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TFSS embracing challenges of change

hange is tough. Despite the fact that change is almost constant in our lives, our initial reaction is usually one of derision and skepticism.

There is usually some excitement there, too, especially when the change is big. The mixture of uncertainty and excitement is uncomfortable, so we resist. We may know that it's for the best and when we force ourselves, especially as leaders, to find the

SUPPORT SQUADRON

Commentary

by Maj. Naomi

so pretty quickly, but it's still tough. I've asked much of

my Airmen over the past year in terms of change. Most significantly for many of them is this little thing we call Total Force Support Squadron. Unless you're one of the many people bummed by the loss of the secret gem of the 349th FSS ID card office where you could get a new common access card

in a matter of minutes, the inbenefits of it, we can usually do tegration of the 60th and 349th Commander's **Commentary**

FSS into the TFSS probably hasn't made an impact on you yet. And we're glad - we want it to be seamless for our cus-

However, for my teams down in the Military Personnel Section, the Education Center and the Airman and Family Readiness Center, it was a bit of an ordeal to rearrange work centers, partition out offices and figure out how to make room for our new

colleagues. For the members As we move forward with of the 349th FSS who literally the change, we're figuring left their home to move in with things out. The TFSS is a new us, to break from the comfort initiative. Travis is on the leadof their duty sections and longing edge of this change and we time cubicle mates to enter into are doing it more completely unchartered territory, it was than any other TFSS has done. a leap of faith into an uncer-In other words, we're writing tain environment. The impact the playbook. We don't have all to our individual members has the answers and much of what been significant. we're accomplishing is the re-So, how are we doing with sult of trial and error - and the change? Well, it's tough.

that's tough. Aspects that we thought would be tough are actually moving along smoothly and, as is typical with new endeavors,

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The 'we's' have it: Learn to swap self for sacrifice

from Cincinnati, Ohio. departed for Air Force basic training.

He did so, not due to an overwhelming desire to serve his country, but as a rehabilitation opportunity of sorts. This kid needed discipline and the opportunity to reinvent himself. The USAF did just that, starting with his name.

Justin Laurie would now be referred to as Airman, and eventually Sergeant Laurie.

Our given names are one of the first personal attributes (the "I") we shed to accommodate room for our respective service rank

(the "we"). Day-to-day existence shifted

Commentary by Senior Master Sgt. **Justin Laurie**

from an admittedly selfish inward focus to those who also sacrificed the "I" for "we."

As I prepare for retirement this summer, I find myself taking those proverbial trips down memory lane. While I know there have been very challenging moments during my career, I am only recalling the good stuff. I imagine most of those who have come before me had similar reflection experiences prior to hanging up the uniform.

A few weeks ago, I was working a base cleanup detail with my unit. I joked that I started my career at Hurlburt Field,

Florida, pulling weeds and now I am ending my career at Travis Air Force

Enlisted Commentary

We made the big moves in ear-

ly March and we enjoyed the

"honeymoon phase," which

gave us a glimpse into the pro-

ductivity that is possible with

total force integration.

This time however. I didn't do it because I was directed to. I did it because I wanted to spend some time with the people who give my job a sense of

Base, California, doing the same.

purpose. I wanted them to know that I wasn't asking them to do something I haven't done myself before, or will again. The best part of the detail was really getting to know my Airmen on a more personal level. I learned more about who they really are during one week of base cleanup than I had reviewing their performance evaluations and

award nominations over the past year. In addition to revisiting the past, I

find myself becoming more cognizant of my current environment. For example, while rushing to the front of the line to pick up a prescription refill because I am in uniform and have priority, I am now more focused on the faces of those

Soon, I will join the ranks of those veterans, and likely exchange in the kind of stories I am still making today. However, I won't get to know them as lieutenant colonel or master sergeant so

Moreover, I also will not introduce myself as Senior Master Sgt. Laurie, but with the given name I referenced at the beginning of this article. You see, I am just fine with giving back the title. The concept of "we" however, I will take with me always.

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An Airman from Travis Air Force Base, Calif., places an American flag at the grave of a fallen service member in preparation for **Memorial Day ceremonies May** 27 at the Fairfield-Suisun Cemetery in Fairfield, Calif.

