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Holiday season message highlights importance of life

Lt. Gen. John A. Bradley

Commander of Air Force Reserve Command

As the holiday season and another year approach, let us take time to consider what is really important – family and friends.

During this time of year, we tend to hold our families a little closer, realizing that what we take for granted can change in an instant. We need to remember our friends who have endured great sacrifices or those who have suffered great loss on the Gulf Coast.

It is your realization of what is important, coupled with your dedication to duty, that enables you to serve our great nation so well. You know the price of freedom and you are willing to pay it. I salute those who have deployed in harm's way and supported the Global War on

Terrorism, as well as those who have worked so hard to assist with hurricane rescue and relief.

As in the past, we face new challenges in 2006 – aircraft conversions, participation in air and space expeditionary force deployments and mission changes to name a few. I am confident you will once again do our country proud.

Jan and I wish you and yours happy holidays and a safe, joyous New Year. We are proud of you and what you do for America.



Lt. Gen. John A. Bradley

Wing commander: 2005 has been a year to remember

Colonel Timothy J. Thomson

Commander

The year 2005 has been a very unique time to be a member of the 910th Airlift Wing. Together we have gone through the BRAC process, an Aircrew Standardization Evaluation, Maintenance Standardization and Evaluation Program inspection, a Unit Compliance Inspection and the Medical Squadron is receiving a Health Services Inspection during the December UTA.

We are also at the end of the largest period of activations and deployments the 910th has ever seen. The need for C-130 airlift and aerial spray capability has never been more important to the security and welfare of this great nation. The construction on base is proof that this base and its mission are vital to the Air Force in the foreseeable future.

All of you, who engage in our mission with integrity first, service before self and excellence in all you do, have my admiration and thanks.

During the first part of 2006, we have a little breathing room to incorporate all the changes and lessons learned in the last 12 months into our programs and processes. I urge you all to continue pushing forward to keep the 910th one of the best C-130 operations in the United States Air Force.

At the same time I encourage you to take time this holiday season and reinvest in your family and friendships. Make a strong effort to regain any balance that may have been sacrificed in the last year. Restore any relationships that have been under stress due to the demands of your military and civilian careers. If you know of a need to incorporate healthier habits into your life, starting now will pay off in the future. Fit to Fight is now part of the Air Force and will become more important to our mission and careers.

We are part of a military that requires more prioritization than it ever has. The increasing demands we have all noticed in the recent past will continue into the future. Our mission success depends on all of us

communicating, understanding, planning and applying available resources and ourselves to the challenges we face.

There is no other Wing I would rather be part of at this point in my career. I don't think anyone enjoyed the UCI preparation or inspection but the UCI process does improve a unit. It causes us to look deeper into our functional areas and increases our awareness and understanding of the role we have in the mission of the 910th and the Air Force Reserve.

By the time you read this we will have our final UCI Report. The validation period will be over. The findings in that report are final and we must deal with them as they are. If your functional area has findings that need addressed, take the December UTA to enter them into the SITS database and develop a plan of attack. If you are contacted by wing-wide program managers for help in closing findings, it is paramount you work with them in a strong spirit of cooperation. Add the fixes and future prevention of the findings to your January self-inspection checklists. Be sure your team members and commanders understand the problem and are involved in the actions necessary to close the finding and keep it from reoccurring. Our goal is to have all our findings closed by the end of the February UTA. I am confident we can do that if we all work together.

Cheryl and I wish you the very best during this holiday season and in the year to come. Be safe in your travels and activities. This country needs all of you to protect the freedom that has never been free. It is an honor to serve with you in defense of the greatest country on earth. The sacrifices you make preserve the most valuable of liberties for present and future Americans.



Col. Timothy J. Thomson



**Wing Commander's Call and Holiday Party
December 3, 2005/Hangar 295
Commander's Call starts at 1330 with
Holiday Party immediately following**

Thanksgiving dinner served from the top

SrA. Christina Wright
Public Affairs Specialist

It's that time of year, again.

The annual Thanksgiving dinner was served up again during the November UTA by the unit commanders and members of the Chief's Group at the dining facility here.

These high ranking servers have been donning cook aprons and chef hats to serve their troops each year for the last three decades.

"I love serving the troops," said Chief Master Sgt. David Weaver, the 910th aircraft maintenance superintendent. "They support me; it's nice to do something for them."

Chief Weaver also said this was a small way to repay all the personnel who worked so hard during the Unit Compliance Inspection the base underwent.

With the UCI behind them, the dining facility personnel managed to cook up another great Thanksgiving dinner. Turkey and all the trimmings filled each person's tray.

And the annual honor to dish out the main course was given to Col. Timothy J. Thomson, 910th Airlift Wing commander.

The turkey and dressing are Colonel Thomson's favorite food to dish up to his troops.

