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U.S. Air Force file photo by STEPHANY RICHARDS  
A C-130 Hercules equipped with a Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System supports fire suppression efforts near Colorado Springs, Colo.

## Robins supports fire suppression capabilities

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While the Black Forest, Colo., fire was small when it started June 11, it eventually scorched more than 14,000 acres and took the work of more than 600 people to get it under control.

The Air Force was among those listed to help.

It's efforts included the use of the U.S. Forest Service-owned program known as MAFFS, or Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System.

MAFFS is a self-contained aerial firefighting system that fits inside special C-130 aircraft without requiring structural modification, which allows them to be loaded quickly.

At the Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex, one of its mis-

sions is programmed depot maintenance of C-130s. In all, four Air Force units have aircraft equipped with the firefighting system, including the 302nd Airlift Wing, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo.

The MAFFS program is supported in another way at Robins by way of engineering support and troubleshooting.

"Our responsibility is to ensure the air-worthiness and safety of the C-130s using the MAFFS system," said Barry Bunn, Tactical Airlift Division chief engineer.

That responsibility includes making sure the equipment is safe and in proper working condition, including its tubing and tanks.

A small team of engineers here can go out to an aircraft to test the equip-

ment, but most of the oversight is done through up-front design reviews and testing which ensures the system can operate safely and is properly secured within the plane.

A recent example of a project was the addition of grounding wires to the MAFFS-equipped C-130s. When fire retardant is discharged out of the system, a nozzle extends. To err on the safe side, previous restrictions had been placed on how close a plane could fly to a thunderstorm. This is important because there are times when a plane may have to fly near a storm in order to quickly get to a fire. The new grounding wires now provide additional safety measures which allow the aircraft to safely fly

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## AFSC commander addresses sexual assault

BY BRANDICE J. O'BRIEN

AIR FORCE SUSTAINMENT CENTER, Okla. –

"Sexual assaults devastate our military and survivors," said Lt. Gen. Bruce Litchfield, Air Force Sustainment Center commander. "Our success is predicated on unit cohesion and performing as a team. If any of our teammates feel threatened or worse, have been violated, it destroys the very fiber that makes us successful as a military. Sexual assault doesn't just affect the survivor; it affects the entire unit, organization and military branch."

The general is joining other commanders in holding stand-down days across their organizations in order to bring awareness to the issue of sexual assault. These stand-down days will involve discussions on the prevention and reporting processes for sexual assault in the work centers and surrounding communities, as well as providing compassion for survivors.

While this is an Air Force-wide problem, the general said it is essential his workforce of 32,000 personnel understands that there is a zero tolerance policy in AFSC.

According to Litchfield, a big part of the problem is people don't understand the magnitude of it, or all the specifics of the Air Forces Sexual Assault Prevention and Response program.

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U.S. Air Force photo by ED ASPERA  
Alpha and Bravo squad students run through buildings while fighting opposing forces during the two-week course Combat Readiness School.

## Mobility school preps combat communicators

BY JENNY GORDON

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Under a searing Georgia sun at Gator Air Base, combat communicators gingerly step forward, weaving in and out of barriers, all the while making sure their M4 rifles remain steady and upright.

Repetition through various exercises and drills such as this are part of the 5th Combat Communications Group's Combat Readiness School. The exercise builds on weapons and cover

manipulation, culminating in a close-quarter battle where all skills are put to use.

Two weeks of hands-on training is intense for the class of 30. The goal is to ensure results downrange are the same – the Airmen stay alive and complete the mission.

"The reason why this course is so important to the combat communicators is our mission – to deploy within 72 hours," said Staff Sgt. Shane VanDewark, one of the school's instructors.

"By doing the training, we stand ready to deploy to extend communication services."

When they're needed, 5th CCG squadrons are equipped with satellite communications, voice, data, networking equipment and other items used to disseminate information.

Because of its rapid-response capabilities, 5th CCG members are essentially able to stand up a base in a matter of days.

New members to the 5th

CCG school become familiar with their weapon, how to handle it effectively, and how to reload under stress. They also learn convoy operations, and land navigation and other techniques.

Better suited for close-quarters combat, the goal is for the M4 to become as familiar inside an Airmen's hands as his own skin.

