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# Nellis supports Australia wildfire relief

Senior Airman Miranda A. Loera  
57TH WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. — Members of the Royal Australian Air Force and Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada, recently teamed up to load more than 50 bundles of fire suppressant and other critical firefighting equipment onto three RAAF C-17 Globemaster III aircraft for delivery to the Australian Emergency authorities and Rural Fire Service.

Australians have battled devastating wildfires since September.

More than 13 million acres have burned across the country.

The chief of the Royal Australian Air Force, Air Marshal Mel Hupfeld, was thankful for the support of the United States Air Force and United States stakeholders assisting with this movement of supplies.

“The Royal Australian Air Force deeply appreciates the offer of help from the United States Air Force,” Hupfeld said. “The Australian people are comforted to know that in times of need, we have great friends like the United States who are ready to lend a hand. This is yet another example of the strength of our long-term friendship between our countries.”

The 99th Logistics Readiness Squadron provided help throughout the entire process. Airmen from both air forces worked together to load aircraft quickly and efficiently so they could get back to Australia with the vital equipment.

“Our LRS experts are skilled at prepping and loading all kinds of cargo and equipment into various airframes for transport across the world,” said Lt. Col. Danielle Kirk, 99th Logistics Readiness Squadron commander.



A Royal Australian Air Force loadmaster watches as pallets of fire suppressant are loaded onto an Australian C-17 Globemaster III, Jan. 16 at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev. The RAAF has been working to secure extra materials to aid in the fighting of Australian wildfires.

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# Former 349th AMW vice commander promotes



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Brig. Gen. Adrian K. White receives the oath of office from retired Maj. Gen. Ronald “Bruce” Miller on Jan. 18 at The Heritage Center Museum, Travis Air Force Base, California. White served as vice commander of the 349th Air Mobility Wing at Travis from March 2016 to March 2018. He is now the mobilization assistant to the director of Operations, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, U.S. Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa at Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

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**On the cover**

The container carrying the AEHF-6 satellite is unloaded from a C-5M aircraft for transportation to the Astrotech Space Operations processing facility in Titusville, Florida, for final preparation for the satellite's March launch.

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WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

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What are your goals?

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What are your hobbies?

Playing the drums.

What is your greatest achievement?

Owning a home.

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# 'I have a dream' speech still inspires

L. Cunningham  
55TH WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

OFFUTT AIR FORCE BASE, Neb. — “I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: ‘We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.’ ... I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.”

These words were spoken by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in his “I Have a Dream” speech in August 1963, at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

King was a Baptist minister, turned social activist and civil rights leader who called for civil and economic rights and an end to racism. In 1964, King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize at the age of 35 for his work for civil rights and social justice. When first selected, he said the \$54,123 prize would be given to further the civil rights movement.

“All that I have said boils down to the point of affirming that mankind’s survival is dependent upon man’s ability to solve the problems of racial injustice, poverty and war. The solution of these problems is in turn dependent upon man squaring his moral progress with his scientific progress, and learning the practical art of living in harmony,” King said as part of his acceptance speech in Oslo, Norway.

King was assassinated April 4, 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee, at the age of 39. He was to have led a protest march the next day in sympathy with garbage workers on strike.

In January 1986, the nation commenced the celebration of King, a man who strove for freedom, justice and equality among all the



U.S. Air Force photo/L. Cunningham

**The 30-foot memorial of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a social activist, civil rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner, stands tall in the sunlight, June 6, 2013, at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. The sculpture was designed as a lasting tribute to King’s legacy and as a monument to freedom, opportunity and justice for which he stood.**

people of this nation.

In August 2011, a monument inspired by his “I Have a Dream” speech was unveiled in West Potomac Park, Washington, D.C. King was the first African-American to be honored at the National Mall.

King had a pivotal role

in ending legal segregation of African-American citizens and prompting the creation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day is a day to remember and commemorate a man who inspired this country to

be a better nation.

We continue this struggle to be better people every day. Some of us are still inspired by King’s message, his speeches, books and dreams; that one day, no matter the color of your skin, the fight for justice and equality will succeed.

## Officer moves to classroom

Lt. Col. Vanessa Saks  
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS’ TRAINING CORPS

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. — What to do after retirement from the Air Force is a question that plagues many Airmen as they approach the end of their careers.

For one lieutenant colonel, an unsolicited email from the Air Force’s Personnel Center answered that question for her, and changed her life forever.

Lt. Col. Trinh Warner, an Air Force judge advocate for 17 years, was getting close to retirement and in search of a meaningful job.

“As I was praying for guidance during the time just before terminal leave, an email came to me from Air Force Junior ROTC Headquarters (through AFPC) that asked, ‘Looking for a rewarding opportunity after retirement?’” she said.

Soon after receiving the message, Warner applied for a position as an Air Force Junior ROTC senior aerospace science instructor, or SASI.

“I knew the private practice of law, while fun at times, would not give the kind of internal rewards that making a difference in children’s lives would,” Warner said.

It didn’t take very long after applying for the job offers to start coming in.

“Because I was very diligent in my efforts to apply, get interviewed and get approved by the Air Force, I was able to get job interviews by three schools very quickly. I had offers from all three schools, and it was a difficult decision to make,” she said.

The retired judge advocate accepted a position with Cypress Springs High School in Texas this past summer.

“I knew I would like working with students, but my love for the Junior ROTC mission has surpassed my expectations,”

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### Commentary

## DGMC celebrates Biomed Sciences Week

Capt. Jeremy Kang Matsumoto  
60TH MEDICAL DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPEUTICS SQUADRON PHARMACIST

When you come to a military treatment facility, you might come to the pharmacy to get prescription medications.

