

## COYOTE LOG

## Forbes flies into race for new aircraft

**By Tech. Sgt. Emily Alley**  
*190th Public Affairs*

The 190th ARW is among the final competitors to be named the first Air National Guard KC-46 Wing.

“If we are selected to receive the new tanker, it will expand our potential for new missions,” said Maj. Gen. Lee Tafanelli, Kansas adjutant general. “Tankers perform air refueling missions vital to the security of our nation. We already perform aero medical evacuations for wounded military personnel and can deploy expeditionary medical support mobile hospitals quickly in emergency situations. There are many new possibilities that come with these new capabilities.”

The new aircraft would replace the half-century old KC-135s that are meticulously cared for by the 190th ARW. The wing has already demonstrated the capability to fly and maintain similar aircraft, said Col. Ron Krueger, wing commander.

“This new tanker would be a natural fit for us because we have the facilities for it, extremely skilled airmen, and we know this mission,” Krueger said. “Whether operating and maintaining the KC-46 or continuing with the KC-135, we have a strong future supporting the United States and coalition air power

across the globe.”

Aside from the wing’s background, there were several attributes that earned it consideration as a finalist. Forbes Field has excellent facilities and is well-situated on air refueling tracks.

“Kansas is centrally located, reducing the flight time to either coast,” said Tafanelli.

Other finalists include Pease AGS, NH; Rickenbacker AGS, OH; Pittsburgh IAP, PA; and Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ. Forbes Field may complete for three additional KC-46 assignments, if not selected for the first.

Representatives from Air Mobility Command and National Guard Bureau plan to tour each base before announcing the selection in spring of 2014.

After the Air Force selected the 190th as one of the five finalists, Krueger expressed gratitude to all Airmen who helped take the wing to that stage.

“Congratulations to all on being recognized for the value we bring now and in the future,” he wrote in response to the announcement.

While the wing awaits a site visit, Krueger emphasized that being selected as a candidate base means more than just the possibility of a new aircraft. It’s an opportunity to demonstrate the quality of the Airmen of the 190th to a national audience.



**By Lt. Col. Russell Sakati**

*Commander, 190th Operations Support Flight*



A few weeks ago, I was walking through the break room in our new Ops Building and noticed a fellow Airman pick up a scrap of paper from the floor. It really wasn't a big piece of paper and probably had been there for a while. The Airman didn't look around to see if anyone was watching, didn't even do a double take. He just picked it up and threw it in the trash. What I witnessed was a simple act, but truly a great example of integrity.

There are lots of definitions floating around that describe the word INTEGRITY, but the one that I hold dear comes from one of my first supervisors in the Air Force. Captain (now retired Colonel) Mike McMillian was the Maintenance Supervisor of the 911th ARS and taught me a lot about maintenance, logistics, supervision and leadership. His common refrain, when I was confronted with a management issue, was "Russ, do the right thing." Funny, but such a simple phrase, one that I'd heard millions of times from my parents, teachers, coaches and instructors, stuck with me from the very first time he said it in November 1992. Do The Right Thing.

What exactly does that mean? To me, doing the right thing means acting in a respectable and responsible way, with consideration for your folks, the mission and the resources available. It means making decisions that take the organization down the path of success. It means treating fellow Guard members with respect, dignity and honor. It means being honest with your people and with yourself. When you do the right thing, you can look at yourself in the mirror and like the reflection.

Doing the right thing shouldn't be an exertion. It shouldn't take any effort to NOT steal from the coffee fund, NOT treat co-workers poorly, NOT lie on reports. Instead, doing the right thing should be a natural extension of our character, a primary input to our personalities.

Does all this talk of having integrity

mean that if I make a bad decision, say something out of line, or commit a dubious act that I have no integrity? Certainly not. Even those with the strongest sense of integrity make mistakes. I sometimes judge others poorly, fail to admit making procedural errors while flying, pass up the scrap piece of paper sitting on the floor of the break room. Do these lapses in judgment mean I have no integrity? I like to believe that it means I'm human. Having integrity doesn't mean you're flawless but rather means, among other things, you know when you make mistakes, fess up to them and continuously strive to do it right.

