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Airman 1st Class Bernard Hyde, 509th Security Forces Squadron patrolman, sights down the scope of his M4 carbine while on patrol Dec. 5. As a defender, Hyde is responsible for staying vigilant and ready to respond to any threat 24/7, 365 days a year, holidays included. For more, see pages 8-9.

GAIB to investigate Whiteman fatality

An investigation into the April 9, 2012, death of a 509th Bomb Wing member is currently being conducted. The member collapsed while performing his annual physical assessment and died shortly thereafter.

Maj. Gen. Everett Thomas, Air Force Global Strike Command vice commander, convened a safety investigation board in November in order to determine the cause of the mishap and to recommend measures necessary to prevent a recurrence. The SIB will not produce a publically releasable report.

The AFGSC vice commander also convened a ground accident investigation board to investigate the matter and to produce a publically releasable report. The GAIB president is Col. Lisa A. Kuhar, 60th Air Mobility Wing, Travis Air Force Base, California.

The report will set forth the factual information concerning the fatality. After the report has been approved by the AFGSC vice commander, it will be presented to the next of kin of the deceased member.

After the family has had an opportunity to be personally briefed, the report will be released to the general public.

Revamped program aids separating service members

By Donna Miles
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- Major changes announced Dec. 6 to the Transition Assistance Program will revolutionize the way the military prepares people leaving the services, with mandatory participation in programs throughout their military careers to help set them up for a successful transition.

The redesigned program, called Transition Goals Planning Success or Transition GPS, was unveiled by Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta and Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric K. Shinseki.

It is a multi-agency response to President Barack Obama's call to improve career readiness for separating Service members, explained Susan S. Kelly, principal director of the Defense Department's Transition to Veterans Program Office.

The president hinted at the most sweeping change to the Transition Assistance Program in two decades during



U.S. Air Force graphic

a speech this summer to the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Obama called it the centerpiece to a broader federal effort to help Service members transition to civilian life and to reduce veteran unemployment.

During the three-phase rollout of the Transition GPS program that will continue through 2014, the many, but often disconnected, activities conducted across the U.S. government to support veterans and their families will be melded into one comprehensive effort, Kelly said.

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New process improves household goods shipments

By Donna Miles
American Forces Press Service

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, ILL., (AFNS) -- A system being implemented at U.S. Transportation Command is making permanent-change-of-station moves more convenient, while reducing lost and damaged shipments and saving the government money.

The Defense Personal Property System, introduced in 2009 as a pilot program at 17 installations, now supports 90 percent of all military moves, said Jill Smith, personal property division chief at Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command.

The web-based system automates many of the steps involved in military moves -- pre-move counseling, scheduling, tracking, invoicing and claims filing for household goods shipments.

"The beauty of DPS is that customers can do all this from the comfort of their own homes. They can do it early in the morning or at 11 o'clock at night, whatever works best for them," Smith said. "Plus, all the information they might want - whether it's about gypsy moths or weight allowances, or just tips about how they can have a smoother move - is right at their fingertips, a click away, and available 24/7."

DPS also gives customers the opportunity to track their shipments online. If their shipment is lost or damaged, they can file a claim online and settle directly with the moving company.

Moves not yet covered by DPS, generally those involving long-term storage or moves within an overseas theater, will be included as new features are added to make the system fully operational by September 2017, Smith said.

Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command, TRANSCOM's Army component, processes about 600,000 personal property moves each year for Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, Defense Department civilian employees and their families, Smith reported. About one-third of these moves take place during the summer, and almost 70,000 include privately-owned vehicle shipments.

Collectively, they cost the Defense Department



Courtesy photo

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about \$2.2 billion a year, Smith said. But with DPS, she projects between \$117 million and \$136 million in annual savings -- while providing customers with better service.

That's because rather than relying on "low-bid" transportation providers to conduct military moves, DPS provides "best value" services. This, Smith explained, factors in not just cost, but also variables such as timeliness, reliability, the incidence of lost or damaged shipments and ease in providing reimbursement for claims.

"We want to provide carriers that are not only qualified, but fully capable of making sure that they protect the members' household goods, provide a great quality move and communicate with that customer," she said. "The bottom line for us is that we want to do business with carriers that pick up the household goods on time and deliver them on time, with no or the least amount of damage -- whether (that carrier) happens to be cheaper or a little bit more expensive."

