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Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer
910th Airlift Wing Commander



New YARS commander: Just the facts

BACKGROUND:

Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer was commissioned in 1981 through Officer Training School, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Following undergraduate pilot training, his first operational flying assignment was as a B-52 pilot. Colonel Linsenmeyer has also flown the KC-10 and worked for the Air Force Reserve at the Pentagon. After 16 years on active duty, Colonel Linsenmeyer joined the Air Force Reserve component. Colonel Linsenmeyer has served in a variety of positions during his Reserve career, including chief of plans, operations officer and as a squadron commander. Prior to his current position, he was commander of the 916th Air Refueling Wing, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, N.C. Colonel Linsenmeyer is a command pilot with more than 4,100 military flying hours and is an Air Reserve Technician, a full-time federal civil service employee serving in a selected position within a military unit..

EDUCATION:

1981 Bachelor of Science in business administration, John Carroll University, Ohio
1988 Distinguished Graduate, Squadron Officer School, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
1990 Master's Degree in personnel administration, Golden Gate University, Calif.
1994 Distinguished Graduate, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
2004 Master of Strategic Studies, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala.

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command Pilot
Flight hours: More than 4,000 military hours
Aircraft flown: T-41, T-37, T-38, B-52G/H, KC-10, KC-135E/R

RECENT ASSIGNMENTS:

July 2007 to April 2010; Commander, 916th ARW, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C.
June 2004 to July 2007; KC-135R Instructor Pilot, Squadron Operations Officer, 72nd ARS; KC-135R Evaluator Pilot, 434th Operations Group Commander, Grissom ARB, Ind.

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal with one oak leaf cluster
Air Force Commendation Medal
Air Force Achievement Medal
Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with three oak leaf clusters
Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with one oak leaf cluster
Combat Readiness Medal with three oak leaf clusters
National Defense Service Medal
Southwest Asia Service Medal with one device
Kosovo Campaign Medal with two devices
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Air Force Longevity Service with five oak leaf clusters
Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 1 'M' device
Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon
Air Force Training Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant Dec. 22, 1981
First Lieutenant Dec. 22, 1983
Captain Dec. 22, 1985
Major March 1, 1994
Lieutenant Colonel May 21, 2000
Colonel Sept. 10, 2005

HARD HAT AREA

Construction at YARS fitness center adds more space, updated equipment

Senior Airman Valerie Smock
910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Don't enter—under construction. While the Lt. Col. H. James English Memorial Fitness Center is still available for use, those words fill many signs throughout the building advising patrons there are areas off limits. The fitness center has been under construction since October 2009, but there is an end in sight.

"Every day we get someone coming back wondering, 'where is everything, what can I use?'" said Kevin Hyman, director of the fitness center. "But they also say, 'I'm just happy you're open.'"

While many people may be wondering when the fitness center will be fully operational, Hyman said the wait will definitely be worthwhile.

"We plan on having a combination of video aerobics and live instructors to complement our mission, which is to have a facility for military members to remain physically fit for any contingency, both wartime and peace," said Hyman.

To ensure those Airmen stay in shape, new aerobic and cardio rooms will be available along with upgraded equipment.

"It really mirrors the Fit to Fight program having more available programs, activities and equipment so that people can make this lifestyle shift," said Hyman.

The fitness center will also be making a shift in who they're targeting.

"We will now be able to open our doors to



Photo by Senior Airman Valerie Smock

A contractor carries pipes into the Lt. Col. H. James English Memorial Fitness Center May 19. The building has been under construction since October and is scheduled to be complete in late August.

wounded warriors as the extra room will allow for a specialized piece of equipment for people confined to a wheelchair," said Maj. Stephanie Welhouse, Force Support Squadron Commander.

The gym isn't the only section of the fitness center seeing changes. Other updates include additional space in the locker rooms, private

showers and separate saunas for men and women.

With all the construction, Hyman said, the response from patrons has been interesting.

"First is bewilderment," said Hyman. "Second response is change. Almost nobody likes change. Everything was where they knew it was, so they got used to a fitness regimen. They're not happy when it's not there, but they've been understanding and I'm actually really happy."

“The updates mean that we are even better than we were before.

Maj. Stephanie Welhouse
910th Force Support Squadron Commander

Major Welhouse also expressed her excitement with the changes and said she can't wait to see the completed project.

"The updates mean that we are even better than we were before, and it seems like everything we do at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station is to make us better for ourselves and our customers and to be the best in Air Force Reserve Command," she said.

The fitness center is not only for Servicemembers but for all Department of Defense ID card carrying members. Those individuals can look forward to taking advantage of the new amenities in late August.

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On the cover...

A U.S. Air Force Reserve C-130H Hercules tactical cargo transport aircraft from the 910th Airlift Wing sprays an oil dispersing chemical over the Gulf of Mexico May 9. Airmen with the wing are in Kiln, Miss., to assist with the response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The wing specializes in aerial spray and is the Department of Defense's only large area, fixed-wing aerial spray unit. DoD photo by Tech. Sgt. Adrian Cadiz, courtesy of the 1st Combat Camera Squadron, Joint Base Charleston, S.C. For complete story and photos, see pages 6 and 7.

