

MARCH 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.	Fit To Fight Evaluations & Profiles: LOD/WWD	
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 a.m.-4 p.m.	ORI training (Red team)	
9:30-11 a.m.	Non-Flying Physicals	Bldg 922
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Medical Deployment Outprocess	Bldg 922
8 a.m.+	M-16A2 and 9MM AFQC Firing	Firing Range
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
9-11 a.m.	Relocation Briefings	Bldg 838/ATN Rm
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 Sgts. Grp Mtg	Bldg838
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Training Managers Meeting	Bldg 838/Rm 2304
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
1-2 p.m.	EET training meeting	Bldg 838
1-4 p.m.	CBRNE Refresher (Every 20 Months)	Bldg 838/Rm 1322
4 p.m.	Retreat/Unit: 94 AES	Bldg 838/Flagpole
4:30 p.m.	Chiefs Group Meeting	Bldg 838/Rm 1202
5-6 p.m.	Dinner @ Troop Dining Facility	Bldg 813

Sunday

Time	Activity	Location
6-7 a.m.	Breakfast @ Troop Dining Facility	Bldg 813
7:30	M16A2 AFQC Firing	Firing Range
7:30a.m.-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 a.m.-4 p.m.	ORI training (Blue team)	
8-9 a.m.	MILPDS Trng	Bldg 838/Rm 2406
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
9-11 a.m.	Qrtly Supr. Safety Mtg	Bldg 838Rm 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/BfrgRm
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

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Know weapons basics



Women in combat?

Not such a new idea, just ask Molly Pitcher

By Col. Robyn King
Air Force Institute of Technology,

The 1970s were a time of great expansion for women, not only in the military but in all realms of life. Glass ceilings everywhere were being shattered and we weren't necessarily stopping to clean-up the glass behind us or below us.

In her book, "Women in the Military: An Unfinished Revolution," retired Maj. Gen. Jeanne Holm refers to the 1970s as a decade of expansion while the 1980s were a new period of uncertainty. The 1970s brought about the end of the draft and an expansion of women's participation in the armed forces that was of unexpected and unprecedented proportions to include admittance to the nation's military service academies.

Author Peter Northouse acknowledges in his book, "Leadership: Theory and Practice," that until the 1970s, academic researchers largely ignored issues related to gender and leadership. He writes about how, along with the dramatic changes in American society during that timeframe, the rapidly increasing numbers of women in leadership positions and in academia sparked a new interest in the study of women leaders. Northouse concludes, "no longer were researchers asking 'Can women lead?' but rather 'What are the leadership style and effectiveness differences between women and men?'"

I say "Who cares?" Let's not concentrate on gender but accomplish the mission using the strengths of every leader, male or female.

Today, more women in the military are making conscious choices to rise to leadership positions. Throughout history, women have been put in positions by necessity to lead and to perform in combat. There are two stories about how Molly Pitcher became a leader by necessity.

General Holm writes about her:

"Regardless of which Molly Pitcher story is accurate, the central point is that women have been in combat for as long as this great nation has enjoyed its independence."

"In June 1778, at Monmouth Courthouse, General George Washington and his revolutionary force found themselves in heated combat against British forces. To the weary, parched Soldiers on the battlefield, Molly Pitcher was an angel with a water pitcher and encouraging words. Many of the Soldiers recognized her as Mary, wife of John Hays, an artilleryman of the 7th Pennsylvania regiment.

"In the thick of battle, John Hays' gun position ceased firing. Mary found the crew lying mutilated and John seriously wounded. Although not trained in the arts of war, she had seen enough action to know what had to be done. She grabbed the ramming staff, swabbed out the hot gun barrel with water to extinguish sparks and remove unexploded powder, rammed home a charge and fired. Replacements soon arrived, but she stayed at her station as rammer until relieved by an artilleryman.

"Some historians claim the 'real' Molly Pitcher was Margaret Corbin, who in 1776, distinguished herself in the battle of Fort Washington by taking over the gun position of her husband John. Before the fort fell to the enemy, Margaret was wounded and disabled for life."

Regardless of which Molly Pitcher story is accurate, the central point is that women have been in combat for as long as this great nation has enjoyed its independence. Perhaps more than any other event in history, Operation Desert Storm led to intensive review of our combat exclusion laws and policies. In the words of General Holm, "For the first time, the debate over women in combat was no longer hypothetical. It was for real."

