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A Navy E-6B Mercury from Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., approaches a KC-135R Stratotanker with the 434th Air Refueling Wing during an aerial refueling flight June 20. Grissom honorary commanders and local civic leaders flew aboard the KC-135R to learn about the mission of the 434th ARW. (U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin)

## Airman, Indy cop saves life



Staff Sgt. Christin Rudell, 434th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, saved her partner and was named the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund Officer of the Month for April. (U.S. Air Force graphic/Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin)

**By Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin** *Public Affairs staff* 

When an Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department officer, who's also an Air Force reservist, responded to a disturbance call during a cold evening, she was confronted by a dangerous adversary and found herself fighting for her partner's life.

For her actions that night in January 2011, Staff Sgt. Christin Rudell, 434th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, was named the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund Officer of the Month for April 2012.

Rudell, who has been a police officer for six years, also received a Medal of Valor from the IMPD in August 2011.

The night of the incident, Rudell arrived on the scene with her partner in response to a report of an intoxicated woman causing trouble at a bar on the city's south side.

They parked outside the bar thinking the suspect, Michelle Marsh, was inside, said Rudell. The bar owner soon told them that Marsh was in her car trying to leave.

As the two officers approached the

Marsh's car, it became clear that she had no intention of cooperating.

Rudell's vehicle was parked behind and perpendicular to Marsh, who backed into the police car and pulled forward in an apparent attempt to flee, recalled Rudell.

The IMPD officers, yelled at Marsh to stop, but she refused and abruptly drove her car in reverse and hit Rudell's partner, knocking her to the ground.

As this happened, Rudell said she tried to break the driver's window to gain control of Marsh and the vehicle, but Marsh pulled forward and then backed up the car again, running over Rudell's partner lying helpless on the ground.

She knew she had to protect her partner and take control of the situation, so she said she immediately pulled her service pistol and used it. She said this was the first time she had to fire her weapon in the line of duty, but didn't think twice because of her training.

"(It was) an automatic reaction," she said. "The focus was definitely to keep anybody else from getting hurt."

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## Honorary commanders, civic leaders take flight

**By Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin** *Public Affairs staff* 

In a rare opportunity, Grissom's honorary commanders and local civic leaders got a first-hand look at how the Air Force fuels the fight.

The guests flew onboard a KC-135R Stratotanker from Grissom June 20 to witness the 434th Air Refueling Wing in action during an in-flight refueling.

The KC-135R met with a Navy E-6B Mercury out of Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., and conducted the aerial refueling as the passengers looked on.

"It was an awesome experience," said Mike Wickersham, the president of a company in Winchester, Ind.

The passengers were able to talk with pilots in the cockpit and get into the aircraft's boom pod where they watched the boom operators refuel the Navy jet that functions as an airborne command post and communications relay.

"It was amazing," said Les Hadden, the president of a Michigan corporation that



Lt. Col. Lewis Poore Jr., 72nd Air Refueling Squadron commander, talks with a civic leader in the cockpit of a KC-135R during an aerial refueling flight June 20. Grissom honorary commanders and local civic leaders flew aboard the KC-135R to learn about the mission of the 434th Air Refueling Wing.

provides testing and engineering services. "The crew was very professional and kind."

Hadden also commented on the condition of the KC-135 itself. "It's so clean," he added.

"They really emphasize their

maintenance; I'm impressed!" Guests from the community are invited to go on select aerial refueling flights throughout the year to help increase awareness about Grissom and the mission of the 434th ARW.



A KC-135R Stratotanker with the 434th ARW refuels a Navy E-6B Mercury from Tinker Air Force Base, Okla., June 20. (U.S. Air Force photos/Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin)



Master Sgt. Paul Sherrod, 434th Air Refueling Wing boom operator, speaks with passengers after their flight aboard a KC-135R Stratotanker June 20.

# Family day coming to Grissom

**By Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin** *Public Affairs staff* 

Grissom family day kicks off on July 7 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. to show appreciation to families and the support they give.

This year's family day will host a variety of events for all ages. The events will be held in and around Docks 2, 4, 5 and 6.