The barrier exercise trains students to manipulate their cover, not dropping their weapon unless a 'friendly' is

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## Base to sign MOAs with community partners

BY JENNY GORDON

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Robins Air Force Base and local community officials will sign the first of several agreements to share resources and reduce operating and service costs.

Planning meetings have taken place since February between base organizations and local businesses, educational institutions, governments and private companies to explore ways the base can collaborate on

services as part of the Air Force Community Partnerships Initiative.

The base is one of several Air Force installations to receive funding this fiscal year to explore opportunities for partnerships.

The memorandums of agreement will be signed Monday at Flint Energies in Warner Robins.

The initial MOAs will involve the sharing of firing ranges between local law enforcement agencies and the 78th Security Forces Squadron.

Other agreements will involve con-

tinuing medical education opportunities between regional healthcare entities and the base medical clinic, and work/study programs between regional colleges and universities and the Robins Education and Training Office.

Additional partnership opportunities are continuing to be developed. These will add to a number of partnerships which already exist, including support for emergency response capabilities between base and city fire, law enforcement and emergency services.



U.S. Air Force file photo by TOMMIE HORTON  
One of the memorandums of agreement being signed Monday will involve the sharing of firing ranges between the base and local law enforcement agencies.



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## DLA, CMXG partnership leads to efficiency

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The Defense Logistics Agency Aviation's Industrial Support Activity and the 402nd Commodities Maintenance Group have forged a partnership that has significantly reduced backorders and wait time.

Though the local DLA support activity is generally thought of as the supplier for the commodities group and the entire Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex, the 402nd CMXG sometimes takes on the role of supplier to DLA.

In those instances where a DLA part can't be sourced through a commercial vendor, or where a part is specifically coded for local manufacture, DLA contracts with CMXG to manufacture the parts.

The volume of work waiting to be done can be significant, with contracts and work orders exceeding 700 just 18 months ago.

That number has been cut in half as a result of the ongoing partnering efforts between the units.

"There was about a year where we purposefully sat down once a month and made sure we talked about the issues out there," said Mike Arnold, then-CMXG director.

Tackling those issues was part of a process that ended with results in the way each side conducts business.

For example, a year and a half ago there were 1,251 ALC backorders for items coded "Other" for source of supply, which included mostly locally-manufactured items. As of May 2013, that number had been reduced to 556.

Also, as a result of targeting the top 30 items awaiting work, DLA and CMXG started to see a dramatic reduction in the amount of customer wait times.

When efforts first began in working those items in August 2012, there were 117,284 days of wait time. By the end of March 2013, the number had decreased to about 13,000 – a decrease of 89 percent.

"Those are unbelievable numbers for this business," said Arnold, "The wait time reduction by itself is a significant increase in efficiency for maintenance. In the depot, that equals dollars – dollars saved."

Basically, the two sides realized they had a problem getting parts, a problem that couldn't be fixed with a simple answer. Part of the issue was not recognizing how to communicate early on when it came to such things as sharing data.

"Part of the problem was that we had maintenance data, supply data, work order data and back order data, and they weren't together in one area," said Eric Smith with DLA Aviation.

The two organizations worked for a year through a series of

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meetings, putting in place processes that would help each side better understand how the other worked.

"The results speak for themselves – just dramatic reductions in back-order time, the numbers of back orders and items that are fulfilled," added Arnold.

By deciding to do something as simple as communicating better on each organization's needs, Col. Daniel Hicks, DLA Aviation commander, agreed the results speak volumes.

"We became each other's partner along the route," said Hicks. "Again, the results have been phenomenal."

On any given day, there are more than 300 contracts that DLA works with CMXG, and the complex relies on them being delivered on time.

"We just simply had to find where to get the payoff on which of those contracts had to be elevated," said Hicks.

"As we got further along, we all began to see that we really did need each other, and the only way we were going to fix things was to work together," added Arnold. "It's being run now as a team – that was the objective from day one."



U.S. Air Force photo by ED ASPERA

Tangia Mata fills a Flap Bushing parts kit.

## New flight supports mechanics

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The Warner Robins Air Logistics Complex's new Consolidated Support Flight – rolled out in stages since 2011 – plays a critical role in ensuring aircraft mechanics have what they need to do tasks as quickly and efficiently as possible.

In the past, mechanics spent part of the job not only physically working on various weapon systems, but also preparing requirements ahead of time.

"With this new concept, it will increase the mechanic's touch time because everything is pre-positioned before they begin," said Leo Honore, CSF flight chief.