The debate was settled in part for women in the Air Force when, in 1991, President George H.W. Bush signed the National Defense Authorization Act. This act repealed the 43-year-old legal barriers on women flying combat missions in the Air Force. And things will never be the same.

Thank goodness!

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Mardi Gras time at Dobbins

Mardi Gras fever has hit Dobbins ARB once again. Join Dobbins March 1 as it celebrates Mardi Gras style at the Dobbins Lakeside Lounge. An array of Cajun hors d'oeuvres will be featured on the buffet as well as prizes, games and yes, beads. DJ "KC" will be putting it down on the one's and two's. The festival is free so come and get your Mardi On. The festival begins at 4 p.m. Come and dance to the beat of R&B and groove to the smooth sounds of jazz.

Spouse to teachers program

Effective immediately, the Spouse to Teachers Program has been expanded from a test phase in a few states to a nationwide program available in all 50 states. This is a Department of Defense initiative focused on military spouses interested in a career in public education. Spouses can receive counseling on state teacher requirements, routes to certification, and employment outlook. Along with counseling, spouses will be informed of financial aid resources, scholarship availability, starting or completing a degree and state certification reciprocity agreements. Spouses seeking teacher certification will be eligible to receive reimbursement up to \$600 for teacher certification examinations. Interested spouses can find details of the program on the Spouses to Teacher web site www.spousestoteacher.com.

Answers from page 5

1. FALSE! Always visually and physically inspect the chamber of the weapon to ensure it is not loaded. Also, make sure that the weapon is pointed into a clearing barrel or in a safe direction while clearing it.
2. FALSE! Only a light coat of lubricant is necessary for the weapon to fire properly. Too much oil can cause sand and dirt to accumulate inside the weapon.
3. B. The three main parts of the M16 are the upper receiver, lower receiver and the bolt assembly.
4. B. The M-9 Beretta Pistol fires a 9 mm round.
5. Pretty good. And even if not selected, with the Dobbins mission changing from training to operations, all servicemembers should consider and prepare for the possibility of deployment.

New arrivals, new ranks

Promotions

Senior Master Sergeant
Terry J. Wilson
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Airman 1st Class
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Senior Airman Quirsy J. Saladin
Senior Airman Daniel A. Sullivan
Senior Airman Pedro L. Valles Jr.
Airman Dalia G. Galvan

SECAF says 'crack a book'

Developing Airmen remains one of my key priorities; to that end I've carefully selected each book on my 2008 reading list. Victory -- whether on the front lines of today's Long War or in the air, space and cyberspace surrounding tomorrow's foes -- will be determined in large part by the expertise of our Airmen. There is no room in our Air Force for anyone "too busy" to expand his or her horizons. That is why I consider professional reading imperative for every Airman: officers, enlisted, and civilians. It is why I make reading an essential part of my day even as Chief of Staff.

Every quarter this year I will highlight a few books from my list and explain why they are pertinent to your development. For this first quarter, I've selected three books: one from our joint military heritage; another on our mission, doctrine and profession; and a final selection from world events.

The first book, *Louis Johnson and the Arming of America: The Roosevelt and Truman Years*, by Keith D. McFarland and David L. Roll, is an informative biography on former Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson. Secretary Johnson created a framework for long-term industrial mobilization during World War II and the early years of the Cold War that still endures to the present. In fact, we face similar challenges today as the Air Force recapitalizes in this era of shrinking budgets and manpower cuts.

The second book, *Why Air Forces Fail: The Anatomy of Defeat*, by Robin Higham and Stephen J. Harris, explores the complex historical reasons for the catastrophic failure of air forces as leaders struggled to properly connect doctrine, training, technology, and industrial output. This book contains pointed lessons that apply today -- fighting today's war while preparing for tomorrow's challenges to ensure we do not fail our nation.

The third book, *The Crisis of Islam: Holy War and Unholy Terror*, by Bernard Lewis, examines the historical roots of the deep resentments that dominate much of the Islamic world today. This book puts into context many of the struggles that persist across the globe -- essential knowledge for a professional warrior.

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STAY READY

94th Airlift Wing, rest of Air Force very much 'in the fight'

By Staff Sgt. Micah Garbarino
Public Affairs

Selected members from the 94th Airlift Wing participated in a mass training exercise on Feb. 2-3, in order to better prepare for the upcoming Operational Readiness Inspection in August.