On other days, you get your annual checkup by a physician assistant and then go to the lab to get blood drawn. If you need to regain use of your leg, you may be referred to therapy. On the outside pharmacists, physician assistants, laboratory officers and occupational therapists do not seem

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# Robot helps strip paint off of A-10

Todd Cromar  
75TH AIR BASE WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

HILL AIR FORCE BASE, Utah — Robotic media blasting used to strip paint from fighter aircraft such as the F-16 Fighting Falcon has been around at Hill Air Force Base for more than three decades. Now, the technology is being used for the first time to remove paint from the A-10 Thunderbolt II.

The 576th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron is upgrading its traditional manual media blast paint removal process by using new-generation robots to strip the paint from A-10s that come to the base for depot overhaul and maintenance.

All aircraft require regular exterior maintenance to protect their metal surfaces from corrosion due to moisture and the harsh environments in which they continually operate.

The process is expected to reduce the man-hours it takes to strip paint from the aircraft and increase safety by removing employees from the blasting atmosphere, resulting in measurable time and costs savings.

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U.S. Air Force photo/Todd Cromar

**The 576th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron prepares the first production A-10 Thunderbolt II for paint removal using a new robotic media blast technology, Dec. 4, 2019, at Hill Air Force Base, Utah. The aircraft is prepared by sealing up all seams and holes in the outer-surface skin to prevent the blast media from entering the aircraft.**

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# Airmen build partnership with Malawian air force



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Master Sgt. Brandon Owens, 86th Mission Support Group Detachment 1 superintendent, Air Force Deployment Transition Center, briefs members of the Malawian air force on the U.S. Air Force's decompression program Jan. 16 at Lilongwe Air Base, Malawi.

## Capt. Korey Fratini

U.S. AIR FORCES EUROPE & AIR FORCES  
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LILONGWE AIR BASE, Malawi — Airmen from U.S. Air Forces Africa conducted force development training with the Malawian air force, Jan. 13-17.

Force development training provides an opportunity for the U.S. Air Force to enhance relations, share ideas and build partnership capability in the region.

"This is a very important partnership for us and right now the force development program is helping us lay the foundation of the Malawian air force," said Maj. Gen. Andrew Lapken Namathanga, Malawi air force commander.

"I am very excited because the establishment of the force development program here three years ago has brought a foundation during the transition period for the development of our air force. It is through the program that the Malawian air force airmen are becoming knowledgeable on how an air force functions. Now, our airmen are all equipped with air knowledge and able to execute roles and functions in our air force because of this program."

Since 2018, the USAFE-AF-AFRICA Manpower, Personnel and Services Directorate, Force Development team, has been coming to Malawi to partner with the Malawian air force to provide them with tools to build, sustain and stand up an independent air force. Until August 2019, the Malawian air force was not a separate service within the Malawian defense force. Since that time, the newly separate service has expressed continued partnership with the U.S. Air Force resulting in events

like the force development training.

"This program gives us a chance to share ideas, how to meet current threats and various challenges in terms of human resources," said Mr. Noel Fachi, USAFE-AFAFRICA Force Development program manager.

"Our program brings our partner nations together to try and solve African problems. By providing frameworks for how to address most of these challenges, we bring partners together to collaborate, share ideas and come up with solutions to answer those challenges."

One unique element about the force development program is its lasting ability to have a huge impact despite its low cost, according to Fachi. He highlighted the fact that because of their program, they are able to conduct engagements with countries in Africa more frequently throughout the year. This leads to creating trusted partnerships with those countries and ultimately leads to greater interoperability with our partners across Africa.

Fachi also highlighted how the Malawian air force has been an eager and excited partner to work with over the last few years.

"To have an air chief and a deputy air chief sit in every single event when we have been here, day in and day out, it shows you how serious they are," Fachi said. "They have empowered their Airmen."

The majority of events during the week revolved around the sharing of ideas related to the U.S. Air Force's Deployment Transition Center, located at Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

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# Military OneSource offers free tax prep

## Terri Moon Cronk

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WASHINGTON — Tax season can be a dreaded time of year for many people, but the Defense Department's Military OneSource offers the MilTax program to ease filing stress for service members and their families.

There is no need to worry about costs in tax preparation because the services are free. MilTax kicks off on Military OneSource Jan. 22, offering electronic filing via do-it-yourself software and personalized support from a tax consultant.

Those who qualify to use the free MilTax program are active duty service members and their families, National Guard members and Reservists, survivors and veterans who have left the service in the last 365 days, said Kelly Smith, DoD's Military Community and Family Policy program analyst.

Smith emphasized that whether filing on one's own or seeking out assistance from a tax consultant, MilTax services are available year-round for extensions and circumstances unique to the military community.

"It is important for service members and families to know that they have options when it comes to support during tax-filing season," she said.

"Services are offered well past the tax deadline," she said, noting that some service members may file extensions, have additional properties, are looking to sell their homes and other situations that are unique to military members.

"Tax consultants can let families know how to maximize their refund," she added.

A particular advantage of using MilTax is the military tax expertise that the Military OneSource tax consultants

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# AFMC standardizes on-boarding, civilian acculturation

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WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio — New civilian employees can expect to get on the job faster as a result of a new, standardized Air Force Materiel Command Civilian Acculturation Program.

The program, officially launched in May 2019, encompasses the time from which an individual receives a firm offer of employment through the end of the new employee's two-year probationary period. It standardizes and streamlines the on-boarding process across AFMC, with impacts ranging from increased job satisfaction to improved new employee retention and more.