After a two-year activation to help the mission in Iraq, he said this plentiful Thanksgiving meal is well deserved.

Many of the personnel eating at this meal have just ended a two-year activation and are looking forward to being home this holiday season.

"They've given a lot with this activation," Colonel Thomson said. "This is [one] small way of saying, 'I appreciate what you've done'."

After a pause he added, "we've got a lot to



SrA. Christina Wright

Unit commanders and members of the Chief's Group serving the holiday fare.

be thankful for."

Col. Anna Shulte also has a lot to be thankful for. She has participated in serving since she became commander of the 910th Maintenance Group. Colonel Shulte's father gave her a bit of advice about being an effective commander.

"My father said, 'Feed 'em, give 'em a place to lay their heads, and they're yours,'" she related. "And if I can literally put food on their tray, that's even better," she added with a broad smile. "I love them."

Chief Master Sgt. Dennis Kirkland said serving the troops is fabulous.

"It's fun to show support for the troops. It shows them we are just regular people," Chief Kirkland said.

THANKSGIVING

How much was made:

roasted turkey	162 lbs.
stuffing/dressing	80 lbs.
mashed potatoes	100 lbs.
gravy	200 lbs.
steamed corn	70 lbs.
green beans	50 lbs.
peas	60 lbs.
cranberry sauce	100 lbs.
sweet potatoes	100 lbs.
rolls	400 ea.
pumpkin pie	18 whole

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On the cover...

Tim Wertz, a civilian firefighter at the 910th, practiced good "bedside manner" in an on-scene mishap during one of several exercises at the November Unit Compliance Inspection here. All units were subject to exercises during the inspection. Photo by SrA Christina Wright.



TSgt. Shawn David McCowan

Air base firefighters respond to an aircraft emergency exercise on the Youngstown Air Reserve Station flightline during the UCI. UCI and MSEP inspections close out busy year at 910th

Master Sgt. Bryan Ripple
NCOIC, Public Affairs

Although the 910th Airlift Wing is winding down from a four-year period of the largest number of mobilizations and deployments in the wing's history, business at home station still had to go on as required.

Common-core inspection programs such as the Government Purchase Card, Government Travel Card, and wing training programs have to be conducted in accordance with By-Law requirements and Air Force Instructions. Air Force personnel don't get a break from these requirements just because of a high operations tempo.

In order to validate that its units are in compliance with these programs, as well as many other inspectable areas, the Air Force Reserve Inspector General schedules Unit Compliance Inspections and Maintenance Standardization and Evaluation Program inspections at each of its units about every four years.

An Air Force Reserve Inspector General team arrived here Oct. 31 to conduct a UCI for the 910th Airlift Wing and the AFRC LG team conducted the MSEP for the 910th Maintenance Group in order to validate that business has been conducted as required.

The 910th Maintenance Group was the seventh unit inspected under the new AFRC MSEP procedures. The 910th Maintenance Squadron received an Excellent, and the 910th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received the first Satisfactory rating of any Aircraft Maintenance Squadron in AFRC since new MSEP evaluation procedures were implemented. The Maintenance Group was rated Satisfactory in the major areas of Program Management and Evaluations. The MXG Training Program was rated 4

excellent and identified as a benchmark during the MSEP outbrief. As part of the Program Management category, 1,952 checklist items were reviewed. In addition, 186 evaluations of actual work processes were performed during the inspection.

"A lot of work went into the split priorities of the UCI, MSEP, deactivations, and hurricane relief support operations during the same period of time," said Colonel Anna Schulte, maintenance group commander. "I'm very proud of our team here for being as prepared as they were. I thought the MSEP Team was thorough, but fair as well."

While there were discrepancies noted across the wing during the UCI, many superior performers were recognized by the IG team members for their efforts. Their names will be published as part of the final report when it's issued.

AFRC units no longer receive an overall grade as part of UCIs, but each inspected area is rated either Compliant, Compliant with Comments, or Non-Compliant.

While briefing unit commanders about the IG team's findings during the UCI, Col. Ian O'Connell, Chief, Inspection Division, Office of the Inspector General, Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command, reviewed the findings in each area.

Although there were findings documented during the UCI, Colonel O'Connell was impressed with what he saw during the team's visit to Youngstown.

"Overall, the readiness of the 910th Airlift Wing is good," said Colonel O'Connell. "This has been a busy wing and people are showing some signs of being tired, but it's clearly evident that the mission continues in a very professional manner," he said.

Sailors bid “Fair Winds and Following Seas” to retiring Naval CO

Master Sgt. Bryan Ripple
NCOIC, Public Affairs

A Pittsburgh naval aviator who graduated with honors from the U.S. Naval Academy assumed command of the Youngstown Naval and Marine Corps Reserve Center here Nov. 12.

And as far as Lt. Cmdr. Brad Davidson is concerned, the safety, training, administration and readiness already fostered by retiring Lt. Cmdr. Russell Brockway is nothing to be concerned about changing.