YARS welcomes new commander

Senior Airman Brenda Haines

910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Col. Stephen J. "Fritz" Linsenmeyer assumed command of the 910th Airlift Wing from Col. Karl McGregor during a change of command ceremony here, April 11.

Airmen, elected officials, community members and family applauded as Colonel Linsenmeyer accepted the wing's guidon, or unit flag, from Maj. Gen. James T. Rubeor, commander of 22nd Air Force, during the ceremony.

"The change of command ceremony is a time honored tradition," said Capt. Scott Julian, the protocol officer with the 910th AW. "We exchange the colors, thank the outgoing commander and welcome the incoming commander."

Colonel Linsenmeyer replaced Colonel McGregor, who assumed command of March Air Reserve Base, Calif., March 27.

The change of command ceremony dates back to the 18th century. During this time, unique organizational flags were developed to represent the unit's loyalty and trust to their commander. The passing of the flag was accomplished in front of the unit so all could witness their new leader assuming the dutiful position.

The afternoon ceremony was held in a C-130 hangar on the flightline where Colonel Linsenmeyer called upon the wing to continue the good work they had done under the command of Colonel McGregor.

"My goal is to help make the Youngstown Air Reserve Station even better than it already is today," said Colonel Linsenmeyer.

Before the passing of the colors, General Rubeor presented Colonel McGregor with the Legion of Merit for "exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services and achievements."

Colonel McGregor commended the wing and said he enjoyed his time at YARS.

"You possess a culture of excellence in all that you do," said Colonel McGregor. "This is a great wing."

Colonel McGregor also offered a parting message for the wing.

"Take care of yourselves—emotionally and physically," he said. "As a group, you are unstoppable."

Colonel Linsenmeyer shared his enthusiasm with the attendees.

"I'm truly excited to be back in the buckeye state," said Colonel



Photo by Master Sgt. Bob Barko Jr.

Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer speaks to the Airmen, elected officials, community members and family in attendance during a wing change of command ceremony held inside of a C-130 hangar here, April 11.

Linsenmeyer, a graduate of John Carroll University in Cleveland.

Colonel Linsenmeyer was commissioned in 1981 through Officer Training School, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. After 16 years on active duty, he joined the Air Force Reserve.

He has served in many positions during his Reserve career, including chief of plans, operations officer and squadron commander. Prior to his current position, he was commander of the 916th Air Refueling Wing, Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, N.C.

Colonel Linsenmeyer is a command pilot with more than 4,100 military flying hours and is a full-time federal civil service employee.

Colonel Linsenmeyer told the YARS Servicemembers they are "one team, in one fight" and are world-class Airmen.

"We've got a war 7,500 miles east of here, so whatever we can do to make sure that they get the combat support needed—that's the C-130 mission and what we're going to do," he said.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jim Brock

Maj. Gen. James T. Rubeor, commander of the 22nd Air Force, hands the guidon to Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer during the wing change of command ceremony.

The 910th Airlift Wing's Base Honor Guard awaits the start of the wing change of command ceremony.

These men and women represent every member, past and present, of the United States Air Force. The Air Force Base Honor Guard Training Program standardizes ceremonies and the manner in which they are performed from base to base, across the Air Force. The program provides detailed instructions on key areas such as manuals, uniforms, history and traditions and a variety of ceremonies. For more information or to join the 910th AW Base Honor Guard, interested Airmen can contact Master Sgt. Lafayette Smith at 330-609-1893 or lafayette.smith@youngstown.af.mil.

Photo by Senior Airman Brenda Haines



Meet Colonel Linsenmeyer

Question and Answer Session by Tech. Sgt. Dennis Kilker

910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Where are you from originally?

Born and raised in Monroe, Mich.—home of the Monroe Auto Equipment Company (also known as Monroe Shock Absorbers.) the La-Z-Boy Chair Company and General George A. Custer (actually, it was his wife's hometown, but General Custer called it his hometown as well. Smart husband; not so smart in American Indian tactics).

What goals would you like to accomplish while you are here?

Guarantee combat capability for the warfighter; ensure all the Airmen and civilians are better trained and have all the tools they need to be successful; do well on all inspections; improve our already great relationship with the local community; and leave the 910th in better shape than when I arrived here.

How long were you the commander of the 916th Air Refueling Wing? Any success stories?

This was my second time at Seymour Johnson. The first time (1990-1993), I was on active duty as a KC-10 pilot. This last time, we were there almost three years (August 2007-April 2010). The wing received an 'Excellent' rating for our Nuclear Operational Inspection, won 'Best KC-135 Wing' at the 2009 Air Mobility Command Rodeo and our active duty associate unit, the 911th Air Refueling Squadron, won AMC's competition for 'Best KC-135 Squadron.'

