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507th ARW
Vice Commander's Column
By Col. Randall C. Guthrie

As the acting commander while Col. Dean Despinoy is gone, I have pondered which topic to discuss first. Should it be leadership, integrity, BRAC, sexual assault, Billy Hughes, the Air Force climate survey, the global war on terrorism, or a myriad of others? All are very important. The one that stands out more than all others is the importance each of you plays towards the accomplishment of the mission. Since I arrived in July, I have been thoroughly impressed with the abilities of 507th members.

Prior to joining the staff at the Pentagon, all my experience had been exclusively in the world of Operations. During my time in the Operations, I had little exposure to the other people who play vital roles in making the wing work. At wing staff meetings I saw the commanders and senior enlisted members in other organizations, and they were extraordinary. My presuppositions about the people who worked on the staff at the Pentagon were shattered rather quickly after my arrival. They were hard working and extremely talented in areas I was

unfamiliar with, which challenged me to re-address my belief set. The way the Air Force, the Air Force Reserve, and the 507th function can be compared to a human body. Each part has unique abilities; some of which seem more important than others, although they are not. All areas – mission support, operations, medical/dental, and maintenance must be functioning to be able to accomplish our mission.

It didn't take long after I arrived at the 507th to see just how dedicated and talented you are. I have had the opportunity to see many of you at work, and I am amazed. The complexity of tasks you do with such ease is amazing. Some of you are involved in making sure we get paid and that there is enough money in the right accounts to procure needed equipment. Others are involved in packing and transporting pallets for transport. Our command post makes sure the correct information gets to the right people. And there are many, many others.

There are ways each of you can see how talented the other parts of our "body" here at the 507th and beyond are without even changing jobs. All require you to step out and try something new, such as participating in a group (e.g. HRDC, ROA, or EAC) or attending JOLDS, SRNCOLDP or NCOLDP. Try it and I know you will be as awestruck as I have been and continue to be.

Recognize Native Americans: November is Heritage Month

Commentary By Senior Airman
Leia J. VanLue

Throughout our history, Native Americans have been an integral part of the American culture. Many significant Indian contributions are present in everyday life. Several street names, rivers, and state names in America were derived from Indian

words. Native Americans have not only contributed to America's culture but they have also played a significant role within the United States Armed Forces.

One area where Native Americans expertise had been actively sought by the military was in the field of communications. Due to the complexities of Indian languages and their relative

obscurity, the idea of using Native Americans as code talkers first came about during the closing days of World War I. Fourteen Choctaw Indians from the Army's 36th Division were instrumental in helping the American Expeditionary Force win several key battles in the Meuse-Argonne Campaign in France during the final big German offensive of the war. In World War II, Native Americans would again be called upon to use their languages in coded communications.

Beyond this unique contribution, Native Americans serving in the United States military forces have established an outstanding record of bravery and heroism in battle. Many have given their lives in the performance of their duty. In recognition of the important contributions of Native Americans to our country we celebrate Native American Heritage Month.

*Happy
Thanksgiving*



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Mike Jones

Being thankful for the mundane

I was talking to a chaplain friend of mine who had returned from Iraq a few months ago. During what turned out to be a profound conversation he mentioned that one thing that was different in him was that he was thankful for the mundane, everyday things he had always taken for granted. For instance, he said it is great to be able to just walk down the street without having to wear "war gear" and hearing the rattling noises it makes. And doing mundane things isn't boring anymore. In fact, after living and working in a war zone, doing simple tasks can be very relaxing and peaceful. I'd never thought about that.

With Thanksgiving just around the corner this conversation made me stop and reflect on what other simple blessings from God I take for granted and what I truly have to be thankful for to God. Any mundane things in your life you ought to be thankful for? Think about it. Happy Thanksgiving.

UTA Services Schedule

Sunday Protestant Service (7:30 a.m.)
Bldg. 1056, 513th Auditorium

Sunday Catholic Mass (7:30 a.m.)
Bldg. 1066, 507th OG Conference Room



Tech. Sgt. Harold "Buddy" McGee, 35th Combat Communications Squadron, was selected as the Tinker Vehicle Control Officer of the Quarter, 3rd Quarter, 2005. The certificate was presented by Mr. Robert Tilton, Director, 72 MSG/LRD. McGee is responsible for a fleet of 30 military vehicles and maintained a 99.30 percent Vehicle In-Commission rate, an Outstanding rating on a no-notice vehicle inspection, and a 100 percent rate for on-time scheduled maintenance records.

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507th ARW Mission: Man, train, equip, and sustain an Expeditionary Reserve Force in support of DoD peacetime and wartime taskings.

513th ACG Mission: Citizen-airmen extending America's Global Power operating the world's best airborne battle management, warning and control platform.



Lt. Col. Michael Miller, far right, 507th ARW Exercise Training Team Chief, addresses one of the sessions of the ATSO training during the October UTA. Photos by Abi Viezcas, Capt. Bill Pierce, and Tech. Sgt. Melba Koch



From front cover: Capt. Bill Pierce demonstrates how to give an atropine injection to victim Capt. Robert Atkins during the ATSO training in October.

CARE, ATSO training show unit readiness, eagerness

By Tech. Sgt. Melba Koch
507th ARW Public Affairs

507th ARW personnel conducted a Chemical Attack Response Exercise (CARE) during the October UTA. Hundreds of unit members were transported by military bus to the Glenwood training area for the training, followed by a realistic exercise.

Ability To Survive and Operate (ATSO) training gives military personnel vital training on how to respond and fulfill mission requirements when a location comes under hostile fire. Training was provided and evaluated on how well personnel use their chemical protection

ensemble, how to recognize unexploded munitions, and to cordon off the area to prevent other personnel from detonating the devices.

“Overall, the exercise went very well...although there are areas to improve,” said Lt. Col. Michael Miller, 507th Exercise Training Team (EET) Chief. Some aspects were excellent, while a few others need to be enhanced.

Pre-attack preparations and deploying Post-Attack Reconnaissance (PAR) teams received excellent comments from EET members. “The PAR teams performed pre-sweeps, ensuring they were familiar with their areas of responsibility and sweep routes,” said Miller. An op-



Staff Sgt. Derek Wilson checks his chem gear before the training began.