"Civilian Airmen make up more than two-thirds of our AFMC workforce and support the warfighter in all aspects of our mission," said Col. Charles Parada, AFMC Manpower, Personnel and Services deputy director. "We need to make sure that when they arrive at AFMC they understand the Air Force culture, our mission and how they play a role in our success. It is also imperative that they are able to be fully mission-functional as soon as possible."

A 2018 review of AFMC civilian on-boarding revealed there was a lack of consistency in processes and training across the command. Employees often experienced long wait times in obtaining base and Air Force network

systems access, training delays and more, limiting their ability to be fully productive members of the AFMC team.

The acculturation program aims to decrease on-boarding time while increasing effectiveness, ultimately setting employees up for success.

"New employees are excited to start work and want to get started as soon as they can," said Mandy Smith-Nethercott, program lead. "We're doing everything possible to make this happen and ensure they feel part of the AFMC family from the start. This required us to look at current processes and procedures to see where we could eliminate or do things better."

A key aspect of the AFMC

acculturation model centers on a four-day, on-boarding expectation for new employees across AFMC. This includes completion of new employee orientation, total force awareness training, common access card acquisition and unit in-processing requirements, all within the first week of work.

To support this expectation, AFMC civilian personnel and unit sponsors actively engage with new employees to ensure completion of all pre-employment paperwork and testing ranging from fingerprinting to physicals, drug tests, security clearance applications and base access requirements prior to the first day of work.

The elimination of the Department  
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## Tyndall plants trees

**Staff Sgt. Magen M. Reeves**

325TH FIGHTER WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — Tyndall Air Force Base Airmen, the 325th Civil Engineer Squadron natural resources section and contracted partners, began planting Longleaf pine trees along U.S. Highway 98, Jan. 15.

This is a partnership between Air Force service members, Department of Defense contracted employees and representatives of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

"This year, we will be planting 475,000 trees over 700 acres," said Jose Cintron, 325th CES environmental element chief. "These trees will be approximately (one foot) tall and we plan to begin planting along the south side of Highway 98."

The aftermath of Hurricane Michael in October

2018 left an immense amount of downed trees, uprooted shrubbery and other debris scattered across Tyndall AFB's 18,000 acres of forested land.

"I felt helpless," said Dann Childs, 325th CES base forester. "I felt that everything that had been accomplished for the forestry program over the last 27 years had been destroyed. My background is in wildland fire and forestry, but I knew the implications to the environment would be serious"

"I was completely heartbroken," said Melanie Kaeser, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service liaison to the 325th CES. "Just seeing the visual of the damage and destruction and not knowing how we were going to move forward was hard."

The DoD awarded contracts to companies and local businesses to come in and help with debris removal.

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# Immunization helps health during flu season

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Influenza can affect anyone, from the everyday civilian to the active-duty service member.

Current trends show an increase in flu activity at the half-way point of the season. While it's too early in the season to determine the overall severity of the flu, the Military Health System maintains readiness and resourcefulness to protect the armed forces and their loved ones from effects of the flu.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has found an elevated level of influenza activity earlier in the season than is typically observed around this time. As of Jan. 16, the CDC estimates that there have been approximately 4,800 flu-related deaths and 87,000 hospitalizations nationwide this season. Active surveillance by the Defense Health Agency's Armed Forces Health Surveillance Division has also found high levels of influenza activity among military personnel.

Despite the increase in activity, MHS is prepared to sustain the health of service members and their families. All military personnel are required to be immunized against the flu annually to decrease susceptibility to infection.

"Immunization is important given that military personnel live and work in close proximity with other members of the community," said Navy Cmdr. Shawn Clausen of AFHSD's Epidemiology and Analysis section.

While involvement in patient-care activities and participation in large gatherings increases the risk of infection, early data and discussions with the CDC show that the risk among military members and the general population appears to be similar. To get ahead of this risk, the Department of Defense has already distributed more than 3.3 million doses of influenza vaccine throughout the military. As of Jan. 16, approximately 90 percent of all service members have been vaccinated.

Vaccination is recommended not just for military members, but also their loved ones, according to Janet Brunader, a research nurse



U.S. Navy photo/Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Apprentice Angel Thuy Jaskuloski

**Navy Hospital Corpsman Kenny Liu, from San Jose, assigned to the USS Gerald R. Ford's medical department, prepares a needle with a flu vaccination in the ship's hangar bay.**

in the Vaccine Safety & Evaluation section of the Defense Health Agency's Immunization Healthcare Division.

"The good news is that although seasonal influenza vaccine is not always a perfect match, it is still the best way to provide protection against influenza disease," she said. Brunader suggests that everyone 6 months or older get a flu shot each year in

the fall. Children over 6 months of age, but under age 8 who have never had a flu shot should get two shots – one shot followed by another at least four weeks later. Children who have had at least one flu shot in the past only need to get one flu shot each year.

There are numerous ways in addition to vaccination to keep safe against the flu.

"One helpful suggestion, in

addition to washing your hands before eating or handling food, is to avoid touching your eyes, nose, or face with your unwashed hands," Brunader said. "This will help prevent spreading germs from surfaces to your eyes, nose, or mouth."

Since flu viruses can also spread through the air, Brunader suggests staying at least six feet away from people who are

coughing, sneezing, or blowing their nose. If you already have the flu, coughing into a tissue or the bend of the elbow will reduce the spread of viruses. Those suspecting they have the flu should contact a health care provider within two days of the symptoms. Early treatment with anti-influenza drugs can shorten the duration of illness.

Beneficiaries can receive flu vaccines through their closest military hospital and retail networks. TRICARE representatives can help determine how to get the vaccine if a person is unable to visit a military hospital. MHS also has an archive of influenza resources for beneficiaries to learn more about the flu and what they need to do to keep safe during the season.