What type of leadership traits do you bring with you to YARS?

I don't know if you'd consider them traits or more of a leadership philosophy, but here goes. First, I believe you should treat people like you want to be treated. Second, people should be treated fairly and equitably. Third, as both a supervisor and a subordinate, your expectations should be clear and understood. Fourth, better than half of your success comes from developing good, positive relationships. Fifth, communication needs to flow up and down the chain. Finally, life is a two-way street; meet me halfway and help me, help you.

Do you have any hobbies?

It's been a long time since I've swung a tennis racquet. I consider myself more of a hacker, less of a golfer. My wife and I also like to travel, when we have the time.

Where did the nickname "Fritz" come from?

Although the Linsenmeyer heritage supposedly goes back to the Hessians and the Revolutionary War, I'm actually named after my father and am legally Stephen, Jr. My father gave me the nickname 'Fritz' because he thought it went well with the last name.

What can you tell us about your children? How many? How old?

Two great kids, a daughter Stephanie, 25, who is in a master's degree program at East Carolina University, N.C., and is married to an F-15E pilot who is currently stationed at Seymour Johnson AFB and a son Stephen III ('Gunther'), 20, who is a junior at East Carolina University.

Speaking of children, I've been told you and Mrs. Linsenmeyer have recently become "empty nesters." How is that for a change?

Interesting ... to say the least. We haven't really had that much time to enjoy the 'empty nest' as we have been in the throes of moving. She does have two Yorkies who are quasi-childlike and at least act like children (otherwise known as 'feed me, play with me, etc'.)

Many people can name a person who has had a profound effect on their life. Have you had such a person, or persons impact your life?

I think it depends on the stage of my life. Of course my parents were a big influence; my father was a Naval aviator who continued aviation as a hobby once he left the Navy and my mother was very involved in the community. My maternal grandmother had an interesting life and taught me a lot about people and life's perspectives. My wife, Judi, has probably influenced me more as an adult than any other person. She has taught me a lot about compassion and life in general. She also has been a great sounding board and always gives me great advice. Finally, I think having children will teach you a lot about yourself and what's important in life.



Photo by Senior Airman Brenda Haines

Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer, 910th Airlift Wing Commander, stands on the YARS flightline May, 18. Colonel Linsenmeyer is a native of Monroe, Mich., and is married to Judi Linsenmeyer. He assumed command of the 910th AW April 11.





Photo by Tech. Sgt. Adrian Cadiz

A U.S. Air Force C-130 aerial spray aircraft from the 910th Airlift Wing is prepared at Stennis International Airport in Kiln, Miss., May 4, to go on a chemical dispersing mission.

910th Aerial Spray attacks Gulf oil spill

Staff Report
910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

More than 50 Youngstown Air Reserve Station Airmen and two Modular Aerial Spray System (MASS)-equipped aircraft were deployed to the Gulf Coast, April 30, to aid in oil spill cleanup efforts there.

The group from YARS, comprised of members from operations, maintenance, communications and administration, have a unique mission—to spray oil dispersant, which works like detergent, over the oil slick.

As of May 18, the 910th AW members have performed 91 aerial spray flights and applied more than 146,000 gallons of oil dispersant.

The 910th AW is home to the Department of Defense's (DoD's) only large area, fixed-wing aerial spray mission. In addition to oil dispersion, aerial spray capability is designed to control or eradicate insect populations to prevent the spread of disease and to provide large-scale vegetation control at DoD installations.

This mission is the first time the aerial spray program has used its oil dispersing capability during an actual emergency.

For approximately two decades, the 910th AW has participated in oil spill cleanup exercises with the U.S. Coast Guard in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

YARS Airmen are scheduled to participate in this mission for as long as they are needed.

(Above right) Staff. Sgt. Justin M. Smith, a 910th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron maintainer, cleans a C130 at Stennis International Airport, Miss., May 10.

(Right) Tech. Sgt. Phil Walsh, a flight equipment craftsman with the 910th Operations Support Squadron, checks the satellite signal on an aircraft tracking device at Stennis International Airport, Miss., May 10.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Prentice Colter



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Photo by Tech. Sgt. Adrian Cadiz

Senior Airman Justin C. Johnson, an aerospace maintenance apprentice with the 910th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, prepares to launch a C-130H Hercules tactical cargo transport aircraft on a chemical dispersing mission from Stennis International Airport, Miss., May 7. Members of the wing are in the Gulf Coast region to assist with the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The 910th Airlift Wing specializes in aerial spraying and is the Department of Defense's only large area, fixed-wing aerial spray unit.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Adrian Cadiz

Master Sgt. Brad Franken, a loadmaster with the 773rd Airlift Squadron, monitors tanks containing oil dispersants while flying in a C-130H Hercules tactical cargo transport aircraft over the Gulf of Mexico, May 7.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Adrian Cadiz

Tech. Sgt. Tom E. Neiswanger, an aerial spray aircraft maintainer with the 910th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, refills a chemical dispersing C-130H Hercules aircraft at Stennis International Airport in Kiln, Miss., May 4.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Adrian Cadiz

A communication headset lies in front of a Modular Aerial Spray System prior to a chemical dispersant mission at Stennis International Airport in Kiln, Miss., May 4.