The idea for the flight initially began with Facilitate Other Maintenance – shops which remove parts, materials and other equipment from an aircraft so other maintenance can be performed.

The consolidation of parts in one location was part of an overall plan to help streamline mechanics' work.

CSF's personnel eliminate the need for mechanics to search and gather their own items ahead of any scheduled work. Task kits, or presentation kits, are

given to the mechanics based on their requirements.

The bulk of the work is performed by more than 130 limited-duty personnel, those who suffered some type of injury on the job.

By bringing the employees back to the workforce, everyone benefits from their years of knowledge and capabilities.

"The preparation is just as important as actually doing the work," said Ed Montano, 402nd Aircraft Maintenance Group director. "By getting everything ready and turning in items, mechanics can move from one job to the next."

He compared the scenario to how surgeries are organized for doctors.

Tools, materials and equipment are pulled out in advance, so the only thing the doctor needs to do is show up for an operation.

"Realistically it's treating the mechanic like a surgeon," he said.

The flight also formed integrator teams – mechanics who have systems knowledge of how an aircraft is being put together.

They act as troubleshooters who get whatever parts may be needed so mechanics don't have to leave a work site. One is stationed at each aircraft during a shift.

## Robins network migration set for July 29

BY 78TH ABW/SC

Robins will soon migrate its computer users into a central Air Force Network called AFNet.

Technicians will begin migrating Robins workstations, network users, and email July 29.

The goal is to collapse all individual or stand-alone Air Force, Air Force Reserve, and Air National Guard networks into one network.

During the migration, Robins users should be prepared for occasional service interruptions. They should also expect to have to restore some features to their desktop environment such as Outlook preferences, SharePoint access, and drive mapping after they've migrated.

The AFNet migration project places Air Force cyber operations under the operational control of a

single commander. This approach will yield significant improvement in the Air Force's ability to fight daily virus activity and malicious intrusion attempts.

Additionally, AFNet migration will centralize services like email and data storage, significantly improving network security and standardization. Last, operational and training costs will be reduced through the elimination of redundant systems and services.

The most visible change will be the change of email addresses. Rather than having an email address that ends with @robins.af.mil, it will end with an @us.af.mil address.

The new address will remain with users for the duration of their affiliation with the Air Force. As more bases join the AFNet, Airmen will be able to log into their accounts from any AFNet

base without requesting and creating an additional account, allowing access during deployments, TDYs and PCS moves.

Sites such as the Air Force Portal, Air Force Personnel Center, Defense Finance and Accounting Service, will also remain easily accessible regardless of duty location.

The migration will also result in a "consolidated" customer service help desk called the Enterprise Service Desk, and is designed to serve as a "one-stop" shop for the resolution of common user problems.

As Robins approaches its projected start date, look for more 78 ABW/SC-generated eAdvisories for additional migration-related information.

For more information, click on the Blue Star icon on your desktop, and select AFNET Migration.



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NEWS FROM AROUND THE

## SecAF farewell ceremony set for today

**WASHINGTON (AFNS)** – Secretary of the Air Force Michael Donley will be honored during a ceremony today at 1 p.m., at Joint Base Andrews, Md.

The ceremony will stream live online at the Pentagon Channel's live stream site and Air Force Link's live video page.

Donley was confirmed as the 22nd secretary of the Air Force Oct. 2, 2008.

He had been serving as the acting secretary since June of that year, as well as for seven months in 1993, making him the longest serving secretary in Air Force history.

As secretary of the Air Force, Donley is responsible for the organizing, training, equipping and providing for the welfare of its more than 690,000 total force Airmen and their families.

He also oversees the Air Force's annual budget of more than \$110 billion.

Donley's 35 years of experience in the national security community includes service in the Senate, White House and the Pentagon. Prior to assuming his current position, he served as the director of Administration and Management in the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

## Officials weigh resource priorities during sequester

**ARLINGTON, Va.,** – In light of recent budget woes, Defense Department officials are weighing resource priorities and moving toward the decision phase for the fiscal 2014 budget, a Pentagon official said at the National Defense Industrial Association National Logistics Forum.

During the strategic choices management review – designed to plan a timeline over the next five years – officials will attempt a methodical assessment of the Defense Department's resources and objectives to avoid broad-stroke cuts, said Mike McCord, the Pentagon's principal deputy comptroller.

