



OCTOBER UTA SCHEDULE

Saturday

Time	Activity	Location
6-7 a.m.	Breakfast @ Troop Dining Facility	Bldg 813
7:15-7:45 a.m.	Wing Element Staff Mtg	Bldg 838/WCR-2107
7:30-8:30 a.m.	Fx To Flight Evaluations & Profiles: LOD/WWD	Bldg 922
7:30-9 a.m.	Flying Physicals	Bldg 922
7:30-11 a.m.	Optometry	Bldg 922
7:30-11 a.m.	Immunizations, Hearing, Lab, Pulm Func Test	Bldg 922
7:30-11 a.m.	Dental Screenings	Bldg 922
8-9 a.m.	AEF Deployment Outprocessing	Bldg 838/Rm 2406
8-11 a.m.	CBRNE Refresher (Every 20 Months)	Bldg 838/Rm 1322
8-8:30 a.m.	Newcomers Intro by Wing/CC staff	Bldg 838/Rm 1202
8:30-10:20 a.m.	Newcomers Orientation	Bldg 838/Rm 1202
9-10 a.m.	Training Managers Meeting	Bldg 838/Rm 2304
9-11 a.m.	Relocation Briefings	Bldg 838/ATN Rm
9:30-11 a.m.	Non-Flying Physicals	Bldg 922
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Medical Deployment Outprocess	Bldg 922
10 a.m.	IG Complaints	Bldg 838/Rm 1324
10-11 a.m.	Unit Deployment Managers Mtg	Bldg 838/WCR2107
10:30-11:30 a.m.	First Sigs. Grp Mtg	Bldg 838/MtrConRm
10:30-12:30 p.m.	Lunch @ Troop Dining Facility	Bldg 813
Noon-3:45 p.m.	Newcomers Ancillary Trng	Bldg 838/Rm 1202
Noon-2 p.m.	Dental Exams	Bldg 550
12:30-2 p.m.	Laboratory Tests	Bldg 922
12:30-3 p.m.	Physicals, Hearing, PFT, Optometry, Immunizations	Bldg 922
1-4 p.m.	CBRNE Refresher (Every 20 Months)	Bldg 838/Rm 1322
4 p.m.	Retreat/Unit: 94th CF	Bldg 838/Flagpole
4:30 p.m.	Chiefs Group Meeting	Bldg 838/Rm 1202
5-8 p.m.	Dinner @ Troop Dining Facility	Bldg 813

Sunday

Time	Activity	Location
6-7 a.m.	Breakfast @ Troop Dining Facility	Bldg 813
7:30-8:30 a.m.	Protestant Chapel Service	DARB Base Chapel
7:45-8:30 a.m.	Enlisted Advisor Council Mtg	Bldg 838/WCR-2107
8-9 a.m.	MILPDS Trng	Bldg 838/Rm 2406
TBD	94th AW Commander's Call	Bldg 731 (Fuel cell)
8 a.m.-4 p.m.	CBRNE Initial training	Bldg 838/Rm 1320
8:30-9:30 a.m.	HRDC meeting	Bldg 838/WCR-2107
9-10 a.m.	Catholic Service (Mass)	Navy Chapel
9-10:30 a.m.	Chiefs Group Mtg	Bldg 838/Rm 1202
9-11 a.m.	Physical Exams Follow-Up	Bldg 922
9-11 a.m.	Hearing Tests Follow-Up	Bldg 922
9-11 a.m.	Dental Exams Follow-Up	Navy Clinic
9-Noon	CDC Exams	Bldg 838/Rm 2304
10-11 a.m.	Protestant Service	Navy Chapel
10-11 a.m.	Commander's Mtg	Bldg 838/WCR-2107
10:30-12:30 p.m.	Lunch @ Troop Dining Facility	Bldg 813
11:30 a.m.-noon	Protestant Chapel Service	Bldg 727/BrfgRm
12:30-1:30 p.m.	56 Group Meeting	Bldg 747/Rm 120
12:30-2 p.m.	Relocation Briefings	Bldg 838/Rm 2406
1 p.m.	CDC Exams	Bldg 838/Rm 2304
1 p.m.	Unit EM Rep meeting	Bldg 838/Rm 1322
1 p.m.	Top Three Mtg	Bldg 747
1-2 p.m.	Flying Safety Mtg	Bldg 732
4 p.m.	Unit Sign Out	Unit Asgnd

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Into our world

Spouses get a look
inside the Reserve

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A spouse from the 700th Airlift Squadron enjoys an aerial view from the window of a C-130 transport aircraft at Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Ga. The flight was part of the annual spouses' day program. (Photo by Don Peek)