Davidson has logged 3,200 flight hours in his 12 years of flying in various naval aircraft and has completed 300 carrier arrested landings on eight different aircraft carriers.

The change of command ceremony was held on a pleasant autumn Saturday afternoon at the Naval Reserve center where each officer, wearing dress black uniforms including swords, read their new orders.

In Brockway’s case, it means a retirement to Cincinnati, where he plans to teach as a High School Naval JROTC Instructor. During Brockway’s command, the center was rated to be one of the top three Naval Reserve Centers among 26 in the Midwest region.

Since Sept. 11, 2001, the local reserve center has mobilized or activated 44 reservists in support of operations Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

A former shipmate of Lt. Cmdr. Brockway, Capt. Douglas Toothman, pointed out how he and the commander are both avid Cleveland Browns fans. Captain Toothman also joked that he learned quickly “it’s not the right way, and it’s not the wrong way. It’s the Brockway.”

“He’s handing over Youngstown at the top of their game,” said Lt. Cmdr. Davidson, acknowledging his predecessor has left a “huge and deep impact” after a 25-year career and as leader of the center since August 2003.

Part of the ceremony involved gifts presented to Lt. Cmdr. Brockway, which included formal letters of commendation from President George W. Bush, former Presidents Bush, Clinton and Carter and Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld.

A traditional shadow box was given with the U.S. Flag and the retiring officer’s other military commendations including his second Navy Commendation Medal.

Sailors from the unit concluded the presentations by giving him a bronzed plaque, wishing him “fair winds and following seas,” a phrase that represents the ideal underway conditions for which Sailors yearn.



MSgt. Bryan Ripple

Lt. Cmdr. Russell P. Brockway, left, and Lt. Cmdr. Brad Davidson, right, render salutes during the National Anthem.



MSgt. Bryan Ripple

Lt. Cmdr. Brad Davidson, the incoming Commanding Officer, addresses his sailors during the ceremony.



MSgt. Bryan Ripple

Lt. Cmdr. Brockway, right, receives the traditional military shadow box recognizing 25 years of service to his country from Chief Petty Officer David Peterson, senior enlisted leader.

Service Before Self

Editor's Note: This is the first of a six-part series about people from the 910th Airlift Wing whose individual efforts have had a truly significant impact on those around them and personify our Air Force Core Values.



MSgt. Bryan S. Ripple



Courtesy Photo

A brand-new Senior Airman Kintz and brand-new husband Steve while in Michigan back in 1981.

910th AW commander, Col. Tim Thomson, presented an award to SMSgt. Kintz after being selected as "910 AW 2004 Senior NCO of the Year."

Tech. Sgt. Shawn David McCowan
Public Affairs Specialist

The general consensus of those who know Senior Master Sergeant Susie Kintz is that she's an institution at the 910th Airlift Wing.

It's not unusual for senior leadership to compliment a co-worker with a long history of hard work. But it is unusual when nearly every co-worker, peer and commander in a group says they "can't function" without someone. But that's exactly what they say about the resource manager for the 757th Airlift Squadron.

Sergeant Kintz grew up less than a half hour from Youngstown Air Reserve Station. She worked in a factory after high school, but she said it didn't feel right.

"A lot of people said it was a good, secure job, but I knew it wasn't my place. I was

brought up in a close-knit family and wanted to actually work with people," said Sergeant Kintz.

She enlisted February 1974 and spent seven years on active duty, working on bases from Kincheloe, Mich., to Mildenhall, England to Seymour-Johnson Air Force Base in North Carolina. After her active duty tour ended she returned home to Green, Ohio.

"When I got home my parents hugged me and then told me never to leave home again." "I didn't. That's why I'm here."

About a year later she returned to the military as a reservist and joined the 910th. Her first job was assistant to the chief of administration for then-Lt. Col James E. Sherrard III, 910th base commander. The following year Sergeant Kintz became an Air Reserve Technician, working full-time as base administrator. In 1986 she joined the

operations support squadron and has worked there since.

One of her co-workers there, SMSgt. Lindy Pavkovich, another aviation resource manager in Operations, has known Susie since elementary school.

"She's always been a very stubborn-but-loyal person. She even had a surprisingly wild streak about her back in school. Even back then there was no doubt that she'd have a real impact wherever she ended up," said Sergeant Pavkovich.

While Sergeant Kintz thought about the missions over the years, she looked at the hundred or so stuffed kittens displayed around the borders of her office.

"I love cats so I bought a few stuffed cats some years ago overseas. Suddenly I got them from everyone whenever these guys deployed." She smiled warmly as she looked



TSgt. Shawn David McCowan

SMSgt. Kintz and fellow 757th member TSgt. Chuck Sexton collected donations from 910th people deployed to Duke Field, Fla. during the Hurricane Katrina relief aerial spray mission. The donations were given to a local shelter.