Those determinations are based directly on customer satisfaction surveys that help ensure the best movers get singled out for DOD business. "We rely on these surveys because [customers] get to evaluate the [transportation service provider's] performance, and that ties directly into the best-value score,"

Smith said. "The higher the customer satisfaction, the higher the score and the more opportunity that [carrier] gets to participate in future traffic."

As an additional incentive for moving companies to apply extra care while handling DOD shipments, carriers are now required to pay full replacement value for anything lost or broken. Before that change was introduced about five years ago, transportation carriers paid a depreciated value on all claims.

The result has been a dramatic reduction in claims.

"If they break your \$500 china, that means they have to replace or repair it. So carriers have a tendency to be more careful," Smith said. "That is a good thing, because it helps make Service members feel a little bit more comfortable about turning over their prized possessions, knowing that the carriers are going to be held responsible for it."

Smith said she's looking forward to the complete rollout of DPS and the convenience it will provide DOD customers throughout the move process.

"This will be a brand new era," she said. "Customers will have a centralized one-stop shop that gives them all the tools they need to plan and manage their moves, that provides them best-value service and uses their feedback to ensure other Service members will, too."

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Legal Office provides holiday season gift-giving guidelines

By Staff Sgt. Kathryn Gritzmaker
509th Bomb Wing Legal Office

The holiday season is traditionally a time of parties, receptions and exchanging gifts. However, even during the holiday season, DOD standards of conduct still apply.

As military members, we must ensure we do not unwittingly violate these standards. As a general rule, supervisors may not accept gifts from subordinates or federal employees who receive less pay than the supervisor.

However, there are some exceptions specifically related to holiday parties and gift giving. Since holidays occur on an occasional basis, supervisors may accept gifts, other than cash, worth \$10 or less from a subordinate; additionally, supervisors may



accept food and refreshments shared in the office and may share in the expenses of an office party.

If a subordinate is invited to a social

event at the supervisor's residence, the subordinate may give the supervisor a hospitality gift of the type and value customarily given on such an occasion.

There are no legal restrictions on gifts given to peers or subordinates; however, common sense and good taste should apply.

Many contractors have rules of ethics or business practices that are similar to the federal rules. These rules should be taken into consideration before offering contractor employees gifts or opportunities that they cannot accept.

One important rule regarding exchanging gifts with contractors is that, even during the holidays, gifts may not exceed \$20. If you have any questions on gift giving, or questions on any other legal matters, contact the legal office at 687-6809.

UCM opens door of opportunity to Airmen



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Nick Wilson

Spectators, including members of Team Whiteman, attend a University of Central Missouri Jennies' volleyball game Nov. 2. Beginning in the autumn of 2012, UCM's Command Pass program allowed active duty Service members, Guard, Reservists and their dependents free entry to all UCM's sporting events.

By Senior Airman Nick Wilson
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

"If we are together nothing is impossible. If we are divided all will fail." -- Winston Churchill,

Churchill's words were true not only in describing the Allies in World War II, but also the partnership between the armed forces and local communities today. The relationship between Whiteman Air Force Base and the University of Central Missouri is one such partnership.

The university and Whiteman AFB have worked closely in recent months to open up an even more broad array of opportunities for Airmen and their families, both educational and recreational.

This year, for example, UCM established the 'UCM Command Pass' for use at sporting events.

"It's the right thing to do," said Charles Lynn Lowder, UCM director of Military and Veteran Services. "We'd love having Airmen here as much as they'd like to be. The Command Pass helps families kick back and have a good evening out."

Beginning in the fall of 2012, the Command Pass enabled active

duty Service members, Guard, Reservists and their dependents to gain free entry to all UCM sporting events. Upon presentation of military ID cards, those eligible are provided free general admission for themselves and immediate family members.

"We want to open the living room and treat Airmen and their dependents as if they're full members of the UCM family," said Dr. Charles Ambrose, UCM president.

Lowder said the idea came from a community tradition that took place in Chicago during the 1960s that gradually disappeared. Now, UCM is striving to bring it back.

