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# Asking for meaning connects to purpose

If serving is beneath you, then leadership is beyond you.” — Anonymous  
As we begin 2017, I would like to share a few thoughts about leading people.

The bottom line: Leadership is about influence. You influence by serving others.  
Leo Tolstoy, a Russian novelist known for “War and Peace,” wrote a story called, “What Men Live By.” In this story, a poor shoemaker came upon a naked man freezing to death on a winter night. The shoemaker gave the man his coat



**Commentary by Lt. Gen. Maryanne Miller**  
AIR FORCE RESERVE COMMANDER

and boots and took him home. His wife pitied the stranger, accepted him into their home, clothed, fed and housed him, and gave him a job.

The stranger was an angel who had disobeyed God. The angel was ordered to take the soul of a woman who lost her husband and just had twins. The angel could not carry out God’s will, but God sent him back to take her soul anyway.

His disobedience banished him from heaven until he could find answers to three questions: What dwells in a

## Commander’s Commentary

man? What is not given to men? What do men live by?

Through the empathy of the shoemaker’s wife, the angel learned that love is given to all people and dwells in their hearts. While working, he learned that it is not given to man to know his own needs.

The last question is the most intriguing because it is at the heart of everything we do. It is central to every human being: What do people live by? What brings us meaning? What makes us live a life that matters? The angel realized all

men live not by care for themselves but by love. In this story, love for others is shown by serving others.

Think about this story and how it relates to leading people. Most leaders are called to their positions of power and have automatic authority by that position. Given this power and authority, what does it mean to lead and serve?

Reflect on the following questions and see how you respond. As a leader:

- Are you going to break down walls and invite others in or are you going to put up a wall and enforce boundaries to keep others out?
- Are you going to have empathy for the feelings of others

or are you going to point fingers to preserve your own feelings?

• Are you going to allow others to dream freely or are you going to wake them up to “how things really work around here?”

• Are you going to let others set the course and share the wheel or are you going to jealously guard the compass and helm?

• Are you going to allow individual greatness to emerge and benefit all or are you going to shout the voice of authority?

• Are you going to attach everyone to a larger purpose and acknowledge group achievement, or are you going to pursue self-glorification?

# Airmen beholden to federal law on marijuana use



**Commentary by Chief Master Sgt. Bryan Payne**

349TH AIR MOBILITY WING

In 1986, the political landscape took a conservative stance on drug use for both recreational and medical purposes.

President Ronald Reagan was one year into his second term, and had already ended tolerance towards marijuana possession. That same year, I promised to serve faithfully under the constitution and the laws of the president and the officers appointed over me.

Since 1996, the use of medical cannabis had been legalized in 28 states. This marked a change in the climate surrounding drug use, and began challenging the military

## Chief’s Commentary

stance of complete prohibition. Despite the individual states’ acceptance, the federal government has stood firm in this arena. Under Article 112 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, military members will abstain from any intake of marijuana.

In recent years, as several states have begun permitting recreational use of the drug, the lines have become blurred again. There was no confusion that military members were exempt from any legalization,

but now the question has shifted. Where do our dependents, family and friends fall under this change?

As civilians, our loved ones may choose to partake in the use of cannabis in states that have legalized its usage. However, military bases are governed by federal law. Any member of the community, regardless of their military affiliation, is prohibited from introducing a federally banned drug onto a military base.

It is our duty as military members to educate our loved ones and guests about the rules and regulations that govern life on the base.

We all committed to serving under the laws of the president and officers appointed over us. It is every military member’s duty to ensure compliance with the laws that we serve and protect.

Always remember as Airmen, we value integrity first, service before self and excellence in all we do. These values are not restricted to our interactions with the uniform family, but are present in our interactions with the community at large. Continue to be a beacon of leadership and mentorship in your home, unit, around the base and outside the gate.

# Chief Frey shares insight on leadership

**Tech. Sgt. James Hodgman**  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS



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Chief Master Sgt. Shelina Frey, Air Mobility Command command chief, visited Feb. 7-11 at Travis Air Force Base, California.

During her visit, Frey received mission briefings from the 60th Air Mobility Wing and 621st Contingency Response Wing. She also met with Airmen of all ranks, toured the 60th Civil Engineer Squadron explosive ordnance disposal range, Travis flightline and the Air Force’s largest medical facility, David Grant USAF Medical Center.

“Travis is a critical part of AMC’s mission,” Frey said. “We wouldn’t be able to execute Rapid Global Mobility as quickly and as efficiently as we do, without the tremendous support of the Airmen here at Travis.”

“With generating RGM, there are no bounds,” Frey added. “We have to ensure we have the right effects at the right place, at the right time and ensure we’re working toward the same vision...global reach for America, always.”

Frey said Travis, which is home to three wings, including the largest air mobility wing in AMC, is advancing Rapid Global Mobility every day.

“Travis brings five unique assets and capabilities to Rapid Global Mobility, the C-5, C-17, KC-10, the medical center and all that supports those entities,” Frey said. “Travis is our largest wing and it’s a premiere wing ensuring global reach for America, 24/7, 365 days a year supporting nine combatant commanders.”

Ensuring that global reach and the ability to project American power anytime...anywhere, is possible because of the dedication of Airmen and their families, Frey said.