But, as revealed Oct. 31, 2007, there is a more important reason to make sure the wing's readiness level is high. The 94th AW will convert from a domestic C-130 training unit to an operational mobility unit. Unit members currently supporting the training mission will participate more in deployment rotations performed by other reserve airlift units.

"The 94th Airlift Wing has been an operational mobility unit in the past and we are eager and willing to perform any mission that the Air Force requires of us," said Col. Heath Nuckolls, 94th Airlift Wing, commander.

The Air Force and Air Force Reserve is very much in the fight overseas and senior leadership continues to communicate their goals to Airmen who fight right alongside other services when deployed, and both are being asked, from the highest levels, to continue the good work and stay flexible when it comes to taskings.

Secretary of the Air Force Michael W. Wynne stopped to talk with deployed Airmen during a luncheon and Airmen's call held at Balad Air Base Feb. 2.

During his visit, Secretary Wynne discussed topics including in-lieu-of taskings, the medical miracles of Iraq, and current and future changes on the horizon for basic training.

"There are a lot of changes going on and it's all about innovation and imagination to meet the challenges of the job. It's incredible," Secretary Wynne said.

One of the ways Airmen are excelling in challenges is through ILO taskings.

"I always say that the reason we have problems with the in-lieu-of for ground force taskings is that when Airmen take that mission, they do it so well that we have a hard time convincing our Army colleagues that they shouldn't have Airmen doing that," Secretary Wynne said. "I say they should give our Airmen back to our Air Force and do it themselves. But the Army says, 'no, actually you guys have brought such innovation and imagination that we'd like you to send us another (Airman) because we think you will extend it.' That's what we do, we come in, we spend the time on the job and try to leave it better off for the person who comes in behind us. We make sure they are as equipped and proud to do the job as we were."

Another facet of Airmen excelling alongside the Army is in the medical realm, which the 94th AES currently supports via air evac.

"The miracle of Iraq is the medicine and the air evac missions," Secretary Wynne said, when visiting the Air Force Theater Hospital here. "It is



Senior Master Sgt. Patrick Sheirling of the 94th Civil Engineer Readiness flight, assists two wing members as they get a refresher on donning their chemical warfare gear. Wing members were bused to a mini tent city where they went through two days of chemical warfare and Self Aid Buddy Care training. (Air Force photo/Don Peek)

a profound change that we have brought to medicine throughout the United States. You come away (from here) just totally impressed with what they do. It's amazing to see the compassion they bring to a tough area and a tough fight. Whether it is U.S., coalition or Iraqi, civilians or military (hospital personnel provide) the same level of care, same level of compassion. There's never a doubt that patients receive the most excellent care available here."

In addition to the ILO and medical enhancements, the secretary also said that Air Force basic training is going through an improvement process as well. Airmen coming to the 94th will be better prepared to face challenges of the 94th Airlift Wing's several scheduled Operational Readiness Exercises that focus on CBRNE training and Self Aid/Buddy Care.

"We are in the process of expanding basic training in many different areas," he said. "We are now issuing new Airmen weapons in basic training and we intend to start focusing more time on first aid because we feel these are important aspects every Airman should be knowledgeable in."

The secretary ended his visit by thanking all Airmen for their service and what they bring to the fight.

"We are still the best Air Force in the world and you are the core of it," the secretary said. "I want to thank you for that because it allows me to brag about you. The value you add to the lore, the mission and the future of our Air Force is beyond all expectation."

Portions of this article by Staff Sgt. Ruth Curfman, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs.

UCI/ORI prep Know your weapons

By Senior Airman Robert Dennard
Public Affairs

In preparation for the upcoming Unit Compliance Inspection and Operational Readiness Inspection, Dobbins servicemembers seriously need to consider all aspects of a possible deployment overseas. One of the most important factors to consider in any deployment situation is weapons maintenance and care. If deployed, most servicemembers that are issued weapons will receive either an M-16 service rifle, or an M-9 Beretta pistol. Here are some helpful tips for both.

SAFETY

First, remember the weapons safety rules! These rules apply to all weapons, from handguns to AT-4's.

1. Treat every weapon as if it were loaded.
2. Never point a weapon at anything you do not intend to shoot.
3. Keep the weapon on safe until you intend to fire.
4. Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to fire.
5. Be aware of your target, backstop and beyond.