Master Sgt. Robert Enriquez uses a lull in the “attacks” to quiz participants on proper wear of the helmet.

eration needing work, which can be easily fixed, is contamination avoidance. “Personnel were seen kneeling on the ground unnecessarily while performing PAR activities. After being possibly contaminated, members showed a lack of awareness, and forgot to perform decontamination procedures,” Miller continued. One of the other key areas evaluated was Self Aid and Buddy Care, which is very important.

Lt. Col. Miller was quick to point out, “It has been a long while since the Wing has had such an exercise; the purpose is to find such strengths and opportunities to improve. Everyone learned something. We were also delighted to include members from the 513th ACG in the full two-day event.”

“The training was an eye-opener,” said Capt. Bill Pierce. “Learning where the atropine injections are stored, and how to give them to counter exposure to chemical agents, and knowing when it was safe to leave the shelter areas were valuable lessons learned.”

Master Sgt. Jon Hall commented, “Everyone seemed very motivated, ready to learn and implement the procedures being instructed. The positive attitude displayed by all participants allowed the training and the exercise to be a success.”

All military personnel are expected to receive chemical refresher training every 15 months, a measure initiated by Air Force leadership to ensure that all Airmen are prepared in ATSO response in the event of deployment.

“Our Wing EET and Readiness Office will be conducting future exercises as we prepare for the Operational Readiness Exercise, Operational Readiness Inspection, or to deploy worldwide if necessary,” said Miller.



Master Sgt. Billy Serviss, 507th Maintenance Squadron, inspects his box lunch after the 4-hour ATSO training was completed.



Master Sgt. Kathy Lowman



Tech. Sgt. Joseph Maggio



Senior Airman Andrew Cole

Wing selected 3rd Quarter winners

Master Sgt. Kathleen E. Lowman, Tech. Sgt. Joseph M. Maggio, and Senior Airman Andrew C. Cole are winners of the recent quarterly competition.

Lowman, Senior NCO of the Quarter, is an inflight refueler instructor with the 465th Air Refueling Squadron.

“Master Sergeant Lowman is my first choice to deploy in support of any operation because of her professional charismatic leadership,” said Lt. Col. Michael F. Mahon, 507th Operations Support Flight commander.

She was entrusted by the commander to head up the squadron renovation project, directly responsible for contacting, procuring and overseeing the execution of more than \$250,000 in construction and equipment purchases.

Lowman is the first to volunteer and flew numerous short-notice Noble Eagle missions directly supporting the recent hurricanes that ravished the Gulf Coast, ensuring continuous air-refueling coverage for the President. She completed her bachelor’s degree from the University of Central Oklahoma and is currently enrolled and pursuing her master’s in political science from UCO.

Joseph Maggio, NCO of the Quarter, is a controller in the Wing Command Post. Upon completing a bachelor’s degree in computer science with a 3.9 GPA, Maggio immediately impacted command post operations by utilizing skills mastered to develop, upgrade, and integrate critical programs. He revamped aircrew command and control procedures by incorporating revolutionary interactive multimedia training which resulted in 100 percent aircrew certification and program recognition by 4th Air Force as a benchmark quality.

He developed software applications which significantly enhances the organization’s ability to immediately respond to DoD, Air Force, and unit commander’s taskings, mission requirements, and information requests.

Maggio completed his NCO PME training within two months of course issuance and received his CCAF degree last month. He is currently pursuing admissions at Park University to obtain a master’s degree in business administration. He is an active participant of the Oklahoma City recreation and parks improvement volunteer division.

Airman of the Quarter is Senior Airman Andrew Cole, an aerospace medical service apprentice with the 507th Medical Squadron.

Senior Airman Cole is an outstanding aerospace medical technician and sharp as they come, according to Col. Steven Gentling, 507th Medical Squadron commander. He has demonstrated at the unit level that graduating at the top of class at basic training and technical school was a rare honor well deserving. He single-handedly reviewed and closed out over 300 RCPHA examinations and assisted the full-time ART in catching up with the backlog. He processed over 50 Reserve members for temporary duty assignments; ensuring all were medically qualified.

A role model for airmen, Cole demonstrates a high level of technical and administrative skill in all areas of his job.

Cole is currently pursuing a bachelor’s degree in nursing and able to balance his time between full-time student, working UTA weekends, and regularly supporting the ART staff on mandays. He achieved an outstanding 99 percent score on his fitness test and has completed the fitness leaders training course. Cole is an active member of his Squadron’s Junior Enlisted Council.

Recruiters conduct mass enlistment ceremony

It all started with the phrase: Raise your right hand and repeat after me ...

Air Force Reserve Recruiters across the nation banded together in support of a Coast to Coast Mass Enlistment campaign last month.

According to Air Force Reserve Recruiting officials the campaign was intended to give Air Force Reserve recruiting efforts a jump start on the current recruiting year. Locally, unit recruiters worked with 507th ARW members to hold a mass enlistment ceremony here. During the October UTA, 21 new recruits joined the Air Force Reserve and the 507th ARW. The ceremony saw the recruits being sworn in by former 507th Air Refueling Wing commander, retired Brig. Gen. Jon Gingerich.

According to Command recruiting officials, overall the Air Force Reserve recruited 496 people nationally towards the FY06 goal of 8,000 during this year's kick-off program.

The fruits of the recruiters' last year efforts were acknowledged during a deployed training conference held in Savannah, Ga. last month. For the fifth consecutive year, AFRC/RS has met or

exceeded its recruiting goals, a record not achieved by any other service. The FY 2005 AFRC goal was 8,801 and they received 9,942 accessions, reaching 113 percent of their goal.



Twenty-one new recruits joined the unit during the October UTA in a mass enlistment ceremony conducted by retired Brig. Gen. Jon Gingerich, former 507th ARW commander.

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Melba Koch

507th ARW Company Grade Officer of the Quarter

Capt. Jeffrey D. Milburn is from the 507th Operations Support Flight. During this period, Milburn supervised the day-to-day operations of aircraft scheduling, and was responsible for all local, off-station and short-notice taskings. Milburn also coordinated the flying schedule and was responsible for the Wing flying hour program, leading the unit to 100-percent completion factor executing more 2,700 flying hours and more than 700 sorties. This KC-135 pilot was hand-picked for local media orientation flights and lead a two-ship KC-135 formation supporting the USAF Thunderbird Team for the base air show.