“Our Air Force is in good hands and has a bright future because there are Americans out there who believe in who we are and what we do and they want to be a part of that,” she said. “AMC is successful because of the hard work, dedication and sacrifice of our Mobility Airmen and our families. They are our greatest assets because they

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**Chief Master Sgt. Shelina Frey, Air Mobility Command command chief at Scott Air Force Base, Ill., speaks to an Airmen Leadership School class Feb. 8 during her tour of Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Frey visited Travis on a five-day tour, meeting with Airmen, observing operations and recognizing the newest chief master sergeants.**

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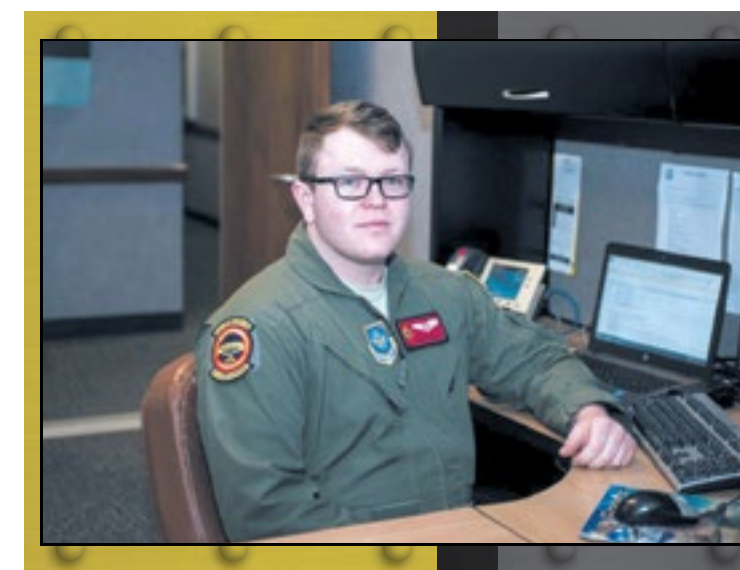
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## On the cover

**Air Force Staff Sgt. Devon Smith, 301st Airlift Squadron loadmaster, guides a Soldier from the 801st Engineer Company in a Humvee into a C-17 Globemaster III prior to its take off from Travis Air Force Base, Calif., Feb. 11 at Patriot Wyvern.**

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## WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

**Name:**  
Staff Sgt. Dillon Hutchens.

**Time in service:**  
Five years.

**What are your hobbies?**  
Golf, softball, football, hiking, lifting weights.

**Unit:**  
21st Airfit Squadron.

**Family:**  
None.

**What is your greatest achievement?**

**Duty title:**  
C-17A instructor loadmaster.

**What are your goals?**  
I’m currently focusing on being the 21st AS instructor of the year. Long-term, I’m interested in pursuing a degree in environmental science.

Garnering the 2013 Squadron Airman of the Year and winning third place at the National High School Power Clean Competition.

**Hometown:**  
Las Vegas, Nevada.

## Team key to keeping aircraft capable

Senior Airman Amber Carter  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Hoping for the best, but preparing for the worst is the unofficial motto of the 60th Maintenance Squadron aero repair team's Crash, Damaged or Disabled Aircraft Recovery program at Travis Air Force Base, California.

"The CDDAR is the program you hope you never need," said Staff Sgt. Steven Bunnell, 60th Maintenance Squadron aero repair technician. "Our program is designed to safely and effectively handle situations where a downed aircraft can be salvaged, repaired, recovered and hopefully, fly again."

Aero repair technicians use tools such as lifting air bags, pneumatic manifolds and air compressors to complete their mission. Each of the lifting air bags can be inflated and stacked to more than 10 feet in height and are able to support either 30,000 pounds or 52,000 pounds, depending on the type of bag. Using stacking methods and multiple stations, the bags have a total lifting capacity of more than 500,000 pounds. These tools are annually inspected for quality assurance.

"Every annual inspection involves aero repair pulling out all of our lifting air bags and consoles to air up and ensure that they are all good to go for a real-world event," said Tech. Sgt. Robert Venable, 60th MXS aero repair team lead. "We would use the bags as an emergency method of lifting an aircraft in a scenario such as an airplane going off the runway when getting jacks in place was not practical or possible."

"The first and best option is always going to be hydraulic jacks on the aircraft's manufactured



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Amber Carter  
Senior Airman Raunak Manandhar, 60th Maintenance Squadron aero repair technician, monitors the pounds per square inch while inflating lifting bags during an annual quality assurance inspection of the Crash, Damaged or Disabled Aircraft Recovery program Feb. 9 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

jacking points," said Bunnell. "When that is not an option due to structural damage or the aircraft sinking to a point where it is impossible to safely position the hydraulic jacks under the aircraft, the aircraft would be lifted on bags until such time as it would be safe for maintenance procedures."

The CDDAR program is not a first response unit, but if an emergency occurs

where an active runway needs to be cleared, the team could be in position using their mobile CDDAR vehicle in approximately 30 minutes.

"CDDAR is critical to AMC because without a conditioned program to recover aircraft that have gone off the runway, crashed or had landing gear failure and are stuck on the runway, it would take much longer for

the aircraft to be recovered or put back into service," said Venable. "Our mission at AR is to keep the three airframes we have here at Travis in the air and mission capable at all times."

The AR mission would be impossible to accomplish without the combined expertise of the maintainers involved. Venable speaks highly of the 60th MXS aero

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## Cody testifies before officials

Tech. Sgt. Robert Barnett  
SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON — Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James A. Cody testified on the importance of Airmen and their families before the Senate Armed Services Subcommittee on Personnel Feb. 14 on Capitol Hill.

"It is imperative we put them first, inspire them and support them as they face the challenges inherent to serving the profession of arms," he said. "It's not an easy task, which is why focusing on our Airmen and their families is so important."

The modern landscape is unpredictable and requires the Air Force to constantly improve recruitment and retention of talent, while continuing to explore opportunities to strengthen the force.

"To meet global demands, resource emerging requirements and repair and sustain the force, the Air Force must increase our active-duty strength up to 321,000 by the end of 2017, and up to 350,000 over the next seven years," he said. "To do this, we must address mission and readiness demands, increase our accessions and strengthen our retention, while never sacrificing quality for quantity."

Families are often the catalyst to an Airman's decision to stay or leave the Air Force.