As a commander, I personally believe that there is no more important trait than to have integrity. Commanders set goals and expectations, mentor their personnel, recognize outstanding effort, manage crises and create an environment for all to complete the mission in the most efficient and effective way possible. A commander's integrity, along with the dedication of service above self and professional competence, is key in establishing credibility. What airman would be motivated to follow the rules and expecta-

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tations set out by a commander who can't even abide by them himself? The old adage of "Do as I say, not as I do" is not a recommended command philosophy.

I'll wrap up by returning to the Airman who picked up the scrap of paper. That one simple act, not witnessed by anyone except me, was truly a great display of integrity. He didn't do it because it was a task assigned by a superior or because they thought that someone was watching them. He didn't do it because it was their work area they wanted to keep clean. No, he did it because it was the right thing to do. Their one simple act met the key standard of professionalism: Do the right thing, even when no one is watching.

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### On the cover:

A graphic illustration of the proposed KC-46A refueling tanker being developed by Boeing as a replacement for the oldest KC-135 Stratotankers.

(photo illustration by  
Master Sgt. Allen Pickert)

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# OPSEC, AF core values vital in social media

## By Air University Public Affairs

*Air Force News Service*

While Airmen are encouraged to tell the Air Force story, they should be mindful to do so in ways that lend credit to themselves and the service, officials said.

With the emergence of social media, information sharing has changed in unprecedented ways. It continues to be dynamic and evolving.

Now a cultural norm around the globe, social media is part of the daily activities of Airmen and their families, who use social media sites to stay connected.

The Air Force has specific guidance related to social media. In particular, Airmen should remember to heed both operational security and Air Force core values as they exercise the privilege of accessing social media, officials said.

A helpful reminder for Airmen is to use our core values as a filter before engaging in a public forum," said Col. Steve Clutter, the Air Education and Training Command public affairs director. "Core values will guide them to be cautious before crossing the line between funny and distasteful, or sharing good information without creating an OPSEC violation. We must reinforce to our Airmen to use good judgment when using social media sites as there may be consequences with what is

posted."

Careless use of social media can jeopardize the mission. An OPSEC violation was detailed in an article written by Airman 1st Class Precious Yett, with the 502nd Air Base Wing OL-B Public Affairs at Joint Base San Antonio, Texas.

"I had a situation with a member who was deployed downrange in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom," said Tech. Sgt. Darrell Williams, the 902nd Security Forces Squadron Military Working Dog section NCO in charge. "I logged onto Facebook one morning and noticed he had checked-in to his search pit on the base.

"He wasn't thinking that by doing so, he's broadcasting the grid coordinates to a strategic location on base via an unsecured medium," Williams said. "Anyone with hostile intentions could have utilized those coordinates to not only locate an entry point into the installation but target those who work there. Additionally, the deployed member had posted what equipment was currently in use and identified these pieces of equipment by name."

Williams said he immediately sent the Airman a Facebook message and reminded him of operational and communication security procedures. The post was deleted, but with the information already online, the damage could have already been done.

The Air Force pamphlet "Social Media and the Air Force," produced by the Air Force Public Affairs Agency Emerging Technology Division, states, "Airmen should note that anytime they engage in social media, they are representing the Air Force and therefore should not do anything that will discredit themselves or the Air Force."

It goes on to say, "Airmen must abide by certain restrictions to ensure good order and discipline. All Airmen are on duty 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and all actions are subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Even if Airmen state they are not representing the Air Force, other audiences may not interpret the information that way."

Officials advise Airmen to be careful of the details, text, photos and video posted to profiles on MySpace and Facebook and other social networks. Employers and adversaries can search these sites, and there are numerous examples of people losing a job due to their inappropriate photos or comments.

"Airmen, by the nature of the business, are always on the record and must always represent the core values, even on the Web: integrity first, service before self and excellence in all that is done," the pamphlet stated.

## FSS to compete for Disney Award

### By Airman 1st Class Sara Beth Piland

*190th Public Affairs*

The 190th Force Support Squadron Services Sustainment Flight will compete for the Kenneth W. Disney Food Service Excellence Award, albeit budget cuts have cancelled the visit the team was scheduled to make during the February UTA. Alternate evaluation plans are still being discussed.

The National Guard Bureau will inspect the kitchen operations, service and dining, training and readiness folders, sanitation and repair maintenance and management of our Force Support Squadron.