"Back in the old days, when I was a young Marine, I would walk around Chicago in the summer. If I wanted to go see a Chicago Cubs game, I'd drive my car, walk in, show my ID card, they'd tell me 'thanks for serving' and show me to the field," Lowder said. "So that was the deal and we thought it would be a great thing to do here at UCM."

Ambrose and the other college staff members agreed and away they went, according to Lowder.

Lowder served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 16 years. Get-

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CONGRATULATIONS

The following individual was recently recognized as an AFGSC's 2012 A1 award winner:

Force Support Airman of the Year
Senior Airman Duzaghi Tafie, 509th FSS

The 509th Force Support Squadron were recognized as AFGSC's 2012 A1 award winners in the following categories:

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- ◆ Library Program of the Year
- ◆ Marketing Program of the Year
- ◆ Nathan Altschuler Outstanding Education and Training Program
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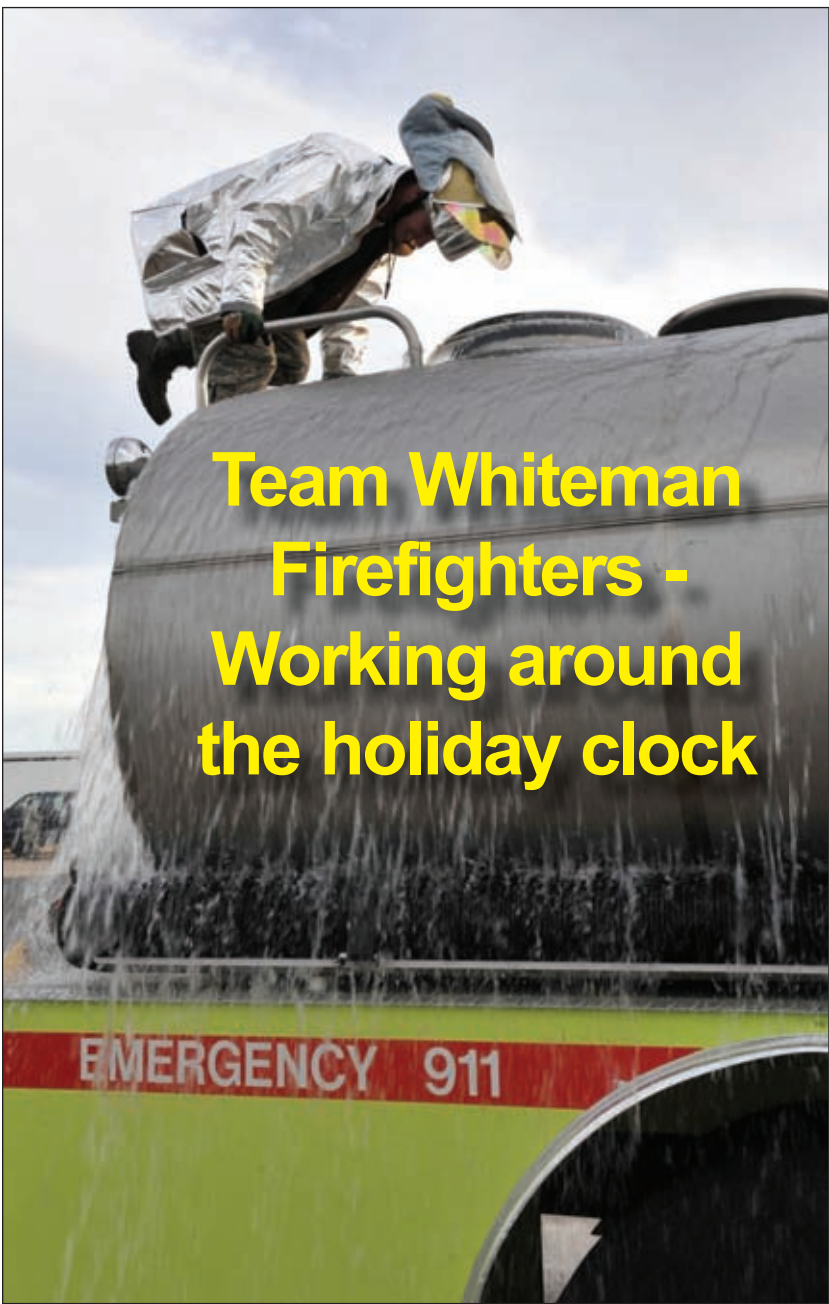
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Team Whiteman Firefighters - Working around the holiday clock

Airman 1st Class William Lawrence, Team Whiteman firefighter, climbs the back of a tanker to simulate a water re-supply operation Dec. 5. The team is required to conduct upgrade training and exercises throughout the year to keep their skills up-to-date and mission-ready.