U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. James Hodgman

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9th ARS refuels B-1 during Eager Lion

Airman 1st Class Zachary Martyn

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. — As part of Exercise Eager Lion 17, two KC-10 Extender crews from Travis Air Force Base, California, used the airfield on the McGuireside of the Joint Base as a staging area for refueling operations May 18 over Newfoundland, Canada.

The Travis Airmen flew in formation far to the north and rendezvoused with three eastbound B-1 Lancers from Ellsworth Air Force Base. The bombers were on their way to support Eager Lion 17. conducting training missions with The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and other international partner forces in the Central Command area of re-

"If anyone is going anywhere further than 15 hours or so, they need a tanker," said Capt. Matthew Williams, a KC-10 pilot. "We're the biggest, most capable tanker there is."

During the in-air refueling, the KC-10 offloaded around 200,000 pounds of fuel into the B-1 Lancers as they made their way overseas.

"We put ourselves in a good position for the receiving aircraft to basically fly formation off of us," said Master Sgt. Mike Smith, KC-10 boom pod supervisor. "We're very well trained for operations like this. It's all in a day's work."

Outside of the refueling, this year's iteration of Exercise Eager Lion was comprised of about 7,200 military personnel from more than 20 nations that responded to scenarios involving border security, command and control, cyber defense and battlespace management.

The U.S. military participates in



Refueling Squadron from Travis Air Force Base, Calif., staged at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst to support Exercise Eager Lion 17.

more than 60 exercises with partner bilities of Air Mobility Command. The gagements.

missions in the CENTCOM area of re- extended reach provided by the KC-10 sponsibility every year. Many of these fleet allows many additional training exexercises simply would not be possi- ercises, ultimately ensuring crews are AMC's mission of rapid global mobilible without the in-air refueling capa- safer and more prepared for real en-

"Our ability to be anywhere in the world on time to deliver fuel represents ty," said Williams. "We are rapid global mobility."

Airman 1st Class J.T. Harris.

60th Maintenance Squadron.

Hometown: Dickson, Tennessee,

Time in service: One year.

Duty title: Aircraft metals technology journeyman.

Family:

Mother, Lisa; father, Richard; and sister. Asa.

What are your goals? Acquiring my Community College

of the Air Force degree and making staff sergeant my first

What are your hobbies? Cars and surfing.

What is your greatest achievement?

Making my parents proud.

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From Sarajevo to Arizona: One refugee's story

Commentary by Capt. Merima Bucaj 60TH MEDICAL GROUP

am a doctor, a member of the armed forces and proud to call Arizona my home. I am also a refugee.

One of the strongest memories from my childhood in Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina was the day I followed my mother to our neighborhood clinic. It was summer and the mortar attacks were intense.

Commentary

Children were getting cabin fever from having to hide for weeks in dark basements. A neighborhood boy just wanted to see the sun and when his grandma wasn't looking, he snuck outside.

The mortar landed close by. I hid in the hallway of the clinic as my mother held the boy's head, trying to reassure him while knowing he would never play again. With his last breath, people facing persecution and he said. "Please tell grandma I'm sorry I didn't listen."

We left for the United States soon after. Nearly one in 100 people worldwide are now displaced from their homes, which, according to Pew Research, is the highest number displaced since 1951. The United States has a long history of providing protection and assistance to refugees. As an Arizonan, I am proud to say that in 2015, our state took in 4,138

fleeing violence. Being a refugee shaped me

more than I could have ever known. A refugee is defined as a person who has been forced to leave their country in order to escape war, persecution or natural disaster. But it's a lot more than that; it is a feeling of not having a home anywhere. It is the absence of family dinners, your childhood home destroyed, your family and friends hurt or dead, your

existence erased. Upon arrival in the U.S. at the age of 12. I was treated as an outsider. On my first day of school, children threw stones at me during recess. To come to your new home and yet again be rejected was devastating.