A nomination by the State Adjutant General, as well as an application detailing why the Squadron deserves to be considered for the award, are required to compete for the honor.

Master Sgt. Sean Cochran said, "The Disney award is a good way to get your name out there, to get recognition for

hard work in the dining facility."

Master Sgt. Cochran explained that they have been focusing on the aspects to be judged, such as sanitation and repair maintenance, while performing their normal responsibilities as they prepare for the inspection.

The winning squadron will receive a free trip to Chicago for the National Food Show, and one Airman will be sent to a culinary arts school in California for a week of training.

The 190th last won the award in 1999 and has high hopes as they prepare for this year's contest.



# Heritage Series: A tale from a B-17 pilot

**By William Gilliland**

*190th Wing Historian*

This month, I'm going to tell you something about the WWII history of one of our earliest members.

Bill Fry joined the Army Air Corp in World War II as an 18-year-old from Hutchinson, Kan. He wanted to be a fighter pilot. As a young child he dreamed of flying and a picture of a P-38 in Life Magazine sparked an interest in those twin-tailed beauties.

In 1942, Bill saw a poster that said, "Uncle Sam Needs You! Become a pilot in the Army Air Corp and make \$325.00 a month!" The poster did not say what happened if you washed out of pilot training.

Bill was sworn in at the Wyandotte County Courthouse in Kansas City, on Dec. 2 1942.

When Bill arrived at Santa Ana Army Air Field as an aviation cadet, he learned that not all cadets could become pilots.

Many would be navigators, bombardiers, or even wash out and be assigned to the infantry. He completed pilot training in 1944 and was assigned to the P-61 Black Widow.

"This was really an awesome airplane, and more power and speed than I had ever imagined - even over my P-38 dream," said Bill.

After a few months, Bill and several others were called to the base theater for a special briefing where the commanding officer announced they were all reassigned to bombers.

"Gentlemen, we have been advised the Army Air Corps is rapidly running out of four-engine aircrews," Bill recalled the officer explaining. However, he left unsaid why the Army Air Corps was rapidly running out of crews.

Bill went to Europe to fly the B-17. He met many other excellent pilots, like Ed Hood, and Bill enjoyed his new aircraft.

"We were now a crew of 10 young

boys, some only 17 or 18 years old, pilot, co-pilot, navigator, bombardier and gunners," he said. "In the short 30 hours we experienced transition flight training with much more sophisticated equipment-gunners, machine guns, gun turrets, bomb sights, and auto pilots controlled by huge gyros and bomb sights."

During crew training, his team practiced how to do each other's jobs in combat. Bill enjoyed his new aircraft and took extra time to read about its history and engineering.

"After crossing the Atlantic Ocean, and a little combat, I felt I was a living part of this big beautiful B-17," he said.

Bill was eventually paired with a more experienced pilot, who helped to train him. The older pilot taught Bill a trick that he thought was a little dumb. Someday it would come in very handy.

The story continues in next month's Coyote Log.

## 190TH ARW AIRMAN & FAMILY READINESS

### Your free tax services

**By Mrs. Adrienne Dickey**

*190th Airman & Family Readiness Manager*

It's the beginning of a new year, which brings us one step closer to tax season. As members of the military, our families have several opportunities to receive a free tax consultation, use a free online tax filing service, or receive free help with tax preparation. I know you are all thinking, "Free you say? Tell me more!"

Tax preparation can be very confusing and complicated, so your first stop is to reach out to Military OneSource (MOS) tax consultants. All year long, you have access to MOS tax consultants by calling 1-800-342-9647. MOS tax consultants can help you maximize your refund. They can address tax-related questions regarding self-employment, divorce, capital gains and deductions from your individual retirement account. They can also help you plan for next year to help avoid unexpected issues. All services are free and confidential.

