columbus, Col. John Nichols, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander, and then Portz' performance.

RIGHT: Fireworks soar through the sky during the main event of the 2016 Fireworks on the Water July 1 above the Stennis Lock and Dam in Columbus, Mississippi. The event included food vendors, live music and an 18-minute fireworks display choreographed to music.

FAR RIGHT: Families watch the fireworks display during the 2016 Fireworks on the Water July 1 at the Stennis Lock and Dam in Columbus, Mississippi. The show lasted for 18 minutes and concluded with a final volley of fireworks.



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Forecast provided by the 14th OSS Weather Flight

News Briefs

14th CS Change of Command

The 14th Communications Squadron is hosting a Change of Command ceremony at 10:14 a.m. July 14 at the Club.

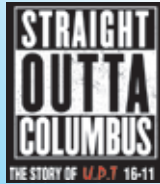
14th OG Change of Command

The 14th Operations Group is hosting a Change of Command ceremony at 9:14 a.m. July 15 at the Fire Station.

Wing Newcomers Orientation

A Wing Newcomers Orientation is scheduled for 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. July 19 at the Columbus Club for newly arrived active duty and civilian personnel.

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SUPT Class 16-11 graduates today at 10 a.m. at the Kaye Auditorium.

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
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41st (17-05)	1.65 days	2.01 days	July 22	50th (16-12)	0.80 days	1.31 days	July 15					T-1	135	84	7,628
												T-38	86	89	7,992
												IFF	43	45	3,260

* Mission numbers provided by 14 FTW Wing Scheduling.

The graduation speaker for SUPT Class 16-11 is Col. John Nichols, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander.



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class John Day

Danika Portz, pop and country music singer, performs at the 2016 Fireworks on the Water July 1 at the Stennis Lock and Dam in Columbus, Mississippi. Portz' performance lasted until the firework show started after dusk.

Columbus community celebrates freedom with Fireworks on the Water

14th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

A flurry of colorful blasts flash across the Columbus sky during the Fireworks on the Water celebration held July 1 at the Stennis Lock and Dam.

More than 10,000 participants came together to experience

food, live music and a full fireworks display.

After dusk, fireworks lit up the sky and the water below during the 18-minute firework show choreographed to music.

“The city and Columbus Air Force Base put on a great show for this year’s Fireworks on the Water,” said 2nd Lt. Philip But-

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14TH FLYING TRAINING WING DEPLOYED

As of press time, 49 TEAM BLAZE members are deployed worldwide. Remember to support the Airmen and their families while they are away.

Deployment numbers provided by the Installation Personnel Readiness Office.



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81st FS changes hands, first since reactivation



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Cecaira Tinsley

Col. James Boster, 14th Operations Group Commander, passes the 81st Fighter Squadron guidon to Lt. Col. Jeffrey Hogan, the new 81st FS Commander, during a change of command ceremony July 7 at Moody Air Force Base, Georgia. This marks the first change of command for the 81st FS since being reactivated Jan. 15, 2015. The 81st FS is a geographically separated unit of the 14th Flying Training Wing, and tenant unit on Moody AFB. The 81st FS is responsible for the training of Afghan pilots and maintainers.

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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.



FIREWORKS

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ler, Student, Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 16-15. "The food vendors and fireworks display were an awesome way to kick off this fourth of July weekend."

Many Team BLAZE members came to the event as both spectators as well as volunteers to ensure the event went smoothly for the community.

"Volunteering for the Columbus community is something I am very passionate about," said Airman 1st Class Jonathan Rosales, 14th Medical Operations Squadron, Aerospace and Operational Physiology Technician. "Fireworks on the Water was a huge success because of the people who give their time and dedication to giving back to this beautiful city."

Columbus Air Force Base partnered with the local community to help put on the event for the sixth time.

"Not only did we get the chance to volunteer to put on an important event, we also got to come out and see an awesome show and grab some free food," said Airman 1st Class Brittany Tomlin, 14th MDOS, AOP Technician. "It's always a joy to see these kind of events go off without a hitch due to our volunteer force."

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July 21
The Sounds of Summer free concert series at the Columbus Riverwalk features The Bouncing Betty on July 21 from 7-9 p.m. Concessions available; lawn chairs, blankets encouraged. No pets or coolers. For more information, contact Main Street Columbus, 328-6305.