Sept 05 recruiting statistics

The Department of Defense has announced its recruiting and retention statistics by the active and reserve components for the month of September. This closes out the Fiscal Year 2005 recruiting year. The Fiscal Year 2006 recruiting year began on Oct. 1, 2005.

Reserve forces recruiting: Three of the six reserve components, Army Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Air Force Reserve, exceeded their September recruiting goals. The latter two also exceeded their goals for the fiscal year.

- a.. Army National Guard: Goal: 6,148 Recruited: 6,048 (98 percent)
- b.. Army Reserves: Goal: 2,018 Recruited: 2,208 (109 percent)
- c.. Air National Guard: Goal: 969 Recruited: 908 (94 percent)
- d.. Air Force Reserves: Goal: 260 Recruited: 465 (178 percent)
- e.. Navy Reserves: Goal: 916 Recruited: 643 (70 percent)
- f.. Marine Corps Reserves: Goal: 127 Recruited: 131 (103 percent)



513th Air Control Group Deputy Commander's Column

By Maj. Max Stitzer

Everything I need to know in the Air Force, I learned from Mike Riley

This past month has been a bittersweet time for members of the 513th Air Control Group. On Oct. 24th, Chief Master Sgt. Mike Riley, 513th Maintenance Squadron Superintendent, reached his 57th birthday and retired from our U.S. Air Force. While we were all grateful to be able to help him celebrate his last birthday as a uniformed member of the Air Force, we were also saddened to have to bid farewell to a great leader who has inspired and touched us all in some way. Chief Riley has been a life-long athlete and so it is without irony that he is routinely described by comparisons to sports figures, and like any great sports figure, he is leaving us "at the top of his game."

I would like to take the opportunity in this column to reflect on some inspiring qualities that I have observed in the Chief during our service together. Let's look at some aspects of Chief Riley's example that we can all emulate:

* **Citizenship.** Before he ever wore the uniform, he has been an exemplary figure in his community, a great father active every single day in his kids' school and sports careers; a dutiful husband; a good neighbor; and a positive example of who the USAF is.

* **Teamwork.** He wasn't just the Maintenance Squadron's Chief; he has been the senior Chief of the entire Reserve campus at Tinker, with just short of 20 years time-in-grade. He has modeled the principle that we are all in this together, and that only together can we accomplish the crucial mission with which we are charged.

* **Attitude.** The Chief's first thought is 'we can get it done, let's figure out how.' Too often the answer we hear right off the bat is 'no.' The Chief has marveled me with his ingenuity and energy, demonstrated by his ability to always get the job done.

* **Perfection.** The Chief has never settled for less than the very best. He sets the example that not only does a good product last longer, but over the course of a lifetime it's usually more economical as well. Take a look at his office, his Model A Ford, his pickup, or any of his work and it is apparent that he is driven to achieve perfection. The curious thing is, he has never appeared to work too hard. That brings us to...

* **Efficiency.** I have never seen the Chief waste time, effort, or resources. He has been as thrifty with the taxpayers' funds as with his own. My dad used to love the phrase: "measure twice, cut once." The Chief is a perfect model of the value of doing things right the first time. As a result, he has always had time to work on the next project to make things better for himself and others, not just treading water maintaining the *status quo*.

* **Appearance.** A poster child and flawless example for everyone from the newest Airman to the most senior field grade officer, the Chief's personal appearance in uniform has never flagged. Not content to merely toe the line, he has always had the perfect haircut, the shiniest boots and the crispest BDUs. If I had to pick a model for dignity and attention-to-detail, it would be him.

* **Planning.** Much like his traits of efficiency and perfection, he has never settled for the short-term fix. He would rather step back and plan for an extra few moments to turn out the solution that will endure the longest, that will benefit the most people, and that will produce the greatest chance of success. Surely, this must be the secret to his professional longevity!

I wasn't a part of the Air Force that Mike Riley joined in 1968, but I am certain from his daily example and from the evidence that I have seen, that he left the USAF a far better place than the Air Force he first joined because of enduring efforts. The memorial to his service that we dedicated at his retirement ceremony, and the facility named in his honor are scant repayment for his over 37 years of patriotic service, but those who have served with him and those who follow will know who he was by the long shadow that he cast. We have all been extremely blessed to have served with "The Chief"; may God bless him and Karen as they begin to enjoy this new chapter in their lives together. "Thanks 'Thunderchief'!"

513th Professional of the Quarter winners named

Tech. Sgt. Buckley R. Best is an instructor airborne radar technician and an Air Reserve Technician with the 513th ACG. He was recognized for his superior leadership, coordination, and expert advice in confronting and resolving difficult challenges during a deployment to RAF Mildenhall, England.

Best was recognized for his daily oversight of over 130 Flight Evaluation Folders in the recent HQ 8th AF ASEV.

Tech. Sgt. Chris J. Hartsox is a flight line crew chief with the 513th AMXS. He distinguished himself in the last quarter for his accomplishments while TDY to RAF Mildenhall.

An example of Hartsox's skill as a crew chief was demonstrated during a refuel of another E-3. The left wing of this aircraft vented fuel, a critical issue for the airplane's mission capability. He initiated emergency procedures, notified the expeditor and prepared the aircraft for fuel cell maintenance.

Tech. Sgt. Danny L. Simon is an electronic warfare production supervisor with the 513th MXS. Known as a hands-on supervisor, Simon led a team of Airmen while working on a Benchtop Reconfigurable Automatic Tester last quarter. He diagnosed a faulty digital command module and returned the tester to service, saving the Air Force more than \$10,000.

During this period Simon obtained a college degree in Avionics Technology with a 3.87 grade point average.