While these memories are a part of my transition, it was the kind acts of a few pivotal Americans that I remember most vividly. A Phoenix entrepreneur taught my sister to

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Travis hosts KC-135s from McConnell

Ian Thompson DAILY REPUBLIC

The threat of severe weather around McConnell Air Force Base in Kansas forced eight KC-135 jet tankers to take shelter on Travis Air Force Base, California's flightline during a recent weekend.

A forecast of severe weather, with possible tornadoes involved, prompted the Air Force to enact its natural disaster plan that called for the evacuation of the large aerial refuelers. Hail bigger than 1 inch in diameter and excessive high winds could badly damage the aircraft.

Travis, with its large amount of available ramp space, was where the KC-135s flew May 18. One of the reasons for the available space was that many of the Travis aircraft were out of the

Weather reports from central Kansas stated at least seven tornadoes touched down in the region May 19, but there was little reported damage, according to the Wichita Eagle.

The eight air tankers left Travis May 20 to return to McConnell Air Force Base, according to the Travis Air Force Base Public Affairs Office.

The last time McConnell Air Force Base evacuated its aircraft was April 16.



A KC-135 from the 22nd Air Refueling Wing, McConnell Air Force Base, Kan., arrives May 18 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif, The aircraft are staging here at Travis as a precaution because of possible tornadoes and hail in the McConnell area.

Memorial Day remembers fallen veterans

Todd R. Hansen

DAILY REPUBLIC

ROCKVILLE, Calif. — As the haunting notes of "Taps" faded over the Rockville Cemetery - dotted with American flags in honor of those who had served in the U.S. armed forces the American Legion Reams Post 182 finished its Memorial Day service.

Post Commander Larry Stahl, who served 20 years in the Air Force, told the small gathering of 15 veterans, eight Scouts and a handful of others that all Americans should be proud of those who sacrificed their lives for their country, but should also remember the families of the fallen for their sacrifices, too.

He then retold the history of the red poppy and how it has become a symbol of remembrance for those who had died in war. Inspired by the poem, "In Flanders Field," the poppy has been adopted by the American Legion and other organizations. Sales of the item are used to support vet-

Stahl then invited all in attendance to visit the graves in call for lights out, "Tattoo," the American Legion section and credited to Brig. Gen. Danof the cemetery, which includes iel Butterfield, commander of Bion W. Maxfield, a veteran of the 3rd Brigade, 1st Division,

In addition to the American Legion members, several members of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2333 also attended the commemoration after their own ceremonies at the old Solano County courthouse and at the Suisun-Fairfield Cemetery in Fairfield, where one of its first commanders, Warren Romary, was specifically remembered among the 1.400 flags that had been placed.

"Taps," played at Rockville Cemetery by Hunter Miller of the Boys Scouts Troop 182, and Memorial Day have their roots in the same history.

Memorial Day, known originally as Decoration Day, was first recognized May 30, 1868, to honor Union soldiers who had died in the Civil War. The transition to Memorial Day started in 1882, and while widely used, did not become official until 1967.

"Taps" also was born of the Civil War, though its history takes two very different paths – one based on fact and another based on legend.

The former marks it as a new version of an old military the Spanish-American War, V Army Corps, Army of the Potomac, during the Civil War.

The latter recalls a story in which Union Army Capt. Robert Ellicombe, hearing the moans of a wounded soldier, crawled under fire to pull the solider to safety, only to discover that not only was it a Confederate soldier, but

Out of respect for Ellicombe. his superiors granted him the right to one musician for a funeral dirge. He chose a bugler, who then played a series of musical notes that had been found on the dead soldier, who had been studying music in the South when the war broke out. That series of notes, as the legend states, was "Taps."

This version of the origins of "Taps" was rated as false by the website Snopes.com.

"Taps" became a standard at military funerals in 1891.



Frederick Williams, of VFW Post 2333, salutes the grave of Warren Romary, during a Memorial Day ceremony May 29 at Suisun-Fairfield Cemetery in Fairfield, Calif.



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Bo Lawson of Dust & Diesel Band performs May 25 during NCO Night at McNaughton Park in Fairfield, Calif.

Group hosts NCO Night

DAILY REPUBLIC

FAIRFIELD. Calif. — Some communities could Armed

ifornia. Solano is really a military county.