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VIEWPOINTS



RUMBLINGS FROM THE BELLY OF THE BEAST

By Staff Sgt. Micah Garbarino
Public Affairs

When my family moved across the country, we brought our cats along in the car. They hated it. They growled and hissed until we drugged them with tranquilizers from the vet. When we got to where we were going, they hated that too. So much in fact, that they tore the vents off and hid under the house for five days. Humans aren't any more receptive to change. The halls would be filled with the sounds of growling and hissing if it didn't land people in padded rooms. Change is hard. Policies that we don't agree with are hard to accept. New bosses, even if they're great, can be hard to get used to. But, there is a right way and a wrong way to deal with things we don't agree with in the workplace. In the military, it's spelled out pretty clearly that following the chain of command and using official reporting channels is a prerequisite.

Deep in the belly of the organiza-

tional beast, rumblings can always be heard. It's usually the same folks grinding at the rumor mill, pounding at the foundations of new policy, chipping away at the credibility of leadership. The sad fact is that if this core group of people, who usually have the ear of coworkers, were to direct their energy in effecting positive change, so much could be accomplished.

Most servicemembers, regardless of their rank or branch, have heard the following, "If the (insert service name here) wanted your opinion, they would have issued you one." While this is a funny, time-tested way of ending an unwanted conversation, it's not entirely true. The old adage of "if they weren't grumbling, they wouldn't be alive," doesn't fly anymore. Modern leadership recognizes the need for opinions to be heard, and are, for the most part, open to ideas and alternatives.

There are several outlets available for troops to voice their concern in a

constructive way.

"The Air Force Climate Survey is conducted yearly."

"The Enlisted Advisory Council is conducted at 7:45 a.m. on Sunday of every drill weekend at the wing headquarters and is a chance for Airmen to bring issues of concern directly to base leadership."

"The Human Resources Development Council is Airman driven to ensure other Airmen have opportunities for advancement and are made aware of those opportunities."

Change is inevitable. We may not like it, but how we deal with it affects the vibe of the entire organization. Personally, it will be an indicator to those around us about what type of people we are, because whether we agree or disagree, we will always have a choice to be constructive or destructive in our reaction. Choosing the right avenue will make your unit, and the military as a whole, a better place to serve.

Who's Who Halloween costume? What was your favorite Halloween costume?
Maj. Roby Stewart: "I was Elvira, Mistress of the Dark. I wore a long black wig, a black dress with a long slit, hoop earrings, high heels and diamonds. You have to be sparkling."
Master Sgt. Benjamin Matthews: "I was a ghost. I wore a white sheet with holes cut out for my eyes. My mother wrote on the back 'Sweet Ghost.' I was about 10 years-old. It was special because my mom made it for me."
Tech. Sgt. Nicholas Ondivero: "I dressed as the South Fairy 'gone bad.' I didn't share, wore bellows, a red bandana, long underwear, a tulu, a concert T-shirt, Chuck Taylor shoes and smoked a cigar."

From staff reports and news service



Happy 50th, Chiefs

This year the Air Force celebrates its 50th birthday and the 50th anniversary of the creation of the Chief Master Sergeant rank. To honor individuals promoted to this prestigious rank and to mark the special anniversary, Dobbins will host its biannual 'Chiefs' Induction Ceremony' on Jan. 5, from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Marietta Conference Center and Resort. The guest speaker is Command Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force (Ret.) Gerald R. Murray. Tickets are \$50 per person and are now on sale. For tickets or more information, please contact Chief Master Sgt. Deborah Anderson at 678-655-4506.



Line officers to Maxwell

Starting in October, Air Force Reserve Command will send its candidates for reserve line officer to the Officer Training School at Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Rated officer candidates - pilots, navigators and air battle managers - already attend OTS at Maxwell AFB. The last class of nonrated reservists graduated Sept. 14 from the Academy of Military Science. The Air National Guard conducts AMS at McGhee Tyson, Tenn.

The first combined class of rated and nonrated Air Force Reserve officer candidates at Maxwell AFB starts Oct. 11 and graduates Jan. 18.

Gen. T. Michael Moseley, Air Force chief of staff, announced this change and other total force initiatives Sept. 13 during a ceremony at Maxwell AFB. Lt. Gen. John A. Bradley, AFRC commander, attended the ceremony with General Moseley.

"In light of the ongoing total force integration initiatives, Air Force Reserve Command has secured enough OTS class seats to accommodate all Air Force Reserve line officer candidates," wrote General Bradley in a memo to his commanders in June.

Prime ribtastic!