TSgt. Shawn David McCowan

SMSgt. Kintz's "fans" add to her stuffed cat collection whenever they get deployed. She has an office filled with more than 100.

at row upon row of small, furry memories. She would only have a moment to keep her mind off of her work.

Like many people do throughout the day, Lt. Col. Dave Wiles, a navigator with the 757th Airlift Squadron, stopped in to get information from Sergeant Kintz during the November Unit Training Assembly. He's worked with her since she arrived at the 910th.

"I'd seriously be lost without her here. As far as I'm concerned she is this squadron," said Colonel Wiles.

Colonel Wiles' thoughts resound through the halls of the operations building. Maj. Bill Whittenberger, her supervisor and 757th director of operations, has worked with her for 13 years and feels the same way.

"The bottom line is that we could not go to war without her. I mean that. She not

only knows her job, she knows the whole process. She can do every job in here except fly the aircraft. She can handle every administrative function from cutting orders to planning our deployment schedule and yet she's the first one to help anyone in here," said Maj. Whittenberger.

Colonel Daryl Hartman, 910th Operations Group commander, echoes the opinion of his squadron.

"We hate to say anyone's irreplaceable. But she is. We train to have a backup for a backup, but Susie is in a class beyond that. It would take at least two or three people to do what she does every day. Tough missions like Hurricane Katrina relief would be unbearable if Susie wasn't always ahead of the game," said Colonel Hartman.

Sergeant Kintz says dedication to her job is in her upbringing and just second nature.

"I was raised to make sure family was taken care of. These people all make me feel wanted; just like family," said Sergeant Kintz.

She's seen a lot of the world with this family, and the missions that stand out in her mind are the ones that best reflect the kind nature in her heart.

"I think the most rewarding and memorable deployment was to Panama. We were there on and off from 1986 to 1997. Because everyone got to know each other and the mission so well there was this feeling of cohesiveness. Everyone assigned to go there felt like a family member. The humanitarian mission around the world in 1993 also stand out. We flew around the globe in four weeks. We spent a lot of that time in Thailand, but we were also the first military aircraft that landed to bring supplies to Mother Theresa in India. I'll never forget that either."

After 31 years of dedication Sergeant Kintz is still not quite ready to step aside. She says there's a lot to do while the Wing deactivates and reconstitutes. But she thinks she'll be ready to leave when her time is up in four years.

She looks forward at the doorway, but doesn't seem to be focusing on anything. More than thirty years of service is still flashing behind her eyes. When she returned to reality there was a slight glimmer in her eyes.

"I think I've been lucky to do what I've done. I feel like I'll be ready to go when I have to retire. I think my only regret was not getting to go to Hawaii. I always wanted to do that."

With her mind drifting back from a western pacific sunset somewhere she looks across her desk totally covered with paperwork. She gathers one small stack and begins to rifle through it. This will be the only ocean she crosses today.

For now, Maui will have to wait.

Something You Didn't Know

Kintz:

- From a South German or Silesian variant of the name Küntz, Konrad.
- From the personal name *Chunizo* with Old High German *kuoni* 'bold', 'brave', or possibly *chunni*, 'people'.
- The expression *Hinz und Kunz* was a German equivalent of 'every Tom, Dick, and Harry'.
- Also means 'daring', + *rad* or *rat* meaning 'counsel'.

DOD to begin BRAC closures, realignments

Donna Miles

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — The Base Realignment and Closure Commission's recommendations for reshaping the Defense Department's infrastructure and force structure took effect at 12:01 a.m. Nov. 9.

Congress allowed the commission recommendations to pass into law at the mandated Nov. 8 deadline.

The nine-member BRAC panel delivered its final report to President George Bush Sept. 8. He, in turn, sent it to Congress for legislative review Sept. 15. Congress had 45 legislative days — until Nov. 9 — to accept or reject the report in its entirety.

However, Congress was not authorized to make any changes to the final report.

By statute, the Defense Department now has until Sept. 15, 2007 — two years from the date the president sent Congress the BRAC commission's final report — to begin closing and realigning the installations as called for in the report. The process must be completed by Sept. 15, 2011, DOD officials said.

The 2005 BRAC recommendations represent the most aggressive BRAC ever proposed, affecting more than 800 installations, officials said.

The four previous BRAC rounds — in 1988, 1991, 1993 and 1995 — resulted in 97 major closures, 55 major realignments and 235 minor actions, according to DOD figures. Overall, closing and realigning these installations saved taxpayers around \$18 billion though fiscal 2001 and a further \$7 billion per year since, officials said.

BRAC 2005 is being called an important milestone in restructuring the department's domestic base structure to improve efficiency and operational capabilities. It also supports plans to move thousands of U.S. forces — currently serving overseas — to within the United States as part of DOD's new global positioning strategy, officials said.