Among the four types of flu, influenza A and B are the main two strains that cause "flu season." AFHSD has paid close attention to both of these strains this year.

"As reflected in the U.S. among civilian populations [this season], the majority of laboratory-confirmed influenza-positive specimens continued to be influenza subtype B [Victoria lineage]," said Navy Cmdr. Mark Scheckelhoff from AFHSD's Global Emerging Infections Surveillance section.

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**Col. Timothy D. Walsh, commander of the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, speaks during a workshop at Fort Detrick, Md., to discuss additive manufacturing with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Dec. 9, 2019. Also pictured is Heather L. Agler, a senior program manager for the FDA.**

# Army, FDA discuss 3D printing

**C.J. Lovelace**  
ARMY MEDICAL LOGISTICS COMMAND

FORT DETRICK, Md. — When a medical device breaks down on a U.S. Army unit deployed to a remote part of the world, the closest repair parts could be thousands of miles away.

Even when parts are readily available, the shipping process – sometimes into hostile environments – could take days or even weeks, if it’s logistically feasible at all.

As the Army embraces advanced manufacturing in its modernization strategies, medical logisticians are looking to 3-D

printing as a potential solution to this challenge.

“The medical industry is one of the fastest innovators in the defense industrial base, so the AMLC is used to working with industrial partners constantly pushing the state of the art,” said Jack Rosarius, director of Medical Maintenance Management Directorate within the U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency, a direct reporting unit to Army Medical Logistics Command.

Specifically, for medical devices, 3-D printing technology – also known as additive manufacturing – may enable the Army to develop repair parts that extend the life cycle of equipment and ensure they are ready for use when and where Soldiers need them.

While the technology offers numerous new uses and potential advantages, it also poses regulatory challenges and warrants safety considerations still under review by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

On Dec. 9, AMLC hosted a military-specific workshop at Fort Detrick with FDA leaders on the topic to seek guidance on current policies, concept regulations and potential stumbling blocks as it explores manufacturing its own repair parts and other 3-D-printed items.

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# Travis plays role in delivering satellite to Florida



**The container carrying the AEHF-6 satellite is unloaded from a C-5M Super Galaxy aircraft for transportation to the Astrotech Space Operations processing facility in Titusville, Florida, for final preparation for the satellite's March launch. The final satellite in the AEHF constellation, this marks the first delivery of a satellite for the U.S. Space Force.**

**Space and Missile Systems  
Center Public Affairs**

CAPE CANAVERAL AIR FORCE STATION, Fla. — The U.S. Space Force's Space and Missile Systems Center successfully delivered the Advanced Extremely High Frequency-6 satellite to the Astrotech Space Operations processing facility Jan. 12 in Titusville, Florida.

"The delivery of the last AEHF satellite comes at an inflection point, as the first delivery of the USSF for launch," said Lt. Col. Paul La Tour, AEHF Space Segment materiel leader.

"The successful delivery of AEHF-6 is a significant achievement for the program, it brings us another step closer to delivering mission critical capabilities to the warfighter," said Mr. Cordell DeLaPena, Program Executive Officer for Space Production. "AEHF is an important asset to our sea, air, and ground missions and thanks to outstanding teamwork, innovation, and partnership we are ready to begin launch processing for the final AEHF space vehicle."

The enormous satellite was transported from the Lockheed Martin Space Systems Center satellite integration facility in Sunnyvale, California, via a C-5MSuper Galaxy aircraft, Jan. 11. The C-5 crew from the 22nd Airlift Squadron, Travis Air Force Base, California, ensured the satellite was transported safely and according to the time sensitive schedule.

The C-5 was built to carry more cargo around the globe than any other plane. It can lift more than a quarter million pounds, and the approximately 34,000-cubic-foot cargo bay is large enough to contain six helicopters. The Air Force converted two C-5As to C-5C status, modifying them to carry "space

containers" that safely transport satellites and other payloads. This flight was a regular C-5M aircraft; however, the container carrying the satellite was specifically built for a C-5M and it fits in the cargo area with only inches to spare.

"The C-5M Super Galaxy provides an unmatched strategic airlift capability whether it be delivering cargo directly to the warfighter, in response to humanitarian crises, or for specialized cargo like the transportation of this AEHF-6 satellite" said Capt. Adam Smith, 22nd Airlift Squadron pilot and aircraft commander for the AEHF-6 delivery. "The whole "Double Deuce" (22AS) team takes great pride in delivering cargo to all of our users safely and efficiently; and make no mistake it is a team effort for not only the 22nd AS but also in partnership with the 60th Maintenance Group and the 312th Airlift Squadron from Air Force Reserve Command."

"It's not always the case for Special Assignment Airlift Missions to know what the cargo is, but for missions like this one where we know the impact it will have for the warfighter, it is especially fulfilling to be a part of. The whole crew recognizes the impact and importance of making an on-time delivery and worked tirelessly to overcome setbacks that could have delayed getting AEHF-6 to destination as scheduled," he said.

As the anchor satellite of the constellation, AEHF-6 is now on the path for final space vehicle checkout before launch.

A combined government and contractor team is preparing to execute the final ground activities, including a Launch Base Confidence Test to verify satellite integrity after shipment, an intersegment



test to verify communication compatibility from the satellite to the ground operations center, and the final battery reconditioning for launch. Following these activities, the satellite will be fueled and prepared for integration with the United Launch Alliance Atlas V launch vehicle.

"As with the creation of the Air Force in 1947, identity matters to the people assigned to the USSF," La Tour noted. "AEHF speaks to a history of success in delivering unparalleled communications capability and serves as an excellent kernel to begin building a unique Space Force culture; a first win."