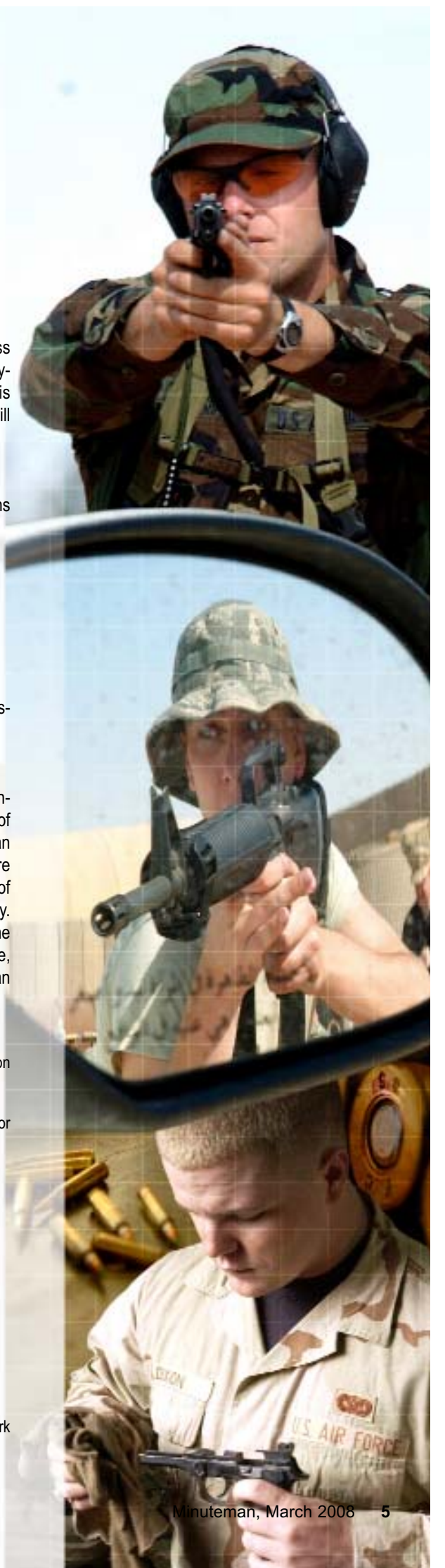
By adhering to these rules, servicemembers can greatly decrease the odds of a negligent discharge that could hurt or kill another person.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Next, remember that weapons must be clean and in order to work correctly. In deployed conditions, dust, dirt and sand can get inside weapons to make them inoperable. A periodic check of your weapon, consisting of a field strip and cleaning, can help prevent a failure-to-fire situation in an emergency. For an M-16, a small set of cleaning gear can be stored inside the butt-stock. Ensure that the barrel of the weapon is clear from obstructions and debris. Also, only a small amount of Clean Lubricate Protect or oil is necessary on the bolt of the weapon to keep in working smoothly. Excess oil can cause more sand and dirt to accumulate inside the weapon, which would hinder the movement of the bolt. This can cause the weapon to not charge another round after firing, or worse, a failure-to-fire. Basic facts on weapons, including loading, clearing and cleaning procedures, can be found in the Airman's Manual. Below is a short quiz to test your weapons knowledge.

WEAPONS QUIZ (See answers on page 7)

1. True or False: When accepting a weapon from another servicemember, you must ask if the weapon is loaded to ensure safety.
2. True or False: When cleaning a weapon, make sure that you apply a generous amount of CLP or gun oil to ensure the weapon will fire and chamber another round.
3. What are the three main parts of the M16A2 service rifle?
 - A. barrel, butt-stock, trigger
 - B. upper receiver, lower receiver, bolt assembly
 - C. upper receiver, butt-stock, bolt assembly, firing pin
 - D. barrel, trigger housing, firing pin, magazine clip
4. The M-9 pistol fires what type of round?
 - A. 45 Caliber
 - B. 9 mm
 - C. 357 Magnum
 - D. 5.56 mm
5. If a train leaves Los Angeles at 5 a.m. traveling east at 65 mph, and another train leaves New York traveling west at 45 mph, what are the chances that you will be selected to participate in the ORI this year?



SFS welcomes Dobbins' top cop

By Senior Airman Robert Dennard
Public Affairs

Maj. Timothy Martz took over as commander of the 94th Security Forces Squadron in a ceremony here Feb. 3.

"I am looking forward to coming on board here and working with the personnel at Dobbins," said Major Martz.

Major Martz is the former commander of the 440th Security Forces Squadron, General Mitchell International Airport-Air Reserve Station, Wis.