"These selfless families make many sacrifices and the Air Force remains clear in its commitment to them," Cody said. "Our Airman and Family Readiness Centers serve as a crucial bridge with our families and military missions, encompassing 14 core programs to

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## Chaplain team builds faith with Travis Airmen

Senior Airman Sam Salopek  
349TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The room was consumed in a buzz of a tense anticipation. The hushed whispers set a fast pulse as Citizen Airmen stressed to complete all necessary preparations for the imminent Patriot Wyvern scenario.

One person smiled while entering the room. Kindness is not second nature, but his first. As he moved deeper into the office of the 349th Aeromedical Staging Squadron, the mood shifted. Though still maintaining their urgency, the reservists were put at ease.

For Chaplain (Maj.) Matthew Ellis, 349th Air Mobility Wing chaplain, interacting with military members during exercises helps build relationships and a healthy level of comfort for Airmen.

Chaplain Ellis and fellow 349th AMW chaplain teams were accompanied by the Air Force Reserve Command chaplain team as they participated in exercise scenarios Feb. 11 at Travis Air Force Base, California.

One of the difficulties for the Chaplain Corps is having the ability to spend time and build trust with Airmen, said Ellis.

Fighting against time is the

battle for these noncombatants.

Chaplains struggle to balance mission requirements while nurturing positive connections with Airmen, said Ellis.

Exercises such as Patriot Wyvern give chaplains an opportunity to integrate with Airmen.

Ellis worked with the 349th ASTS Airmen during the transportation of communicable disease victims scenario, and later rode in a convoy with the 349th Security Forces Squadron.

"You'll find that we are very creative on how we visit work centers," said Chief Master Sgt. Darmel Richardson, AFRC individual mobilization augmentee chaplain assistant functional manager. "We take advantage of formations where we can expose who we are, so we can develop a rapport with Airmen."

Engaging with Airmen is pinnacle to the success of the Chaplain Corps operations.

"We have to continually assess the needs of the Airmen and get feedback to modify our mission set to serve their needs," said Richardson.

Patriot Wyvern allowed Airmen to interact with their chaplain team, and gain shared

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U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Sam Salopek (photo edited for security purposes)  
Chaplain (Maj.) Matthew Ellis, 349th Air Mobility Wing chaplain, and Staff Sgt. Lauren Handlin, 349th Aeromedical Staging Squadron medical technician, review the schedule for Patriot Wyvern transportation of infectious disease scenario Feb. 11 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

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# A&FRC provides vital support to community

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The Airman and Family Readiness Center at Travis Air Force Base, California, offers a variety of programs and services for military families, including sponsorship courses, relocation assistance and personal or financial counseling.

The center provides these services free of charge to active-duty service members, Reservists, National Guard members, civilian employees and their families.

"The staff at the Airman and Family Readiness Center is ready and happy to serve our Travis community," said Jaye Hurt, 60th Force Support Squadron acting chief of the A&FRC. "Our staff provides a variety of information

and services including exceptional family member program assistance, school liaison services, volunteering support, relocation assistance, financial aid and financial education, as well as personal and professional development."

One significant service the A&FRC provides is the Emergency Family Assistance Center, which the staff manages in response to an emergency situation, crisis or natural disaster.

"The EFAC provides a place for service members and families to come to should an emergency or crisis such as a natural disaster or mass casualty occur on or around Travis AFB," said Master Sgt. Erine Gallant, 60th FSS A&FRC superintendent and readiness noncommissioned officer.

The EFAC is a 'one-stop shop'

for resources all geared towards providing people assistance during a crisis, said Gallant. The EFAC provides mental health services, as well as finance and chaplain support. Representatives from the American Red Cross, Public Affairs and a variety of other resources are also available.

Additionally, the EFAC serves as a communication hub for the community.

"Once the EFAC is activated a call center is stood up to manage all incoming requests from those seeking information about the situation," Gallant said. "When activated, the EFAC call center can be reached at 707-424-6100 or 707-424-8100."

As the A&FRC readiness NCO, Gallant is responsible to ensure the EFAC is operational when needed. She also ensures

Team Travis has access to information and resources throughout the deployment cycle.

"I provide education, care and support for active-duty members and their families through predeployment, during deployment and post deployment," said Gallant.

The A&FRC provides briefings for active-duty members and their spouses, providing resources focused on the resiliency of both the service member and their families. Gallant also organizes "Hearts Apart."

"Hearts Apart" is a themed dinner providing military families with deployed or remotely assigned military members networking opportunities with other families going through similar situations.

The A&FRC also offers See A&FRC Page 21



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Airman 1st Class Adam Taylor, 60th Contracting Squadron, supervises children playing a basketball game Feb. 7 at Travis Elementary School at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

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# Base observes Teen Dating Violence Awareness month



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Col. John M. Klein Jr., seated right, 60th Air Mobility Wing commander, and Col. Raymond Kozak, seated left, 349th Air Mobility Wing commander, pose with the 60th Medical Operations Squadron Family Advocacy team after signing the Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month Proclamation Feb. 9 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

**Staff Sgt. Nicole Leidholm**  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month and the wing commanders from the 60th and 349th Air Mobility Wings gathered February 9 to sign the Teen Dating Violence Awareness proclamation at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

"This topic is important because it affects youth all across the United States," said Kristin Criner, 60th Medical Operations Squadron family advocacy outreach. "The importance of the proclamation signing is to bring awareness to this issue across Travis and it starts by having leadership support where we have a need in our

community."

According to the Center for Disease Control, one in 10 teens reports being hit or physically hurt on purpose by a boyfriend or girlfriend at least once, while one in 10 teens reports they were kissed, touched, or physically forced to have sexual intercourse when they did not want to at least once by someone they were dating.

"Teens often think some behaviors, like teasing and name calling are a 'normal' part of a relationship, however these behaviors can become abusive and develop into more serious forms of violence," said Capt. Susanna Castleberry, 60th MDOS family advocacy officer in charge. "Many teens do not report it because they are afraid to tell friends and family. Often due to embarrassment or shame, teens do not disclose abuse to others and remain in relationships for fear of how others will react."