Military OneSource does not stop there. Last year, they completed 224,025 tax returns using the H&R Block at Home free online tax filing service. As of Jan. 8, 2013, eligible users are able to access the service through the MOS website, [www.militaryonesource.mil](http://www.militaryonesource.mil), following login. It employs a simple interview process to allow you to quickly complete

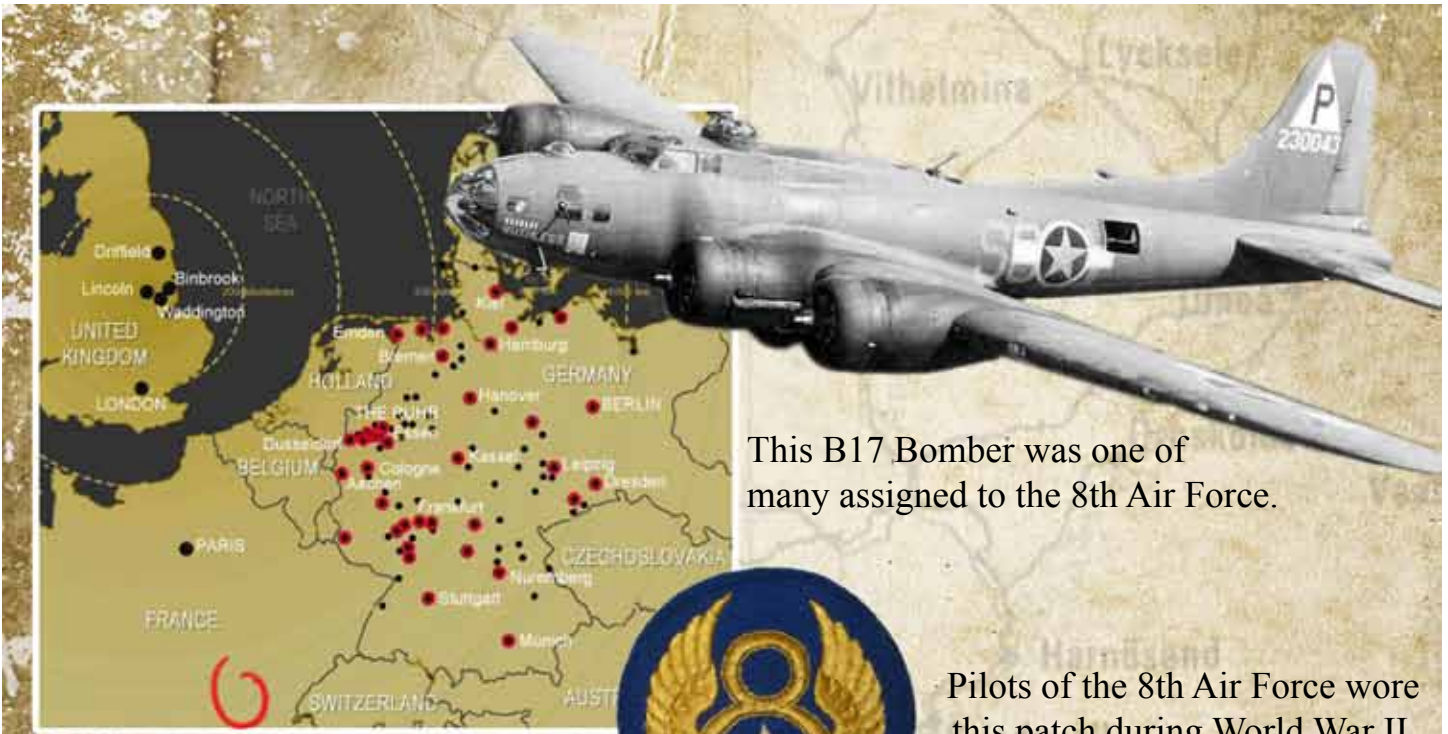
your return. You may also file your federal return and up to three state tax returns, and you do not have to complete a return in one session. H&R Block guarantees all calculations, and your returns are protected by industry-recognized security safeguards.

TurboTax is also offering free software until Feb. 14 to junior enlisted (E1-E5). At [www.turbotax4military.com](http://www.turbotax4military.com), servicemembers can set up an account and have TurboTax walk them through the filing process, using terms commonly associated with the military such as BAH, and combat pay. Discounted rates will apply to anyone ranked E6 or above.

Free in-person income tax assistance is also available across the state for individuals and families with low to moderate incomes. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites are available to families with earned income of \$50,000 or below, and are staffed by IRS-certified volunteers. The Airman and Family Readiness Office can help you locate one close to you.

As always, if you have any tax questions related to your military career and filing statuses, don't hesitate to contact your Airman and Family Readiness Office for questions on the filing while your loved one is deployed. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. - to 4:30 p.m. during the week.