July 28
The Columbus Police Department is hosting a Self-Defense Class 7-8 p.m. at the Trotter Convention Center. The cost is \$10 per person. Saum Chiropractic Clinic will be on-hand offering \$35 Stress Tests. All proceeds, including stress tests, benefit the efforts of CPD National Night Out Against Crime. For more information, contact Officer Rhonda Sanders at 251-7355 or 244-3500.

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Zika Virus Update

Staff Sgt. Monise Butler
97th Medical Group

ALTUS AIR FORCE BASE — The Zika virus has been the topic of discussion and on the radar for several months. It is our duty as Altus AFB Public Health to ensure our community is well-educated and protected against the Zika virus. We have experienced numerous days of rainy weather, and mosquitoes thrive in moist environments.

Q: What is the Zika virus and how is it transmitted?

A: Zika virus is primarily spread through the bite of an infected mosquito. The Zika virus can be transmitted from a pregnant woman to her fetus, through sexual contact and blood transfusions. Pregnant women should postpone travel to locations where Zika virus has been identified. It is highly recommended to avoid sexual activities with pregnant partners or utilize condoms upon return from Zika affected areas. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have received reports of infants born with microcephaly (a small size head) to mothers exposed to Zika. Also, blood donation should be deferred for 28 days upon return from an affected country.

Q: What are the most common symptoms of Zika?

A: One in five infected people will have mild symptoms such as fever, rash, headache, joint pain and red eyes for 2-7 days.

Q: How is Zika diagnosed?

A: Diagnosis of Zika is based on a person's recent travel history, symptoms, and results of blood tests. A blood test is the only way to positively confirm a Zika infection.

Q: Have there been any confirmed cases of Zika virus?

A: To date, there have been no locally acquired cases of Zika virus in the U.S., though there are 755 travel associated cases.

Q: Is there a vaccine for the Zika virus?

A: There is currently no available and approved vaccine.

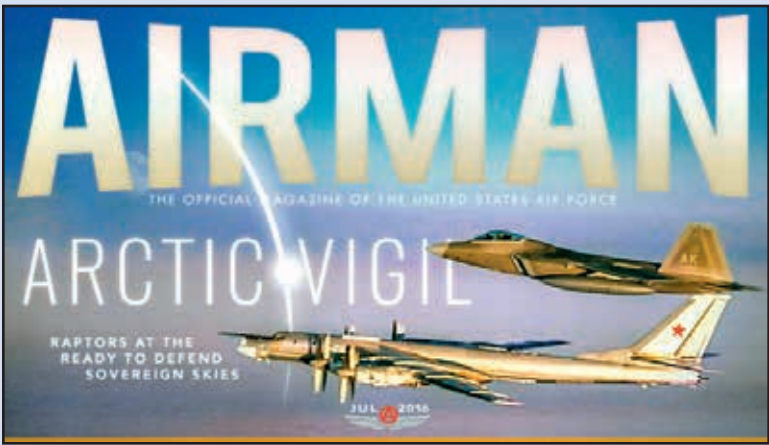
Q: What is Altus AFB doing to combat Zika virus?

A: The Public Health Flight sets traps for mosquitoes twice weekly, and sends them for vector-borne disease testing. To date, all specimens have tested negative for vector borne diseases.

Q: How can we prevent Zika virus?

A: The main mode of prevention is to remove the mosquito breeding areas by eliminating standing water in and around your home. The mosquito harboring Zika virus is an aggressive day biter; therefore it is important to use insect repellants containing DEET on skin and Permethrin on outer clothing during outside activities. Wear long sleeves and pants, keep doors and windows closed when possible, and use mosquito netting when camping outdoors.

If you are traveling outside of the United States, please visit the Altus AFB Public Health Office, Monday through Friday from 0730-1630, for information specific to your area of travel. For more information, contact the 97th Medical Group Public Health Office at 580-481-5488 or visit the CDC's Zika Virus Homepage at <http://www.cdc.gov/zika/>.



U.S. Air Force graphic/Christopher Desrocher

July issue of Airman magazine now available

Airman Magazine Staff

FORT GEORGE G. MEADE, Md. — The July issue of Airman magazine is now available to download and is viewable through a web browser.