"I think the entertainment this year is going to be outstanding, said Vicky Butte, the services director. "There's just something for everybody."

In Dock 2, there will be a commissary sale starting at 9 a.m. Various goods from the Fort Benjamin commissary will be available. Also in Dock 2, the Services non-appropriated fund property sale will have items on sale from the Grissom Inn and the base club.

The Airman Family and Readiness Center will host a 4 Pillars of Wellness event in Dock 4 from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The purpose is to show military families how to maintain a well balanced life.

Dock 5 will hold a car and motorcycle show from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., as well as a fire department display and remote control car races. Static displays outside will

feature a KC-135R Stratotanker and Morale Welfare and Recreation trailers.

Dock 6 will house a variety of entertainment events, information booths and food vendors including, homemade crafts, college booths and free hotdogs served by the base club. In addition, Indianapolis Colts cheerleaders will be signing autographs from noon to 2 p.m. A Jimmy Buffett tribute band "Parrot Troupers" performs starting at 11 a.m. An Elvis impersonator will also perform at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. There will also be a balloon sculptor, a roaming magician and an airbrush tattoo artist as well.

To round out things, events and activities will also be outside Docks 4 and 6 and will include a climbing wall, a trampoline, inflatable slides, carnival rides, a dunk tank and pony rides. The kid's zone will offer games and contests for children such as an obstacle course, a sphere race, an egg and water balloon toss, and a pie eating contest.

The dining facility will be open from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Meals are free for officers, civilian employees and immediate family members with a DoD ID card. Meals for guests and contractors will be \$4.55. Airmen on UTA status will sign in as usual.



Grissom employees and their families can be seen taking part in Grissom's annual Family Appreciation Day picnic last year. Each year the 434th Air Refueling Wing thanks families for their support of reservists and base personnel during a picnic featuring displays, games and family activities. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Mark Orders-Woempner)

## Deployed Airmen use time away to become fit to fight

**By Tech. Sgt. Mark Orders-Woempner** *Public Affairs staff* 

Being away from family, friends and all the comforts of home can be difficult for Airmen deployed around the globe, but being away from all those things can also help them reset and focus.

Many of Grissom's Airmen who deployed to Incirlik Air Base, Turkey, recently took advantage of that time away from home to focus in on their fitness.

"At home I don't have as much time, so this was an opportunity to get fit," explained Tech. Sgt. Jonna Sullivan, a single mother of two boys who lost 12 pounds in just two months spending a lot of her free time in the fitness center. "I wanted to get a head start, and I kept it up when I got home, losing another 20 pounds."

Master Sgt. Robert Sucharski, 434th Maintenance Operations Flight coordinator, agreed that while he didn't enjoy being away from home, he was able to focus in on his goal of weighing 185 pounds, a goal he achieved with a lot of sweat equity.

"I ran 757 miles in those four months, and I love it because I didn't have as many distractions," recalled Sucharski, who lost more than 30 pounds during his time overseas. "I usually ran about eight miles a day, and sometimes I'd run an extra two miles."

While Sullivan and Sucharski found their fitness focus in the gym or running a trail, other July 2012 Grissom Airman rode their way to physical success.

"We're going to do the Hilly Hundred in Bloomington, (Ind.), so we wanted to train early and break up the regular routine of going to the gym," said Lt. Col. Thomas Riedel about how he and Lt. Col. Gerry Conway chose to keep themselves in shape while training for an annual bicycle ride in southern Indiana.

"We're just keeping the body circumference low, and we definitely saw improvement, which was the goal," Riedel added. "We're both trying to get stronger and instead of running this was another fitness tool."

Like Sullivan and Sucharski, the two 434th Operations Support Squadron Airmen put in a lot of time working out.

"I rode about 535 miles and Gerry was about 25 miles ahead of me at 560," said Riedel. "Most weeks we also did spin class twice a week as well, and we also rode stationary on top of that, but we didn't log any of that mileage."

Capt. Kyle Knell, 434th OSS intelligence officer, also made the bike his choice of fitness poison, urged on by the challenge of a t-shirt.