The Dobbins Consolidated Club is cooking up a meal of prime rib Oct. 26. Buffets also include an additional chef's choice entree, a variety of gourmet vegetables, crisp salads and the popular Shortcake Bar for dessert. After dinner, people can dance and listen to the sounds of one of Atlanta's premier DJs. Reservations can be made by calling 678-655-4594.

Win big with AF Clubs

Air Force Clubs' Membership Drive began Oct. 1 and continues through Dec. 31. Anyone who fills out a membership application will have the chance to win \$5, \$10, \$25 or \$100 instantly. New members can enjoy six months of free membership dues. As an added bonus, 100 new members will receive six additional months of free membership. New and existing members can take advantage of the Air Force 'Military Cash Rewards' program. Members receive cash-back on all purchases on and off base.

Expecting mother?

It is very important for all female reservists who are pregnant to notify their supervisor, their unit health monitor and be seen by a medical provider at the 94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron. Air Force Reserve guidance mandates enrollment in the Fetal Protection Program, which identifies occupational hazards and possible dangers to the pregnancy and the member's health.



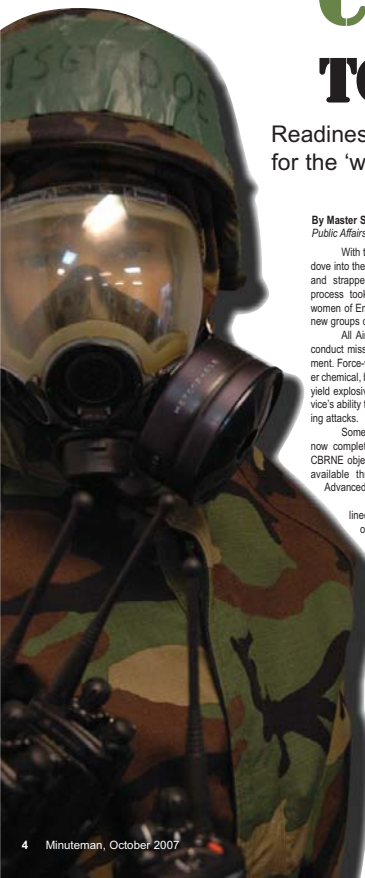
Lt. Col. Barb Parsons, chief nurse, is the program manager. Master Sgt. Alicia Williams and Staff Sgt. Shylah Kirch are the program monitors. These individuals are primarily available on Saturday mornings of the UTA weekends from 8-10 a.m. When the member is seen, she should provide documentation from her health care provider stating that she is pregnant and providing her estimated delivery date. Please see your unit health monitor, or call 678-655-4995, for further questions.

New arrivals, new ranks

Table with columns: Promotions, Newcomers. Lists names and ranks of new arrivals and promotions.

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CERTIFIED TO MOPP UP

Readiness training ensures Airmen are prepared for the 'worst-case scenario' to continue the fight in the event of WMD disaster

By Master Sgt. Angelita Colon-Francia
Public Affairs

With the shout of "GAS, GAS, GAS!" the class dove into their carriers, quickly pulled out their masks and strapped them over their faces. The whole process took seconds. Every UTA, the men and women of Emergency Management here are training new groups of Airmen how to respond to attacks.

All Air Force units must be combat ready to conduct mission-essential operations in any environment. Force-wide implementation of training to counter chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and high-yield explosive attacks continues to improve the service's ability to sustain essential air operations following attacks.

Something new however, is that Airmen can now complete the mandatory refresher training for CBRNE objectives online. The new CBRNE class is available through the Air Force Portal and the Advanced Distributed Learning System (ADLS).

The new web-based training is streamlined and provides Airmen with information on how to plan and prepare for, and respond to a threat or an attack, and be ready to carry out responsibilities in a threat environment. Preparing to counter CBRNE attacks can help Airmen save lives and sustain the Air Force's ability to protect our nation and further its interests by providing air and space power when and where it is needed.

According to emergency management specialist Catherine Shultz of the 94th Emergency Management Office, the new computer-based training is one tool readily available to all Airmen to refresh their knowledge of CBRNE defense operations.

"Airmen can complete the online course rather than wait to take the four-hour class," Ms. Shultz said. "That's helpful considering the frequency of training exercises taking

place here and the number Airmen preparing for deployments."

The course is divided into seven modules grouped into three main categories – pre-attack operations, trans-attack operations and post-attack operations.

Each module contains several lessons, which are based on one or more samples of behavior, or objectives. Airmen can expect the online class to take between two and four hours depending on prior knowledge and familiarization with CBRNE.

The new CBRNE training still includes the initial chemical warfare training all Airmen are accustomed to, but that more information is included on improvised explosive devices and unexploded ordnance, contamination avoidance and decontamination procedures, Ms. Shultz said.