In the cover story, titled "Arctic Vigil," you'll go behind the scenes with the 176th Air Defense Squadron and the Combat Alert Cell of F-22 Raptors that monitor the sovereign airspace around Alaska and intercept any potential intruders.

In the next feature, you will read about the private citizens who have rescued and restored President Dwight D. Eisenhower's plane, which was the first to bear the call sign 'Air Force One.'

Finally, you will spend time with a military couple that offers love, stability and a family to foster children.

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MQ-9 crashes in northern Syria

U.S. Air Forces Central Command Public Affairs

SHAW AIR FORCE BASE, S.C. — An MQ-9 Reaper crashed in northern Syria July 5.

The aircraft was flying a combat mission when positive control of the aircraft was lost. The remotely piloted aircraft crash was not due to enemy fire. There are no reports of civilian injuries or damage to civilian property at the crash site.

The MQ-9 was destroyed by coalition aircraft and is not in enemy hands.

An investigation board will convene to determine the specific cause of the crash.

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BLAZE Hangar Tails: A-29 Super Tucano

Mission

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Height: 3.97 m (13 ft 0.25 in)

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Empty weight: 3,200 kg (7,055 lb)

Max. takeoff weight: 5,400 kg (11,905 lb)

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Cruise speed: 520 km/h (281 knots, 323 mph)

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Range: 720 nmi (827 mi, 1,330 km)

Combat radius: 550 km (300 nmi, 342 mi) (hi-lo-hi profile, 1,500 kg (3,300 lb) of external stores)[174]

Ferry range: 1,541 nmi (1,774 mi, 2,855 km) [175]

Service ceiling: 10,668 m (35,000 ft)

Rate of climb: 24 m/s (1,600 fpm)

For more information on how this aircraft is utilized see our feature on the 81st Fighter Squadron on page 8.



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Dillian Bamman

Chris Carlson, a Sierra Nevada Corporation senior pilot, taxis an A-29 Super Tucano on the flightline during its first arrival, Sept. 26, 2014, at Moody Air Force Base, Georgia. The Afghan Air Force will implement the A-29 as their current air-to-ground aircraft, the Mi-35 attack helicopter, reaches its end of service life in January 2016.

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Right-14, left-27, right-08 doesn't open every safe

Chief Master Sgt. Michael Thomas
14th Operations Group Superintendent

There is not a more important position in our Air Force than that of being a supervisor, but just being put in charge of personnel is not enough.

A supervisor is responsible for influencing his or her followers to perform an action, complete a task, or behave in a specific manner.



In order to be an effective Supervisor and to better communicate with your Airmen, stop trying to use your gym locker combination to open them up. Dialing "Right 14, Left 27, Right 08" on every locker in the gym is only going to get you into your locker. Every one of our U.S. Air Force Airmen has differences in personality, hopes, aspirations, and dreams, and they will respond differently to different motivators much like your gym locker only responds to its own combination.

As a technical sergeant, I was given the opportunity to lead 64 loadmasters while our superintendent, Chief Master Sgt. Daran Adams, deployed for 120 days. Right before he left, we sat down and he gave me a simple crash course on

the importance of being an effective leader. He listed off a few names to me and asked me what I thought made them tick.

Before I could even get through the second name, he cut me off and said "Mike, you have to know your Airmen. You are giving me the same combination, the combination that works for you, but it doesn't work for everyone else." He went on to explain people are as different as combination locks and if I was to get the most from each one of them, I would have to "crack their safe."

Ever since that simple 15-minute conversation, I have always invested the time to get to know the Airmen in my squadron. I have used the word simple several times now, but in no means is this "simple." Every person has a different reason for why they joined the Air Force, different values, beliefs, and goals than perhaps you do. The challenge is how are you, as the supervisor, going to tie in their goals to improve your squadron and our Air Force?

There is not a bigger responsibility given in our Air Force than to become a supervisor. Supervisor responsibilities are not given to individuals to make the mission better, it is given to make the people better and in-turn the mission will take care of itself.

Remember, it is not your Airman's responsibility to open up to you when he or she doesn't recognize the combination you are dialing. You have to crack their safe, and in order to achieve that you will have to alter your communication methods to get them to disclose their combination to you.