This B17 Bomber was one of many assigned to the 8th Air Force.



Pilots of the 8th Air Force wore this patch during World War II.

Captain Bill Fry was a small part of the enormous allied effort to begin and sustain continuous aerial bombing raids of Nazi occupied Europe.



This was the standard patch worn by the pilots of the 117th Tactical Recon Squadron



During a workday, Captain Gene Crackle (left), Lieutenant Colonel Pete Boggs (middle) and Captain Bill Fry (right) test out critical flight equipment for the 117th Tactical Recon Squadron.

# —Portrait of an Airman

## Airman First Class Myra Maldonado



**Organization:** 190th Command Post

**Job Title:** Command Post Controller

**Main Responsibilities:** Perform command and control duties to include pre-flight, in-flight and post-flight coordination; receive and disseminate time sensitive information

**Education:** Part-time student.

**Civilian Career:** Full-time AGR at the 190th.

**Military Experience:** 2.5 years

**Hobbies/Activities:** Volunteer at the Kansas SARBASE program; active participation in First Five meetings.

**Goals/Ambitions:** Currently pursuing a nursing degree.

**Achievements:** Excellence in physical training.

**Most Memorable 190th Moment:** TDY to Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., as an opportunity learn USSTRATCOM's mission.

## The value of mentoring

**By Chief Master Sgt. Von Burns**  
*190th Operations Group Superintendent*

Mentoring is a professional development program within the U.S. Air Force. It is designed to allow more experienced members to guide and develop less experienced members both personally and professionally.

Mentors positively advance the long term success of the organization by accomplishing those tasks. All Air Force leaders have an inherent responsibility to mentor future leaders and positively impact the organization. A successful mentor is a trusted counselor to his mentee and encourages the mentee's growth in the organization.

Mentoring, when conducted correctly, will enhance morale and discipline while improving the operational environment. With that being said, it is extremely important for you as a mentor to be honest when communicating with your mentee. If your mentee discovers

that his/her mentor has been untruthful during a communication session, they will lose respect and trust in you. If you lose both those items, you will no longer be effective as a mentor to that individual. A successful mentor should be honest and direct rather than telling you what you want to hear. Some individuals are more worried about friendships and what people think of them rather than being candid. The bottom line is you need to find your own style and tailor that for each individual mentee.

I truly believe that mentoring comes natural for some and can be a challenge for others. To overcome this, there are tools on the Air Force Portal that can assist you with mentoring others. MyDP on the AF Portal is a good tool and can be used by officers and enlisted. It can provide the mentor information relating to their mentee's Professional Military Education, formal training, awards and decorations, evaluations, assignment his-

tory, and deployment history.

In order to utilize the MyDP program, you as the mentor need to register first. After you register, your mentee can log into MyDP and add a mentor, which would send you a mentee request. The mentor then accepts the request before being given access to the mentee's records.

I personally use MyDP to get a snapshot of what my mentees have accomplished and use that information to determine the next goal for the mentee. Whether a mentor or a mentee, there is a lot of value in mentoring. If you had someone who currently has or previously had a positive impact on your development, challenge yourself by paying that forward. If you haven't had the experience yet, ask yourself how valuable it would have been and then take a step and make a difference in someone else's development.

The goal is to mentor our members for success.



# For Your Information

## Appointments/Enlistments

Maj. Jon O'Neal, MDG  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Dec.1, 2012

2nd Lt. Seth Davis, LRS  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Dec. 7, 2012

Staff Sgt. Nathan Ray Taylor, CES  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Nov. 22, 2012

Airman 1st Class Tanner Asbury, SFS  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Dec. 1, 2012

Airman 1st Class Joshua Musgraves, SFS  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Nov. 20, 2012

Airman 1st Class Heather Teaford, WF  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Nov. 29, 2012

Airman Basic Kjell Mullenix, AMXS  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Dec. 10, 2012

Airman Basic McKenna Reed, MDG  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Nov. 29, 2012

