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Commander thanks Airmen for dedication

Another Fiscal Year (FY) bites the dust! Next month we'll be off and running with the FY '11 program so now's your chance to look back on what you accomplished in the previous FY and decide if you accomplished what you set out to do and whether or not you met your goals.

I approach goal setting with a kind of roadmap mentality. If you are going to journey from point 'A' to point 'B' and you don't consult a roadmap or print a set of directions before you start, you may get to your intended destination, but without the map or directions, you'll probably take longer to get there and may end up with a few unintended detours or stops along the way.

Your career is much like a journey or a road trip. Without a plan or directions, you may eventually get to where you are going, but I don't think you'll get there as quickly as you planned and you may make a detour or two along the way.

Not sure where to start on this career planning journey? If you are at step one or two, look around and find someone in your organization that seems to have their act together and ask them if they can take some time to mentor you. It doesn't have to be a formal mentoring session with Air Force Instructions or flow charts, it can be as formal or informal as the two of you want. Just take the time to sit down and ask, "How do I get from here to there?" or "I want to be like you, how did you get to where you are today?"

The September Unit Training Assembly (UTA) is also our Family Day and the anniversary of 9/11. Take the time to show your family what you do and where you work. Help them understand what it is you do when you come to a UTA weekend. Do not put them at a computer and have them do your Computer Based Training, they may never come back again!

On this ninth anniversary of 9/11, take a moment to remember our airmen, soldiers, sailors and Marines who are off doing their nation's business in far away lands and those who have given their lives to defend our freedoms and liberties.

Thank you for your service and dedication to the 910th Airlift Wing and our great nation. $L\!+\!10$

Air Force Reserve officials streamline call-up process

Air Force Reserve Command officials are proposing comprehensive changes to how reservists are managed and called to active duty based on lessons learned from nearly nine years of combat and surge operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Collectively called "AFR 2012," this series of projects establishes a single organization to access Air Force Reserve capability, streamlines the Numbered Air Force management structure and strengthens Headquarters AFRC expertise in a wide range of new and emerging Air Force missions.

"We are revising our management structures and practices to make it easier for our reservists to volunteer, mobilize and deploy," said Lt. Gen. Charles E. Stenner Jr., the AFRC commander.

Since Sept. 11, 2001, Air Force and Department of Defense officials have asked all Reserve components to take on an expanded operational role. In the last almost nine years, more than 32,000 Air Force reservists, representing nearly every Air Force mission area, have volunteered or been mobilized for active duty to fill critical worldwide combat and support requirements.

"AFR 2012 is our vision to enhance the predictability and sustainability of our Reserve force," General Stenner said. "We're going to remove bureaucratic redundancies and barriers to service."

The most significant organizational change proposed by Air Force Reserve officials is a new "Force Generation Center," projected to be fully operational by 2012. This new organization will be the single manager of the readiness, predictability and availability of Air Force Reserve resources. This will include visibility over reservists and Air Force Reserve organizations supporting operational missions as well as developing better predictability for individual reservists, their families and their employers.

"The Air Force Reserve is first and foremost a strategic reserve," General Stenner said. "We have to have measures to protect the depth of our forces and ensure our nation has the ability to surge when we really need it."

Reservists save taxpayers money because they are called to active duty in a pay status only when the nation needs them. When they are no longer needed, reservists return to their civilian lives and a non-pay status.

"We provide nearly 17 percent of the Air Force's capability for about 4 percent of the Air Force's budget," General Stenner said. "Our units and people make outstanding contributions to the national defense. Every day, we leverage a portion of the strategic reserve to support today's operations with a careful eye not to deplete the strategic reserve's surge capability until absolutely needed."