Castleberry spoke with a teen from the community who said she was afraid her boyfriend would break up with her and that her friends would make fun of her.

"Teen Dating Violence has been seen to affect pre-teens as young as 11 to 12 years old or starting in the 7th grade and those experiences can carry on into adulthood," said Criner. "Teen Dating Violence is not just a teen issue. ... It has an effect on parents, teachers, friends, family members and the overall community. With this awareness month, it will hopefully spark those conversations, educate people about healthy relationships and break the cycle to end teen dating violence."

Some warning signs for teens in a violent relationship include:

- Apologizing and making excuses for a partner's behavior;

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# Month celebrates African-Americans

**Commentary by Timothy Finney**  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING  
DEMAND REDUCTION PROGRAM MANAGER

## Commentary

February is National African-American History Month. The theme for 2017 is "Crisis in Black Education." This year's theme calls upon all of us to reflect on the crucial role of education in the history of African-Americans. We should remind ourselves of the struggles many African Americans endured to obtain a quality education and all they've done to build this nation and drive it forward.

We should teach our children about the sacrifices made centuries ago to ensure they are afforded access to quality educational opportunities. These opportunities give them skills, experiences, relationships and credentials to empower them to succeed.

In the days of slavery, slaves were not allowed to learn how to read or write. Constraining black education was used as a method to quell black agency and fears of slave rebellions. This denial however, only intensified black people's desire for education. Among great leaders of their time was Frederick Douglass, he was taught to read and write by his master's wife. He later became a renowned orator, fiery abolitionist, journalist, publisher, diplomat and outspoken advocate of voting for women.

After the emancipation, black education was relegated to poorly fund segregated schools. Robert Smalls was a man born into slavery who later founded our nation's first

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**Senior Airman Aaron Jenne**  
436TH AIRLIFT WING

DOVER AIR FORCE BASE, Del. — Approximately 25 scientists and researchers from research labs around the Department of Defense visited the 436th Aerial Port Squadron Feb. 6-9, 2017, to kick off a new initiative: The Aerial Port of the Future.

The visit was the second of a three-stop tour of port operation facilities around the country in an effort to learn current operational requirements and processes, see how Third Offset Technology can improve aerial port efficiency and safety, and conceptualize the impacts such improvements could have on AMC's rapid global mobility and the DOD as a whole, said Dr. Donna Senft, AMC chief scientist and Aerial Port of the Future project lead.

Third Offset Strategy is the Defense Department's initiative to create U.S. military advantage based on technologies such as automation and artificial

intelligence, combined with new operational concepts.

The inspiration for the project came from the Air Force Future Operating Concept, which contained a vignette of someone's personal vision of what aerial port operations might look like in 2035. This brief description of advanced computer programming and autonomous robotics set in motion a concerted effort to research current aerial port operations and develop a 'roadmap' toward a safer and more efficient Aerial Port of the Future.

"That was somebody's dream, but it got us thinking," Senft said. "We wanted to get the experts in the science and technology community together and see what we could do to improve aerial port operations. A big part of that is looking at the science of autonomy and improved automation. We asked ourselves, could we take some of this emerging technology and apply it to aerial port operations?"



U.S. Air Force photo/Roland Balk

Airman 1st Class Taysean Knight, 436th Aerial Port Squadron cargo handler, attaches a 25,000 pound capacity cargo chain to the floor of a C-5M Super Galaxy Feb. 8 at Dover Air Force Base, Del.

From there, a study team was established and several trips were planned. The first stop was at Port of Virginia, Norfolk, Virginia, where the team saw autonomous cargo handling equipment used by the commercial operation.

They then visited Dover AFB and the 436th APS, the largest

aerial port in the DOD, commonly called the 'Super Port.'

For the final leg, the team intends to visit three commercial warehouses in the Seattle, Washington, area to observe current cutting-edge robotics and command and control programming.

"We selected Dover AFB

because of its Super Port status," said Senior Master Sgt. Jessica Coombs, Headquarters AMC passenger and fleet policy branch superintendent. "This is the biggest AMC base and port on the East Coast. When we think of workload and get-it-done initiative and motivation, we think of Dover. What they're doing right now is basically setting the baseline impression for what we're capable of doing as aerial porters in our mission for DOD."

While here, they visited every section within the squadron, interacted with Airmen as they demonstrated core tasks and followed a piece of cargo from initial acceptance through processing, pallet buildup, K-Loader transportation and aircraft upload and offload.

"This particular visit is really unique, because these researchers did not know what we do until we showed them here at Dover," Coombs said. "This aerial port team has been

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# Airman hailing from Poland brings perspective

**Airman 1st Class  
Jenna K. Caldwell**

22ND AIR REFUELING WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MCCONNELL AIR FORCE BASE, Kan. — Born in Poland, the young boy emigrated to the United States at the age of 10. Although he was far ahead of the math curriculum at his school, neither he nor his brother spoke English, until a librarian, Ms. Rousch, offered to help.

“Within six months I was speaking English fluently,” said Master Sgt. Bartek Bachleda, 22nd Air Refueling Wing Plans and Programs superintendent. “God, I hated that woman at first. She made me work, and I didn’t want to. I was a kid; I just wanted to go back to class, do easy math and draw all day.”

But when Bachleda joined the military and returned to his hometown to visit Rousch, he



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Trevor Rhythms

**Master Sgt. Bartek Bachleda, 22nd Air Refueling Wing Plans and Programs superintendent, refuels an F-18 Hornet in the air Feb. 10 over Missouri.**

realized why she wanted to help the brothers and learned a lesson that followed him throughout his career.

“She was a Women Airforce Service Pilot during World War

So, whenever I see people judging other people by their background or here in the Air Force when they only see the stripes on their sleeve, that (upsets) me. You have no idea who they are or what they’re capable of.”