"Once an Airman completes the computer-based course the unit deployment manager or unit training manager will determine when hands-on CBRNE skills training should be scheduled with Emergency Management. That additional training might be scheduled based on projected deployment requirements for example," she added.

"It's a good idea to get the refresher training," said Master Sgt. Derrick Williams, a cardiopulmonary laboratory technician with the 94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron. "I've taken the refresher course many times in my military career yet I've learned something new today, how to switch the air filter side on my mask."

Staff Sgt. John Albertin, an aeromedical evacuation technician with the 94th AES, said he values the information provided in CBRNE training.

"I was deployed overseas earlier this year in May and June," said Sergeant Albertin. "The training may be an annual training requirement, but for me, as a medical technician, it is so important to know it because I never know what I'll encounter."

The Advanced Distributed Learning System is located at:
<https://golearn.cds.dsa.mil/kc/login/login.asp>
Contact your local unit deployment manager or unit training manager for further information.



Spouses take control

Photo by Dan Poek

Lisa Allen, wife of Lt. Col. Rob Allen of the 700th Airlift Squadron, has a laugh after a "rough landing" that resulted in the "red screen of death" at the Eastern Regional Flight Simulator here. Spouses were treated to a full day of reserve life.

By Tech. Sgt. James Branch
Public Affairs

In the midst of commemorating 60 years of air and space power, the 700th Airlift Squadron took time to recognize and celebrate one of the Air Force's most important assets, its spouses.

Spouses of the 94th Airlift Wing members experienced a day in the life of an Air Force reservist, from pilot to aerial delivery, and ended the day with a flight in one of Dobbins' own C-130s, touring local sights such as Amicalola Falls, Lake Lanier and Stone Mountain.

"The backbone of our Air Force Reserve members are their spouses," said Lt. Col. David H. Salisbury, 700th Airlift Squadron commander.

"They make tremendous sacrifices, not only to the Air Force, but to our country," said Colonel Salisbury.

"Spouses Day is about recognizing the heroes in our lives," said Lt. Col. George L. Pelech, coordinator of the event and a pilot with the 700th AS.

Spouses day is open to family of servicemembers in retention-critical careers. Expanded deployment schedules and longer work days have increased the stress on the family we leave at home. I hope that our spouse's, through this small act, understand how much we appreciate all they do while we are gone, said Colonel Pelech.

"Air Force spouses seldom receive the public recognition they deserve for the tremendous load they carry in a military family," said Maj. Terrence E. Green, assistant coordinator. "We have the opportunity today to give them a well deserved 'thank-you' for all their hard work and support."

Each participated in a flying session in the Dobbins Eastern Regional Flight

Simulator flight training device, experiencing what it's like to fly a C-130 aircraft.

"The flight simulator was cool, although I got a little motion-sickness during my landing," said Tracy Hughes, spouse of Senior Airman Dana Hughes, air transportation journeyman, 80th Aerial Port Squadron.

Participants were given a chance to visit their spouses' work areas during their tour of the base.

"This visit really enlightened me on the mission of the Air Force Reserve and how my husband spends his reserve weekend," said Eleanor Williams, spouse of Master Sgt. David Williams, 94th Aerial Delivery Flight supervisor.

"What he does is very interesting and from what I hear, there's never a dull moment," said Mrs. Williams.

While all agreed that being a military spouse can be somewhat challenging, there are cases where both the husband and wife serve.

"Being in the aircraft today brought back memories of my active duty flying days," said Anthony Wong, spouse of Staff Sgt. Anna Wong, 700th AS, aviation resource manager. "I realize now that both the Air Force Reserve and active duty have similar requirements and in lots of cases, fly similar missions," said Mr. Wong.

Colonel Salisbury presented each spouse with the Air Force Spouses Pin, in appreciation of the sacrifices they make for their spouse's service.

"While all of our Airmen work very hard, their spouses often work harder keeping the households together," Colonel Salisbury said.

"Spouse day was more of a success than I ever thought it would be," said Colonel Pelech. "I heard nothing but praise from our guests, especially on the absolute professionalism of our flight crews. I can't wait for next year's spouse celebration."



Aw shucks!

A warm, relaxing day filled with hot grills, brauts, roasted corn and sweet tea is about the best way you could spend a summer afternoon, right? How about all that combined with raising money for a good cause, now that's time — and money — well spent.

The annual Corn and Sausage Roast was held at the Lakeside Pavilion this summer and the organizers just presented family services a check for \$2,000. More than 400 ears of roasted corn and piles of perfectly cooked sausage were served to a hungry crowd that came to support the event.