"Having started in 2000, the AEHF system was envisioned at another inflection point. Initially designed for strategic and tactical users across the globe. While AEHF design has spanned two decades it is increasingly relevant with the renewed rise of great-power conflict. As space moves from a



congested to a contested domain, the upgraded resiliency of AEHF-6 is posed to meet the coming threats and accelerate a culture of learning in space production," La Tour said.

AEHF-6 is slated to launch in March 2020. The AEHF system is designed to augment and improve on the already existing Milstar constellation by providing enhanced survivable,

global, secure, protected, and jam-resistant communications for high-priority military ground, sea and air assets. The AEHF program hit another recent milestone when AEHF-4 was accepted for operational use by U.S. Space Command on Jan 6. Combined Force Space Component Command will begin mission activation of AEHF-4 and transition of operational users to the system.



Puzzles

STR8TS

No. 474 Medium

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You can find more help, tips and hints at [www.str8ts.com](http://www.str8ts.com)

Previous solution - Easy

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How to beat **Str8ts** – Like Sudoku, no single number can repeat in any row or column. But... rows and columns are divided by black squares into **compartments**. These need to be filled in with numbers that complete a 'straight'. A **straight** is a set of numbers with no gaps but can be in any order, eg [4,2,3,5]. Clues in black cells remove that number as an option in that row and column, and are not part of any straight. Glance at the solution to see how 'straights' are formed.

SUDOKU

No. 474 Very Hard

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Previous solution - Tough

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4	6	2	9	1	7	3	8	5
8	5	7	2	3	4	1	9	6
7	9	1	4	2	3	5	6	8
3	2	8	5	6	9	4	7	1
6	4	5	8	7	1	9	3	2

To complete Sudoku, fill the board by entering numbers 1 to 9 such that each row, column and 3x3 box contains every number uniquely.

For many strategies, hints and tips, visit [www.sudokuwiki.org](http://www.sudokuwiki.org)

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News Notes

Scholarships for Military Children.

Defense Commissary Agency program under way. The program is administered by Fisher House Foundation, a nonprofit organization that helps service members and their families, and is funded primarily through the generosity of manufacturers and suppliers whose products are sold at military commissaries worldwide. For scholarship year 2020-21, Fisher House Foundation will award 500 scholarship grants of \$2,000 each. Applications accepted through Feb. 24. All rules and requirements for the program are available via the website. For more information and to apply, visit <https://militaryscholar.org/sfmc/index.html>

Chapel programs

Recurring events

Catholic Twin Peaks Chapel

- Roman Catholic Mass: 9 a.m. and noon Sunday.
- Children’s Church: 10:15 a.m. Sunday.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession: 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday or upon appointment.
- Infant Baptism Prep Class: Two classes. Registration required. 6 to 7 p.m., quarterly.
- Youth Choir: 1 p.m. Sunday.
- Children’s Choir: 2 p.m. Sunday.
- Adult Choir: 4 p.m. Sunday.
- Women’s Bible Study: 10 a.m. (at First Street Chapel).
- Catholic Women of the Chapel: 6 p.m. first Monday of every month, Annex.
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Annex.
- RE Classes: 10:15 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday, RE Wing.

First Street Chapel

- Mom’s Group: 9 to 11:30 a.m. Thursday and Friday.

DGMC Chapel

- Roman Catholic Mass: Noon to 12:35 p.m. Monday through Thursday, except for federal holidays.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

- Sacrament services: 9 and noon Sunday at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Fairfield Stake Center, 2700 Camrose Ave., Fairfield.

DGMC Chapel

- Latter-day Saints Service: 4 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday at DGMC Medical Center Chapel.
- For all other inquiries, call LDS Military relations representatives at 707-535-6979.

Protestant First Street Chapel

- Protestant Community Service: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday.
- Gospel Worship Service: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday.
- Children’s Ministry is provided for 6-month-olds through fifth grade.

- Protestant Men of the Chapel, 6 to 8 p.m. every second and third Tuesday of the month at First Street Chapel Annex, vice 8 to 9 a.m. first Saturday of the month.

- Moms Group. Jesus Cares ministry, EFMP children’s ministry, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., every third Saturday of the month at First Street Chapel Annex.

Twin Peaks Chapel

- Protestant Women of the Chapel: 9:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday.

DGMC Chapel

- Protestant Traditional Service: 10 to 11 a.m. Sunday.

Airmen’s Ministry Center

- The Peak is open from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday at Bldg. 1348. Home-cooked meal from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays followed by Bible study.



For more information about chapel programs, call Twin Peaks Chapel at 707-424-3217.

Recurring

Air Force Office of Special Investigations.

To report a crime, get a foreign travel brief or request information on joining AFOSI, report to Bldg. 380B, second floor. Send correspondence to AFOSI Detachment 303, 510 Airlift CR, Travis AFB, 94535. For more information, call 707-424-3115 or DSN: 837-3115.

**Air Force Recruiting Office.** Now open at the Solano Town Center mall. Learn more about what the Air Force has to offer, such as up to 100-percent tuition assistance, 30 days paid vacation per year, free medical and dental care, tax-free housing and food allowance and much more. Contact Tech. Sgt. George Yardley at 707-889-3088 or stop by the office located at 1350 Travis Blvd., Suite P2, Fairfield, in the Solano mall.

**Air Force Sergeants Association “Walter E. Scott” Chapter 1320.** General membership meetings are at 2 p.m. on the second Friday of each month at Wingman’s in the Delta Breeze Club and include a free breakfast. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Reynoldo Rios or Master Sgt. Rosel Agapay.