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Goldfein swears in as 21st CSAF

Staff Sgt. Alyssa C. Gibson
Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs Command Information

WASHINGTON — Gen. David L. Goldfein was sworn in as the Air Force's 21st chief of staff by Air Force Secretary Deborah Lee James during a ceremony at the Pentagon on July 1.

As the Air Force's most senior uniformed leader, Goldfein is responsible for ensuring the 660,000 active-duty, Guard, Reserve and civilian Airmen under his command are fully trained and equipped. He also joins the Joint Chiefs of Staff as an adviser to the secretary of defense, National Security Council and the president of the United States.

"The Air Force is going to be relying on your determination, General Goldfein, to improve readiness, to improve our modernization, and most importantly — always at the top of the list — taking care of our Airmen," James said. "It is a huge responsibility, it's also an honor, and it's also a great privilege, and I have every confidence that you are going to take our Air Force to new heights."

One of Goldfein's first acts as chief of staff was to make a pledge to his Airmen.

"(This is) my commitment to you — to work every day to give you everything I've got, to leave nothing on the table, to remain laser-focused on warfighting excellence, to find the opportunity in every challenge, to treat team building as a contact sport, and to be worthy of this honor," he said. "And I can't wait to get started. Fight's on!"

In his previous position as the Air Force's vice chief of staff, Goldfein presided over the Air Staff, and served as a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Requirements Oversight Council and Deputy Advisory Working Group.



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech Sgt. Dan DeCook
Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David L. Goldfein takes the oath of office as his wife, Dawn, holds the chief of staff Bible during a swearing-in ceremony at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., July 1, 2016. Goldfein became the 21st chief of staff of the Air Force.

First USAF F-35A takes overseas flight to England

Staff Sgt. Natasha Stannard
Air Combat Command Public Affairs

ROYAL AIR FORCE FAIRFORD, England — The Air Combat Command F-35A Heritage Flight team accomplished America's first transatlantic flight in an F-35A Lightning II, with refueling support from a KC-10 Extender, when it touched down here June 30.

This historic flight, which brought the team to England from Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey, was a first for not only the F-35A; it was also the KC-10's first time refueling the fighter jet trans-

continentally.

"Any time there is a first in the United States Air Force and you get to be a part of it, is a real honor," said Capt. Daniel DeRusha, a 9th Air Refueling Wing KC-10 aircraft commander. "Our crew is just like any other KC-10 crew; they are all more than capable of performing this mission."

The fifth-generation fighter traveled to England in support of the Royal International Air Tattoo, the world's largest military air show, which takes place July 14-16 at Royal Air Force Fairford. The event features joint, coalition and civilian flight teams, aerial acts and static displays.

While the KC-10 is not staying for RIAT, the F-35 will join a P-51 Mustang and F-22 Raptor in a heritage pass showcasing the past, present and future of airpower. The heritage team will also be on the ground before and after the pass to answer attendees' questions about the U.S. Air Force's newest fighter jet.

"(When) we can be a part of something that promotes the capabilities of the Air Force as well as the capabilities of our integration with our foreign allies, is a wonderful opportunity," DeRusha said. "Everyone on the crew understood the importance of that, and we're very thankful that we got to be a part of it."

For the lead F-35A pilot, this historic flight and opportunity at RIAT not only showed the jet's airpower but also the strength of the Air Force.

"It really shows the teamwork that went into it; not only the logistics support, but the maintainers to the tanker units — it really was a team effort," said Maj. Will Andreotta, the ACC F-35A Heritage Flight team commander. "Being able to go international with the F-35 is a huge honor. It's something that we can now bring out to people and say, 'This is what the Air Force in the United States is going to offer in the future and this is what your country is going to offer as well.'"

Columbus Air Force Base Information and Events
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 Breakfast for Club Members
The Columbus Club is offering free breakfast for club members from 6:30 – 8 a.m. July 11. Non-members pay \$8 per person. Become a Club member and eat for free plus enjoy all the benefits of being a member. For more information, contact 434-2489.

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

Free Family Fishing Tournament
The Youth Center is offering a free Family Fishing Tournament at 7:30 a.m. July 16 at the Columbus Lake. Sign up no later than July 11 at the Youth Center. For more information, contact 434-2504.