Major Martz enlisted in the Air Force Reserve as a Security Specialist in 1985, serving at the 440th Airlift Squadron. He completed his bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. After serving as an enlisted Airman for eight years, he accepted his commission in 1994, transferring to the Aerial Port Squadron as a traditional reservist officer. Major Martz returned to the security forces career field in 1998, serving as a reserve mobility flight commander.

After 9/11, Major Martz was mobilized for two years, completing a variety of duties. The first year was spent supporting homeland defense. The second year included a seven-month assignment to the CENTCOM AOR in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. While deployed overseas, Major Martz worked as a Force Protection Officer in Qatar, Kuwait,



Maj. Timothy Martz, pictured here before a patrol while deployed in Iraq, is the new commander of the 94th Security Forces Squadron. (Courtesy photo)

Afghanistan and Iraq. During his tour his unit took ground fire multiple times and he is currently a candidate for the new Air Force Combat Action

Medal.

Following his overseas tour, he returned to the 440th as an Air Reserve Technician for one year. He then became an AGR, and commander of the squadron, until his transfer to Dobbins. The 440th was recommended for closure by BRAC in 2005, facilitating a move here.

With the Dobbins mission changing from training to operations, it is no secret that security forces will be working to increase its readiness, but Major Martz also has a strong focus on taking care of Airmen.

"We need to increase our mission readiness and strength in terms of our wartime taskings," said Major Martz. "We have to support our wing through sustaining security operations and during exercises like the upcoming ORI."

Major Martz has a strong focus on people, especially the Airmen at the Security Forces squadron and their families.

"We will continue to develop and take care of our Airmen," he said. "We will work to develop their leadership skills and progress their career development. We will take care of our people and their families," he added. "Family is very important to me."

"Our mission is the same wherever we go, but our people are our true strength," he said.

"I feel that it is my responsibility as a commander to continue to provide an environment and opportunities where our people can excel professionally and personally."

Three chiefs retire from CE

Three chief master sergeants were honored Feb. 3 during a retirement ceremony officiated by Lt. Col. James Lehman, commander of the 94th Civil Engineer Squadron here.

Chief Master Sergeants Dana F. Mason, Roy McClain and Edward G. Robinson retired with more than 88 years of service combined, leaving behind the many Airmen that they've mentored, praised and touted during their tenure in the United States Air Force Reserve.

The ceremony took place at the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Facility.



Chief Master Sgt. Patrick Ferrell of the Dobbins Chiefs Group says a few words in recognition of three chiefs who retired in a joint ceremony Feb. 3 (Air Force photo/Don Peek)



Graphic by Tech. Sgt. James Branch

Uniting force:

Reserve service brings long separated relatives together

By Tech. Sgt. James Branch
Public Affairs

The saying, "It's a small world," became really applicable for two reserve members of the 94th Airlift Wing here.

Cousins, Master Sgt. April L. Lee, services superintendent and Senior Airman April N. Lee, services specialist reunited after 20 years while working in the 94th Services Squadron. Both are natives of Abbeville, S.C.

"It was so good to see my cousin after all these years," Sergeant Lee said. "Because of my military travel, I hadn't seen her since she was five years old."

Senior Airman Lee has been assigned to Dobbins for two years and works at base lodging during the UTA. She became curious when the name April Lee was announced as a newcomer to the unit a year ago. After meeting Sergeant Lee and discussing an upcoming family reunion, both realized that they were related.

"We live 150 miles from each other, so we use the UTA as a chance to get together and catch up on things," Airman Lee said.

Sergeant Lee recently relocated to Georgia and was assigned to the 94th Services Squadron in January 2007 where she oversees day-to-day operations of the base dining facility, fitness center and lodging during the UTA weekend.

"It's so good to have a relative to mentor you in your Air Force career," Airman Lee said. "She encourages all of us to come to the UTA with a positive attitude every month."

Sergeant Lee brought 17 years of military experience to the services squadron. Airman Lee recalled a trip to Fort Gordon, Ga., in August for their squadron's annual tour and how Sergeant Lee took charge and helped to make it a successful exercise.

"She really went above and beyond, and stood out," said Airman Lee. "I was so glad to see her promoted to master sergeant in July. Her attitude and professionalism makes me want to stay in the Reserve and follow her footsteps."

Both women were raised in a small town and were the only two members in their family to join the Air Force.

"Being members of the Air Force Reserve helped us to reunite with each other and has definitely made us a lot closer," Sergeant Lee said.