**Airmen’s Attic.** The Airmen’s Attic is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday. 560 Hickam Ave. For more information, call 707-424-8740 or visit the Facebook page “The Attic at Travis AFB.”

**Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group.** Meetings take place from 1 to 2:30 p.m. the third Thursday of the month in the diabetic education classroom on the first floor in Internal Medicine at David Grant USAF Medical Center. For more information, call 707-423-7227.

**Base emergency numbers.** Mobile phone users must dial 707-424-4911 if they have an emergency on base. Those using government or home phones can call 911. For more information, call the Travis Air Force Base Fire Prevention Office at 707-424-3683.

**Base illicit discharge number.** To report sewage/water leaks or illegal dumping, call

707-424-2575. For hazardous chemical/material spills, call the base emergency numbers.

**Civilian Health Promotion Services.** Will perform free wellness screenings from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. every Monday for all DoD federal civilians. Screenings include cholesterol, glucose, blood pressure and body composition analysis. For more information, visit [www.AFMCWellness.com](http://www.AFMCWellness.com) or contact CHPS at 707-424-CHPS or CHPSTravis@foh.hhs.gov.

**Combat Arms Firing Range.** Bldg. 1370, located 200 yards northeast of perimeter road in the northeast corner of Travis is off limits to all personnel. Trespassing is not only illegal, but extremely dangerous due to live weapons firing. Anyone requiring entry into the area or needing further information should contact the base Combat Arms Section at 707-424-2122 or visit at 700 Vandenburg Drive, Bldg 1219 Travis AFB, CA 94535.

**Crisis text line.** Free, confidential, 24/7 counseling for teens and young adults. Text 741-741 anywhere in the United States and a live, trained crisis counselor responds quickly.

**Employee-Vehicle Certification and Reporting System.** Civilian and military personnel must maintain emissions information with the Web-based ECARS system. For more information, call Xuyen Lieu at 707-424-5103.

**Exceptional Family Member Program Sensory Play Group.** This group meets from 2 to 4 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays at the Balfour Beatty Community Center. For more information, call 707-424-4342 or visit the Facebook page “EFMP Travis AFB.”

**Family Advocacy Parent/Child play groups.** Toddlers to the Max play group for children ages 1 to 3 meets from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Wednesdays at the First Street Chapel Annex. The Rattles to Raspberries play group for infants 8 weeks to 1 year meets 9:30 to 11 a.m. Thursdays at the First Street Chapel Annex. For more information, call 707-423-5168.

**Family and Friends Combat Stress Peer Support Group.** Meets from noon to 1 p.m. the first Tuesday of every month at the Balfour Beatty Community Center and from 1 to 2 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at The Peak. For more information, contact Amber Quire and Jessica Soto at 501-231-7756 or email [travstopcombatptsd@gmail.com](mailto:travstopcombatptsd@gmail.com).

**Government no-fee passports.** All submissions of applications for government no-fee passports must now include: 1) A photocopy of Military Identification Card front and back; 2) Passport photo taken in the past six months; 3) Supporting document(s), proof of U.S. citizenship certified copy with state or county seal, if it involved a name change submit a court order or marriage certificate. Passport application cannot be handwritten and printed back to back and must be completed online with 2D barcode at website <https://pptform.state.gov> and/or <https://travel.state.gov>. For more information, call 707-424-5324.

**Hometown News Releases.** To submit a Hometown News Release, visit <https://jhrs.release.dma.mil/public> and fill out the information.

**Mare Island Museum.** Open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. 1100 Railroad Ave. in Vallejo. For more information, call 707-557-4646.

**M-50 Gas Mask Fit Testing.** Takes place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Wednesday at Bldg. 791. All deployers are fit as necessary. For more information, call 707-424-2689.

**Mitchell Memorial Library.** Open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and closed Sunday.

**MPF self-renewal program.** Did you know that dependents can now renew their ID cards online? To participate in this program, visit <http://bit.ly/2mR1gl2>. This program is limited only for renewing dependents’ IDs. For all other services, visit MPF during duty hours or call 707-424-8483.

**On-base child care.** The Air Force requires on-base residents to be licensed by the 60th Mission Support Group if they provide more than 10 hours of care per week in their homes. For more information, call 707-424-8104 or 707-424-4596 or stop by Bldg. 380B.

**Photocopying of military identification.** The prohibition of photocopying of U.S. government identification Common Access Card announced by the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, dated Oct. 27, 2011, does not apply to medical establishments, applying for government-issued, no-fee passport and other U.S. government agencies in the performance of official government business. This requirement does not apply to minors ages 16 or younger. However, it applies to sponsors. For more information, call 707-424-5324.

**Professional Loadmaster Association.** The Professional Loadmaster Association meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the Delta Breeze Club. For more information, call Mark Raymond at 707-416-5331.

**Retiree Activities Office.** Openings for volunteers. Customers are retired American service members and their family members. It is the RAO’s responsibility to maintain open communication and to ensure retirees receive the service and the respect they deserve. If you would like to apply for a volunteer slot and have three hours or more to give, call 707-424-3905.

**Solano/Napa Habitat for Humanity.** This organization welcomes volunteers and supporters from all backgrounds. There are recurring events Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, email Staff Sgt. Mathew Clayton at [mathew.clayton@us.af.mil](mailto:mathew.clayton@us.af.mil).

**Travis Community Thrift Shop.** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Ongoing need for volunteers to organize, sort and price donations. For more information, contact the Thrift Shop at 707-437-2370.