"The last time I was here I saw they had tshirts for different fitness milestones, and I wanted to accomplish one of them," explained Knell, who made his goal to get the 600-mile recognition garb. "It was 600 miles, and I had 60 days to do it."

But it wasn't just the



Tech. Sgt. Jonna Sullivan, 434th Operations Support Squadron, works out at a fitness center during a recent deployment to Incirlik Air Base, Turkey. Serveral Grissom Airmen were able to focus on fitness during their deployment. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Mark Orders-Woempner)

fancy threads that were the focus of Knell's efforts.

"I really wanted to try to accomplish one of those goals because I knew it would keep me in the gym," he added.

And while all the Airmen above paid the price of fitness through sweat and determination, they all said they made the healthy choice of eating right as well.

"I started eating more vegetables and fruit, limited my carbohydrate intake, ate less meat, and all I drank was water because hydrating myself was so important," recalled Sullivan. "Sticking with it is key and having healthy choices available made it easier to train myself."

When Sullivan returned home, she was able to continue her healthy lifestyle by maintaining a healthy diet and taking advantage of the classes the Grissom Fitness Center has here.

"The classes are great," she said. "I've been going to the running class, and it's really helped me prepare for my fitness test."

## Historic vehicle maintenance facility gets facelift

#### By Tech. Sgt. Mark Orders-Woempner Public Affairs staff

In 1957, while the 319th Fighter Interceptor Squadron F-89J Scorpions were buzzing over the Hoosier heartland and KC-135A Stratotankers were just rolling off the assembly line, a brand new service club and automotive maintenance building was being built in the middle of the newly opened Bunker Hill Air Force Base.

Over 54 years later the base had a new name, Grissom Air Reserve Base, and roar of the F-89s had been replaced with the sound of fuel-efficient KC-135R engines, but not much had changed with the vehicle maintenance facility.

In fact, the last and only major modernization work done to the 26,800 square foot facility was completed in 1986 when a high bay addition was added to accommodate larger vehicles.

With the roof leaking, paint peeling off the walls, an out-dated heating, cooling and ventilation system for which there were no longer parts, a full-blown upgrade was desperately needed, said Sue McConnaghy, 434th Logistics Readiness Squadron vehicle accountability officer.

"The heating and cooling in my office was from the 50s," recalled McConnaghy. "And, when it went out in the winter, the heat went out and it took 2 weeks to get a part."

Grissom leadership decided something needed to be done to repair the facility, which maintains and repairs missions essential vehicles used to maintain the airfield, respond to emergencies, and transport personnel and equipment. So, they began a \$3.6 million modernization project last year and opened the facility with a special ribbon-cutting ceremony May 10.

One of the primary goals of the construction was to bring the building up to current construction and fire codes said Wayne Raby, 434th Civil Engineer Squadron base architect.

"We added a new sprinkler system, more roof insulation and a fire-safety wall that brought it up to code," explained Raby. "At one time the electrical system was also creating brown outs, so we updated the electrical system as well and now that's not an issue."

The outdated HVAC system was also replaced and a complete facelift was done to the building's interior.

"We changed the exhaust ventilation system to be more efficient, paved the floor, upgraded the lighting and updated the office facilities," said Raby. "We expanded the communication room and training rooms so they aren't as limited and now they have a better training area, dispatch room and break room."

Perhaps the most noticeable change is in the main vehicle maintenance area where new paint, a new floor and new lighting have drastically changed the work environment.

"In my opinion, the biggest improvement by far is the lighting," said McConnaghy. "You can actually see in the shop, so it's not as dark and gloomy as it used to be."

And a brighter workplace isn't the only upgrade to the facility's lighting system. Great emphasis was placed on making the building much more energy efficient, said Raby.

"The lights now have occupancy sensors, so when no one is in the room, the lights turn off," he said adding that being energy efficient and trying to reduce costs is now how the Air Force does business.

"Everything we did for this project was absolutely necessary to bring the the building up to code," he said. "We didn't do anything more than that."