FREE COLLEGE TESTING

Air Force Reserve members, spouses and civilian employees may take DANTES Subject Standardized Tests (DSSTs) or College-Level Examinations Program (CLEP) or Excelsior College Examinations (ECE) FREE! (Military Only for Excelsior examinations). These examinations test college-level knowledge you may have gained through your job, reading, travel, or hobbies. You must test at your Reserve DANTES approved test center. Testing at another DANTES test center will be on a case-by-case basis. The third Tuesday of each month at 0800 has been set aside for testing. You must call us four weeks prior to test date to ensure we will have your test. **For more information contact Chief Master Sgt. Sharlotte Epps in the MPF Education and Training Office at 734-7075.**

PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION

Become a certified professional in a field related to your military training. DANTES and AFRC funded certification examinations are available for certain career fields. Go to <http://www.dantes.doded.mil> and click on certification programs, MOS matching and USAF Matrix which identifies the eligible AFSCs, certification exams available and internet addresses for more info. If you desire to take an exam, **contact Chief Master Sgt. Sharlotte Epps in the MPF Education and Training Office at 734-7075.**

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Reserve members are eligible to apply for TA for Distance Learning and In-Residence courses to further their education up to a Master's Degree.

The basic enrollment requirements are that you must:

Be a participating member in good standing (no UIF, Article 15, etc.).

Retainability: Officers - two years; Enlisted - ETS after course completion.

Enrollment form must show course number/title, credit hours and cost of tuition.

Complete TA forms in our office PRIOR to class start date.

HQ AFRC will approve/disapprove based on funding.

Payment occurs after satisfactory course completion. TA reimbursement amounts are set at 75 percent (\$3500) per FY (Masters) or 100 percent (\$4500) per FY (Bachelors). **For more information contact Chief Master Sgt. Sharlotte Epps in the MPF Education and Training Office at 734-7075.**

AFRC NCO LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COURSE

The success of the Air Force Reserve NCO corps depends on their ability to apply leadership and management skills learned primarily in a civilian setting to a military environment. Not all of today's mid-level NCOs have extensive first-hand supervisory experience in a reserve environment; therefore, the instruction in this course is intended to improve the students' military supervisor capabilities and understanding of their positions as related to the USAFR. We focus on individual improvement which is ultimately the real source of organizational excellence and success. See your unit training manager for more information. **NEXT CLASS: July 24 - Aug. 4, 2006.**

FAMILY CARE

If you need to be on the Family Care Plan, notify your first sergeant ASAP - IAW AFI 36-2908. Single parents and dual military couples with children must have a Family Care Plan completed within 90 days of in-processing or family status change.

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- 4. Awards and decorations** - You can also get a picture display of your awards and decorations.

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All testing (paper and computer) must be scheduled by sending an e-mail to Kimberley.Silkwood@tinker.af.mil with the time and date that you would like to test and include the course number.

Paper testing on the UTA is only available at 0750 on Sunday of the main UTA and is in Bldg. 460 (active duty HQ), Room 215. You need to enter through the MPF main door (in the back near the ramps), turn right and take the stairs.

Computer-based testing on the UTA is available on Saturday and Sunday at 1300 in Bldg. 1030 (Hangar) in Room 214.

Please schedule all tests NLT 1500 on Friday before the UTA. If you are unable to keep the scheduled time please e-mail Ms. Silkwood or call 734-7075 NLT 1000 on the day you are scheduled to test.

All testing is also available on Tuesdays at 0800, Wednesdays at 0800 and 1300 and Thursdays at 1300.

NOTE: If you are retaking a test, you must bring the authorization letter with you or you will not be allowed to test.

EDUCATION REMINDER:

This is just to remind everyone who wishes to update their Education Records, officer and enlisted, that we need OFFICIAL transcripts to send or accomplish any updates. This means that it CANNOT say "ISSUED TO STUDENT." You may have the college/university send it, we can request it, or you may bring it in as long as it is in a sealed envelope with a SEAL on the flap AND it does not say "ISSUED TO STUDENT."

Pass and ID Hours of Operation: 1200-1600 on Saturdays of the UTA.

IEU open from 1200-1500 on Saturday of the main UTA.

Nomination packages for AMN, NCO, or SNCO of the quarter are submitted quarterly. Packages are due by 1400, on Saturday of the UTA after the end of the quarter. (Apr, Jul, Oct, Jan)

FY2006 UTA SCHEDULE

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NOVEMBER TRAINING PLANNER

Fri, 04 Nov 2005

1300 Pre-UTA Cmdr Staff Mtg Bldg 1030, MSG Conf Rm
 1400 Pre-UTA First Sgts Mtg Bldg 1043, Wg Conf Room
 1430 Pre-UTA CChief & 1st Sgt Mtg Bldg. 1043, Wg Conf Room
 1600 Top 3 Executive Board Mtg Bldg 1066, OG Conf Room

Sat, 05 Nov 2005

Unit Designated Sign In Unit Designated
 0730-0930 Newcomers In-Processing Bldg 1043, Room 203
0730-0930 Customer Service Section Open to Newcomers ONLY
 0830-0900 6 Month Contact Mtg Bldg 1043, CC Conf Rm
 0900-1000 Mandatory 3A0X1 Tng Bldg 1066, OG Conf Rm
 1000-1130 Newcomers Orientation Bldg 1043, Wing Trng Room
 1000-1100 Mobility Rep Meeting To Be Determined
1300, by appt. Computer Based Testing Bldg 1030, Room 214
 1300-1545 Newcomers Ancillary Tng Ph I Bldg 1043, Wing Trng Room
 1300-1400 Adverse Actions Mtg Wg Commander's office
 1300-1400 Wg. Career Advisor Trng Bldg 1066, OG Conf Rm
 1400-1500 Training Managers Mtg Bldg 1043, CC Conf Room
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 0800-1100 Newcomers Ancillary Tng Ph II Bldg 1043, Wing Trng Room
 0800-1030 Safety Council Mtg/Unit Sfty Trng Bldg 1030, Room 104
 0830-0930 Enlisted Advisory Council Bldg 1043, CC Conf Rm
 0900-1000 Mandatory 3A0X1 Tng Bldg 1030, MSG Conf Rm
1300, by appt. Computer Based Testing Bldg 1030, Room 214
 1300-1600 First Duty Station Bldg 1043, Wing Trng Room
1300 SORTS/Post UTA Mtg CAT
 1400-1500 IG period w/Capt. Vardaro To Be Determined
1500- Wing CV Commander's Call Base Theater
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1300 SORTS/Post UTA Mtg CAT
 1400-1500 IG period w/Capt. Vardaro To Be Determined
1500-1630 MPF Closed for In-House Tng Bldg 1043, Rm 203, 213
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Mass flu vaccination scheduled for November UTA

**By Maj. Gail A. Livengood
507th Medical Squadron**

The mass flu vaccination line will be conducted on Sunday of the November UTA from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the 507th AGE building.