Story and photos by Heidi Hunt
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

(Editor's Note: This feature is part of a five-part series entitled "Working through the Holidays," highlighting Whiteman Airmen and units who continue to perform the mission throughout the holiday season).

It's Dec. 25 and everyone is enjoying a festive holiday when, suddenly, thick smoke fills the home and live-giving oxygen seems to nearly disappear.

Someone has left Christmas dinner on the stove unattended and a fiery blaze has erupted.

An alarm sounds at the base's fire department and members of the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron's Fire Emergency Services rush to the scene.

They are no strangers to working through the holidays.

Even though it is the holidays, that does not mean issues will not arise, said Tech. Sgt. Cory McGee, Whiteman Fire Station crew chief.

"The mission never stops and it is imperative to be on shift because we have a huge housing community and our job is to protect the people that live and work on base and the surrounding area," McGee said. "It is part of the job and is what we signed up for."



Airman 1st Class Cory Barrett, Team Whiteman firefighter, suits up during a bunker exercise drill Dec. 7. Airmen from Whiteman AFB Fire Emergency Services works in two separate shifts to keep the station manned and mission ready 24/7, 365 days a year.

Airman 1st Class Kyle Lawall and Staff Sgt. James Barding, Team Whiteman firefighters, perform a vehicle inspection Dec. 5. Whiteman AFB Fire Emergency Services works all day, every day to protect Team Whiteman and provide assistance in the surrounding communities.



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Whiteman firefighters work 24 hours on and 24 hours off, rotating between two shifts.

"Fire Emergency Services never take a day off," said Senior Airman Jordan Herrick, Whiteman firefighter. "Our shifts balance out. If we work Christmas Day, then we can celebrate with our families either Christmas Eve or earlier in the morning before we come to work on Christmas Day. During the [holiday] season, our families understand our shifts, as well as what we go through, and are supportive."

McGee said he is celebrating Christmas with his family on Christmas Eve because he is scheduled to work Christmas Day.

"My family and I will open presents, have dinner and enjoy our time together, even if it's not at the time when many are traditionally celebrating," McGee said.

While many on the team look forward to spending time with their immediate family, they consider their coworkers as something of a second family, as well.

"We are a unique business center -- we work and live with each other," McGee said. "This is my home-away-from-home and these people are like my second family. We are on-duty for 24 hours at a time, so you live with them just as much as your own family."

The firefighter team celebrates together, and hosts an annual Christmas party and gift exchange.

"We try to get people in the Christmas spirit, come together and get to know one another," Herrick said. "We do work together as a family to get the job done in a timely manner so we can enjoy time together."

"Unfortunately, the holidays are one of our busiest times of year for fire services nationwide," McGee said. "Real Christmas trees decorated with lights, and unattended cooking, pose a danger for fires and the possible loss of life and property. We want Team Whiteman to stay safe and use caution through the holiday season."

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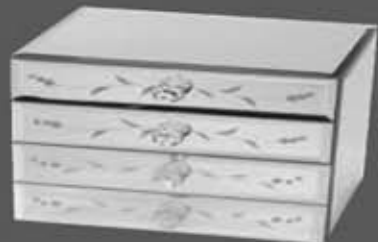
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MPF: your first customer service stop

By Senior Airman Montse Belleau
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

What do all military members, retirees and their families have in common? They all have Common Access Cards providing them with base access, eligibility for medical benefits, and the ability to take advantage of the base exchange, commissary and MWR benefits.

The Military Personnel Flight customer service section helps not only Whiteman members with their military IDs, but military members in general, their families and retirees.