"We want to approach problems as holistically as we can and make decisions that make the best of this bad situation," McCord said. "Most people feel that there's a smarter way to do it than across-the-board cuts."

McCord said that modernization, readiness and force structure value prioritization remain central to the budget decision process.

To read more, visit [www.defense.gov](http://www.defense.gov).

## Six Little Rock C-130s participate in 10-ship formation

**LITTLE ROCK AIR FORCE BASE, Ark.** – Little Rock Air Force Base recently participated and provided aircraft for a joint force exercise with Army units at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev.

Little Rock was one of more than 10 bases joined with the 82nd Airborne Division's 3rd Brigade Combat Team out of Fort Bragg, N.C., for the exercise.

Six aircraft departed from Little Rock Air Force Base and rendezvoused with four more C-130s departed from Nellis, said Capt. Jason Jones, 53rd Airlift Squadron assistant chief of training.

There were also numerous C-17 and C-130J models dropping equipment and personnel in front of and behind the Little Rock and Nellis 10-

## On top of the 'Globe'

**Tech. Sgt. Andrew Gravett, 437th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, walks along the top of a C-17 Globemaster III while wearing a safety harness as he performs a routine maintenance check of the aircraft at Joint Base Charleston, S.C. The first C-17 to enter the Air Force's inventory arrived at Charleston in June 1993.**



U.S. Air Force photo by SENIOR AIRMAN DENNIS SLOAN

ship formation of C-130s dropping personnel.

Several aircraft participated in the exercise, including F-15s, F-16s, A-10s, HH-60s, KC-135s, KC-10s, RC-135s, EC-130s, E-8Cs and U-2s supporting the mission, said Jones.

To read more, visit [www.amc.af.mil](http://www.amc.af.mil).

## DOD establishes tissue bank to study brain injuries, trauma

**TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. (AFNS)** – Pentagon officials have announced that the Defense Department has established the world's first brain tissue repository to help researchers understand the underlying mechanisms of traumatic brain injury in service members.

The announcement follows a symposium that Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel convened, in which a group of senior defense officials and experts in the medical field and from outside organizations discussed advancements and areas of collaboration regarding traumatic brain injury.

"We have been at war for more than a decade, and our men and women have sacrificed," said Dr. Jonathan Woodson, the assistant secretary of defense for health affairs. "The military health care system is bringing all the resources it can to better understand how to prevent, diagnose and treat traumatic brain injuries and to ensure that service members have productive and long, quality lives."

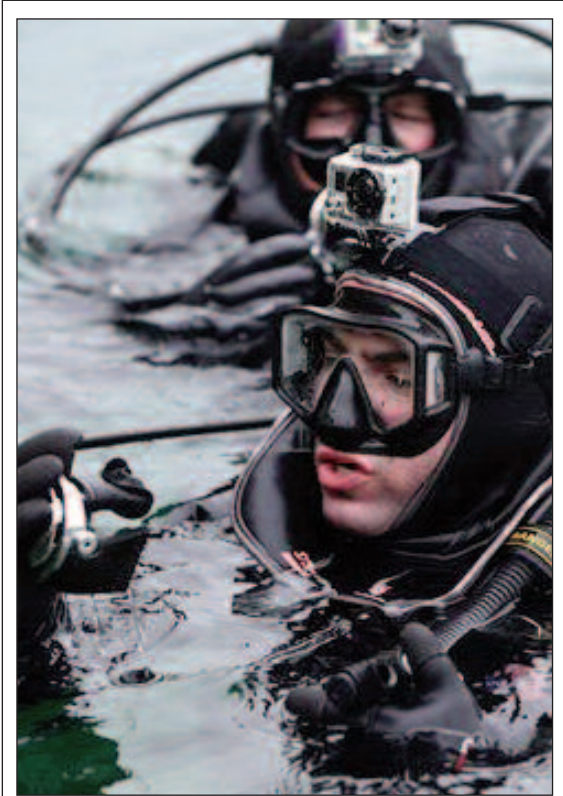
To read more, visit [www.af.mil](http://www.af.mil).

## New Professional Development Guide available

**JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO RANDOLPH, Texas (AFNS)** – The new Professional Development Guide, or PDG, AFPAM 36-2241, is now available at [www.e-publishing.af.mil](http://www.e-publishing.af.mil).