Couples Nine and Wine
Whispering Pines Golf Course is offering Couples Nine and Wine at 5 p.m. July 16. The cost is only \$30 per person; includes 9 holes of golf, cart rental, and hors d'oeuvres. Wine available for purchase. For more information, contact 434-7932.

Bar Benders Challenge
The Fitness Center is offering a Bar Benders Challenge at 6 p.m. July 18. The challenge includes 300 Club, One Rep Max and Max Reps at 185 pounds. Each participant who successfully bench presses 300 will receive a free shirt. For more information or to sign up, contact 434-2772.

Summer Reading Program
Kick off the summer with the Base Library's Summer Reading Program. Win prizes and enjoy weekly activities. Closing ceremony will be held at 1 p.m. July 28. For more information, contact 434-2934.

Pearl River Resort Casino Trip
Outdoor Recreation is offering a monthly casino trip to Pearl River Resort. Upcoming dates are July 30, Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, and Dec. 17. The cost is only \$25 per person; includes \$20 in play credit at casino and transportation. Outdoor Recreation bus departs Exchange/Shoppette parking lot at 1:30 p.m. Any party of 10 or more may book transportation to casino anytime for \$25 per person. For more information, contact 434-2505.

The Overrun Open Friday Nights
The Overrun is open Fridays 4:30 p.m. until midnight. Bar menu includes chicken wing basket, chicken tender basket, club wrap, or buffalo chicken wrap. For more information, contact 434-2419.

Library Hours of Operation
The Base Library hours of operation are Mondays – Fridays 11 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.; Sundays 1 – 5 p.m.; Saturdays and holidays closed. For more information, contact 434-2934.

Columbus Club Lunch Buffet Specials
The Columbus Club is offering a lunch buffet Tuesday - Friday 11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Taco Tuesday includes tacos and nachos for only \$5 per club member and \$6 per non-member; Wednesday has pizza and wings, Thursday is southern, and Friday is catfish and spaghetti. Cost of Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday buffet is only \$7.95 for club members and \$8.95 for non-members. For more information, contact 434-2419.

Story Time and Circle Time at the Library
The Base Library is offering Story Time every Friday at 11 a.m. for all ages. Circle Time is offered each Wednesday at 11 a.m. for ages up to 4 years old. For more information, contact 434-2934.

Bowling Center Party Specials
The Bowling Center is offering two options for all your party needs. Option 1 includes 2 hours of unlimited bowling and shoe rental for only \$8.50 per person. Option 2 includes 2 hours of unlimited bowling, shoe rental, and a child meal for only \$11.50 per person. Choice of meal includes chicken tenders, hot dog, corn dog, or grilled cheese served with fries and drink. You may bring in a cake, cupcakes, and ice cream. No other outside food and drinks allowed. For more information, contact 434-3426.

Cosmic Bowling Special
The Bowling Center is offering Cosmic Bowling for only \$12 per person every Friday and Saturday night from 5 – 8 p.m. You also may purchase individual games for \$3 per game with purchase of \$1.50 shoe rental. For more information, contact 434-3426.

Hobby and Craft Instructors Needed
Do you have a hobby or craft project you can share with others? For more information, contact 434-7836.

Lawn Mower Repair
Lawn mower repair is now available at Outdoor Recreation. The cost is only \$40 per hour plus parts; pickup and delivery available. Self-help bicycle repair is also available. For more information, contact 434-2507.

Referees Needed
Referees needed for various sports at the Fitness Center. For more information or to sign up, contact 434-2772.

Play Paintball
Book your next paintball event at Outdoor Recreation. The cost is \$15 per person for a party of 10 or more; \$20 per person for party of nine or less. You must purchase paint at Outdoor Recreation for \$45 per case of 2,000. For more information, contact 434-2505.

Make Your Shopping Easier
Force Support Squadron gift cards are available in increments of \$5 to fit any budget. They can be used at most Force Support Squadron facilities at Air Force installations worldwide and they never go out of style. Purchase your gift card at one of the following locations: Bowling Center, Golf Course or Youth Center. For more information, contact 434-3426.

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Class
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.

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
Whispering Pines Golf Course offers a special for lunch Monday 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
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 shuttle service to the airport of your choice. Call 434-2505 for more information.

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.)