After months of study, installation visits and public hearings around the country, the BRAC panel approved 86 percent of DOD's original recommendations — 119 with no change and another 45 with amendments, the panel said.

The panel also rejected 13 recommendations, significantly modified another 13, and made five additional closure or realignment recommendations on its own initiative.

Of DOD's 33 major closure recommendations, the panel approved 21, recommended seven bases be realigned rather than closed, and rejected five recommendations outright. In addition, the commission recommended closing rather than realigning another installation, for a total of 22 major closures.

Many of the transformational recommendations in the report, particularly those to establish joint operations, will present significant challenges as they are implemented, officials acknowledged.

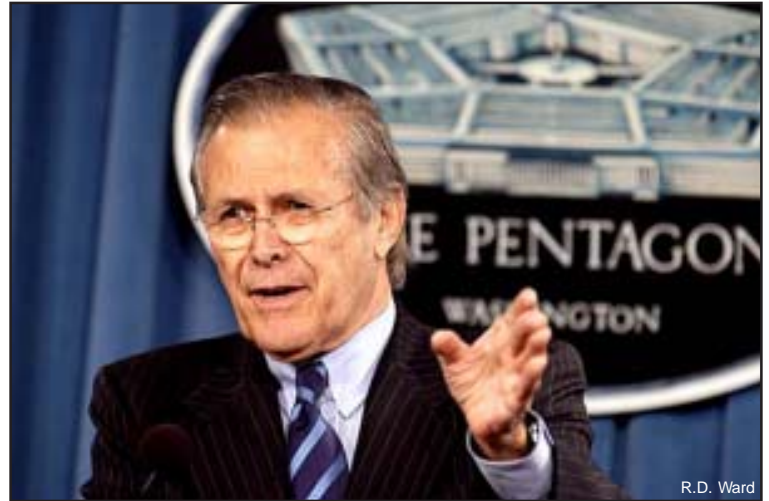
Recruiters sprint into new year with big push in October

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. — Air Force Reserve Command recruiters launched a full-court press the first week of October, enlisting 496 people. Many units held mass enlistments.

By comparison, recruiters brought in 9,942 people during the recruiting year that ended Sept. 30, averaging 191 per week. They achieved 113 percent of their goal, making the command one of two reserve components in the Department of Defense to meet its recruiting target.

AFRC recruited 5,700 prior-service Airmen during the year. Some of them joined because of active-duty force shaping initiatives.

More than three-fifths of all recruits were partially or fully qualified. This not only saved the command training dollars but added to its skill base and combat readiness.



R.D. Ward

Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld briefed reporters in the Pentagon May 12, 2005, about the process followed by the Base Realignment and Closing Commission in making their decisions.

Detailed business plans will be developed for every BRAC recommendation, laying out what actions are required to implement them, when they will occur and what resources are needed to put them into effect, officials said.

Affected services and agencies must submit these plans by Nov. 15 to the DOD Installation Capabilities Council, which will review them and forward them to the Infrastructure Steering Group for approval.

Meanwhile, the department is poised to begin working with civilian employees and communities affected by the BRAC decisions.

DOD has a long and successful history of helping its civilian workers impacted by base closings, officials noted. This includes programs that promote placement, training, retraining and transition to new positions.

Since 1989, DOD has reduced its civilian work force by 428,400 people, with less than 10 percent of those reductions through involuntary separations, officials said. The department's Priority Placement Program — which officials call the centerpiece of DOD's Civilian Assistance and Reemployment programs — gives defense employees placement priority at other DOD facilities.

The department's Office of Economic Adjustment will take the lead for the federal government in helping communities affected by base closures and realignments, working cooperatively with the President's Economic Adjustment Committee, officials said.

A community conference, to be held in Baltimore Nov. 28 through Dec. 1, will focus on many of the issues involved in BRAC 2005 and the programs available to address them.

“This impressive recruiting year culminates five straight years of overachievement, and yet future success is not assured,” said Col. Mike Mungavin, director of AFRC Recruiting Service.

Congress lowered the end-strength ceiling this year from 76,100 to 74,000, but the command faces future end-strength jumps and shell-game challenges because of Base Realignment and Closure changes. Next year the end strength increases 900 positions, and BRAC changes could realign as many as 6,000 positions throughout the country.

Another concern is the shrinking pool of people with military experience. In 1991, about 50,000 Airmen got off active duty, and many of them joined the Reserve. AFRC recruiters say that number will dwindle to just over 10,000 in the coming years.

910th Airlift Wing busy since 9/11

Since 9/11, the 910th Airlift Wing has deployed the equivalent of more than 3,500 personnel from virtually all elements and functional areas of the wing. Many of these are repeat or back-to-back deployments.