Photos provided by 1st Combat Camera Squadron, Joint Base Charleston, S.C.

What Airmen need to know about social media

The social media section of the Air Force Instruction, which covers use of such sites as Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, etc., is a weightier version than in previous guidelines, according to Philip F. Rhodes, the News Technology Chief of Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs.

From AFI 35-113 Chapter 15:

15. Social Media. Includes, but is not limited to, blogs, message boards, video sharing, and other media sharing websites.

15.1. In general, the Air Force views personal Web sites and blogs positively, and it respects the right of Airmen to use them as a medium of self-expression. However, as members of the Air Force, Airmen must abide by certain restrictions to ensure good order and discipline. All Airmen are on duty 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and their actions on and off duty are subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ).

15.2. When Airmen, including PA specialists and officers, see misrepresentations made about the Air Force in the media, by analysts or by other bloggers, they may use their blogs or someone else's to point out the error. Always do so with respect and with the facts. When speaking to someone with an adversarial position, they should make sure that what is said is factual and is not disparaging. Avoid arguments.

15.3. Airmen should be the first to respond to their mistakes. If someone makes an error, they should be up front about the mistake and correct it quickly. If choosing to modify an earlier post, they should make it clear that they have done so.

15.4. Airmen should use their best judgment, remembering that there are always consequences to what is written. If they're about to post something that is questionable and may reflect negatively on the Air Force, they should review this and other relevant guidance

thoroughly. If still unsure, and the post is about the Air Force, they should discuss the proposed post with their supervisor or the PA office.

15.5. Do not post any defamatory, libelous, vulgar, obscene, abusive, profane, threatening, hateful, racially, ethnically, or otherwise offensive or illegal information or material.

15.6. Do not post any information or other material protected by copyright without the permission of the copyright owner.

15.7. Do not use any words, logos or other marks that would infringe upon the trademark, service mark, certification mark, or other intellectual property rights of the owners of such marks without the permission of such owners.

15.8. Do not post classified or sensitive information.

15.9. Do not post any information that would infringe upon the proprietary, privacy, or personal rights of others.

15.10. Do not forge or otherwise manipulate identifiers in posts in an attempt to disguise, impersonate, or otherwise misrepresent their identity or affiliation with any other person or entity.

15.11. Identify to readers of a personal social media site or post that the views expressed are yours alone and that they do not necessarily reflect the views of the Air Force. Use a disclaimer such as: "The postings on this site are my own and don't necessarily represent Air Force positions, strategies, or opinions."

15.12. Airmen discussing issues related to their career field or personal experiences is acceptable, but they should not discuss areas of expertise for which they have no first-hand, direct background or knowledge.

15.13. A link from an Airman's personal/social site to an Air Force website such as Air Force Link at <http://www.af.mil> is acceptable.

"Airmen (should) understand the implications of social media and the negative impact it can have on their careers if used improperly," he said.

Airmen can share news about achievements

The Final Jeopardy question category for today is "U.S. military."


The Final Jeopardy answer is "The best way to share good news with friends and family back home."

The correct question is "What is the Hometown News Release Program?"

When something good happens during an Airman's Air Force Reserve career—receiving a promotion or achievement medal, being named Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter or participating in an overseas annual tour—Airmen can visit the public affairs office to submit a Hometown News Release Information form. Why? As Jeopardy's Alex Trebek says, "Your hometown cares."

"This is not just limited to your hometown," said Maj. Brent Davis, 910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs Chief. "It can be for your relatives living across the country. It's great to share your accomplishments with all of your relatives regardless of where they live."


The 910th AW PA office is located in Building 128, Room 250, and can be reached at 330-609-1236 or pa@youngstown.af.mil.



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910th AW Base Honor Guard remembers fallen Airman

Master Sgt. Lafayette Smith

910th Airlift Wing Base Honor Guard



Staff Sgt. Leigha Tucker

Staff Sgt. Leigha (Samples) Tucker, 22, a native of Hayneville, Ala., an Air Reserve Technician with the 908th Airlift Wing and a former member of the 910th Airlift Wing, died April 7, 2010, of injuries sustained in an accident.

Sergeant Tucker had a long involvement with the 910th AW. She was a member of the Civil Air Patrol at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station from 1999 to 2005. Shortly after graduating from Mathews High School in 2005, she enlisted in the Air Force Reserve. After basic and technical training, she returned to Youngstown to serve as a C-130 loadmaster.