Transition Assistance Program GPS Workshop
This workshop is held 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. July 11-15. The Transition Assistance Program Workshop has seminars on: Transition, Military Occupational Code Crosswalk, Financial Planning, Health Benefits, Mississippi Dept. of Employment Security, Dept. of Veterans Affairs, Disabled TAP, Dept. of Labor TAP portion. Preseparation counseling is required before attending. Recommend attendance is 8 – 12 months prior to separation/retirement. Spouses are encouraged to attend with their sponsor. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

Smooth Move
This class is held 10 - 11:30 a.m. July 12 and provides relocating members/families with valuable information about moving. Learn what to expect from TMO, Housing, Military Pay, Legal, Billeting, Tri-Care, Medical Records, and A&FRC. Please call 434-2790 to register.

Career Technical Training
This transition event is held 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. July 18-19 and explores technical careers for post military personnel using VA Educational benefits. It is conducted by CALIBRE, private company contracted by DVA. Prior registration is required, company requires 10 days notification and must have minimum of eight participants. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

Wing Newcomers Orientation
This brief is held from 8 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. July 19 and is mandatory for newly arrived active-duty and civilian personnel. Spouses are encouraged to attend. The orientation is held at the Columbus Club. For more information call 434-2790.

Military Life Cycle
The Military Life Cycle workshop is from 1-2 p.m. July 19 and allows 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 for more information please call 434-2839/2790.

Hearts Apart
The Hearts Apart Social program from 5- 7 p.m. July 28 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. For more information or to register call 434-2790.

Baggott takes command of 14th MDOS

Col. Imelda Reedy, 14th Medical Group Commander, passes the 14th Medical Operations Squadron guidon to Lt. Col. Jennifer Baggott, the new 14th MDOS Commander, during a change of command ceremony July 1 at Columbus Air Force Base, Mississippi.

First Term Officer's PFR
The First Term Officers' Personal Financial Readiness Workshop is required by AFI for all newly assignment personnel to their first station. The event will be 9 - 10 a.m. July 21. Call 434-2790 to sign up.

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 (662) 434-2720.

Military and Family Life Consultant Program
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, 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.

Personal Financial Readiness
Make the most of your money. Contact Deiores Sherman, Personal Financial Counselor, for an appointment at 426-2527, or 434-2790. She can help manage finances, resolve financial problems, and reach long-term goals such as getting an education, buying a home and planning for retirement.

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. If 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.

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
Sundays:
3:45 p.m. – Religious Education, grades K-9 (Chapel Annex)
4 p.m. – Choir Practice (Chapel Sanctuary)
4 p.m. – Confession (or by appointment)
5 p.m. – Mass w/Children's Church
Tuesdays:
11:30 a.m. – Daily Mass
Wednesdays:
11:30-12:30 p.m. – Adoration

Protestant Community
Sundays:
9 a.m. – Adult Sunday School (Chapel Library)
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship Service
Tuesdays:
5 p.m. – Student Pilot Bible Study (Chapel Library)
Wednesdays:
4 p.m. - Music Rehearsal

Ecumenical services
Wednesdays:
6 p.m. – AWANA, a religious education program for children ages three years old to 6th grade
6 p.m. – Adult Bible study on the Gospel of John
6 p.m. – Youth Group



T-1A Jayhawk



T-38C Talon

SUPT Class 16-11 earns silver wings



Capt. Anmar Al Qassab
Dyala, Iraq
F-16, Iraq



Capt. Shaun Carney
Cleveland, Ohio
C-17A, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio



Capt. John Hatfield
Charleston, S.C.
C-17A, Stewart ANG, N.Y.

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

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 16-11 graduates at 10 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Kaye Auditorium. Col. John Nichols, 14th Flying Training Wing Commander, is the graduation guest speaker.

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

2nd Lt. Brandon Maxson, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Blake Terry, T-1, received the Air Education and Training Command Commander's Trophy for being the most outstanding students overall in their classes.

The Air Force Association Award was presented to 2nd Lt. Tyler Samp, T-38, and 2nd Lt. Jonathan Hubbard, 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.

2nd Lt. Brandon Maxson, T-38, 2nd Lt. Blake Terry, T-1, and 1st Lt. Adam Valle, T-1, were named the distinguished graduates of SUPT Class 16-11.

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, is 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 T-6A aircraft.