All Reserve personnel are required to bring their “yellow” PHS-731 International Certificate of Vaccination shot record to the shot line.

All wing personnel age 18 to 49 years of age are to complete and bring with

them the Vaccination Consent Form for Flu-Mist which was earlier e-mailed, before they will receive the vaccine. Note, this is MANDATORY that the forms be completed prior to getting in line to receive the vaccine.

This Reserve age group also received a patient information sheet for Flu-Mist.

Because flu season varies across the country, generally peaking between December and March, vaccination still offers protection against the flu if ad-

ministered in November or later, even if influenza activity has already been documented in the community.

IM flu vaccine will be available for ages 50 and older at the same vaccination time that the FluMist is being administered.

Because the viruses that cause the flu can change every year, it’s important to get vaccinated every year.

If you have questions, call the 507th Medical Squadron at 734-2487 .

What is FluMist?

FluMist is the latest type of flu vaccine. It contains weakened versions of the flu virus and has been approved for use over the last two flu seasons.

Unlike the traditional vaccine, which is given as a shot, FluMist is sprayed into the nostrils, right where the flu enters the body. This is designed to help stimulate the body’s natural defense pathways without causing disease.

FluMist is also thimerosal free and contains no preservatives. FluMist is indicated for health children, adolescents, and adults, 5 to 49 years of age.

How effective is FluMist?

FluMist has been shown to be safe and effective in clinical studies of both children and adults. In some flu seasons, a new, unpredicted flu strain may emerge that does not match any of the flu strains contained in the vaccines. This is vaccine mismatch. When this happens, it is harder for flu vaccines to provide protection.

However, in children FluMist has demonstrated 87 percent protection against influenza both in a season when there was a good vaccine match (1996-1997) and even in a season when there was a significant vaccine mismatch (1997-1998). Like any vaccine, FluMist does not protect 100 percent of vaccinated individuals.

Are there any side effects?

In studies of people between the ages of 5 and 49, side effects were generally mild and temporary. Runny nose was the most common. Other common side effects

included various cold-like symptoms, such as headache, cough, sore throat, tiredness/weakness, irritability, and muscle aches. More than 2 million doses of FluMist have been distributed over the last 2 influenza seasons.



Is FluMist right for you?

FluMist is indicated for health children, adults 5 to 49 years of age based on the groups of people that were included in early clinical studies.

FluMist should not be used, under any circumstances, in anyone with an allergy to any part of the vaccine, including eggs; in children and adolescents receiving aspirin therapy; in people who have a history of Guillain-Barre’ syndrome; and in people with known or suspected immune system problems. Pregnant women and people with certain medical conditions, asthma, or reactive airways disease should not use FluMist.

If you’d like additional information, visit flumist.com.

Reserve Security Forces join Joint Task Force Katrina

By Sr. Master Sgt. Victor Dempsey
514th SFS, McGuire AFB, NJ

On Sept. 21, 2005, thirteen members of Tinker's 507th Security Forces Squadron left Oklahoma, on board a KC-10, for a short-notice, 60-day deployment to Lackland AFB, Texas as part of Joint Task Force Katrina.

Answering an urgent tasking from HQ AFRC/SF to relieve the in-place active duty AEF by Sept. 23rd, the 507th SFS quickly assembled a team and coordinated the historic deployment with representatives from Grissom ARB, Homestead ARS, Lackland AFB, McGuire AFB, Selfridge ANGB, Travis AFB, Willow Grove ANGB, and Wright-Patterson AFB. The Tinker contingent, led by Master Sgts. Bruce Harris and Daryl Flanders, joined the eight other bases in forming a 91-person joint Guard/Reserve Task Force whose mission is to provide a safe haven for fellow Americans, displaced by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, to recuperate.

Once on the ground at Lackland, the Guard/Reserve Task Force received their marching orders and was billeted in a

former BMTS dormitory, complete with open bays and "gang" latrines. Additionally, after touring the posts and facilities on Kelly with their active duty TDY counterparts, the cops learned that their command and control center would be housed in the former base mortuary. Together with the Police, Fire, and Human Services of the City of San Antonio, the deployed Security Forces joined FEMA, the American Red Cross, and 184 members of the Mexican Army in one of the largest relief coalitions ever assembled.

The Guard/Reserve AEF's second day proved to be their busiest. While Lackland's host, 37th SFS, provided localized training to their new guests, the AEF Command Element, led by Capt. Michael Gibbs, 514th SFS, MAFB, was welcomed by Lt. Col. Robert Roth 37th SFS/CC and his staff.

Together, the leaders met with the many agency representatives of Task Force Katrina/Kelly USA and a mission brief was finalized.

With guidance in hand, Gibbs delivered the parameters to troops en masse

and set about relieving the active duty on the targeted date. Maintaining unit integrity, the AEF was organized into four flights, two days and two nights, which would perform duties in a 12-hour "Panama schedule." On Friday, Sept. 23rd, after only a day and a half on the ground, the Guard/Reserve Task Force assumed total operational control of Kelly Field security at 0700 hours.

With A/C repairs and LAN drops installed, the day-to-day living and working environments have improved considerably since arriving at Lackland AFB. The AEF's Security Forces, from all walks of life, continue to perform their duties despite an oppressive heat that has halted Basic Military Training. Performing security and law enforcement duties in a combination of mobile and walking patrols, the AEF provides entry control and patrol coverage to Base Operations, Billy Mitchell Housing, and other sensitive fixed sites. Additionally, as Hurricane Rita battered the south Texas coast, JTF Katrina continues to provide support and services to a growing number of evacuees. In a statement summing up the precedent-setting mission, Gibbs states, "Our rapid response to this tragic situation clearly demonstrates the Guard and Reserve's expanded capabilities to reliably engage in emergency humanitarian missions while maintaining our traditional support of the Active Duty Force." With more storms on the horizon, the 507th SFS has plowed the field for today's Citizen-Airmen.