Even with just taking care of the essentials, several of the building's occupants were overjoyed with the new condition of their old building.

"I'm extremely excited," McConnaghy exclaimed. "I really like my new building, I really do! It's really cool now.

"It's a 110 percent improvement over what we had," she concluded.



Jacqueline Mantravadi, left, and Damon Spradlin, both with the Grissom bioenvironmental engineering services office here, admire all the upgrades made to the base's newly renovated vehicle maintenance facility May 10. The building was first built in 1957 and was in desperate need of modernization. (U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Mark Orders-Woempner)

## 100th CES provides training to Grissom reservists

By Karen Abeyasekere 100th Air Refueling Wing Public Affairs

Reservists from Grissom Air Reserve Base, Ind., wrapped up their temporary duty here with a hazardous material training exercise as they worked alongside active-duty members from the 100th Civil Engineer Squadron **Emergency Management** Flight June 12.

A total of 57 reservists joined their counterparts within the 100th CES. and three of them became part of the emergency management team for the two weeks they were here.

"We've been integrating with the active-duty shops and taking on some construction projects, providing people from structures and heavy equipment flights," said Master Sgt. Jon Raschke, 434th Civil Engineer Squadron **Emergency Management** Flight chief for the 434th Air Refueling Wing.

He said the training here was extremely helpful.

"Any time you can integrate with different shops, it's always beneficial, but when you cross with active duty members to do the training, you can see how similar we all are, and that's even better," he said. "It's good to learn from these people, who all do this job full time."

The hazmat exercise they participated in was put together by the 100th CES EMF, and the scenario was hazmat response for a chemical suicide.

Staff Sgt. Geoffrey Wadsworth, 100th CES **Emergency Management July 2012** 

plans and operations NCO in charge, was one of those who put together the exercise. He said this type of scenario has occurred in the real world in England and the United States in the past, so he felt it pertinent to have this type of training.

Set up near the main gate, this particular exercise provided training just for the civil engineer members, rather than involving other first responders such as security forces and the fire department. A simulated unconscious person was found in a vehicle, which was sealed with tape and had signs posted, labeled "Danger! Do not open doors!" Inside was a bucket of an unknown substance, and other chemicals.

The response teams got fully suited up with personal protective equipment, and took sampling equipment over to the vehicle. They then made checks all around it, taking care not to open the door, as they didn't know what the chemicals were or what the associated hazards would be.

They were assessed by other emergency management members throughout the entire exercise.

Though they encountered a few problems, Wadsworth said that's what the training was for.

"Finding those problems, now helps to show where our weaknesses and shortfalls are, so we can correct them for the future," he said.

Wadsworth explained that a real-world response like this would take at least several hours, as



Senior Airman Scott Floyd, 434th Civil Engineer Squadron, and Airman 1st Class Marco Misko, 100th Civil Engineer Squadron, check their sampling equipment for readings as they get close to a vehicle that could be contaminated in a hazardous materials response exercise at RAF Mildenhall, England June 12. (U.S. Air Force photo/Karen Abeyasekere)

it would include initial response from the police and fire department. Once on-scene, the incident commander would then request the presence of emergency management, who would then start various hazard detection procedures.

Emergency management would ensure the hazard in the vehicle was mitigated, which would include neutralizing the chemicals and bagging and removing all products.

The reservists' flight chief said they had found working and training with the 100th CES members to be extremely beneficial.

'Their ability to train and the equipment they have available to them, along with the knowledge they have from doing this full time - we usually don't have that available to us," Raschke said.

"But, we also get to bring in a different perspective. Any time you bring two bases together, you get different ideas. Plus, we bring skills from our civilian jobs," he said. "When we go to war, we go to war together, so we need to train together.'

## **JROTC** students visit Airmen, Marines

**By Senior Airman Andrew M**cLaughlin Public Affairs staff

A group of Junior ROTC students from Anderson Preparatory Academy, Ind., got a first-hand look at how Marines and Airmen at Grissom operate during a tour May 23.