After graduating high school, Bachleda enlisted in the Air Force as an F-16 Fighting Falcon crew chief where his motivation and talents were quickly noticed by those around him. After observing a trend of failed engine bay inspections on the flightline around him, Bachleda took it upon himself to train with the quality assurance inspectors on his days off to learn what mistakes were being made so that he could master exactly what to look for and make corrections.

Bachleda soon became an

expert on these inspections to the point that he was specifically appointed by leadership to be the final step prior to any QA engine bay inspection requests. By the time Bachleda was a senior airman, he was designated as a dedicated crew chief to his own aircraft. From experience on the flightline Bachleda ascertained a few more lessons.

“I don’t walk in to be the new sheriff in town or anything like that, but I can’t help but see potential anywhere I go. I stay quiet and observe first, and see there’s plenty of ideas to make a difference in every squadron, every section and every building. So I say, ‘How about we take a time out and talk about this process – ask questions. Why do we do things this way and can we make it easier on us?’”

II, and she knew that I grew up in communism and understood what other people didn’t,” said Bachleda. “She saw instantly that we were not dumb just because we couldn’t communicate.

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## Finney

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free and compulsory public school system. He served as a law maker in South Carolina’s State Legislature and the U.S. House of Representatives. Katharine Johnson was a physician and mathematician, who made contributions to aeronautics and space programs with early applications of digital electronic computers at NASA. She was a pioneer in space history who helped America win the space race. Without the contributions of Dr. Charles R. Drew, hundreds of thousands of lives would have been lost. This physician, researcher and surgeon revolutionized the

understanding of blood plasma. During World War II, his technique was used to help the Red Cross transport blood overseas saving many lives with blood transfusions. He emerged as the lead authority on mass transfusions and processing methods.

Maj. Gen. Daniel “Chappie” James was the first African-American four star general in the U.S. Air Force. He graduated from the Tuskegee Institute and became a pilot through a civilian pilot training program. After fighting for a place at military flight school and passing the required test with ease, he completed his training in 1943. He was also one of the famous Tuskegee Airmen in the U.S. Army Air Corps. The first African-American pilot was

Eugene Bullard. He flew for the French during World War I. Although, not as famous as the Tuskegee Airmen, he was the first African-American aviator.

Benjamin Oliver Davis Jr. was the first African-American general officer and commander of the Tuskegee Airmen in the Air Force. He graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York and soon after entered advanced flying school at Tuskegee Army Air Base. Later he transferred to the U.S. Army Corps and was assigned as the commander of the 99th Fighter Squadron.

In the enlisted ranks, Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Barnes was the 4th Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force and the first African-American to hold that

position. During his tenure, he provided advice on matters concerning welfare and effective utilization of enlisted members to two Secretaries of the Air Force and two Air Force Chief of Staffs. He also worked for equal opportunities for minorities and to solidify the enlisted professional education system.

These are just a few examples of amazing African-Americans who used education to succeed and impact America and the world. Many examples of African-Americans advancing the legacy of these great people abound today. As we travel around the Air Force we see many African-American pilots, doctors, nurses, navigators and commanders. Their success is possible because of a good education.

## Port

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outstanding in exposing them to the rigors of what it takes to be an aerial porter.”

Coombs acted as a liaison between the researchers and squadron members. She said her 21 years of experience in all levels and positions of air transportation uniquely qualified her for the duty.

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## Observes

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- Loss of interest in activities the individual use to enjoy;
- Isolation from friends and family members;

- Insults or putdowns about the individual or people he or she cares about;
- Jealousy of others who pay attention to them;
- Getting too serious too quickly;
- Thinking parents don't like them or blaming the individual

when he or she treats the person badly;

- Controlling behavior such as checking up on constantly, calling and texting or demanding to know who the person has been with;
- Not accepting responsibility for a boyfriend or girlfriend's actions;

- Casual mentioning of violent behavior or laughing it off as a joke;
- Displays of loss of temper; history of bad relationships;
- Pressure to engage in sexual activity;
- Striking or breaking objects and unexplained injuries or explanations offered that don't make sense.

According to Castleberry, youth who experience dating violence are more likely to experience symptoms of depression, anxiety, engage in drug or alcohol use and antisocial behaviors and may have thoughts of suicide.

"A person can refer anyone to Family Advocacy or any local resources to report and receive services," said Criner. "We also encourage self-determination and for people to self-report."

Resources include the National Domestic Violence

**"This topic is important because it affects youth all across the United States."**

— Kristin Criner

Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233), the National Centers for Victims of Crime 1-800-FYI-CALL and the National Dating Abuse Helpline 1-866-31-9474. There is also an online resource, [www.loveisrespect.org](http://www.loveisrespect.org), which includes an overview of the issue, quizzes for teens to determine if they are experiencing abuse as well as a 24/7 live chat feature. Youth can also reach out for help by texting "loveis" to 22522.

Additional resources for those in violent relationships include speaking to a chaplain, going to the emergency room at David Grant USAF Medical Center, the Travis Airman and Family Readiness Center or the Teen Zone or calling Family Advocacy at 423-5168.

"Dating violence is more common than many people think," said Castleberry. "It is

important to continue to raise awareness of teen dating violence and encourage teens to speak up and to feel comfortable reaching out for support."

Two events are scheduled be held at Travis to help raise awareness about teen dating violence.

On Feb. 16, there will be an "In Their Shoes, Teen Dating Violence" activity at the Teen Zone at 4:30 p.m. to give teens the chance to engage in discussion about dating violence while participating in an interactive event and learning more about the issue.

On Feb. 23, the Travis Bowl-ling Center will host a "Strike-Out Teen Dating Violence" event at 4 p.m. with the Family Advocacy Program, Travis Family Homes and the Travis Teen Zone to raise awareness of teen dating violence. This event is open to everyone with base access and is free to the first 40 teens who register.

To register, call The Teen Zone at 707-424-3131, visit <https://www.facebook.com/TravisAFBHome>, or email Kristin Criner at [kristin.criner.ctr@us.af.mil](mailto:kristin.criner.ctr@us.af.mil).