Locations deployed to include, but are not limited to Germany, Italy, Russia, Iceland, Canada, United Kingdom, Spain, Italy, Greece, Kuwait, Qatar, Jordan, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Turkey, Romania, Croatia, Kyrgyzstan, Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, Kandahar, Ivory Coast, Mozambique, Sudan, Djibouti, Yeman, Antarctica, South America, the Caribbean region, and most of the contiguous 48 US States.

Military facilities included U.S. Army bases, U.S. Marine Corps bases, Air National Guard sites, active duty Air Force bases, civilian airports (domestic and foreign), as well as other Air Force Reserve facilities.

Major commands supported included USAFE, PACAF, USCENTAF, NORTHCOM, SPACECOM, AMC, ACC, and AFRC.

The 910th Airlift Wing supported over 20 separate Aerial Spray missions during the past two years alone, including most recently support for Joint Task Force Hurricane Katrina and Rita operations.

The 910th MSF issued approximately 700 activation orders from December 2001 through June 2005.

It is estimated that over 750,000 duty days have been accomplished from Oct. 1, 2001 through Nov. 1, 2005 by members of the 910th Airlift Wing. This would include activations as well as personnel on MPA funded tours.

910th Aerial Spray mission record set

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita brought a lot of devastation to the Gulf region of the United States earlier this year. It also brought with it a huge aerial spray mission requirement to keep diseases from rampantly spreading across the region due to insect bites.

When the mission concluded, aircrew members, aircraft maintenance personnel, aerial spray maintenance personnel, and operations support personnel had helped the people of Louisiana and Texas by spraying more than 2.8 million acres. This equates to 4,501 square miles, or approximately an area the size of Connecticut. Fourteen thousand gallons of pesticide were used during the missions at a cost of \$1,600,000. The missions encompassed 191.4 total flying hours, with 46.5 hours of actual "spray on" time while flying at 150 feet above ground level.

This was the largest tasking the aerial spray mission has had since its beginning in 1973.



SSgt. Jacob N. Bailey

An aerial spray-equipped C-130 from the 910th Airlift Wing sprays an insecticide over the city of New Orleans Sept. 13.

December 2005

AFRC Vice Commander set to retire

Lt. Gen. John A. Bradley, chief of the Air Force Reserve, and commander of Air Force Reserve Command, announced Oct. 21 that Maj. Gen. David E. Tanzi, vice commander, Air Force Reserve Command, Headquarters Air Force Reserve, Robins Air Force Base, Ga. will retire Dec. 23, 2005.



Maj. Gen. David E. Tanzi

In addition, General Bradley announced that Maj. Gen. Allan R. Poulin, currently commander of 10th Air Force, Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth, Texas, will take General Tanzi's position upon his retirement.



Maj. Gen. Allan R. Poulin

Omega Travel announces ticketing changes

Most airlines now require that all reservations be ticketed within 24 to 48 hours after the initial reservation is made by the Omega Travel office on base. If the reservation (PNR) is left unticketed, the space is cancelled by the carrier. Even though the travel office uses GSA contract fares which are changeable at no penalty, we are required to rebook a new reservation which could result in a much higher cost to the government if the GSA rate is unavailable.

There are still some airline carriers that permit us to hold the reservation until the day of travel without cancellation. Mr. Jim Simmons, of the Omega Travel office on base will advise the travel coordinator at the time of booking of all ticketing requirements. Please remember that the travel office needs a copy of the official travel order before an electronic "E" ticket can be charged and processed. Orders should be faxed to the travel office when ready at 330-609-1774.

For further information regarding official travel ticketing requirements, please contact Mr. Jim Simmons at 330-609-1772.

Air Force Reserve general receives presidential award

WASHINGTON – Maj. Gen. James Donald Bankers, 22nd Air Force commander, received a presidential rank award for 2005.

Thirteen senior executive service civilians from throughout the Air Force earned the award. Air Force Print News announced the winners Oct. 21 after White House officials named the award recipients.

General Bankers is a dual-status air reserve technician – a federal employee and a reservist – in Air Force Reserve Command at Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Ga.

The awards recognize career senior executive service and senior professional individuals. They are leaders, professionals and scientists who achieve results and consistently demonstrate strength, integrity, industry and a relentless commitment to excellence in public service.

General Bankers was one of 10 people to get the meritorious award for sustained accomplishment. The award includes a lump-sum payment of 20 percent of base pay. It is limited to 5 percent of the career senior executive service, defense intelligence senior executive service, or senior level scientific or professional government-wide population.

The then Colonel Bankers was commander of the 910th Tactical Airlift Group from August 1987 to March 1992.

Macks pluck Wings, Meds bounce LRS

Tech. Sgt. Shawn David McCowan
Public Affairs Specialist

Although the opening game of the November UTA sports night was the most exciting, the others were full of teams trying to make statements.

The 910th Airlift Wing staff, "The Wings," suffered a heartbreaking 50-45 loss to Maintenance "Macks." Lately wallowing between obscurity and non-existence, they've enjoyed more wins than losses since softball.