The 507th Security Forces Squadron deployed members are Master Sgts. Bruce Harris and Daryl Flanders; Tech. Sgts. James Courtney and Jeremy Bates; Staff Sgt. Clyde Inman, Senior Airmen Chris Roser, Chris Nivens, Lindsey O'Bannon, Angela Shirey, Rachel Stafford, Terry Pate, David Morris, and Chris Scott.



The 13-member Joint Task Force Katrina from the 507th Security Forces Squadron currently deployed to Texas.

The life of Riley: 37 years of service

By Staff Sgt. Andy Stephens
513th ACG Public Affairs

In 1968, man had not yet landed on the moon and Nixon had made the biggest comeback since Lazarus, rising from the political dead. The Vietnam War was on the minds of young men nationwide and conscription – the draft – was in full effect.

This was the state of the world when Michael D. Riley enlisted in October 1968. Thirty-seven years, two months and 12 days later, on Oct. 2, 2005, Riley retired as a chief master sergeant in a standing-room only ceremony in the 507th ARW maintenance hangar, his “home away from home” since 1979.

“Mike Riley is one of the finest men I’ve ever known,” said Col. Gregory A. Phillips, 513th Air Control Group commander. “Mike’s dedication to the Air Force will always be an inspiration to the junior enlisted who will someday follow in his shoes and the officers who learn so much from their chiefs.”

Many people retire from the Air Force Reserve every week, but Chief Riley’s accomplishments set him far apart from his peers: Riley pinned on his chief stripe in January 1986, when the Berlin Wall still stood. For 16 years, Riley has been a guiding force in the lives of junior enlisted troops at Tinker AFB, both active duty and reservist. From the days of the F-105 Thunderchief to the cutting edge E-3 AWACS aircraft, Riley has led the way for maintainers of Air Force aircraft.

“I owe so much to Chief Riley,” said Maj. Anthony D. Vallera, 513th Maintenance Squadron commander. “He has shown me how to be the best officer I can be and I will always be grateful.”

Riley’s first duty station following graduation was McConnell AFB, Kan. Within less than a year, he was assigned to Takhli Air Base, Thailand, to support the 355th Tactical Fighter Squadron. He returned to McConnell two years later, eventually becoming a jet engine mechanic for the Kansas Air National Guard.

Riley’s career path brought him to the 507th Wing, predecessor of the 507th Air Refueling Wing at Tinker AFB, and a life as an Air Force reservist. In the 18 years he spent with the 507th, he was instrumental in the wing’s transition from fighter jets to aerial refuelers. During this period, he was selected as one of the Air Force Reserve’s Outstanding Airmen of the Year in 1988.

In February 1997, when the 513th ACG was stood up at

Tinker, Riley came on board and served the group as the first chief master sergeant of Air Combat Command’s first reserve associate unit. The success of the ACG’s early days are reflected today in the other associate units that followed in the modern Air Force, where reservists share their experience and skills with the next generation of active-duty for greater readiness. In Riley’s case, 19 years and nine months of life as a chief gave him a wealth of knowledge about the E-3 fleet and the Airmen who maintain it.

“The 513th ACG will miss Chief Riley as he begins a well-deserved retirement,” said Colonel Phillips at the retirement ceremony, “but his presence will always be felt in Building 230. In his honor, the men and women of the 513th maintenance squadrons have renamed their auditorium the Chief Riley Thunderchief Room.”

In a glass case in this room now hangs one of Chief Riley’s BDU shirts as an inspiration to the enlisted Airmen who will carry on Riley’s legacy.



Chief Master Sgt. Michael Riley

Lyles joins husband in retirement bliss

by Capt. Bill Pierce
507th ARW Public Affairs

Senior Master Sgt. Janice Lyles, lead logistics technician, retired recently following more than 26 years of service to the United States Air Force.

Lyles began her military career in February 1979 at the age of 33, making her one of five women over the age of 30 in her basic military training squadron. "Go through boot camp early; I was 33. I had a dream and needed to support three little boys," said Lyles.

Following basic training she was assigned to Tinker Air Force Base for on-the-job training in supply. Over the next few years she held several other positions, including being selected to serve on active duty as one of five Airmen to participate in the 1979 Green Card Test conducted by Congress.

Her other positions included avionics, DLR, MOC, analysis and finally logistics. When asked what led to her career changes, Lyles said, "Usually the change of aircraft."

During her career Sergeant Lyles experienced other changes too. She worked with nine of the 11 Wing Commanders, saw the Wing convert from the F-105s to F-4s to F-16s, and to the



Retired Chief Master Sgt. Jerry Lyles joined his wife, Senior Master Sgt. Janice Lyles, during her October UTA retirement ceremony. Janice spent her entire Reserve career with the 507th. Photo by Tech. Sgt. Melba Koch

present day KC-135Rs and even helped members deploy during Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom.

"Her attention to detail and an ability

to get anyone tasked deployed on time, to their destination on time and with all their necessary equipment is major," said Maj. Dennis Sivert, 507th Logistic Readiness Squadron commander and her current supervisor.

Now at the end of her career, Lyles took a few moments to reflect over her long career. Her thoughts are of her friends she is going to miss. "This is my second family," said Lyles.

As the news of her retirement traveled, co-workers shared stories both funny and sentimental of Lyles. One former co-worker laughed as he remembered a prank he played on her. Another talked of her attention to detail. "As a pioneer in the 507th ARW she will be sorely missed, but her work ethic and the gift of her legacy to this Wing will not be forgotten," said Sivert.



Sergeant Lyles saw the conversion from F-4s to F-16s, among others, during her tour with the 507th.

Courtesy photo

News from 'the shirt'

A mentor makes every day Veteran's Day

By Master Sgt. George Stiltner
507th Civil Engineer Squadron

I have been told that today's veterans have a special obligation. We are the keepers of the flame, the bearers of our national memory. Who would know better than a veteran the ideals of freedom and the selfless service of our men and women of the Armed Forces. A veteran knows there are both a bright and a dark side. On the bright side there is a glowing pride that comes from participation, when a friend or family member mentions WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Desert Storm, Panama, Somalia, Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom, or Iraqi Freedom. You can say quietly to yourself, "I was a player, I made a difference." On the dark side there is that inner feeling that you lost something, whether it is childhood innocence, the irreplaceable months or years away from spouses, children, and loved ones.