The Travis Regional Forces Commitbe described as military tee took time May 25 to towns, but when it comes to show appreciation to some

Travis Air Force Base, Calof the personnel serving at the base during the group's NCO Night at McNaughton Park in downtown Fairfield. The committee serves as

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Vacaville remembers fallen armed forces

Sheehan was determined to sponsored by Travis Air Force Base, California, to honor those who gave their lives serving their country, despite being in a knee brace because of an in-

Spc. Casey Sheehan, who was killed April 4, 2004, in Iraq and was buried in the Vacaville-Elmira Cemetery only 125 paces from where Monday's Memorial Day ceremony occurred.

Their father, Gold Star parstory to more than 400 people gathered at the cemetery.

Sheehan, worried about his son's injury, asked him three times to get into the relief vehicle – only to be told the last time "that if Casev had shin splints while he was in base training, I could get through this for ing told.

And finish Andy Sheehan

"He continues to remem-

Sheehan was the ceremony's guest speaker and brought a us free.' parent's perspective to the day to honor the nation's fallen.

was to lose a son, but most of his gustine said.

three other children remem-

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Travis Air Force Base, Calif., spouses pose in front of a KC-10

Extender May 20 on the Travis flightline. As a way to show

spouses had the opportunity to fly in a KC-10 as well as a

C-17 Globemaster III.

appreciation for their support, the 60th Maintenance Group

for some time after Casey's death, but now channels a considerable amount of his time into helping other veterans In Andy Sheehan's case, it through events such as the was to honor his brother, Army North Bay Stand Down and working as a counselor at the Solano County Veteran Services Office. He noted that Memorial Day was also Casey Sheehan's birthday.

Sheehan said of his son and the many others who died servent Pat Sheehan, recounted the ing their country: "They will continue to live on in our hearts and minds.

sponsored and organized by Vacaville's veterans organizations with the help of the Vanden High School Air Force Junior ROTC Honor Guard, whose members posted the colhim," Pat Sheehan recalled be- ors, and the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery Honor Guard, whose members fired a salute to the fallen.

Disabled American Veterber his big brother," Pat Shee- ans Chapter 84 Chaplain Joe Lewis led the prayer, thanking the fallen veterans "for keeping

"Let us pause to remember Pat Sheehan talked of how it cost," Vacaville Mayor Len Au-

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Travelers beware: Zika spreading **Spouses take to air**

Merrie Schilter-Lowe

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TRAVIS

Ah. summer. The season means different things to different people. To public health officials at Travis Air Force Base, California, summer means travel and mosquitoes, both of which could be problematic, according to Lt. Col. Natalie Johns, 60th Aerospace Medicine Squadron.

"Zika is spreading," said Johns, public health flight commander at David Grant USAF Medical Center. "Last year, we were concerned about people traveling to South and Central America, Mexico and the Caribbean. Zika has spread to Central West Africa, Southeast Asia including the Philippines Singapore and Fiji."

Zika, also known as Zika virus disease, is an infectious "People traveling to Zika-affected areas - officially or unofficially - should be educated on the dangers of exposure to the virus."

— Lt. Col. Natalie Johns

disease mainly spread by mosquito bites. The virus has been shown to cause severe birth defects. Other problems detected in infants before birth include eye defects, hearing loss and impaired growth.

"People traveling to Zika-affected areas - officially or unofficially - should be educated on the dangers of exposure to the virus. Women in their first trimester of pregnancy should not travel to Zika-affected areas at all," said Johns.

Women trying to conceive

and their partners should also avoid these area since the virus can spread through unprotected sex. There is no vaccine to prevent the virus.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention began advising pregnant women in August 2016 to get tested for the virus if they lived in, traveled to or had unprotected sex with someone in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

In December 2016, the CDC See ZIKA Page 24





them, but they showed more ever had." Sheehan said. Sheehan said he had felt lost

The annual observance was

that freedom comes at great

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Travis refuels French fighters



Two French fighter jets receive fuel May 9 from a Travis Air Force Base, Calif., KC-10 Extender during a flight in support of Operation Inherent Resolve. The KC-10 provides aerial refueling capabilities as it supports U.S. and coalition forces as they work to liberate territory and people under the control of ISIS.