The students first visited the Marine Reserve Center where they learned about weapons, used a firearms training simulator, witnessed a martial arts demonstration, learned how to use a field radio, and got to check out the inside of a Humvee. They also put on Kevlar and took a ride in the back of a large military cargo truck.

Later, the students learned about the mission of the 434th Air Refueling Wing as they toured a KC-135R Stratotanker and talked with some of the pilots, crewmembers and maintainers.



Capt. Joel Webley, 72nd Air Refueling Squadron KC-135R Stratotanker pilot, talks to junior ROTC students about the aircraft during a tour of Grissom May 23. The students visited the base to learn about the mission of the 434th Air Refueling Wing and the Marine Corps communicatons unit.



Lance Cpl. William Hogestyn III, a Marine reservist radio operator, explains how to use a field radio to Junior ROTC students outside the Marine Corps Reserve Center at Grissom May 23. (U.S. Air Force photos/Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin) 8 **Heartland Warrior** 



#### Family affair

Maj. Debra Edgerley, center right, and her husband Chief Master Sgt. Allen Edgerley receive their certificates of retirement from Col. Christopher Amend, left, and Lt. Col. (Dr.) Scott Phillips during their joint retirement ceremony here June 2. Amend is the 434th **Operations Group** commander and Phillips is a 434th Aersopace Medicine Squadron flight surgeon. (U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Andrew McLaughlin)

## Air Force activates entire fleet of firefighting C-130s

CHEYENE, Wyo. -- Beginning June 30, eight military C-130 aircraft, each equipped with the U.S. Forest Service's Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System were operating out of Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., to assist with fire fighting efforts in the Rocky Mountain Region.

Two MAFFS-equipped C-130s from the Wyoming Air National Guard's 153rd Airlift Wing and the U.S. Air Force Reserve Command's 302nd Airlift Wing have been working out of Peterson Air Force Base, located in Colorado Springs, Colo., since June 25.

On June 28, the U.S. Forest Service requested the remaining four MAFFS units be activated for the Rocky Mountain region. U.S. Northern Command, the Department of Defense organization responsible for providing civil support, approved the request and agreed to activate the units late that night.

The California Air National Guard's 146th Airlift Wing, from Channel Islands, and the North Carolina Air National Guard's 145th Airlift Wing, from Charlotte, joined the 153rd and the 302nd.

This is the first time since 2008 that all eight military aircraft have been activated at one time, said Col.

Jerry Champlin, 153rd Air Expeditionary Group commander. In that year, the aircraft were stationed at McClellan Airpark in Sacramento, Calif., to fight fires in that state.

"There have been other times, as well, like Boise in 2006," said Champlin, a member of the Wyoming Air National Guard who, as this year's AEG commander, has tactical control over the MAFFS aircraft.

Although all eight C-130s will operate from Peterson Air Force

Base, for now, on which fire they will drop retardant depends on the daily fire situation in the region. The U.S. Forest Service also may choose to base one or more aircraft in other operating areas.

"They are assigned to fires on a priority basis for each day," said Scott Fisher, with the U.S. Forest Service. "Airtankers may also be re-assigned during the day, based on a shift in priority for the Rocky Mountain coordination center." (Courtesy AFNS)



Lt. Col. Barry Curtis, a 302nd Airlift Wing MAFFS-trained pilot, flies a C-130 Hercules in support of the U.S. Forest Services fire suppression efforts in the Rocky Mountain area June 27. (U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Stephany Richards)

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She fired multiple shots into the vehicle, some of them hitting the Marsh, who kept driving and cleared the police car, Rudell continued. Even though Marsh had plenty of space to flee the parking lot, she continued her assault and drove directly at both officers.

Standing in front of her partner, Rudell said she fired at the car again, which veered off as the wounded driver finally decided to try to escape. But Marsh soon crashed the car less than a mile up the road and was arrested. With her partner badly injured, Rudell, who is a health service management apprentice, said she administered first-aid until the medics arrived, using the training she received as both a student of sports medicine and an Air Force reservist.

Fortunately, her partner survived her injuries, and after multiple surgeries, has recovered and returned to duty.