Printed guides will be distributed to all promotion-eligible active duty Airmen in the grades of E-4 through E-8 and airmen first class with at least two years in service. Base and unit Weighted Airman Promotion System monitors will assist with the distribution of printed guides slated for early fall.

Effective date of the new guide is Oct. 1, 2013. Master sergeants testing this December will be the first examinees to use the guide to



U.S. Air Force photo by SENIOR AIRMAN LOUSANNE MORGAN

## Submerged

**Staff Sgt. Kent Swats performs checks to his equipment during rescue dive training in Stoney Cove, England. Before, during and after dives, individuals are briefed, discuss different scenarios and perform equipment checks. Swats is a 56th Rescue Squadron pararescueman.**

prepare for promotion testing.

To assist Airmen studying for promotion, PDG study tools including audio files, interactive exercises, smart phone and computer applications, e-Reader files and Military Knowledge and Testing System, or MKTS, survey results are also available. Airmen can access these tools on the Airman Advancement Division's website at <http://pdg.af.edu>. New interactive exercises will be posted monthly on the site.

– compiled by Holly Logan-Arrington

## ASSAULT

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As of May 2013, there have been 513 reported sexual assaults in the Air Force. In fiscal 2012, there were 790, a sharp increase from previous years. While most assaults are committed by young male Airmen perpetrators, targets can be anyone.

"It's devastating when an assault occurs, but survivors shouldn't also be let down by the system," stressed the general.

To that end, the Air Force is taking a more proactive and aggressive approach to combating sexual assault.

Victim advocates, sexual assault response coordinators, and other forms of assistance are available should an incident occur, the general said. It is his hope that survivors realize there are many people who want to

help them recover.

Litchfield said one key to combating the problem is greater awareness. He recently spoke to a group of 25 leaders and asked them how many of them talked about sexual assault in their respective units on a regular basis. He was surprised that only one person raised their hand.

"The subject of sexual assault needs to be addressed and discussed just as often as the topics of resiliency and safety," he said. "Ask Airmen what's going on this weekend. Ask who's going to a party. Let them know if alcohol will be served, Airmen need to watch out for one another and be good wingmen; help that airman out of an uncomfortable situation and prevent a crime from occurring."

The general said he knows new Airmen come from different backgrounds and groundings. But, by ensuring there is a standard against sexual assault in which

individuals are held accountable when the standard is violated, there will be greater success eliminating the problem.

"I will know we are making progress when everyone can recommend the Air Force as a great place for their daughters. And, when any sexual assault survivor would recommend the Air Force to their children because they are confident of the environment," said the general; himself a father of a teenage daughter who might one day be considering a military career.

"Zero tolerance is the standard and anything less is failure," he said. "It's incumbent on our supervisors, commanders, chiefs, non-commissioned officers to ensure folks know this is not an acceptable behavior in our military and civilian workforce."

He went on to explain, "It is really just an extension of the wingmen's responsibilities that we all know and believe in."

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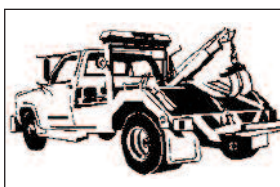
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## All in a day's work

A local contractor removes and replaces carbon June 11 at the Luna Lake water treatment facility.

The following vehicles are located in the 78th Security Forces Abandoned Vehicle Lot:

- ▶ Blue 2-door 1987 Nissan 200SX
  - ▶ Blue 4-door 1993 Ford Taurus
  - ▶ White 2-door 2007 Saturn
  - ▶ Blue 4-door 1986 Volvo 4S
- These vehicles will be



scheduled for disposal if no one takes ownership of them by July 22. If you're interested in becoming an owner of any of these vehicles call Alexander Scott at 468-

2400 or commercial (478) 926-2400.

If you have any questions or concerns about a vehicle identified through this advertisement, contact Scott. Also, be aware the owner(s) of these vehicles are responsible for their removal from the impound lot if they cannot be driven.

**The Robins Equal Opportunity Office will conduct EO Refresher Training** Tuesday and Wednesday at the base theater. There will be two supervisors' sessions Tuesday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3:30 p.m. There will also be two employees' sessions Wednesday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Sign up for any of the classes on Robins' Intranet Homepage or by calling the EO office at 468-2131.