She played trumpet and was a member of the Mathews High School marching, concert and jazz bands. She utilized her musical skills by performing taps for the base honor guard at funerals since the age of 13.

For Sergeant Tucker, serving in the Air Force Reserve alongside her father, Senior Master Sgt. James Samples, an Aerospace Maintenance Craftsman with the Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, wasn't enough. She also joined the 910th AW Base Honor Guard where she served alongside her father by rendering honor to veterans at funerals and representing the Air Force Reserve in parades and colors details.

Sergeant Tucker transferred to the 908th Airlift Wing, 357th Airlift Squadron, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., where she continued her military and community service and met her husband, Maj. Robert Tucker, Jr., whom she married on July 11, 2009. She later deployed to Iraq with her unit.

She was an avid softball player and coach and also mentored women at pro-life Grace Place Crisis Pregnancy Center in Prattville, Ala.

Funeral services for Sergeant Tucker were held in Warren, Ohio, where her friends on the Base Honor Guard sadly, but honorably, provided the military honors.

Sergeant Tucker was noted for her caring and loving attitude to those around her. She will be sadly missed by her family, community and the members of the 908th and 910th AWs.

State committee honors business for support of employees in the military

The Michigan Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) honored Compuware and their president and chief operating officer, Bob Paul, with the Pro Patria award May 1.

This is the group's highest state-level honor and both Compuware and Paul were recognized for their exceptional support of employees who serve in the National Guard and Reserve.

"We are pleased and honored to know our efforts to back our men and women in uniform have been recognized," said Paul. "We deeply appreciate the sacrifices they make in serving our country."

Compuware supports employees in the military with salary and benefits programs while they are away from work.

"Generally, Compuware far exceeds the standards for support of employees who serve in the National Guard and Reserve," said Gary D. Atern, the committee's executive director.

Master Sgt. Timothy Henderson, the noncommissioned officer in charge of the 910th Communications Flight and employee of Compuware, submitted the company for the award.

"We are very thankful to Compuware for supporting our past and present veterans," said Sergeant Henderson. "We thank Michigan's ESGR and Gary Atern for their support of the company as well."

OSI asks Airmen to be vigilant

Staff Report

910th Office of Special Investigations

As a result of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, the Air Force implemented an anti-terrorism program called "Eagle Eyes," which is operated by the Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI). Much like a neighborhood watch program, the Eagle Eyes program is an aggressive Air Force-wide watch program that educates people on observable activities and what to do if they see something suspicious. The motto for Eagle Eyes is "Watch. Report. Protect."

"Eagle Eyes enlists the help of base personnel, whether active duty, Reservist, family members or civilian contractors, and the civilian communities surrounding the base to remain vigilant and keep their eyes and ears open to any suspicious activities," said Special Agent Corey Christman, assigned to the 910th Office of Special Investigations (OSI), 10th Field Investigations Squadron (FIS). "The 2001 attack did not just spontaneously happen. There were precursor events that occurred that eventually led up to the attack. These terrorists conducted surveillance, planned their attacks and rehearsed their operation."

Lessons learned in the federal law enforcement and intelligence communities played a key role in the development of Eagle Eyes.

"Of most importance, we learned that every terrorist act is preceded by observable activities," said Special Agent Christman. "These activities usually include surveillance, elicitation for information, tests of security, acquiring certain supplies, a dry run—practicing the terrorist act and deploying the assets to commit the act. Once the assets are deployed to commit the attack, it is almost always too late to prevent the act from occurring."

AFOSI special agents are out on the streets on a daily basis briefing Eagle Eyes information not only to the base community, but also to local vendors and companies that may be of interest to a terrorist. Through education, it is possible to train individuals on how to help prevent a terrorist attack from occurring.

"When the community is aware of pre-attack indicators, they can play a vital role in deterring a potential attack," he said.

Once a potential indicator is observed, it is reported to the OSI through various channels. OSI then investigates the reported activity.

Here are some examples of what has been reported through the Eagle Eyes program to 10th FIS in the last year: four unidentified men taking pictures of base; a male attempted to elicit information from an intelligence member concerning security operations; two incidents of counterfeit military identification card production; attempts to elicit technical information from a research technician by an unidentified male; suspicious phone calls made to various organizations by unknown callers. Through joint investigative efforts with Security Forces Investigations and the Oregon Police Department the counterfeit ID's were confiscated.

By reaching out to Air Force members, their families and the local community through educational briefings and word of mouth, these incidents were reported in a timely manner. By reporting these incidents, potential criminal or terrorist plots were foiled.

"Through education, we believe many incidents can be easily avoided," he said. "Simple things like not leaving valuables, such as your military identification, military uniforms or deployment gear in your vehicles can prevent a potential terrorist activity from occurring."

Law Enforcement officials, to include AFOSI special agents, cannot be everywhere at all times.

"The Eagle Eyes program relies on you to remain vigilant," said Special Agent Christman. "Only you know your neighborhood. Only you know your workplace. Please continue to remain cognizant and continue to 'Watch. Report. Protect.'"