But the close score was deceptive. Khalid Muzalim accounted for 20 of the 45 points. Even John Woods also scored 9 points including the team's only 3-pointer, but three of the Macks put up at least that many.

In the end, Muzalim and Woods' 29-point effort was not enough to hold off Michael Golden's 14 and Charles Runnion's 11, let alone Mark Stephens' 9 and the others.

The final match-up pit the Logistics Readiness Squadron against TeamMed. Although TeamMed was flushed in the first round last year, this time they showed the



Scott Smith (lt) put up 18 points and also added good defense against forward Eric Vesey (rt) among others.



Khalid Muzalim's phenomenal 20-point night just wasn't enough against the offense-minded Maintenance "Macks."

skills that made them 2004 champions by mercilessly trouncing LRS 55-19.

Although both teams put eight people to their roster, it seemed like TeamMed brought everyone and LRS just showed up.

When Bill Jones hit the first 3-pointer for LRS it startled the crowd and TeamMed. But thoughts of an upset were soon crushed.

Scott Smith ran up 16 points in the first half and Jeff Eastern added 8 of his own.

The rest of the team contributed a few points but also played a

stifling defense. By halftime TeamMed was up 32-11. And it only got worse.

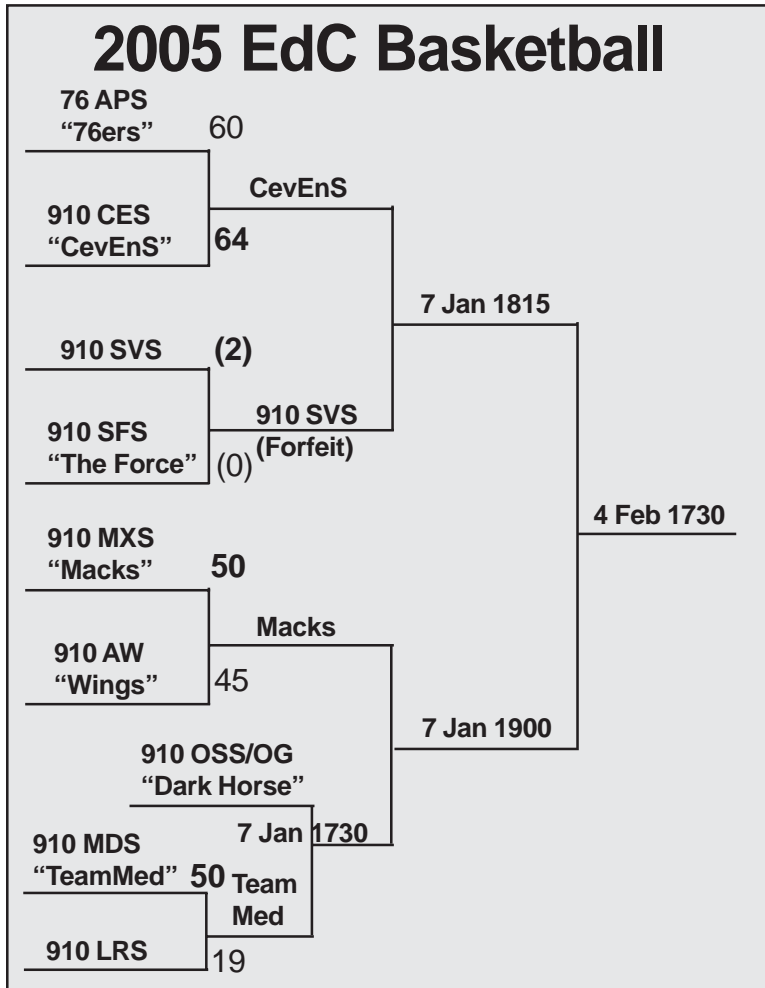
TeamMed took note of Bill Jones and Eric Vesey's two goals and prevented them from scoring in the 2nd half.

LRS only managed to score 5 offensive points in the 2nd and both from one person. Their other 3 points came from foul shots.

A glaring absence was the highly-competitive security forces "The Force." A highly busy schedule forced them to drop out of the tournament, giving Services a first-round bye.

The Services bye moves them against the 7's in January and the dominant TeamMed get to meet the Dark Horse team from OPS.

The winner of that game faces the Macks at the end of the night, leaving only the title game for February.



By the Numbers

Previous Basketball Champions

Year	Champion	Challenger	Score
2005	Macks	Services	40-38
2004	TeamMed	The Force	59-54
2003	Macks	910 LRS	34-14
2002	76ers	Services	29-26
2001	LRS	Services	24-21

Take Note...

- Services have the most basketball finals appearances without a win (5 since 1997)
- Sports approved for but not in Esprit de Corps: Darts, billiards, rugby, bocce.
- Sports not approved for Esprit de Corps: No-Limit Texas Hold em tournaments, synchronized and quarters.