**This is a reminder about gate closures** which allow CE to safely perform maintenance on vehicle barriers.

Schedule: First Tuesday of the month – Russell Parkway Gate closed 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Second Tuesday of the month – Watson Boulevard Gate closed 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Third Tuesday of the month – Green Street Gate closed 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.. **Note:** In case of inclement weather, work will occur on the following Wednesday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

**A Tech.Sgt. Select Celebration will be conducted June 28** at 4 p.m. in the Horizons Event Center. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Kim Coley at 497-4220 or Tech. Sgt. Ty Taylor at 497-6121.

**Reserve Generation from the Band of the U.S. Air Force Reserve, Stillwater and Bobby Eakes** will perform July 3 at the 31st annual Independence Day Celebration at McConnell Talbert Stadium.

This year's event is sponsored by the City of Warner Robins.

Gates open at 6 p.m. for this free concert and fireworks display.

**Legal Assistance will now conduct walk-ins on Tuesdays** from 8 to 8:30 a.m. Starting in July, the legal office will be closed every Friday until further notice. Please be sure to visit the link provided at work or at home to complete your will/power of attorney worksheet and bring in your ticket number to the office for speedy service.

**The 78th Medical Group will perform school screenings and Fall sports physicals** (ages 12 to 18) on July 20 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for enrolled beneficiary students.

School screenings will be walk in only however, to make the most of our available resources, appointments for physicals will be in hourly windows. Physicals will be conducted in the Family Health or Pediatrics Clinics. It's recommended that children with special needs be evaluated by their primary care provider.

To schedule an appointment for a sports physical, call the Central Appointments Line at commercial 327-7850 or 497-7850. Prior to your child's sports physical appointment, fill out the "Pre-participation Physical Evaluation" form at the Medical Group's webpage: <http://www.robins.af.mil/units/78thairbasewing/78thmedicalgroup/index.asp> or Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/78MDG>

You may also find a copy of the Georgia Department of Human Resources Certificate of Ear, Eye and Dental Examinations for your child's school. For all other sports physicals (e.g. Spring Sports), parents are asked to request an appointment after Aug. 1 through their child's PCM.

# AFSC Goal No. 1: Focus on nuclear mission

BY BRANDICE J.  
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## AIR FORCE SUSTAINMENT CENTER, Okla.

— Air Force Sustainment Center personnel are on a mission to make the center more integrated, innovative and efficient for the future. But, it's not a simple task.

To achieve the end result, personnel are working a strategic plan with five goals and 18 objectives.

The first goal is **“Continue to strengthen sustainment processes and accountability for the nuclear enterprise.”**

With it are two objectives: “100 percent positive inventory control of AFSC nuclear weapons-related material,” and “Nuclear-related intercontinental ballistic missile maintenance tasks be completed on-time, on-cost with no quality or safety issues, 100 percent of the time by Oct. 1, 2015.”

“The nuclear theme is clearly an area of significance across Air Force Materiel Command and Air Force Headquarters,” said United Kingdom Royal Air Force Wing Commander Jonathan Durke at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Assigned to the Logistics Directorate, he's working with the strategic planning team on the



development, maturation and socialization of the AFSC goals and objectives. “This is very much about how supply chain and depot maintenance activities collectively support the nuclear environment.”

Unlike most of the other goals, Durke said only a portion of the AFSC personnel can work the nuclear enterprise plan. But, those folks understand the ins and outs of the nuclear program and its issues.

Durke said as with the other goals, the nuclear piece involves the supply chain and depot maintenance elements, with specific objectives determined for each business area.

The 635th Supply Chain Operations Wing leads the first objective and Maj. Gen. H. Brent Baker, Ogden Air Logistics Complex commander, oversees the second objective.

“On the supply chain side it was very straightforward. Let's make sure with any nuclear weapons-related material we know what assets the

AFSC is responsible for, their condition, location and serial number in real time,” the commander said. “Right now we have a number of potential discrepancies, and the assigned team for this objective is working hard to resolve these.”

Durke said the maintenance piece was driven around Hill Air Force Base, Utah, and the installation's ability to support certain components. Baker knew there were issues resulting in an unsatisfactory level of service, compromising the AFSC's vision to be effective and efficient.

To eliminate them, he proposed the need for strategic focus to be applied to certain maintenance issues. The plan specifically addresses time, cost, quality and safety and, while this is direct support to the AFSC commander's Leadership Model, it also presents new challenges, especially with regard to cost management.