Here are the showtimes for this weekend’s movies at the Base Theater:

**Today**

- 6:30 p.m. “Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker” (PG-13)

**Saturday**

- 6:30 p.m. “Jumanji: The Next Level” (PG-13)
- 9:30 p.m. “Bad Boys for Life” (R)

**Sunday**

- 2 p.m. “Spies in Disguise” (PG)

**Travis Composite Squadron 22 Civil Air Patrol.** Open to youth from 12 to 18, as well as adults ages 18 or older who train and serve as the volunteer component of the total force. UTA is 6:30 to 9 p.m. Monday, Bldg. 241-B -2. Open to all students with a 2.0 or higher grade-point average. For more information, contact CAP 1st Lt. Jo Nash at 707-424-3996 or recruiting@squadron22-cap.us, visit during a UTA or check out <http://squadron22-cap.us>.

**Travis Air Force Base Heritage Center.** Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, Bldg. 80, 461 Burgan Blvd., Travis Air Force Base. Escorts required for general public, call center to arrange. Free. 707-424-5598, [www.travisheritagecenter.org](http://www.travisheritagecenter.org).

**Travis Legal Office.** Power of attorney and notaries are walk-ins 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday. Legal assistance for active duty members and dependents are walk-ins from 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesday. For all wills and retiree legal assistance, call 707-424-3251 to make an appointment.

**Voluntary Leave Transfer Program.** The following Travis employees are approved as leave recipients through the Voluntary Leave Transfer Program:

- Rebecca Austria, 60th Maintenance Group.
- John Butler, Special Tactics Training Squadron.
- Jaquelyn Cabanlit, Travis AFB Commissary
- Neftaly Clark, 1st Special Operations Force Support Squadron.
- Bradley Griffith, 60th Maintenance Squadron.
- Rabiye Hamilton, Travis AFB Commissary.
- Patrick Hodge USTRANSCOM, Scott AFB.
- Mark Holmes, 10th Contracting Squadron.
- Dina Patterson-Steward, 60th Aerial Port Squadron.
- Jason Perkins, Grand Forks AFB.
- Gina Silva, Air Force Academy headquarters.
- Jean Sommer, Travis AFB Commissary
- Maria Thammasen, 60th Force Support Squadron
- Dennis Weaver, Air Force Manpower Agency.

The VLTP allows an employee who has a medical emergency or is affected by a medical emergency of a family member and is without

availability of paid leave to receive transferred annual leave directly from other employees. For more information, call 707-424-1720.

**Tuskegee Airman Lee A. Archer Chapter.** Meets at 3 p.m. the third Saturday of the month at the Airman and Family Readiness Center.

**What’s Cookin’ Wednesday.** Free lunch at the Travis AFB USO Bldg. 1348. Served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Wednesdays. For active duty, Guard, reservist and their families.

Local events

Events

**Lantern Light Festival.** Through Jan. 26, Solano County Fairgrounds, 900 Fairgrounds Drive, Vallejo. <https://lanternlightfestival.com>.

**“Sounds of Suspense.”** Radio broadcast, noon fourth Friday of each month, Vacaville Public Library-Town Square, 1 Town Square Place. Free. [www.solanolibary.com](http://www.solanolibary.com).

**Vallejo Art Walk.** 5 to 10 p.m. second Friday of each month, downtown Vallejo. Free admission. [www.vallejoartwalk.com](http://www.vallejoartwalk.com).

**Vallejo Farmers Market.** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays, year-round, Georgia and Marin streets. [www.pcfma.com](http://www.pcfma.com).

**Vintage Market.** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every third Saturday, St. Paul’s United Methodist Church, 101 West St., Vacaville. 925-978-6989.

Airmen complete FTAC



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Karla Parra

Congratulations to the latest Airmen to complete the First Term Airman Center course. Alphabetically: Airman 1st Class Victoria Armen-trout, 60th Medical Operations Squadron; Airman 1st Class Andrea Baylon, 60th Inpatient Squadron; Airman 1st Class Jayln Destiny Broughton Washington, 60th Security Forces Squadron; Airman 1st Class Kavana Brown-Williams, 60th MDOS; Airman 1st Class Angel Castillo, 22nd Airlift Squadron; Airman 1st Class Gregory Concilla, 60th Aerial Port Squadron; Airman Landon Johnston Borboa, 60th Communications Squadron; Airman 1st Class Zinwyne Edwinson, 22nd AS; Airman 1st Class Ricardo Gonzalez Cousins, 660th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; Airman 1st Class Victoria Hettinger, 22nd AS; Airman Basic Brandon Hughes, 60th APS; Airman 1st Class Jaylon Jones, 22nd AS; Airman Sydney Kraemer, 22nd AS; Airman 1st Class Ivan Lobaton, 60th AMXS; Airman 1st Class Aaron McDougale, 60th Operations Support Squadron; Airman 1st Class Dawson Moore, 22nd AS; Airman 1st Class Josue Moya Cariel, 660th AMXS; Airman My-randa Nevins, 60th OSS; Airman 1st Class Luis Ortiz, 660th AMXS; Airman Austin Parker, 60th OSS; Airman 1st Class Dylan Poblete, 60th APS; Airman 1st Class Jerome Rivera, 60th Surgical Operations Squadron; Airman Dalton Scholler, 60th CS; Airman Basic Evan Sweat, 860th AMXS; Airman 1st Class Amnesti Terrell, 60th MDOS; Airman 1st Class Patrick Tran, 60th APS; Airman 1st Class Payne Trent, 860th AMXS; Airman Ezekiel Valdez, 60th Force Support Squadron; Airman Noah Wenzel, 60th APS; Airman 1st Class Samantha Williamson, 60th SFS; and Airman 1st Class Jeremy Yoder, 660th AMXS.