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# Patriot Wyvern hones 349th AMW readiness skills



U.S. Air Force photo/ Staff Sgt. Daniel Phelps  
**1) Senior Airman Brandon Mayfield, 945th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, works on a stabilizer strut for a C-17 Globemaster III prior to its take off Feb. 11 from Travis Air Force Base, Calif., for Patriot Wyvern. 2) A Citizen Airman assigned to the 301st Airlift Squadron inspects a C-17 Globemaster III prior to take off for Patriot Wyvern. 3) 349th Civil Engineer Squadron Citizen Airmen participate in chemical, biological, explosive, radiological and nuclear training during exercise Patriot Wyvern.**



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U.S. Air Force photo/ Senior Airman Sam Salopek

## Senior Master Sgt. Rachel Martinez 349TH AIR MOBILITY WING

Citizen Airmen from the 349th Air Mobility Wing took part in a Patriot Wyvern exercise Feb. 10-12 at Travis Air Force Base, California.

Patriot Wyvern, held twice a year, brings together organizations across the unit for the common purpose of ensuring mission-ready Citizen Airmen for worldwide contingency operations. Over the course of the unit training assembly weekend, Airmen received training and were evaluated on both core Air Force Specialty Code skills and general readiness capabilities.

The training exercise was designed to meet objectives of the Air Force Inspection System. This most recent exercise was built around the requirement for an annual readiness assessment. Scenarios were developed that included chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and explosive threats; ability to survive and operate skills; as well as deployment and re-deployment operations.

"What we like about Patriot Wyvern is that it brings all these organizations together," said Maj. Sarah Forte, 349th AMW director of inspections. "It incorporates the whole spectrum and cross-talk between organizations. We see what skills and capabilities we bring to the fight when everyone is working together."

A portion of this weekend's Patriot Wyvern saw the 349th Medical Group working with the 349th Operations Group to receive and treat simulated aeromedical evacuation patients suspected of biological contamination.

"This exercise gave medical group personnel the opportunity to expand on the mission of preparing for infectious disease management and control," said Master Sgt. John Mackenzie, 349th Aeromedical Staging Squadron member and medical group facilitator for this exercise. "We've never had the opportunity before to coordinate and train with every agency involved in the management process – from receiving the patient, to transporting them, to treating them. It allowed

all the participants to see each component and how it all comes together.

It's just that cross-coordination and bigger picture view that adds such value to these exercises, added Mackenzie.

"We all have our own cogs we are responsible for, and where those cogs touch there can be ambiguity," he said. "The more we practice together, the more those ambiguities are smoothed out. Each exercise builds on the previous one. If we continue to do that, by the time we have to do this for real, we will be ready."

The cross-talk and coordination wasn't limited to units within the 349th AMW. Aerial porters had the opportunity to work with Army Reserve members from the 1349th Transportation Brigade and the 374th Engineer Company. The aerial porters trained on joint inspections of outsized cargo brought in by the Army, then practiced loading and unloading equipment from both the C-5M Galaxy and C-17 Globemaster III.

While aerial porters and aircrews practiced those core tasks specific to their career fields, Airmen from the 349th Mission Support Group honed their readiness skills in a variety of training events, beginning with processing for a mock-deployment. Airmen were bussed to a simulated deployed environment where they were met by a Personnel Support for Contingency Operations team and briefed. The participating Airmen then were split in to groups and received hands-on training in areas such as land navigation, mounted operations, dismounted operations, escalation of force, and building defensive fighting positions.

"We had no idea what to expect coming in to this training, but it was a lot of fun," said Staff Sgt. Cheyne Baumgart, 349th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter. "Everything we did today was outside of our regular realm. We ended up re-learning some concepts from basic training and learning new things.

"Everybody had a good time," Baumgart added. "The big takeaway this weekend was that

communication is key. Every situation we were in required lots of communication, and often with people we don't normally work with."

Planning for an exercise like Patriot Wyvern that includes units from across the wing typically begins about six months in advance. Point of contacts from each group come together to determine general training objectives and begin the cross-talk between organizations. Members of the wing inspection team then join the planning process and provide specific exercise injects that will meet training objectives.

"Execution is only as good as the planning," said Tech. Sgt. Taron Collins, 349th Force Support Squadron wing inspection team member. "Planning is 50 percent of it, and execution is the other 50 percent.

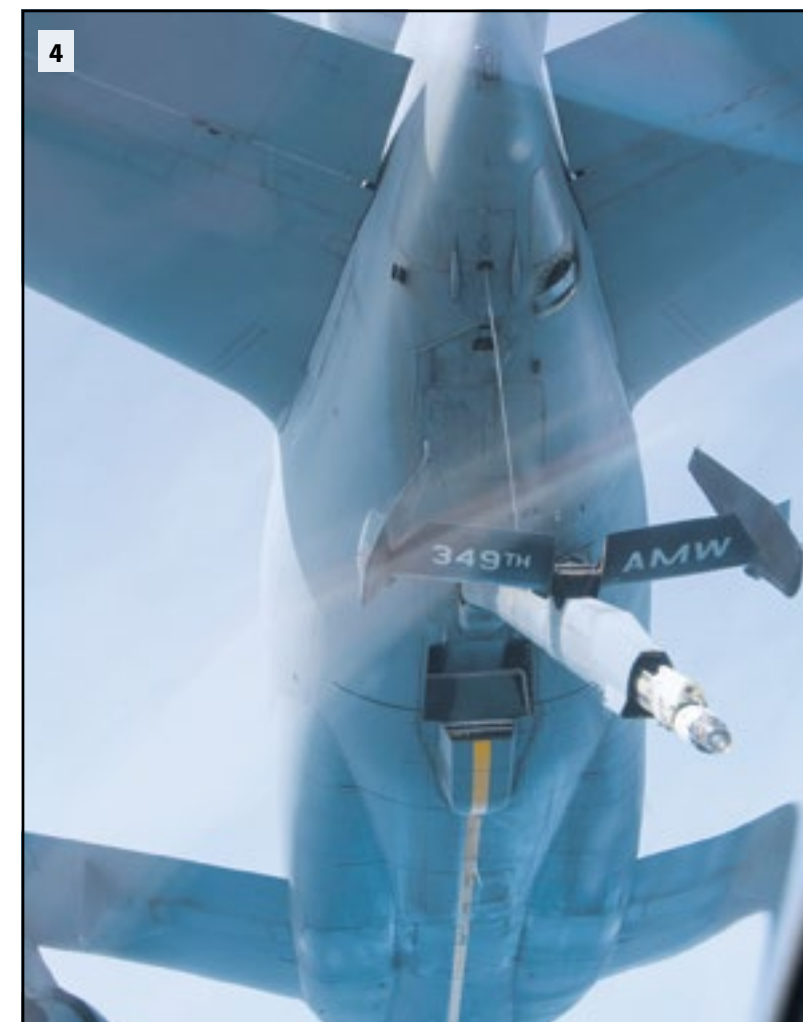
Regardless of the amount of planning that goes in to each Patriot Wyvern, there can be challenges in the execution.