"Our main focus in the Military Personnel Customer Service Office is Department of Defense Identification cards, official passports, and awards and decorations," said Dave Grover, 509th Force Support Squadron MPF customer service site manager. "We also assist with a number of smaller programs, such as U.S. citizenship applications, SGLI updates, DEERS enrollment and others."

Grover said the Common Access Card is one of the most important documents

Service members carry. Without it, most Service members cannot do their jobs, as they are unable to log into their computers.

However, CAC issues are certainly not the only focus of their mission.

"We also identify country entry requirements, brief military members of those requirements, and process the passport and visa applications, which directly affects the mission," said Tina Brant, 509th FSS customer service representative. "In many countries, military personnel cannot enter the country for their TDY or deployment without a passport and/or visa."

In addition Grover said they also help members with dependent applications, name changes, dress and appearance guidance, fundraising and voting programs, naturalization application, family care programs, and updating awards and decorations.

"In a small way, we have touched the lives of thousands of card holders during the last nine-plus years," Grover said. "Whether it is mission related with CACs, [or] eligible veterans, or family members renewing their ID cards, we all receive a high level of gratification in what we do."

This Week in 509th Bomb Wing History

Courtesy of David Easley
509th Bomb Wing Historian

For this edition of "This Week in 509th Bomb Wing History, we focus on Dec. 17, a very important day in our history.

Dec. 17, 1903

Orville Wright made the first "sustained and controlled heavier-than-air powered flight" near Kitty Hawk, NC. The flight lasted 12 seconds and traveled 120 feet—shorter than the wingspan of a Boeing 747.

Dec. 17, 1938

Otto Hahn discovered nuclear fission of uranium, which was the basis of nuclear energy and atomic weapons.

Dec. 17, 1944

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Dec. 17, 1947

This day was the first flight of Boeing B-47 Stratojet, the primary weapon system, along with the KC-97, of the 509th Bomb Wing from 1955-1965.

Dec. 17, 1993

The USAF received its first operational B-2A bomber (80329), the Spirit of Missouri. General John M. Loh, the Air Combat Commander, and Lt. Col. John Bellanger, flew the aircraft from Palmdale, Calif., to Whiteman AFB, MO., for its assignment with the 509th Bomb Wing.

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Story and photos by Senior Airman Nick Wilson
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

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As the sun rises on Christmas day, hundreds of children living on Whiteman Air Force Base run down the stairs to tear open the gifts Santa has left under the tree, while their parents smile at their unadulterated joy.

Meanwhile, at the base's main gate, Airmen from the 509th Security Forces Squadron stand ready, protecting Air Force assets and providing security as families celebrate their holiday traditions.

"This base is unique in [the] sense that we support the nation's only B-2 fleet, so our security has to be capable of supporting that, as well," said Staff Sgt. Dan Parsons, 509th SFS law enforcement area supervisor. "It takes a balancing act to fulfill the base's mission and the community's expectations."

A balancing act that continues 24 hours a day, 365 days a year - holidays included.

And while people across the nation are partying on New Year's Eve, watching as the ball drops in Times Square, Whiteman's Defenders remain on guard, keeping the base, its people and its assets safe, secure and effective.

"The nation, Air Force and community rely on us to protect those assets," Parsons said.

Working during the holidays presents some difficulties for Defenders, including forgoing many of



Staff Sgt. Dan Parsons, 509th Security Forces Squadron law enforcement area supervisor, and Airman 1st Class Christopher Anderson, 509th SFS security forces specialist, contact other patrolmen on base during a training exercise Dec. 5. Security forces members participate in several different types of training exercises throughout each year to prepare for various threats and base emergencies.

the opportunities Airmen in other career fields may be able to enjoy.

"Our Airmen have to go sometimes without that precious time with family," Parsons said. "They have to skip out on big meals. Sometimes their family will be in town and they don't have the opportunity to visit with them."

As Defenders respond to the call of duty, especially during this holiday season, they embody one Air Force core value in particular - service before self.

"As Defenders, we have to understand that the mission does come first," Parsons said. "In order to meet mission requirements, we have to be able to make sacrifices."

Making sacrifices for a mission that never sleeps means Defenders must be ready to respond at any time.