Airman Basic Blaine Tharman, LRS  
Enlistment/Appointment Date: Nov. 29, 2012

## Promotions

**Airman**  
Ryan M. Reyes, SFS

**Senior Airman**  
John A. Haller, SFS  
Eric R. Landis, MXS  
Timothy D. Seelbach, Jr. AMXS

**Technical Sergeant**  
Jason E. Farwell, AMXS  
Justin L. McDaniel, CES

**Master Sergeant**  
Bradley T. Roberts, AMXS  
Anthony L. Standifer, CES  
Grayden D. Tressler, LRS  
Summer L. Walters, AMXS

**1st Lieutenant**  
Nicholas S. Johnson, ARS



## DFAC Schedule

MXG (A)/SFS/LRS (A)	1030
CPTF/MDG/ARW/MSG	1100
OG/JFHQ/WF/LRS (B)	1130
MXG (B)/CE/CF	1200

### Coyote Grill February 27A Menu



#### Saturday, February 9

##### Main Line

Pork Ribs, Chicken Cordon Bleu  
Corn on the Cob, Peas  
Cheesy Potatoes, Steamed Rice

##### Coyote Grill

Greek Wrap, Grilled Vegetables

Cheese Cake, Bread Pudding

#### Sunday, February 10

##### Main Line

Cheese Tortellini, Chicken Parmesan  
Italian Blend Veggies, Green Beans  
New Red Potatoes, Baked Potatoes

##### Coyote Grill

Greek Wrap, Grilled Vegetables

Carrot Cake

### Medical Service Corps Officer opening

The 190th Medical Group has a traditional officer vacancy for a Medical Service Corps Officer, AFSC 41A3. This is a commissioning opportunity or a transfer opportunity from a line AFSC.

Applicants must have a graduate and undergraduate degree related to health administration or business. Maximum age for initial appointment is less than 47 years old.

Officer package consists of:

- Resume with both civilian & military work experience
- College transcripts (unofficial copy)
- Record Review RIP
- Current fitness report
- Copy of GMAT or GRE score taken

within the last 5 years  
-Evaluations; if officer, all OPRs; if enlisted, last 5 EPRs (or equivalent)  
-Applicant essay (no longer than one page) answering two questions:

- 1) "Why do I desire to become a Medical Service Corps (MSC) Officer?"
- 2) "What do I have to offer the United States Air Force and the Air National Guard Medical Service?"

Applications will be accepted until close of business, Monday, March 4, 2013. Submit application package via e-mail or mail.

Point of contact is Lt. Col. Tim Stevens at 785-861-4569 or timothy.stevens.1@ang.af.mil.

Tickets are on sale and going fast for the 2013 Dining Out featuring Gen. (ret) Richard Myers, former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The event will be held at Saturday, March 2nd at the Capitol Plaza Hotel. The social starts at 1800 and diner service will start at 1900. The uniform for the Dining Out is mess dress or semi-formal (service coat, white shirt, blue tie/tab, no hat and no nametag.)

### Rules of the Grog Reminders:

1. Post themselves in front of the grog bowl facing the President of the mess and then salute President.
2. Do an about face, grab a cup, and fill to the level of prescribed punishment with Grog.
3. Do another about face, raise cup and toast "TO THE MESS," then drink the entire contents.
4. Then turn the cup upside-down above your head in full view of the Mess.
5. Do an about face and return the cup to the table. Do another about face, salute the President and return in silence to your seat.



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Retirees & Civilians: email 190ARW.PA.CoyoteLog@  
ang.af.mil. Please allow 2-3 months for updates to  
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**To The Coyote Family of:**



## *Coyote Heritage*

Six of the 190th crew chiefs pose in front of President Ford's Air Force One during a visit by the President to Kansas in February of 1975. President Ford was in Kansas to address the Kansas state legislature, and to attend a private meeting with governors of several midwestern states.

Left to right: MSgt Smith, MSgt Rooker, TSgt Jake Elliott, MSgt Eldon Decker, MSgt Ken Mackey, and MSgt E.B. Cole, pose next to the stairs being used for the President to descend from Air Force One. Shown above them are some of the President's crew. This visit by President Ford was the first of a series of Presidential visits to the State of Kansas with Forbes Field serving as the landing location.

Since this was the first visit to Forbes by Air Force One since the Air National Guard had become the main military unit at the airfield, the Kansas Coyotes took the visit very seriously, as the brand new white coveralls indicate.



Please record your story and send it to the historian's office at: 190th Historian, 5920 SE Coyote Dr., Topeka, KS 66619-5370.