"The challenge always is coordination – getting everything coordinated and communicated with everyone," said Forte. "We embrace some of those issues because that's what happens in the real world. So, anytime we have some of those stumbles and people have to work through it, that's just that many fewer injects that we need to provide to the scenario."

While there may have been challenges this time, many participants said the training was valuable and that they had a good time.

"In customer service, we can spend most of our typical training weekends in the office," said Staff Sgt. Angel Rosario, 349th FSS customer service representative. "This was a different scope that what our daily jobs entail. This training was about being ready; readiness for deployments and mobilizations. Everyone seemed to learn a lot of enjoy it."

"It's great to get outside, get re-engaged and refocused on what we're doing in the Reserves – that combat portion of our jobs – and key in on that," Forte echoed. "We're testing those skills and making sure we're ready."



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**4) Aircrews from the 79th Air Refueling Squadron executed multiple KC-10 Extenders to refuelings Feb. 12 over the West Coast. The tanker crews were taking part in exercise Patriot Wyvern. 5) Army Reserve Spec. James Williams, 801st Engineer Company horizontal engineer, awaits the go-ahead for Humvees to be backed into a C-17 Globemaster III during Patriot Wyvern.**





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# A&FRC

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school liaison services.

"The welfare of school age children at Travis Air Force Base is a high priority," said Christian Mendoza, 60th FSS school liaison officer.

As the SLO, Mendoza maintains relations between Travis and several schools for pre-K through high school students.

"I am a point of contact for military-connected students,

families and school personnel for any school-related concern," said Mendoza. "I work to create partnerships between the various schools in the area and our military service members. I also inform schools about upcoming deployments to ensure families and schools are aware. Additionally, I organize activities to help military children understand their military heritage and I establish monthly classes for military members to learn about the educational system their children will encounter."

"A SLO's primary task is to connect a military installation, resources and families to school personnel. SLOs are a great contact for both families and school personnel to ease the transition to new schools for military children who often face challenges other children don't such as parental absence and multiple moves."

The A&FRC also hosts numerous events including the annual Halloween Trunk or Treat, a variety of EFMP events, Military Saves Week and a volunteer

appreciation luncheon.

For anyone interested in volunteering at Travis AFB or in the surrounding community, the A&FRC can help, said Mendoza.

The center maintains a database filled with volunteer opportunities and can partner volunteers with organizations requesting support, said Mendoza.

After recent storms damaged the multi-purpose room at Travis Elementary School, where hundreds of students eat lunch, the school needed volunteers to

help supervise children during lunch service.

Senior Airman Martel Angelo M. Supop, 60th Contracting Squadron, volunteered to help through the A&FRC.

"By volunteering I get to be a part of something that strengthens the community," said Supop. "Volunteering is a way for me to give back whether it's my time, my abilities, or just simply a helping hand."

For more information about the A&FRC and the services it provides, call 707-424-2486.

# Chaplain

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experiences that acquaint them to this personal resource.

Using occasions like Patriot Wyvern to cultivate familiarity can increase an individual's opportunity to express concern or discuss private issues with the Chaplain Corps.

"Chaplains and chaplain assistants alike offer complete confidentiality, so counseling can be sought without any formal repercussion," said Richardson.

Though a resource for all Airmen, the Chaplain Corps' purpose can be misinterpreted.

There is a myth that chaplains are only for people who are spiritual, religious or Christians, and that's very much not the case, said Ellis.

It is a chaplain's duty to provide protection for Airmen's first amendment rights.

The Chaplain Corps is about allowing individuals to express their own faith, whatever that may be, said Richardson.

Chaplain (Col.) Randy A. Marshall, AFRC deputy command chaplain, provided

mentorship and guidance to his fellow chaplains in addition to engaging with Airmen during his visit.

Chaplains need words of encouragement too, they need to know that they are valued, said Marshall.

"Ministry is people," said Marshall. "When we forget that, we've forgotten our whole mission."

"The 349th AMW chaplain office is located upstairs in Bldg. 228," said Ellis. "Come by and let the Chaplain Team know if there is any way that they can serve you, your unit or your family."

# Capable

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repair team.

"Aero repair has many maintainers with years of experience on each aircraft," he said. "We share that experience with each other every day and we are always learning something new. On top of being experts in a more technical side of aircraft maintenance, I believe we are the best CDDAR in Air Mobility Command due to the diversity of our aircraft and the experience that comes with having three different airframes."

Lt. Col. Claudio Covacci, 60th MXS commander, said the CDDAR team provides vital support to Travis AFB and civilian aviators.

"The Travis CDDAR Team is capable of assisting in the recovery of any DoD or civil

aircraft in both permissive and opposed environments," he said. "Our personnel are trained subject matter experts in a wide variety of special equipment and risk awareness. Their goal is to recover disabled weapons systems without incurring injuries or illnesses associated with hazards attributed to unstable crash sites."