"We have to be prepared for the worst," said Airman 1st Class Christopher Anderson, 509th Security Forces Squadron security forces specialist. "We can get recalled at two or three in the morning. So it's our responsibility to be able to function and complete our duties whenever we're needed."

To Anderson, being a Defender means more than just coming to work and protecting the people and

resources on base. Being an Airman and Defender gives him a patriotic pride.

"I do my job not only for my base, but to keep my country safe," Anderson said.

A great deal of focus and mental toughness is required to meet job requirements, as the security forces career field is both physically and mentally demanding.

"We need to be able to endure the long hours we work and understand that we're not going to be able to get [holidays] off when we want to," Anderson said. "We have to remain vigilant and keep our heads in the game."

Being alert at all times is a crucial aspect of serving as a Defender at Whiteman. Holding each other accountable to standards and Air Force core values is an important part of the SFS mission.

"Security forces Airmen understand that they must uphold the highest levels of professionalism," Parsons said. "The public entrusts them to do just that, and therefore, they have to stay mentally and physically sharp to meet any challenge."

As the winter holidays continue, Airmen from the 509th SFS stand ready to answer their nation's call. "We keep our Airmen on their toes all the time, especially during the holidays," Parsons said. "At Whiteman, we are in direct support of any type of global conflict at any time."

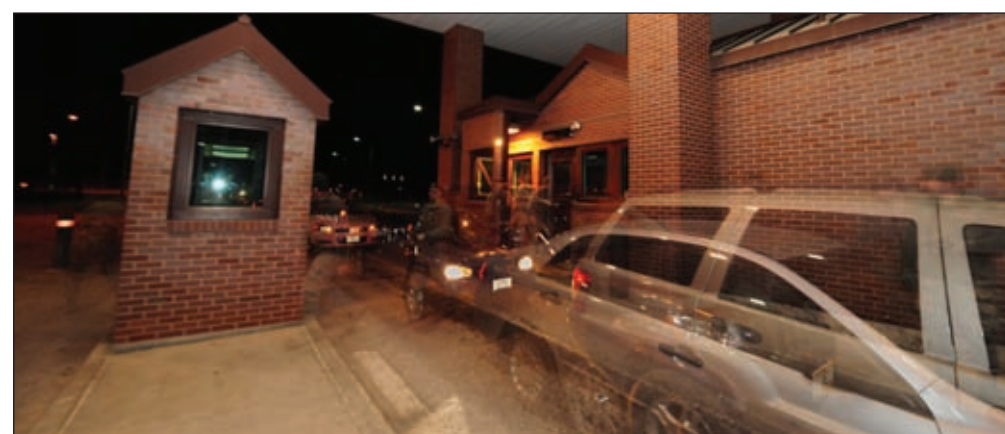
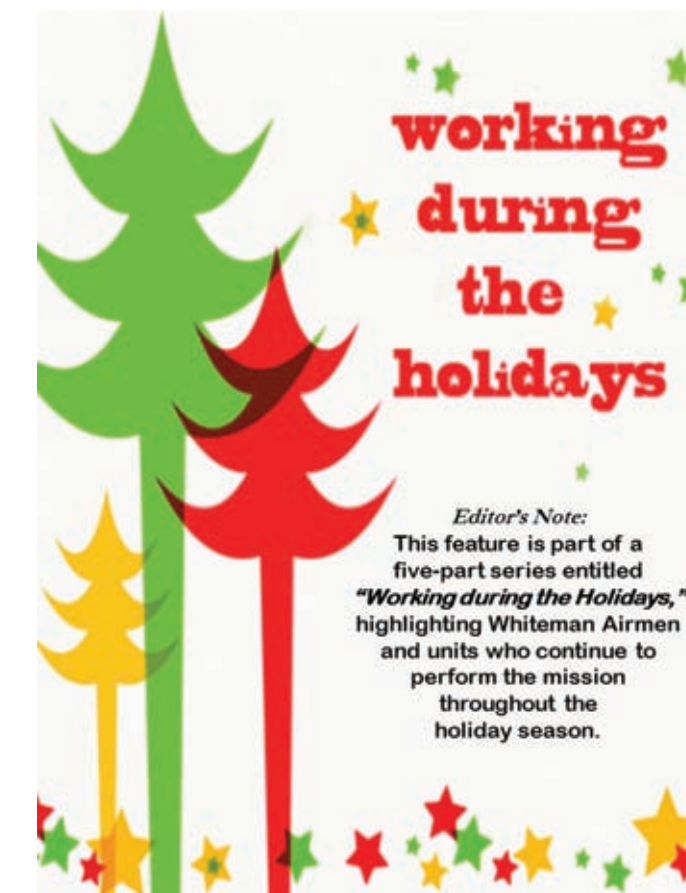
So, as you come on base during the holidays, or pass a Defender in the BX parking lot, be sure to say thanks, and remember the Airmen who are keeping you safe this holiday season.