Airmen receive top scores

Congratulations to the following Servicemembers who scored 90 percent or better on their Career Development Course exams between July 2009 and April 2010:

Airman Kevin Arnold, 910th Maintenance Squadron – 90%
Senior Airman Christina Bobak, 910th Medical Squadron – 90%
Staff Sgt. Johnathan Lykins, 910th Medical Squadron – 90%
Senior Airman Jeffrey A. Wells, 910th Maintenance Sq. – 90%
Senior Airman Richard Woolf, 910th Medical Squadron – 93%

910th NCO Workshop planned

Noncommissioned officers at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station have the opportunity to attend the 910th NCO Workshop at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Cleveland, July 16-18.

Topics for the event include Enlisted Performance Reports, awards and decorations, dress and appearance, Fit to Fight, leadership and finance.

The workshop is funded by annual tour or a rescheduled Unit Training Assembly.

If NCOs are planning to attend, they should contact Tech. Sgt. Jessica Walker, jessica.walker@youngstown.af.mil, 330-609-1095 or Staff Sgt. Charles Sawtelle, charles.sawtelle@youngstown.af.mil, 330-609-1325 before July 10.

CAP wins regional competition

The Youngstown-based Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Squadron Drill Team and Color Guard swept the regional competition at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in May. They will compete at the National competition in June. Congratulations CAP and good luck at nationals!

Deserving Airman Commissioning Board scheduled for June UTA

A Deserving Airman Commissioning Board is scheduled during the June Unit Training Assembly.

Interested Airmen should submit Air Force Qualifying Test Scores, official transcripts, fitness scores, their last three Enlisted Performance Reports and two to three letters of recommendation to Master Sgt. Jennifer McKendree, the Chief of Career Development by May 28.

Service dress is required to meet the board. Point of contact for the board is Sergeant McKendree at 330-609-1094.

Public affairs specialist wins awards

An Airman with the 910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs office won three awards in the 2009 Air Force Reserve Command Media Contest. Master Sgt. Bob Barko Jr. competed against journalists and photographers in six AFRC units.

Sergeant Barko won the third place award in the following categories:

Graphic art
Combat documentation photo
Pictorial photo

YARS Barber-Salon Studio re-opens

The Barber-Salon Studio is now open at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station in Building 112, Room 116. The barbershop is open Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays during the A Unit Training Assembly from 6 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Reservists, base employees and retirees can be seen on a first come, first serve basis or they can call to schedule an appointment.