"On multiple occasions, our team has assisted in recovering both military and civil aircraft," he said. "As a previous enlisted CDDAR team member, I fully appreciate our enlisted and civilian Airmen that stand ready to spring into action to ensure continuity of airfield operations. I am truly proud of our team."

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### Testifies

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ensure resiliency and readiness of Airmen and their families.”

The Air Force’s top enlisted leader expressed concern for how financial stress can impact Airmen.

“This is certainly a key factor today as our nation continues to face fiscal uncertainty, which has already eaten at an Airman’s compensation,” he said.

The Air Force continues to educate Airmen on the newest program, the Blended Retirement System, to ensure Airmen are prepared to make educated financial decisions. He said the Air Force is also developing comprehensive financial training across the military lifecycle.

Cody mentioned the benefits of the Defense Department’s

Spouse Education and Career Opportunity Program, which provides education and career guidance to military spouses worldwide. More must be done, Cody said, pointing out spouses with careers that require recertification they have to pay for after every move.

He then discussed the recent Spouse and Family Forum conducted by the secretary of the Air Force and chief of staff of the Air Force, showing leadership commitment to addressing the issues spouses brought up, including support for exceptional family members, spouse employment, schools and deployments.

Cody then switched topics to focus on single Airmen resilience, which impacts readiness. He cited the Air Force’s Single Airman Program Initiative as one example of how the Air Force seeks to revitalize squadrons and optimize Airman performance.

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### Insight

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chose to serve in our Air Force and when they made that choice, they had no idea what that would entail.”

They didn’t know what challenges they would endure, all the rules and standards they would have to adhere to, the successes they would have or the growth they would go through, Frey said.

“We are successful because Airmen and their families are committed to our mission and they believe in what we do as an Air Force,” she said. “Airmen today face unique challenges from budget constraints to manning shortages, which causes strain – however, with communication and the right leadership, they continue to exceed expectations while overcoming challenges.”

As the AMC command chief, Frey is the principal advisor to the AMC commander and his senior staff on matters of health, welfare and morale, professional development and the effective

utilization of more than 38,000 active duty and 71,000 Air Force Reserve and National Guard enlisted Airmen assigned to AMC.

Throughout her visit, Frey addressed several topics with Airmen including professional development opportunities, what it takes to become a first sergeant or chief master sergeant and tips on how each Airman could serve and lead with excellence. The command chief also joined Airmen for lunch to offer professional counsel and provide insight into life questions.

“Chief Frey gave us great advice and told us to be ourselves, don’t live a double life, don’t be someone at work and someone else at home,” Airman 1st Class Lindsay Collins, 6th Air Refueling Squadron boom operator. “She also encouraged us to help others, especially people who may be going through difficult times or thinking about suicide.”

Collins said she contemplated separating from the Air Force, but after meeting Frey, she’s decided to stay in the service.

“I’m going to stay in the Air Force and strive to be a chief

some day and inspire others like her,” Collins said.

Senior Airman Michelle Carrillo, 60th Logistics Readiness Squadron material management journeyman, also attended the lunch with Frey and said the chief made her feel welcome and valued.

“She was very personable, easy to talk to and you can tell she really cares about Airmen,” she said. “Whether the subject was personal or professional she was willing to tell us anything we wanted to know which was really refreshing. It can be intimidating when you’re talking with someone so high in rank, but with her, it was relaxing.”

Frey also shared what impressed her most during her visit... Airmen.

“The Airmen here know the mission, know their jobs, love what they do and they’re excited about doing it,” Frey said.

And those Airmen have great leaders, she added.

“The leadership team at Travis has a vision for the mission and they’re focused on preparing Airmen for success while ensuring those Airmen understand the vision,” Frey said. “They’re doing things to professionally develop their Airmen to ensure they’re ready to meet mission demands, growing Airmen into future leaders and taking care of families.”

During her visit, Frey met with Travis first sergeants, as well as wing, group and squadron leadership. She also visited the Travis First Term Airmen Center and Sergeant Paul P. Ramoneda Airman Leadership School. She recognized Airmen for outstanding performance at several locations and at the visit’s conclusion, reminded other chiefs as a keynote speaker at a recognition ceremony of their enduring leadership responsibilities to a diverse force.

“Never forget who you’re leading,” Frey said. “You’re leading people who raised their hands and said ‘I.’ You’re working for the I’s and the I’s are a diverse group of Americans who come in from different backgrounds, cultures and different thought processes and they bring all that into our Air Force. ... We have to lead our Airmen with that understanding, individually. Every ‘I’ is different and equally important.”

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1) Air Force Staff Sgts. Charles Womack and Brandon Nicolas, 349th Maintenance Squadron crew chiefs, replace a panel on the boom of a KC-10 Extender Feb. 7 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. During the week, the reservists worked alongside hundreds of their fellow Citizen Airmen from the 349th Maintenance Group to support Wrench Week 2017. The event offers opportunities for reservists to accomplish ancillary training, upgrade training and gain practical experience necessary to sharpen their primary job skills.

# WRENCH ... Week tests Airmen's skills

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2) Staff Sgt. Steve Perron, 349th Aerospace Generation Equipment Flight mechanic, inspects an engine-driven generator Feb. 6 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Because generators can remain stationary and unused for significant periods of time, they must be periodically inspected to guard against low batteries, low tire pressure and fuel issues before they are delivered to aircraft mechanics on the flightline. 3) Staff Sgt. Charles Womack, 349th Maintenance Squadron crew chief, replaces a panel on the boom of a KC-10 Extender Feb. 7 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. 4) Tech. Sgt. Benjamin Perdido, Staff Sgt. Derrick Miller and Tech. Sgt. A.J. Hunt, 749th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chiefs, conduct an operations check on the engine of a KC-10 Extender Feb. 9 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.



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