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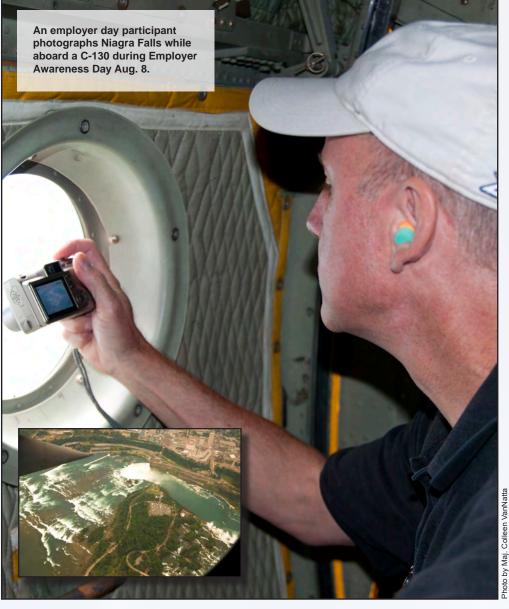
YARS SALUTES **EMPLOYERS**

The Youngstown Air Reserve Station hosted approximately 60 civilian employers for the 2010 Employer Awareness Day event Aug. 8.

910th Airlift Wing Reservists nominated their civilian bosses for the event to recognize them for aiding the Air Force's mission.







Top left: 910th Security Forces Squadron participate in a demonstration for the participants. Left: Chief Master Sgt. Thomas J. Powner, 910th Civil Engineer Fire Department chief assists USPS supervisor, Dawn Frantz, prepare a Meal Ready to Eat.

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On the cover...

Master Sgt. John Sharbon, avionics maintenance specialist with the 910th Maintenance Squadron, and Master Sgt. Bryan Watson, loadmaster with the 757th Airlift Squadron, pose with two air show visitors in front a Youngstown Air Reserve Station C-130H aircraft during the 2010 AirVenture Oshkosh Air Show at Wittman Regional Airport in Oshkosh, Wis. The Airmen assembled with these air show guests, Ohio natives, in the familiar O-H-I-O formation. Photo by Senior Airman

Brenda Haines.





Tech. Sgt. Stephen Feliz, aerospace maintenance specialist with the 910th Maintenance Squadron, gives a unit patch to an air show visitor at AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wis., July 30.

An aerial view shows the YARS C-130 and other participating aircraft and guests at AirVenture in Oshkosh, Wis., July 31. Aeroshell courtesy photo



EAA AirVenture Oshkosh 2010

910th Airlift Wing represents Air Force Reserve Command at America's largest aviation enthusiast gathering Story and photos by Senior Airman Brenda Haines 910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Approximately 14 Youngstown Air Reserve Station Airmen and one specially-equipped aerial spray C-130H aircraft based at the 910th Airlift Wing, participated in the 2010 AirVenture Oshkosh Air Show held in Oshkosh, Wis., July 29 to Aug. 1.

"[AirVenture participation] is by invitation only and I believe the 910th's recent involvement in the Gulf oil leak [cleanup efforts] will display what the Air Force Reserve Command does for America, here in America," said retired U.S. Air Force Maj. Gen. John Miller, a volunteer with the Experimental Aircraft Association, the group that has executed the air show since its inception in 1953.

More than 10,000 airplanes, 700 camper vehicles, 4000 volunteers and approximately 535,000 people were present during the week-

long event known as America's largest aviation enthusiast gathering, according to Mr. Dick Knapinksi, media and public relations for AirVenture.

"I've been trying to get to AirVenture for 15 years," said Maj. Karl Haagsma, entomologist with the 757th Airlift Squadron. "It's an honor to be here with one of the exhibits of the largest air show."

The YARS aircraft was the only C-130 participating in the air show and according to General Miller, was selected because of its unique mission.

The 910th AW is home to the Department of Defense's only large-area, fixed-wing, aerial spray mission designed for larvicide and insect eradication, vegetation control and oil dispersion.

Air show visitors were able to tour designated parts of the aircraft, view the Modular Aerial Spray System and ask questions to the crew.



YARS Airmen, civilians join together for softball, camaraderie

Story and photos by Senior Airman Megan Tomkins 910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

13-0 win by mercy. 25-9 win.

These two scores led the 910th Airlift Wing Air Force Falcons softball team to a two-win victory during their last regular season games, July 27, at Kramer field in Kent, Ohio.

But winning isn't just all this team is about. Youngstown Air Reserve Station has participated in local area softball leagues for the past 10 years, said Tech. Sgt. Dom Peluso, aerospace maintenance specialist with 910th Maintenance Squadron sheet metal mechanic and the Falcons' team captain.