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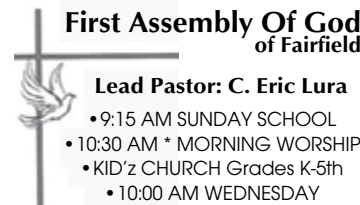
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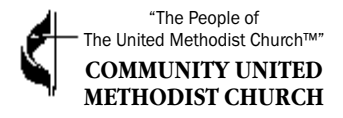
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## Tax prep

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bring with them to each session.

They are certified public accountants or enrolled IRS agents, she said. They are knowledgeable about costs incurred during permanent changes of station, living in more than one state during the year, how to navigate benefits survivors may be entitled to and other military-specific issues.

The tax consultants are up to date on tax-law changes that would affect service members.

“Something we’re constantly working on and striving to do within military community and family policy is to raise awareness about the services that are offered through Military OneSource, so we’re constantly letting people know what’s available, and that support is essentially an entitlement to them to help them live their best military life,” Smith said.

To use MilTax beginning Jan. 22, visit the MilTax website, call 800-342-9647 or live chat to schedule an appointment with a Military OneSource tax consultant.

## Acculturation

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of Defense Form 2875 requirement for unclassified Air Force network access, one of a number of processes streamlined as a part of the program overhaul, enables employees to get on their computers from day one after showing completion of information assurance training completed during the pre-employment process.

“The DD 2875 was just one of a number of requirements that we examined with the help of the AFMC We Need and continued process improvement teams to facilitate positive change in on-boarding,” Smith-Nethercott said. “The DD 2875 delays were identified as a significant cause of long on-boarding times during the AFMC We Need review, causing frustration across the board. We’re thrilled that we were able to overcome this barrier.”

## Classroom

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she said. “Every day, cadets impress me with their initiative, dedication and drive. My expectation was there would be difficult days, but the cadets make it worth it for me.”

Airmen can submit an application to become an Air Force Junior ROTC instructor when they are within nine months of retirement and have approved retirement orders.

“Air Force Junior ROTC is an amazing opportunity for Airmen to continue to serve after retirement while staying connected to the Air Force family,” said David Richerson, Air Force Junior ROTC chief of instructor management. “We have nearly 900 officer and over 1,000 enlisted positions worldwide. We are always taking new instructor applications and our vacancy list is updated at least weekly.”

For an application to be

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Air Force Junior ROTC provides citizenship training and an aerospace science program for high school students. The objectives are to educate and train high school cadets in citizenship and life skills; promote community service; instill a sense responsibility; and develop character, leadership and self-discipline through education and instruction in air and space fundamentals and the Air Force’s core values of Integrity First, Service Before Self and Excellence In All We Do.

For more information on Air Force Junior ROTC and a list of instructor opportunities, visit [www.afjrotc.com](http://www.afjrotc.com) and [www.airuniversity.af.edu/holm-center/afjrotc](http://www.airuniversity.af.edu/holm-center/afjrotc).

## Gear

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## Commentary

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to share much in common. In the U.S. Air Force however, the one theme they all share is that they are under the Air Force’s Biomedical Sciences Corps.

From Jan. 27-31, the Air Force will celebrate the achievements of the men and women who make up the BSC as part of BSC Week.

The BSC consists of 17 different professions ranging from pharmacists and physician assistants to dietitians and clinical social workers. The corps was created in 1965 and

ever since has expanded to include all of the above professions and more. Within the BSC, there are numerous fellowships, residencies and other post-graduate training programs for all officers.

Additionally, all BSC officers must attend Biomedical Officer Management Course, as well as other professional military education courses needed for rank advancement. Yet BSC officers are not limited to their respective professions either; they participate in all levels of medical command, take part in research and take charge in other roles needed to support the Air Force mission.

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“There are going to be across-the-board improvements including a dramatic reduction in exposure to a Hexavalent Chromium dust environment. This is perhaps the greatest benefit to the robotic system,” said Tim Randolph, 576th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron director. “Savings will also be seen with reduced operating time and less power consumption, as well as reduced costs in material. We really haven’t found a downside to this system.”

James Gill, Corrosion Control flight chief for the 576th AMXS, said while the traditional manual media blast process is effective, it’s labor intensive, requiring teams of workers at least three full days to complete.

The new paint-removal process is accomplished by two robots, each with four hose attachments that move independently along both sides of the aircraft. In addition, the time to strip an A-10



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**Corrosion control technicians with the 576th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron monitor two media blast robots as they strip paint off the first production A-10 Thunderbolt II to receive a new robotic removal process, Dec. 4, 2019, at Hill Air Force Base, Utah.**

is decreased from three days to 9-12 hours.

“Compared to the manual paint-stripping method, the robots use half the amount of blast media at half of the air pressure, while removing an extremely precise thickness, uniformly, across the entire aircraft surface,” Gill said.

“This translates into a process that is less stressful on the aircraft skins and saves money in media cost, while creating

only half the waste stream.”

In addition to the robotics process, a new laser-burn process is currently being tested and used on F-16s with proven success. However, the squadron is still maturing the process, and hopes to apply this process to the A-10s in the future.

By using new robotic technology, the squadron is expanding its capacity by adding capability.

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**A group of Airmen from Travis Air Force Base, California, were among over 300 volunteers who helped complete beautification projects Jan. 20 at Fairfield High School in Fairfield, California, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The Airmen partnered with Rebuilding Together Solano and Kaiser Permanente for the 11th annual MLK work day in Solano County. Volunteers constructed outdoor garden boxes, performed yard work and spring cleaning, painted outdoor and interior murals, organized clothes and gave the faculty lounge makeover.**

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