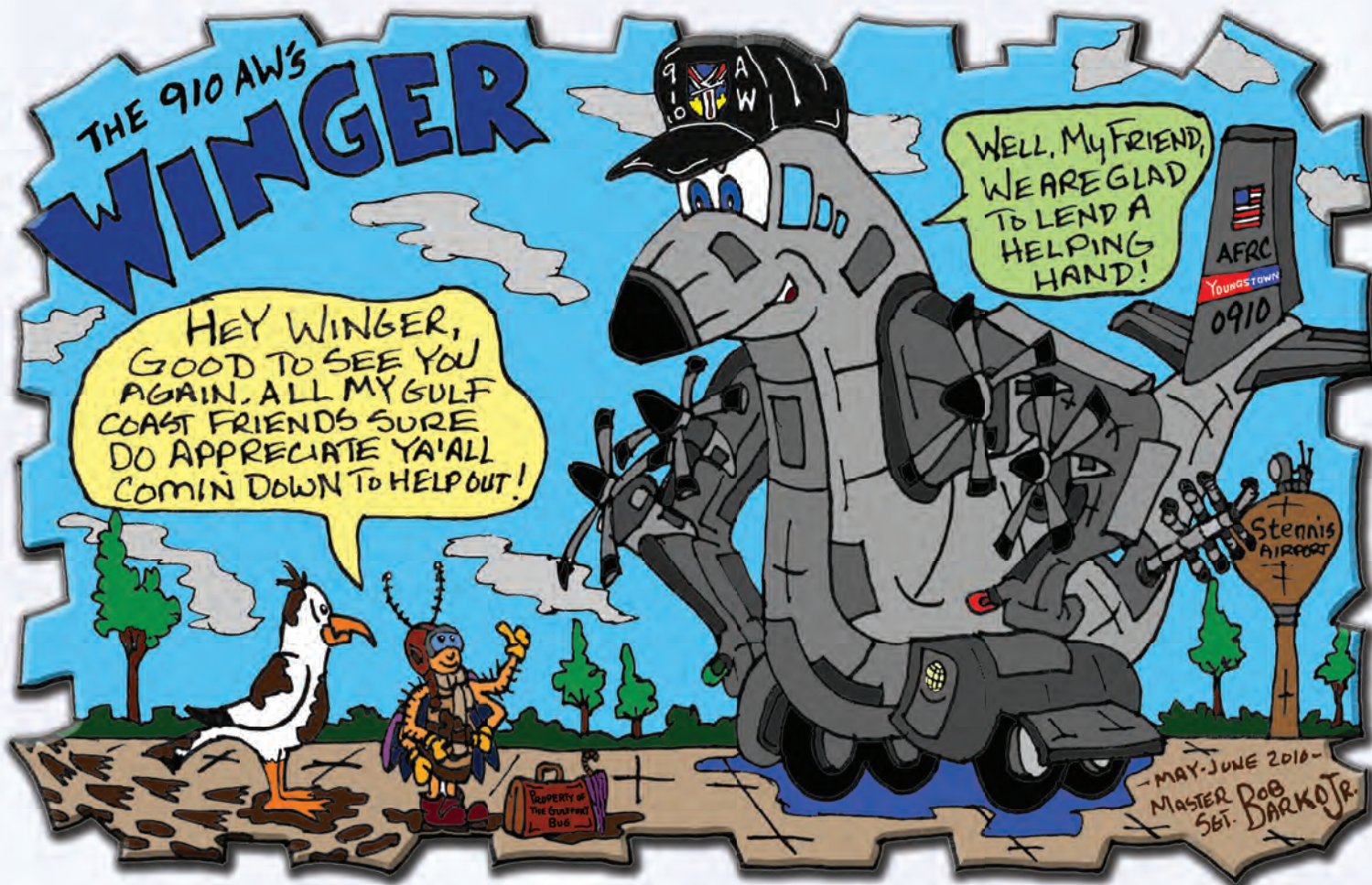


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NEWCOMERS

Maj. Richard L. Basting, 910th Communications Flight
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Tech. Sgt. David Rings, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Staff Sgt. Joshua B. Allen, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Staff Sgt. Joshua B. Beaver, 910th Communications Flight
Staff Sgt. Corey A. Bogan, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Staff Sgt. Christopher C. Horning, 76th Aerial Port Squadron
Staff Sgt. Carolyn C. Mells, 76th Aerial Port Squadron
Staff Sgt. Kevin Pendleton, 910th Communications Flight
Senior Airman Alain C. Fortin, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Senior Airman Claude F. Harris, 910th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
Senior Airman Robert L. Massie, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Senior Airman Thomas P. Vasbinder, 910th Aircraft Maintenance Sq.
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Airman 1st Class Brandon D. Kline, 757th Airlift Squadron
Airman 1st Class Charles W. Kutchenbecker, 910th Maintenance Sq.
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Airman 1st Class Patrick B. Payne, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Airman 1st Class Matthew A. Presley, 910th Aircraft Maintenance Sq.
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Airman 1st Class Milo D. Rodgers, 76th Aerial Port Squadron
Airman 1st Class Jason C. Ross, 910th Recruiting Service
Airman 1st Class Donald A. Sheen II, 773rd Airlift Squadron
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Airman 1st Class Xavier D. Walkin, 910th Airlift Wing
Airman 1st Class Brandon D. Wish, 910th Recruiting Service
Airman James C. Brown, 910th Communications Flight
Airman James L. Phillis Jr., 910th Recruiting Service
Airman Nicholas R. Pinter, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Airman Basic Edward D. Davis Jr., 910th Services Squadron
Airman Basic Casey L. Hillman, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Airman Basic Corey J. Hiscox, 910th Civil Engineer Squadron
Airman Basic David J. Russell, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Airman Basic Darien C. Sisley, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron

PROMOTIONS

Master Sgt. Nathaniel R. Anderson, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Master Sgt. Inal J. E. Evener, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Master Sgt. Khaleef R. Graham, 757th Airlift Squadron
Master Sgt. Anthony J. Gusumano, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Master Sgt. Ronald R. Matten, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Master Sgt. Trevor J. Sajdak, 910th Operations Support Squadron
Master Sgt. John A. Schmolly, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Master Sgt. Brian A. Starr, 910th Mission Support Group
Tech. Sgt. Dickson K. Amoah Jr., 910th Operations Support Squadron
Tech. Sgt. Myron V. Bates, 910th Civil Engineers Squadron
Tech. Sgt. Myles C. Fetterhoff, 910th Medical Squadron
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Tech. Sgt. James A. Hammond, 910th Civil Engineers Squadron
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Tech. Sgt. Peter L. Schultz, 910th Maintenance Squadron
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Senior Airman Joshua Cox, 910th Civil Engineer Squadron