A security forces patrolman uses radar to ensure members of the community are within the speed limits Dec. 5. Individuals who are issued citations may be assessed points, and driving privileges may be suspended due to points incurred over a period of time.



Airman 1st Class Pang Yang, 509th Security Forces Squadron security forces specialist, looks down the scope of an M4 carbine during a training exercise Dec. 5. The scope and iron sights of the M4 carbine allow members to aim at targets for maximum accuracy.



Airmen from the 509th Security Forces Squadron check identification cards as vehicles enter the base Dec. 6. On average, more than 12,000 people enter Whiteman's gates each day.

Youth Sports hosts annual Turkey Shoot



Courtesy photo

Whiteman Youth Sports recently held its annual Turkey Shoot at the Youth Center. The free event was open to children ages 5 to 18 years old. Participants shot basketballs to earn free turkeys. Twelve turkeys were awarded. The event was sponsored by Dave Sheehan of First Command Financials and helped kick off the Youth Basketball season. From top left - Michael Franjul, Coreyante Turner, Duke Johnson, Austin Holt and Andrew Harvey were among the events winners.

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ting married and then being immediately shipped off to combat, leaving his wife behind, Lowder understands the stress deployments can bring to a family.

Being aware of the struggles military members face on and off duty is what keeps UCM staff members like Lowder motivated to help Airmen reach their educational goals and enjoy the central Missouri community in every way possible.

"We're a team," said Lowder. "Wives, husbands and children all serve and all sacrifice. So we're all in the struggle together."

By sharing their first-hand experiences, Service members help college students develop as individuals and professionals, said Ambrose.

"Our mission at UCM is not dissimilar from the Air Force mission of education for service," said Ambrose. "The professionalism and dedication Airmen showcase en-

ables them to be excellent role models to students."

The value Airmen add to the UCM campus gives both sides a wider aperture of networks and friendships. In addition, the Command Pass also helps strengthen the partnership between the Air Force and UCM.

"We're so much stronger together than either one of us could represent being separate," Ambrose said. "We're working together on some of the most pressing issues that are challenging college students and especially underage Airmen."

Ambrose says UCM and Whiteman are working together to provide safe communities centered around wellness in an effort to eliminate bad decision-making that puts students and Airmen at risk.

"The fun part is to encourage people to get involved in both institutions in ways that help us create that future," Ambrose said.

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ments of Veterans Affairs and Labor aligned their most successful programs to deliver better and more comprehensive services to help make Service members "career ready" for civilian employment, officials said.

They reached out to the Department of Education to integrate the latest teaching methods and tapped into the resources of the Office of Personnel Management and the Small Business Administration.

One of the biggest changes in the new program is that participation is no longer voluntary.

Based on a law that took effect Nov. 21, Service members can no longer opt out of the transition assistance program.

All, including reservists and Guardsmen demobilized after 180 days of active duty, must now attend specific training sessions and take concrete steps to prepare for separation.

During phase one of the rollout, being implemented immediately, all separating Service members will receive counseling about Department of Veterans benefits, Kelly said. In addition, most will be required to attend newly revamped employment workshops run by the Department of Labor.

These workshops incorporate new curriculum such as how to explore career interests, use search tools to find job opportunities, write a resume, interview for a position and negotiate a salary, said John Moran, DOL's deputy assistant secretary for Veterans Employment and Training Service.

While fulfilling the congressional mandate to reach out to all separating Service members, the interagency team went a step beyond the law to further enhance the effort, Kelly said.