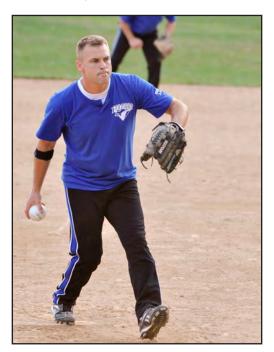
This team, recently named the Falcons and organized by Sergeant Peluso, Senior Master Sgt. Paul Wagner, 910th Maintenance Squadron avionic flight chief and Master Sgt. Don McCormick, 910th Operations Support Squadron aircrew flight equipment supervisor, has recently had increased participation. It is comprised of 22 people this season, including traditional Reservists, Air Reserve Technicians and civilians from YARS.

"It's a true base team," Sergeant Peluso said. "We just have a blast."

Sergeant McCormick said those who participated this season developed good friendships and grew together as a softball team.

"The best part was getting a bunch of guys [together] on base and having good camaraderie and morale," Sergeant McCormick said. "We made a bunch of new friends from everywhere.'

Even though the Falcons lost their first six



games, they pushed through and won the last eight of the season. The Falcons placed fifth out of 35 teams at the end of the season tournament.

"When we started, we were at the bottom,"

'The best part was getting a bunch of guys [together] on base and having good camaraderie and morale.

-Master Sgt. Don McCormick

Sergeant McCormick said. "Then [we] ended up on top. We did better than expected."

Tech. Sgt. Ed Peggs, 910th OSS aircrew flight equipment specialist and a member of the Falcons said dispite the rough start, the players grew together as a team during the season.

"At first, we couldn't get it together," Sergeant Peggs said. "We finally got that thrown to the side and started winning."

If interested in participating next season, contact Sergeant Peluso at 330-609-1312.

Master Sqt. Don McCormick, 910th Operatiions Support Squadron aircrew flight equipment supervisor, pitches to an opposing batter during a 910th Falcons softball game at Kramer field in Kent. Ohio. July 27.

773rd AS attends reunion at Wright-Patterson AFB

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Approximately seven 910th Airlift Wing Airmen and one C-130H aircraft participated in the 463rd Airlifters Association reunion on the flightline at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, Aug. 10.

The C-130 was opened as a static display and the attendees had the opportunity to tour the plane, view momentos and photos, and watch an aeromedical demonstration

The 773rd AS is one of the oldest flying squadrons in existence and was originally designated as a heavy bombardment squadron, flying the B-17 Flying Fortress bomber.

The 773rd AS joined the 910th Airlift Wing in 1995.



0800-1100 Kids Playtime- Fitness Center Children must be accompanied by an adult 1130-1200 Commanders Call- Hanger 295 Civilian clothes authorized

1200-1300 Squadron Lunch

1200-1600 Hanger 295- College Fair, Family Readiness

Info, ESGR, Unit Display Tables, Book Fair,

Face Painting, and Coat/Blanket Drive

1200-1600 Car Show- Bldg 415 Parking Lot

1300-1700 Club Pavilion- DJ

300-1/00 Club Favilloli- Dj

1300-1600 Pick-up Games at Club and Fitness Center

Softball, Volleyball, Corn Hole, Bocce Ball,

Horse Shoes

1445 Family Day Fun Dash

1530 Formal Retreat- Bldg 128 Flagpole

Mass signout, nonparticipating members must remain in uniform in work center until signout

C-130 and Fire Trucks on Display

at Hanger 295

First Aid Station- SE parking lot of Bldg 203

Airmen can attend enlisted workshop

The 910th Airlift Wing's junior enlisted Airmen can attend the annual Human Resource Development Council Enlisted Workshop scheduled for Oct. 15-17 at the Renaissance Hotel in Cleveland.

The workshop's mission is to help inform and support junior enlisted Airmen by providing tools that can enhance their careers and ideally develop them into motivated, mission ready, loyal Reservists.

This year's theme is leadership. Some of the topics planned for discussion include deployment; financial planning; nutrition and fitness; deserving airman; mentoring; diversity; and career progression.

The workshop will feature guest speakers and networking opportunities for the attending Airmen.