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

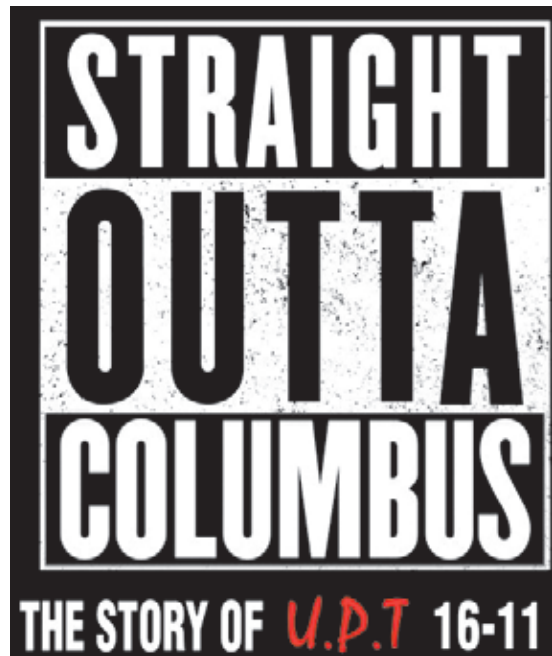
Both tracks are designed to best train pilots for successful transition to their follow-on aircraft and mission.

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 from their partners. SUPT Class 16-11 pilot partners are Audu-

bon Cove.



1st Lt. Juan Gainsback
Winchester, Va.
E-3, Tinker AFB, Okla.



1st Lt. Richard Guttman
Wooster, Ohio
MQ-9, Cannon AFB, N.M.



1st Lt. David Heaphy
Sacramento, Calif.
MQ-9, Ellsworth AFB, S.D.



1st Lt. Dylan Kay
Reno, Nev.
B-2, Whiteman AFB, Mo.



2nd Lt. Jonathan Hubbard
Montrose, Colo.
C-130H, Wyoming AGN, Wyo.



2nd Lt. Billy McCann
Memphis, Tenn.
C-17A, Memphis ANG, Tenn.



2nd Lt. Jonathan Murtaugh
Peachtree City, Ga.
U-28, Hurlburt Field, Fla.



2nd Lt. Tyler Samp
Bloomington, Ill.
A-10, Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.



2nd Lt. Oula Sanogo
Bobo Dioulasso, Burkina Faso
A-29, Burkin Faso



2nd Lt. Jacob Shuping
Salisbury, N.C.
T-38A, Langley AFB, Va.



2nd Lt. Adam Stahl
Springfield, Ill.
C-130H, Pittsburgh ARS, Pa.



2nd Lt. Blake Terry
Arlington, Va.
C-17A, Shepherd Field ANG, W.Va.



2nd Lt. Tomoya Togasaki
Chitose Hokkaido, Japan
F-2/F-15, Japan



2nd Lt. Kyle Tufts
Exeter, N.H.
KC-135, Bangor ANG, Maine



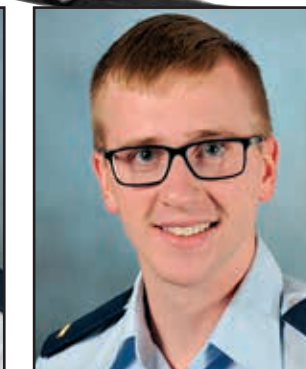
2nd Lt. Adam Valle
Pensacola, Fla.
C-130H, Maxwell AFB, Ala.



Capt. John Nickerson
Elk Grove, Calif.
MQ-1, Whiteman AFB, Mo.



1st Lt. Michael Crampton
Kinnelon, N.J.
T-6A, Columbus AFB, Miss.



1st Lt. Stuart Eichenberger
New Albany, Ind.
C-17A, McGuire AFB, N.J.



1st Lt. Brandon Maxson
Ontario, Calif.
F-15C, Kingsley Field ANG, Ore.



2nd Lt. Micah Doeblér
Cloquet, Minn.
C-17A, Martinsburg ANG, W.Va.



2nd Lt. Maren Ferreira-McElvain
Makawao, Hawaii
C-130H, Youngstown AFB, Ohio



2nd Lt. Shunsuke Fujita
Tamato Kanagawa, Japan
F-2/F-15, Japan