Civiling hiring resumes after freeze

Richard Salomon

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is partnering with customers priorities, AFPC personnel are with the goal of resuming nor- first working all pending firm iob offers where tentative offers have already been made and actions where selections have been made but no tentative job offer has been issued. They are currently working more than 12,000 requests for personnel

> In addition to the lifting of the hiring freeze, an Office of Management and Budget memorandum directs each government agency to develop a reform plan as part of a broader effort to reform the government and reduce the size of the federal civilian workforce. As a result, Air Force leaders have been directed to scrutinize recruitment actions that are being sent to AFPC to make sure the positions accurately reflect mission needs.

To explore jobs with the Air Force civilian service, go to afciviliancareers.com.

For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to myPers. Individuals who do not have a myPers account can request one by following these instructions.



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Chapel donates \$25K



Col. Corwin Pauly, 60th Air Mobility Wing vice commander, Col. Kenneth Reyes, 60th Air Mobility Wing chaplain and other members of the chapel team present a \$25,000 donation to the Travis Football Club May 25 at the Twin Peaks Chapel, Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The chapel team made the donation to support the soccer team as Travis AFB emissaries in the local community and Air Force wide throughout tournaments and other events. The donation reduced the out of pocket expenses for young Airmen who



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might not have been able to participate otherwise.

Arctic Challenge aims to boost interoperability Airman 1st Class Abby L. Finkel partner nations and allies to

DEFENSE MEDIA ACTIVITY

ROVANIEMI AIR BASE. Finland — Twelve F-15C Eagles and about 200 personnel from the 493rd Fighter Squadron at Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England, and two KC-135 Stratotankers and over 30 personnel from the 351st Air Refueling Squadron at RAF Mildenhall, England, deployed to bases in Finland and Sweden for exercise Arctic Challenge 2017.

Arctic Challenge, a multinational training exercise, began May 19 and runs until June 2.

The exercise aims at building relationships and increasing interoperability, and includes participants from the U.S., Finland, Sweden, Norway, the United Kingdom, Germany, France, Belgium, Switzerland, Canada and the Netherlands, as well as representatives from NATO.

us is to work together with our

increase our interoperability capabilities as a force," said Lt. Col. Jason Zumwalt, the 493rd FS commander.

Zumwalt added, "These practice opportunities and experiences allow our pilots and maintainers to work together side-by-side with our partners and allies to plan, execute and debrief some very complex missions. That allows us to see how we can better work together in the future."

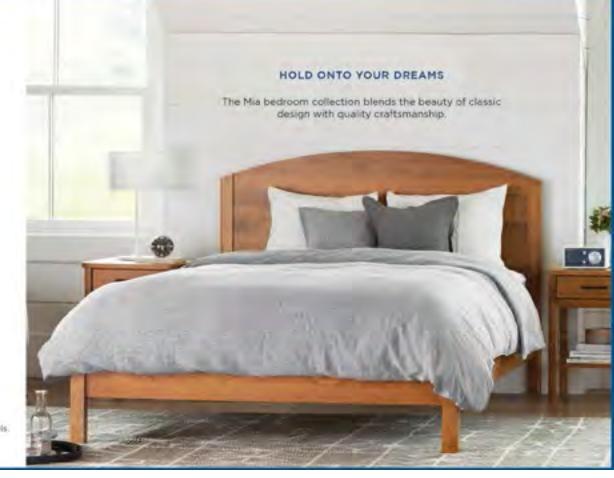
Over the next two weeks, Arctic Challenge participants will conduct live-flying events to train on offensive and defensive air combat operations. They will practice evaluating aircraft, personnel and weapons capabilities, as well as mobilizing and training in multinational operations.

"Being able to work closely, face to face, side by side, and coordinate our actions together to achieve a common goal provides excellent training "The primary objective for for everyone involved," Zumwalt said.



An F-15E Strike Eagle from Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England, receives fuel May 19 from a KC-135 Stratotanker. The KC-135 is assigned to RAF Mildenhall, England. Both aircraft are supporting Arctic Challenge 2017, a multinational exercise encompassing 11 nations and more than 100 aircraft.