Separating Service members must now take financial planning training, and complete a 12-month budget that factors in the cost of where they decide to live after leaving the military.

They must evaluate how their military-acquired education, training and experience translate into civilian career qualifications and prepare an individual transition plan.

The task force ran a pilot program last summer at seven installations to evaluate this core curriculum, gathering assessments

from about 950 military members who participated.

"Many in the pilot programs found it eye-opening," Kelly said.

The seven pilot sites continue to offer the DOL workshops, but the instruction will be available service-wide by January, Moran said.

The program's second phase, to be tested during 2013 and implemented by the year's end, establishes requirements for separating Service members who plan to go on to college or technical or career training or to start their own businesses.

Those electing higher education or other training will be required to show an acceptance letter from that institution, or have an application filled out and ready to submit, Kelly said.

They also will be required to establish a contact with a counselor to follow up with after leaving the military.

Also during phase two, Service members who hope to become entrepreneurs will be required to connect with the Small Business Administration for help in drafting and evaluating their small business plans.

The final phase of the rollout to be implemented by the end of 2014 will integrate transition preparation throughout the Service member's military career.

The idea, Kelly explained, is to begin preparations for transition long before a Service member prepares to leave the military.

"The end state that we are shooting for is to embed this across the military lifecycle," she said.

Each service will develop a plan designating points along a Service member's career path for this training, Kelly said.

Danny Pummill from the VA called the Transition GPS program an unprecedented interagency effort that ensures Service members have the time and resources to prepare for a smooth transition from the military.

It will help the nation's newest veterans live up to their destinies as "the next greatest generation," he said.

"If we do this right, this is our opportunity to once again transform America," Pummill said.



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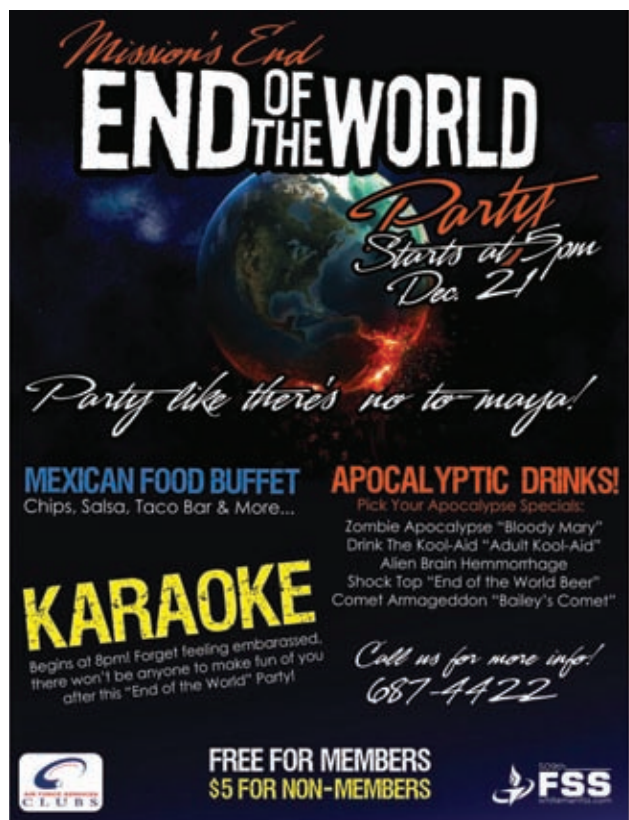
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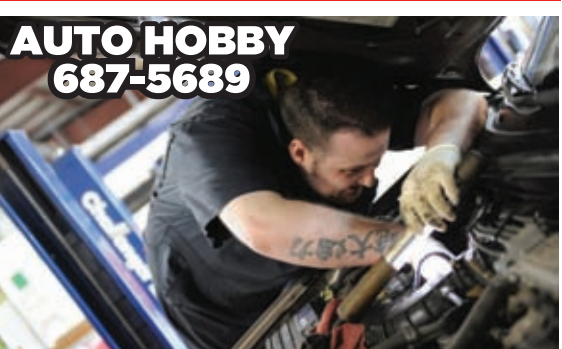
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