This year's workshop is mandatory for Senior Airmen and below that did not attend last year. Airmen should be in manday or active duty status. Uniform of the day is Airman Battle Uniform or Battle Dress Uniform.

Airmen should contact their first sergeant to register. Potential volunteers can contact Master Sgt. Debra Foster at 330-609-1891.

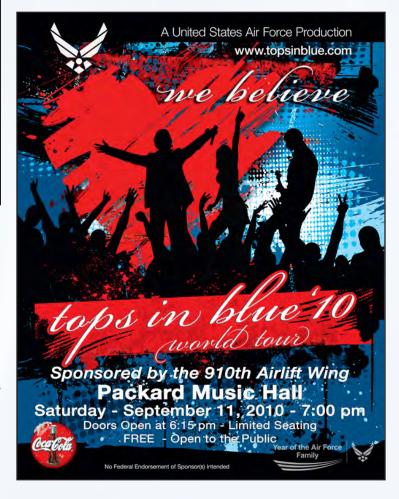


Photo by Senior Airman Brenda Haine

773rd Airlift Squadron Airmen pose with members of the 463rd Airlifters Association and Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in front of a YARS C-130H on the flightline at Wright-Patterson AFB, Aug. 10.

The Airman's Council held a talent show Aug. 7 at the base club. Approximately 100 people were in attendance and six acts performed. The winners of the talent show were:

First Place, Airman 1st Class Rizaldy Costa Second Place, Capt. Scott Allen and Tech. Sgt. Michael Perkins Third Place, Airman 1st Class James Brown



NEWCOMERS

Capt. Elisa M. Vancise, 910th Mission Support Flight

Tech. Sgt. Robert E. Breeckner Jr., 910th Mission Support Flight

Staff Sgt. Jeffrey J. Armstrong, 910th Civil Engineer Squadron

Staff Sgt. Rachel M. Manner, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Staff Sgt. Kelvin Woodford, 910th Aerial Port Squadron

Staff Sgt. Larry G. York Jr., 910th Medical Squadron

Senior Airman John R. Aulgur, 910th Communications Flight

Senior Airman Richard E. Crouse, 910th Medical Squadron

Airman 1st Class Joseph M. Holmes, 910th Medical Squadron

Airman 1st Class Trevor C. Russell, 910th Operations Support Squadron

Airman Tyler C. Farver, 910th Security Forces Squadron

Airman Basic Jonathan M. Edwards, 910th Maintenance Squadron

Airman Basic Jarrad M. Griffith, 910th Security Forces Squadron

Airman Basic Brandon K. Porter, 910th Aerial Port Squadron

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YARS Airmen refer one, get one

Air Force Reserve's Get One Now program provides Airmen incentives for referring friends, family

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Youngstown Air Reserve Station Reservists that met specific requirements of the Get One Now program received tickets to a Refer a Friend Concert Tour and VIP preshow party recently.

The program generates leads for Air Force Reserve recruiters and these Reservists received a free pair of concert tickets for being one of the first 20 YARS Airmen to submit a referral on their Web site: www.get1now.us.

Approximately 20 YARS Reservists and their guests attended a Styx concert at Blossom Music Center in Cuyahoga Falls, June 26, and approximately 20 YARS Reservists and their guests attended a Tim McGraw concert at Blossom Music

The Reservists were also treated to VIP preshow parties at both concerts where they had to opportunity to meet the performers and enjoy refreshments.

For more information about other Get One Now promotions, contact Recruiting Services at 330-609-1015.





Maj. Stephanie Welhouse, 910th Force Support Squadron commander, takes a photo of the performers at the Tim McGraw Refer a Friend Tour at Blossom Music Center in Cuyahoga Falls, Aug. 5. Major Welhouse and approximately 20 Youngstown Air Reserve Station Airmen attended the concert, a promotion for the Air Force Reserve's Get One Now program.

YARS Reservists and their guests take a photo with Tim McGraw during the Refer a Friend Tour VIP preshow party at Blossom Music Center, Aug. 5.

Styx band member, Tommy Shaw, signs an autograph during the Refer a Friend VIP preshow party at Blossom Music Center, June 26.