Want to see another sport added next season? Join the Sports Advisory Council. For more information, call x1281.

PROMOTIONS



James G. Richmond, 910th Aircraft Maintenance Sq.

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Jean Griffin, 910th Services Sq.



Michelle E. Kaszowski, 910th Medical Sq.
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Jose O. Rivera, 910th Security Forces Sq.
Chip Stork, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Christopher M. Tenney, 910th Maintenance Sq.
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Lester S. Baker, 910th Civil Engineer Sq.
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Daniel R. Jacobitz, 910th Services Sq.
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Shawn A. Raymond, 910th Aircraft Maintenance Sq.
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Col. Michael J. Marques, 910th Airlift Wing
Senior Master Sgt. Paul R. Curtis, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Master Sgt. Andrew T. Riess, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Tech. Sgt. Victor Rivera, 76th Aerial Port Sq.
Staff Sgt. Ryan P. Gray, 773rd Airlift Sq.
Staff Sgt. Patrick E. Paquin, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Staff Sgt. Gregory A. Ridgeway, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Senior Airman Dale B. Cressman, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Senior Airman Brenda S. Dunch, 910th Medical Sq.
Senior Airman James L. Spidell, 76th Aerial Port Sq.
Senior Airman Latesha D. Taylor, 910th Airlift Wing
Senior Airman Robert E. Terry, 910th Security Forces Sq.
Senior Airman Lashaunta G. Waller, 757th Airlift Sq.
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Airman 1st Class Robert V. Braholli, 910th Maintenance Sq.
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Airman 1st Class David J. Norman, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Airman 1st Class Sara M. Tabora, 910th Maintenance Sq.
Airman Elizabeth A. Bowersock, 910th Medical Sq.
Airman Melissa Y. Fuller, 76th Aerial Port Sq.
Airman Justin A. Ellwood, 910th Mission Support Flt.
Airman Jodi L. Gillespie, 910th Medical Sq.
Airman Chadler W. Roth, 757th Airlift Sq.
Airman Ashley L. White, 910th Operations Support Sq.



TSGt. Shawn David McCowan

Shelter in the storm

The new front gate security inspection facility was opened for business Monday, Nov. 21. MSgt. Charles Butler, of Security Forces, inspected the first vehicle while co-workers happily observed. Nathan List, a member of security forces operations, said the whole front gate project will both benefit security and reduce congestion at the front gate. Plus it looks nice.

CevEnS sneak by 76ers, find 7th heaven

Overtime nail-biter ends in big upset

Tech. Sgt. Shawn David McCowan
Public Affairs Specialist

Even the winningest sports team in Esprit de Corps history can learn new things during the sports year. Aerial Port's "76ers" learned how to lose 64-60 in the first round in a massive upset to 910th CES "7's."

Through most of the first half the CevEnS held a 12-point lead. The 7's success manifested in their secret weapon.

Kerry Taylor, a member of the Unit Compliance Inspection team working at the 910th during that week, provided the backbone for the 7's assault by putting up 14 points in just 15 minutes.

Team captain Andy Hodovan may have only hit 3, but they were all 3-pointers.

Patience and good defense paid off for the 76ers as they slowly cut into the 7's lead. By halftime the 76ers were only behind by 4, 34-30. But the 7's unstoppable offense and solid "D" made it look like they could pull off an upset...

The 76ers Lou Fusco, who hit only a single 3-pointer in the first half, added 10 points in the second including two foul shots.

Trelayne Edwards was also a major contributor to the 76ers score with 15 points of his own. The entire team contributed in the effort, but they simply could not keep up with the 7's offense.

Kerry Taylor added another 12, crediting him with 26 of the 64 points scored by the 7's. Their defense kept each 76er from getting close to the net very often. It forced the 7's to shoot from the outside which only succeeded twice in the second half.

The even playing field resulted in a 60-60 tie at the end of regulation, forcing overtime.

The extra five minutes was all the 7's needed. They completely stopped the 76ers inside. Kerry Taylor put in a 2-pointer and a 12



The 76ers choked off the key, but Kerry Taylor (in black) still managed 26 points.



APS was stumped at the 7's unstoppable power.

couple of foul shots; the difference in the overtime final score.

Although the 76ers played two solid 30-point halves, the CevEnS brought a strong defense and then relied on good outside shooting.



7's star Taylor's 26 points were vital, but Art Pulphus (# 12) also provided both height and defensive speed.

Coach Andy Hodovan says that was part of the plan.

"The idea was to force long shots. We knew they'd play a tight defense and we knew we could shoot from the outside.

"It worked, but it wasn't easy; that's a great team," said Hodovan.

The 76ers were visibly shaken at the loss. But if history repeats itself, the 76ers won't stay in second place for long.

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