“Are these objectives resilient in the longer term?” Durke asked.

“Maybe not; maybe they are best suited for a short-term plan. But, nevertheless they were seen as the big rocks for the nuclear part of the AFSC's business.”

The nuclear piece is challenging, but achievable the commander said.

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# Medic's message

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**BY AIRMAN FIRST CLASS T.J. BUSBY**  
78th Aerospace Medicine Squadron

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We'll screen your itinerary, let you know any shots or malaria medications you need, as well as produce a health travel brochure for your destination.

Any questions you may have concerning protecting your health during

your trip will be answered by a Public Health representative. After visiting our Public Health Travel Medicine section, you'll be on your way with the knowledge that you're going to have a safe and healthy trip.

Public Health's Travel Medicine is located inside the 78th Medical Group at 655 Seventh Street.

Travel Medicine hours are as follows: Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

If you have questions about the Travel Medicine Clinic, call 497-8019 or commercial (478) 327-8019.

## FIRE

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closer to storms as needed.

Robins also successfully performed a permanent modification to radios that are used on the aircraft when communicating with emergency per-

sonnel and Forest Service.

The project involves 32 aircraft, and provides a standardized installation, according to Robert Siperko, C-130 Modification program manager.

Aircraft that use MAFFS will soon be equipped with the same layout for all radios; all

the wiring will be the same and radios will be installed in the same location.

Two Air Force Reserve Command C-130s and air crews from the 302nd Airlift Wing supported the Colorado firefighting efforts out of Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., earlier this month.

*Think Green ... Recycle this paper*



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## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

<p><b>ON TAP</b>  <b>Pizza Depot Special</b>                  Today                  11 a.m. to 1 p.m.                  Caribbean Cuisine                  For details,                  call 468-0188.</p> <p><b>Boss-n-Buddy</b>                  Today                  4 to 5 p.m.                  Heritage Club Lounge                  Fun, food, entertainment                  and prizes.                  For details,                  call 472-7864.</p> <p><b>Mid-Year Bingo Blowout</b>                  Today                  5 to 10 p.m.                  Heritage Club Bingo Room                  For details,                  call 926-0188.</p> <p><b>Thunder Alley</b>                  Saturday                  9 to 11 p.m.                  Bowling Center                  \$10 for two hours of                  bowling with shoe rental.                  For details,                  call 468-2112.</p> <p><b>Adult Watercolor</b>                  Monday                  10 to 11:30 a.m.                  and 4 to 5:30 p.m.                  Arts &amp; Crafts Center                  To preregister,                  call 468-5282.</p> <p><b>Family Night Bingo</b>                  Monday                  5 to 10 p.m.                  Heritage Club Bingo Room                  For details,                  call 926-0188.</p> <p><b>Fit Factor</b>                  Tuesday                  4:30 to 5:30 p.m.                  Youth Center                  Ages 9 to 18</p>	<p>For details,                  call 468-2110.</p> <p><b>Golf Tips from the Pro</b>                  Tuesday                  5 to 6 p.m.                  Pine Oaks Golf Course                  Pay \$5 for all the range                  balls you can hit and get                  free tips from the PGA                  head golf professional.                  For details,                  call 468-4103.</p> <p><b>Financial Beginnings                  (First-Term Officers)</b>                  Wednesday                  9 to 11 a.m.                  A&amp;FRC                  Information, education and                  personal financial counsel-                  ing to help individuals and                  families maintain financial                  stability and reach their                  financial goals.                  For details,                  call 468-1256.</p> <p><b>PreSeparation Briefing                  (Seperating Airmen)</b>                  Thursday                  12:30 to 4 p.m.                  A&amp;FRC, Bldg. 794                  This briefing is mandatory                  for all separating Airmen.                  For details,                  call 468-1256.</p> <p><b>Mug Night                  at the Heritage</b>                  Thursday                  3:30 to 9 p.m.                  Heritage Lounge                  Bring your own beer mug                  (20 oz. or less)                  For details,                  call 472-7864.</p> <p><b>UPCOMING                  Jazz Set at the Heritage</b>                  June 28                  6 to 8 p.m.                  Heritage Lounge</p>	<p>Stop by and relax after a                  long day at work.                  For details,                  call 472-7864.</p> <p><b>Power Hour -                  Character/Leadership/                  Life Skills/Arts</b>                  June 28                  6 to 7 p.m.                  Youth Center                  For details,                  call 468-2110.</p> <p><b>Torch Club</b>                  June 28                  5:30 to 6:30 p.m.                  Youth Center                  Empowers youth to support                  and influence the club and                  community, sustain mean-                  ingful relationships with oth-                  ers, participate in the demo-                  cratic process, and to                  always respect their own as                  well as the cultural identi-                  ties of others.                  For details,                  call (478) 926-2110.</p> <p><b>Life Skills for Teens</b>                  June 28                  6 to 8 p.m.                  Ages - 13 through 18                  Sessions cover healthy                  lifestyles, nutrition, public                  speaking, citizenship,                  use of public transportation,                  job searches and more.                  For details,                  call at 468-2110.</p> <p><b>ONGOING                  All-day Robins Lanes                  Summer Strike Force</b>                  Through Aug. 3                  Weekly prize drawings to                  include \$250 cash.                  Grand prize is \$500.                  Visit the Bowling Center for                  a complete listing of prizes.</p>
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**SCREEN ON THE GREEN**  
**COME ENJOY A MOVIE UNDER THE STARS**