Rudell said her partner's recovery has helped her cope with what happened that night, but that the incident will stay with her.

## In the limelight

"Seeing my partner injured, that will always stick (with me)," she said.

She said officers undergo intense training at the police academy that prepares them for rapidly evolving confrontations under stressful conditions. This training was what she called upon when the situation became deadly.

"We get in a routine of doing things a certain way, and (this) just reminds you how quickly things can change," she said. "It definitely keeps you on your toes."

#### **Promotions**

**To master sergeant:** Joseph Hubbs, 434th Maintenance Squadron; Shannon Pyle, 434th Aerospace Medicine Squadron; and JonathanWendricks, 434th MXS.

**To technical sergeant**: Krystle Lucas, Civil Engineer Squadron; Mark Brewer, 434th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; and Sean Stump, 434th Communications Squadron. **To staff sergeant:** Rachelle Chance, 434th Maintenance Operations Flight; Joshua Faith, 49th Aerial Port Flight; and Tiffany Webb, 434th MOF.

**To senior airman**: Shannon Parker, AMXS; Mark Shipley, AMXS; Cody Siegel, Security Forces Squadron; and Lesly Torres Santiago, AMXSw.

**To airman 1st class:** Patterson Burks, CES; Arieon Clayton, 434th Force Support Squadron; Broderick Collins, MXS; Derecka Guest, FSS; Alexander Hartman, AMXS; Amber Kruithoff, 434th Logistics Readiness Squadron; Zachary Merkle, CES; Jazmine Ware, LRS; and Alexis Wilson, FSS.

**To airman:** Brendan Carney, CES; Mark Collofello, AMXS; Nicholas Green, MXS; Levi Hunter, MXS; and Kylee Wilson, 434th Air Reserve Wing.

#### Medals

**Meritorious Service Medal:** Maj. Eric Lewandowski, 434th AMDS; Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Wallace, 434th CES; Master Sgt. Ruth Fair, 434th MOF; Tech. Sgt. Michael Lafleur, 434th MXS; and Tech. Sgt. Daniel Laskowski, 434th MXS.

Air Force Commendation Medal: Staff Sgt. Timothy Potts, 434th SFS.

Air Force Achievement Medal: Capt. Timothy McBee, 74th Air Refueling Squadron; Chief Master Sgt. Louise Dietzer-hensley, 434th AMDS; Senior Master Sgt. Jeffrey Castleberry, Senior Master Sgt. Jennifer Meadors, 434th AMDS; 434th AMDS; Senior Master Sgt. Robert Summers, 434th AMDS; Master Sgt. Cathleen Castleberry, 434th AMDS; Master Sgt. Michael Dardini, 434th AMDS; Master Sgt. Bradley Marcum, 434th AMDS; Master Sgt. Kontinna Rosebud-sawyer, 434th AMDS; Master Sgt. Alicia Santana, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Yolondia Barksdale, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Trisha Best, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Shannon Cloutier, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Stephanie Creel, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Rosalba Delapaz, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Jodie May, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Nicole Nadasky, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Joyce Royston, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Christopher Sewell, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Damon Spradlin, 434th AMDS; Tech. Sgt. Marjorie Trittipo, 434th AMDS; Staff Sgt. Adrienne Beard, 434th AMDS; Staff Sgt. Joanna Boyd, 434th AMDS; Staff Sgt. Lydia Douglas, 434th AMDS; Staff Sgt. Taiesha Jones, 434th AMDS; Staff Sgt. Ryan Montgomery, 434th Operations Group; Staff Sgt. Enidsa Natal, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Ashley Albert, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Jazmine Almodovar, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Brandon Anderson, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Kandi Delee, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Cameron Harney, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Qiana Jackson, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Rachel Jackson, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Brittany Prichett, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Brittany Ridge, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Deborah Ryan, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman Omar Tellez, 434th AMDS; Senior Airman James Wagner, 434th AMDS; Airman 1st Class Brent Cannon, 434th AMDS; and Airman 1st Class Christopher Roser, 434th AMDS.