The event was organized by the Dobbins Square and Compass Club with help from the SF Family Support Center, the Dobbins Chief's Group and the Thrift hop as well as volunteers from other organizations across the base. More than \$650 was raised from the hand made quilts and other items that were raffled off during the cookout.

Cooking for the lunchtime event began at 7 a.m. and was a long, labor intensive process. But organizers say it's rewarding and plans are already underway for a repeat next year.

Photo by Dale Pook

Enlisted Advisory Corner

Every Unit Training Assembly at 7:45 a.m. on Sunday, enlisted representatives from any squadron on base have the opportunity to meet with the 94th Airlift Wing vice commander to air their concerns, complaints, and suggestions during the Enlisted Advisory Council. Many issues presented at the meeting are acted on to improve the quality of life in the wing. If an issue is not acted on, the member who voiced concern is told why. Here are some issues we discussed with Lodging.

EAC: How is the decision made about who stays in off-base quarters on the Unit Training Assembly?

Lodging: On a UTA, the individuals sign the roster for the next UTA, it is then sent to Lodging. When it is received in



Col. Joseph Thomas

Lodging, reservations are made by filling on-base quarters. When all on-base rooms have been utilized, then individuals are assigned off-base quarters.

EAC: Several Airmen reported that not all the new TVs receive the same channels. What can be done to ensure we are getting all the channels we should?

Lodging: We purchased a high tech TV for a low tech building. The power surges in different rooms were causing some of the TVs to go from the 76 channels to 13. After some start-up issues, the front desk personnel have been trained to re-program the TVs and on UTA weekend a master programmer is located at the front desk in case the problem arises again.

EAC: Are there any plans for high-speed or wireless internet access in Billeting?

Lodging: The Air Force signed a contract six months ago with Mid-Atlantic Broadband to supply high speed internet, cable TV with on demand movies and telephone service. They are in the process of testing this at Little Rock AFB, Ark. After the trial, the Air Force will "rack and stack" which installations have priority for installation of the new service.

effect positive change

"An obstacle is often a stepping stone." - Prescott



CARE IN THE AIR

"CREWS ARE READY FOR DEPLOYMENT AT ANY TIME"

By Senior Airman Robert Dennard
Public Affairs

Treating life-threatening combat injuries is not something most people have to face on a normal weekend, but for Reservists assigned to the 94th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron at Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Ga., a little trauma and high-altitude drama comes with the territory.

Twenty-three members of the 94th AES participated in a training mission here and evacuated "wounded" servicemembers onto a C-130, providing critical medical care during a two-hour flight.

Aeromedical technicians were given mock patients suffering from combat-related injuries that are often seen in the field — wounds from fire-fights or improvised explosive devices. During the flight, the crew was forced to deal with two, mock in-flight emergencies including a respiratory arrest situation where a patient stopped breathing, and a "rapid decompression," simulating the plane losing altitude and cabin pressure very quickly.

"We try to tailor training to things that are coming out of the area of operation," said Tech. Sgt. Shane Grizzle, an aeromedical evacuation technician and NCOIC of aircrew training and for the 94th AES. "We take the information we know to be better prepared for deployment."

Members of the 94th AES are no strangers to deployments. Out of the 85 members, over 90 percent have been deployed since Sept. 11, 2001 in support of the Global War on Terrorism. In 2007 alone, around 63 members were deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan or Germany. Since they are used so often, and play such a critical role to the health of combat personnel, continual training is essential.

"Crewmembers must fly every 60 days to stay 'current,'" said Capt. Chad Corliss, the Assistant Director of Operations for the 94th AES. "Crews are ready for deployment at any time. Not just for the GWOT, but also for the hurricane season as well."

The 94th AES is one of only 17 Air Force Reserve Aeromedical squadrons in the nation. The Air National

Guard has 11, and active duty only has four. Given the total number of units in the guard and reserve, it's easy to see why they deploy so often. Several of the crewmembers that took part in the training exercise have been recommended for the newly implemented Air Force Combat Medal for taking fire.

"It's hard to say how it compares to the real thing," said Captain Corliss. "We try to make training as realistic as possible and make them do everything they would do to give real life medical care," he added.

"Every time we train it's significant," said Sergeant Grizzle. "It shows us our real areas of strength and weaknesses, and shows us the areas that need improvement," he said.

The training exercise was covered by anchorman Fred Blankenship from WSB-TV Channel 2 News of Atlanta, who went along for the flight and interviewed several of the crewmembers. Mr. Blankenship will use footage and interviews from the exercise as part of a three-part series on the Air Force, scheduled to run on Channel 2 this fall.