Have you taken the time recently to get to know any of your fellow service men/women? You can start within your own organization! Who is that veteran that works next to you, down the hall, or across the flight line? Simply by displaying an interest you may find a technical sergeant who received a "Purple Heart" during the Kobar Tower incident or the retiring Chief who received a "Bronze Star" during Vietnam as an Airmen Third Class

while reacting under enemy fire. It could be that senior airman who received a "Meritorious Service Medal" for saving a young girl's life during a fatal vehicle accident. We often don't recognize our true role models until we have noticed our own personal growth and progress.



I believe mentors should be role models who haven't forgotten where they came from, how they got where they are now and always looking back to see if they can help those that come from the very same place. People who are mentors know they are, whether they like it or not. The leadership qualities and behavior displayed are what others want to see and model. The vitality and passion some of our younger Airmen have displayed has certainly made them mentors and, unfortunately, we often forget that. Remember, one of our most important attributes in communication is listening. A mentor needs not only to listen but to reflect and make every day a Veteran's day. In all we do, let it be as professionals.

November Promotions

to Senior Master Sergeant

Ivan L. Tenbrook 513th MXS

to Master Sergeant

James Steinmann III 970th AACCS

to Technical Sergeant

Cecil Bradley 507th MDS

Gregory Brown 72nd APS

Paul LaFleur 507th ARW

Almed Mahmud 507th MDS

Christopher McKey 513th MXS

James Milburn 72nd APS

Courtney Penn 507th MXS

Benjaporn Reese 507th CES

Alyson D. Vanness 970th AACCS

Derek Wilson 507th CF

to Staff Sergeant

Jeremiah Alcorn 507th LRS

Matthew T. Bishop 513th AMXS

Keajawanda Davenport 507th CES

Rebekah Medford 35th CBCS

Ronald A. Micue 513th MXS

Timothy J. Milliken 507th MXS

Bernice Ray 35th CBCS

Tessa D. Stevens 507th SVF

to Senior Airman

David Coonce 513th AMXS

Justin Daniels 513th AMXS

Shawn Hollis 507th SFS

Shane Hellinger 507th CES

Melodi Lacy 507th CES

Kamil McFadden 72nd APS

Jonathan Parke 513th AMXS

James C. White 507th MXS

to Airman

Casey Chamber 513th MXS

Michael Welliver 72nd APS

October PEP Promotions

Senior Master Sgt. Terri Wilson 35th CBCS

Master Sgt. Lisa Ortiz 507th MXG

Tech. Sgt. Kevin Marshall 507th CLSS

October CCAF Grads

Staff Sgt. Barry Alexander, Jr 513th MXS

Staff Sgt. Sharon Anderson 513th AACCS

Staff Sgt. Luis Badillo 513th AACCS

Staff Sgt. Kenneth Chiba 513th MXS

Staff Sgt. Christopher Cowell 513th MXS

Chief Master Sgt. Sharlotte Epps 507th MSF

Master Sgt. James Greiner 507th CLSS

Tech. Sgt. Harold Grubb, Jr 513th AMXS

Tech. Sgt. Michael Gunning 1st ASF

Master Sgt. Jeffrey Hicks 507th MXS

Tech. Sgt. Justin Hopkins 507th AMXS

2nd Lt. Samuel Inman 513th OSF

Tech. Sgt. Christopher Lindsay 513th ACCS

Tech. Sgt. Joseph Maggio 507th ARW

Tech. Sgt. Daniel Martin 507th MDS

Master Sgt. Rene Martinez 507th MSG

Senior Master Sgt. Darryl Murrah 507th AMXS

Tech. Sgt. Smith Noel 507th MDS

Senior Airman Lindsay O'Bannon 507th SFS

Tech. Sgt. Christopher Rogers 507th MSF

Staff Sgt. Matthew Severns 513th AMXS

Senior Airman Aaron Smith 35th CCS

Staff Sgt. Andrea Talley 507th MDS

Tech. Sgt. Gregory Wolfenbarger 507th MXS

Ware retires after 32 years service

by Capt. Bill Pierce
507th ARW Public Affairs

Senior Master Sgt. Sammie Ware, NCOIC Air Terminal Operations Center, retired following more than 32 years in the United States Air Force.

Ware joined the military Jan. 5, 1965. “Well I had this dark room at home and I taught myself to develop film and make photos. I wanted to get into aerial photography and take pictures out of an aircraft, so I joined the Air Force,” said Ware.

According to Ware he joined and selected a position within a general field. During that time aerial photography was listed in that area. However, destiny had other plans for Sergeant Ware. “I ended up in supply, because that was what they needed the most of during the War in the Vietnam,” said Ware.

Sergeant Ware spent the next four and half years on active duty. “I should have stayed on active duty, but if I had done that then I would not have gotten a chance to meet some of the people here in the 507th,” said Ware.

“I never thought about making it to this day, and even now I don’t feel like it has been that long, so what you don’t want to do is look at how far you have to go, just keep going and let time take care of itself, and you take care of yourself; you will be there before you know it.”

..... Senior Master Sgt. Sammie Ware

Ware became an “Okie” in December of 1987. Since then he has held numerous positions to include supply liaison, ramp team chief, flight NCO, assistant training manager and ATOC team chief.

When asked what led to these positions Ware responded, “I guess my attention to detail, and my willingness to take on the responsibility for the jobs.”

Sergeant Ware’s jobs have led him to develop many relationships throughout his career. Looking back he remembers those he worked with and for. People like Lt. Gen. (Ret.) James Sherrard. “He was my Wing Commander when we were assigned to 433rd at Kelly. We both came on board at the same time and he always remembered me where ever we ran into each other and he would always say “you’re still around here and you’re not

tired yet,” said Ware.

Although Ware is looking to the next chapter in his life he can’t help but to think of those he’s going to miss. “I’m going to miss the people that I have watched grow and take on the task of the mission,” said Ware.

As Sergeant Ware expressed his thoughts on his retirement he shared a few words for those younger airmen coming up. “I never thought about making it to this day, and even now I don’t feel like it has been that long, so what you don’t want to do is look at how far you have to go, just keep going and let time take care of itself, and you take care of yourself; you will be there before you know it,” said Ware.



Senior Master Sgt. Sammie Ware

Uprclose

By Tech. Sgt. Ty Yoshida

The following question was asked of members of the 72nd Aerial Port Squadron:
"What attributes do you admire in the people with whom you work?"