*"MOVIES SUBJECT TO CHANGE  
 "ALCOHOL-FREE EVENT*

**When: JUNE (every Saturday) at dusk (around 8:30pm)**  
**Where: The field behind the housing office (BLDG 1898)**  
**Who: Everyone with base access is invited**  
*"parking is available at the elementary school across the street  
 "event is weather dependent  
 "Movies will play in clockwise order starting with Avatar*

Bring your friends and family out to the Robins "Screen on the Green," held every Saturday during the month of June, for a little relaxation under the stars! Whether laughing along with your favorite comedy or biting your nails during a new action movie you are guaranteed to have a good time. We hope to see you there!!!

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**GET OUT AND PLAY! with PLAYpass**

**Great Rewards and Discounts to Support Our Deployed Families and Single Airmen**

The PLAYpass program has been extended through December 2013. To get your PLAYpass, stop by the 78th Force Support Squadron Marketing Office in Bldg. 983, at the corner of Tenth and Warner Robins streets, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more details, call Venus Mansourzadeh at 468-6559.

## Money-saving tips to survive Furlough

*As the start of furlough days approaches, learning to live with a new budget is something many are dealing with. The following tips are aimed at helping readers get through the furlough period.*

### Modify loans

Call and coordinate with the lender before you are late on a payment.

Many times a lender will allow an interest-only payment or modify a loan to skip a monthly payment and apply it to the end of your existing

loan.

You may need to ask for a supervisor. Credit card companies may work with you as well, but call before you get behind.

### Stop using your credit cards

There's no sense paying interest on things when your hours have been cut.

Take your credit cards and gas cards out of your wallet and put them in a secure place.

Pay in cash, write a check or use a debit card. If you can't pay

for it, then don't buy it.

### Stop smoking

A pack a day habit costs about \$150 a month or \$1,800 a year.

Several over-the-counter products can assist with kicking the habit, or you can consult your doctor for a stronger prescription.

### Editor's Note:

*These tips are provided by the Robins Airman & Family Readiness Center. See more helpful info at [www.robins.af.mil](http://www.robins.af.mil) under the furlough tab.*

## Diving Safety

- Always test water depth before diving;
- If you're unable to see below the water's surface, don't dive;
- Never dive into rivers or other moving bodies of water;
- Keep your arms extended above your head when diving.



## WINGMEN WANTED

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926-9516

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DRUNK DRIVING –

335-5218;

335-5236; 335-5238



# SCHOOL

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in front of them, said VanDewark.

“Basically the first thing the bad guy needs to see is a gun muzzle,” he explained. “Our goal is to make everyone very effective, efficient and comfortable with their weapon.”

The school’s training puts students in a simulated environment, including exposing them to gunfire – a stressor used to put to use what they’ve learned to protect themselves and critical assets.

“By the time a student leaves the school, they should effectively know how to manipulate their weapon, manipulate cover and



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**Staff Sgt. Shane VanDewark, Combat Readiness School instructor, demonstrates firing positions.**

engage the enemy,” said VanDewark.

To watch a video of the 5th CCG’s combat readiness training, visit [www.robins.af.mil](http://www.robins.af.mil).