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Senior Airman Jessica Jury, 910th Medical Squadron
Senior Airman Seth Kauderer, 910th Civil Engineer Squadron
Senior Airman Charles Kuchenbecker, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Senior Airman Silvia Martel, 76th Aerial Port Squadron
Senior Airman Brandon Murphy, 910th Civil Engineer Squadron
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Senior Airman Donald Sheen, 773 Airlift Squadron
Senior Airman Torika Thompson, 910th Airlift Wing
Senior Airman Megan Tomkins, 910th Airlift Wing
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Airman 1st Class Erik Bateman, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Airman 1st Class Jenna Goodall, 910th Force Support Squadron
Airman 1st Class Jonathan Jenkins, 910th Civil Engineer Squadron
Airman 1st Class Matthew Keller, 910th Maintenance Squadron
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Airman Vincent Murphy, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Airman David Russell, 910th Maintenance Squadron
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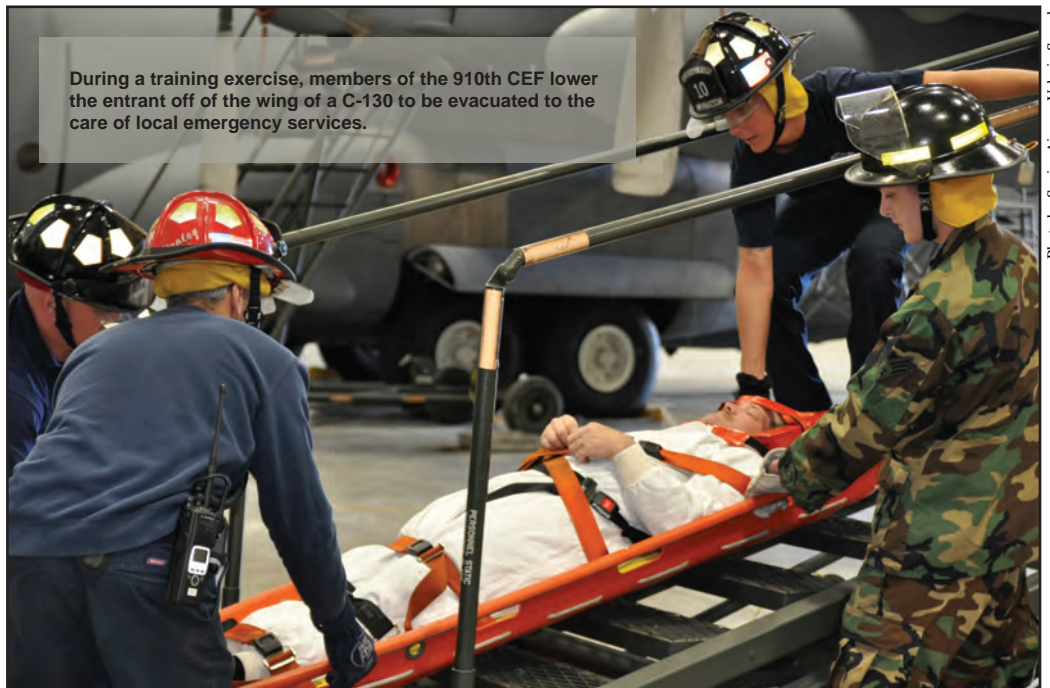
Airmen demonstrate confined space rescue

Senior Airman Valerie Smock
910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Airmen assigned to 910th Maintenance Fuel Cell, Civil Engineer Fire Department (CEF) and Safety office completed a confined space and aircraft extraction exercise during the March Unit Training Assembly.

This exercise, an annual requirement, is designed to test the effectiveness of their emergency response plan.

The training ensured Airmen can react in the event of an emergency, said Master Sgt. Kevin Pratt, the fuel systems shop chief with the 910th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.



During a training exercise, members of the 910th CEF lower the entrant off of the wing of a C-130 to be evacuated to the care of local emergency services.

Photo by Senior Airman Valerie Smock



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Rick Lisum

The runner and attendant pull the entrant out of the wing fuel tank of a C-130 during a training exercise.

During the scenario, a fuel service technician, known as an entrant, became unresponsive while working in the wing fuel tank of a C-130H aircraft. Another technician, or attendant, assessed the situation while a third technician, or runner, called 910th CEF. The attendant and runner then moved the entrant to a safe location and performed CPR while they awaited rescue crews.

"[During the exercise] we make sure that all our monitoring equipment is up to speed, everything works 100 percent," said Sergeant Pratt.

By maintaining the equipment, these Servicemembers have a better chance to help an Airman in need.

"It's extremely beneficial because if someone actually gets in trouble in the tank, you want to be able to save their life," said Staff Sgt. Adam Schatschneider, a fuel systems technician assigned

to 910th AMS.

When CEF arrived at the hangar, they stabilized the entrant.

Capt. Dean Stanley, a crew chief and the lead firefighter with 910th CEF, said the fire department's job is to secure the patient and lower him off of the wing.

"The people that the training actually matters most to are the people that are in there working," said Captain Stanley. "It gives us a game plan that's set out already for us, so we come in and we don't have to think."

The training is something we take seriously because safety is number one, said Sergeant Pratt.

"Without having any of this training here, you're going to lose lives," said Sergeant Pratt. "I've been here for 25 years, we haven't lost anybody yet and I don't plan on losing anybody."