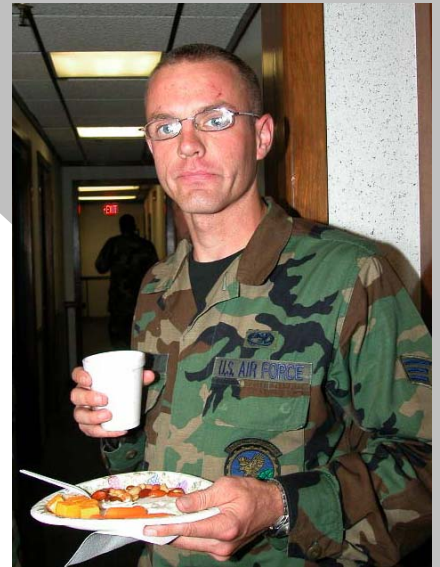
Tech. Sgt. Mike Knight

"Their ability to do the job they have chosen. Their loyalty to the Air Force and our unit."



Amn. 1st Class Kamil McFadden

"When I have an issue or need some understanding, I get helpful responses."



Senior Airman Walter Wheeler

"The people I work with have the patience to teach and provide answers without doing the work for you."



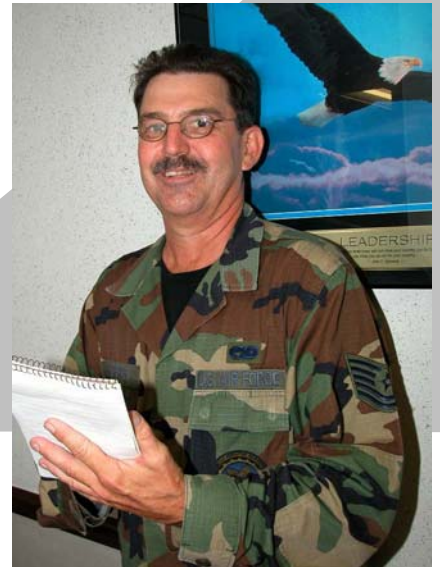
Senior Airman Jason Russell

"I admire working with those who have a great positive attitude. A positive environment promotes a well rounded crew."



Amn. 1st Class Alan Satterfield

"The respect we get from one another, the wealth of knowledge they share, and the comraderie."



Tech. Sgt. Jack Sanders

"I work with some people who are genuine and sincere about their jobs and do the best they can. As in all career fields, those who truly believe in integrity first, service before self and excellence in all have risen to positions of leadership."



Superior Performer

Adrienne Michaelis recently received a superior performer certificate from Lt. Col. James McDonnell, 507th Maintenance Group commander. Adrienne was a student hire who started working in the Maintenance CCA office in January 2004 and backfilled an ART position from April 2004 until she left at the end of September to take a full-time office clerk position with the 38th EIG. "She was a benchmark for all 507th student hires," said Marilyn Trask. "She did a terrific job fulfilling orderly room duties for the 507th Combat Logistic Support Squadron."

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Melba Koch

Civilian Spotlight

James S. Holland Admin Support Assistant

Duties:

I do a bit of everything. I am a computer custodian, computer tech, mail room clerk, the Wing Records Manager and help out whenever anybody needs something.

Length of employment with the 507th ARW:

About 7.5 years

Something unique about you that people may not know:

While many individuals within the Wing realize that I am retired from the Army Reserve, not that many realize that although I retired as a staff sergeant (E-6), my highest rank held was as a



Photo by Richard A. Hinckley

Captain and that during the course of my Army career, I had the equivalent of 3 Officer specialties as well as 3 or 4 Enlisted specialties. Oh yeah, in addition to all that, I graduated from the Army Command and Staff Course.

If you could have dinner with anyone of influence, who would it be and why?

Unfortunately I would love to have dinner with 2 different people. I would want to talk with Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower about how his strategies in Europe during the last days of the war were influenced by politics. I also want to have dinner with Napoleon and discuss his tactics at Waterloo and why he fought the battle in the fashion in which he did.

Personal Hobbies:

I enjoy reading just about everything from History to Sci Fi. I especially enjoy just about anything dealing with the Napoleonic era. Additionally, I enjoy hunting and fishing.

Parting Shot



COMSTAR flight attendees ask Staff Sgt. Charles Dalton questions following the flight on-board the KC-135 refueling mission Oct. 14th. Dalton is a boom operator with the 465th Air Refueling Squadron.

Photo by Lt. Col. Richard Curry

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the IG says

Not all complaints are appropriate for the IG system

1. The IG Complaint Program may not be used for matters normally addressed through other established grievance or appeal channels, unless there is evidence that those channels mishandled the matter or process.

2. If a policy directive or instruction provides a specific means of redress or appeal of a grievance, complainants must exhaust those procedures before filing an IG complaint.

3. Complainants must provide some relevant evidence that the process was mishandled or handled prejudicially before IG channels will process a complaint of mishandling. Mere dissatisfaction or disagreement with the outcome or findings of an alternative grievance or appeal process is not a sufficient basis to warrant IG investigation.

4. AFI 90-301 Table 2.5 (Table 2.9 when the new version of 90-301 is published)

outlined) outlines agencies with established programs for the redress of other complaints. The table is not all-inclusive.

Annual Holiday Card Contest

The Wing or various Squadrons are invited to submit a holiday card for the base annual Holiday Card Contest. The theme this year is "Holiday Critters, Big and Small."

Cards must be on 4'x 8' plywood. They will be displayed at the Tinker Gate starting the first week in December.

Cash prizes are: 1st place, \$300; 2nd place, \$200; and 3rd place, \$100.

Completed entries are due to the Arts & Crafts Center, Bldg. 6002, by Nov. 18.

Commander Trophy points are awarded for participation. For more details, contact Cathy Clark at 734-7944.

Annual Holiday Parade

The Tinker Holiday Parade will begin at 4 p.m. Nov. 30, starting at Tinker Elementary School and ending at the Tinker Club, Bldg. 5603.

The Wing or various Squadrons are invited to design a float for the parade. Cash prizes vary from \$600 to \$150.

For more details, contact Cathy Clark at 734-7944.

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