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Lt. Col. Craig Andrle, the 79th Fighter Squadron commander, taxis a F-16 Fighting Falcon on the flightline at Shaw Air Force Base, S.C. after returning from a deployment May 4.





Pilot finds way to win fight

Tech. Sgt. Nathan Allen

20TH FIGHTER WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

SHAW AIR FORCE BASE. S.C. — It was a temperate day at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan when Lt. Col. Craig Andrle and his wingman, Capt. Adam Fuhrmann, began walking across the flightline to their soon-to-be airborne F-16CM Fighting Falcons.

Andrle's calm, focused demeanor both in the cockpit and in command was habitual at this point – equal parts due to nature and nurture. The ever present weight of leadership sat lightly on his shoulders but heavy on his

his sphere of influence – a fact repeatedly demonstrated by both Andrle himself and his unit during their recent deployment.

After all, numbers had been on Andrle's side throughout his squadron's six-month tour providing close air support to U.S. Special Operations and Afghan National Army commandos in Afghanistan's Nangarhar prov-

As commander, Andrle had brought 45 "Tigers" from the 79th Fighter Squadron at Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina with him to Bagram AB, not

mind. Andrle's unflappable will to mention 300 Shaw maintainto win was pervasive to those in ers to keep the squadron's F-16s armed and airworthy.

A few of these maintainers drove up to him now on the flightline, beckoning Andrle haste in delivering numbers of a different kind. Quickly but collectedly. Andrle and Fuhrmann readied their weapon-laden iets for take-off, armed to the teeth for the latest round of whack-amole being levied against the forces of the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria.

"(Fuhrmann) and I go to step, we're out at the jet getting ready

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Airman 1st Class Michael Wilkins, 34th Aircraft Maintenance Unit crew chief, walks toward a sun shade after launching an F-35 Lightning II aircraft, No. 5079, May 22 at Hill Air Force Base, Utah. In addition to the sortie being the 3,000th in an operational F-35 at Hill AFB, it also turned out to be Wilkens's first solo launch.

Hill hits F-35 milestone

75th Air Base Wing **Public Affairs**

HILL AIR FORCE BASE, Utah — The 3,000th F-35A Lighting II sortie departed Hill Air Force Base generated by maintainers from the active duty 388th Fighter Wing and Air Force Reserve's 419th FW May

That sortie, and all others flown that day were carried out with the new launched 5079. It was his

ic Logistics Information System. Commonly called ALIS, it's the F-35A's information technology infrastructure.

The 3.000th sortie, with tail number 5079, was piloted by Lt. Col. Dave DeAngelis of the 419th FW. Airman 1st Class Mi-

chael Wilkins, a crew chief assigned to the 34th Aircraft Maintenance Unit

version of the Autonom- first solo launch after arriving here a month ago. "I didn't even know I

> was doing it until today," he said. "It's a cool story for the first crew that vou've

Col. Michael Miles, the 388th Maintenance Group commander, praised the Airmen responsible for the achievements made in the F-35 program.

> "Our Airmen are some See F-35 Page 23

Vice chief addresses need to modernize US's nuclear triad

Tech. Sgt. Robert Barnett

SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON — Vice Chief of Staff of the Air Force Gen. Stephen Wilson discussed the state of the nuclear triad during a Mitchell Institute breakfast May 25 at the Capitol Hill Club in Washington, D.C.

The Air Force maintains two legs of the nuclear triad, including aircraft capable of carrying nuclear weapons, more than 400 intercontinental ballistic missiles, 75 percent of the nuclear command, control and communication that connects the president to senior military leaders and approximately 30,000 Airmen maintaining this capabil-

"Strategic stability is the key term I want to emphasize today, what we need as a backdrop against what other nations are long range standoff missile that doing," Wilson said.

Air Force leadership con- clear-capable bombers. tinue to advocate for stable, predictable budgets to ensure Airmen receive the updated equipment they need to modernize the nuclear triad, he explained.

"The budget is certainly a step in the right direc-

"We don't control the future, but we need to be ready for it."

— Gen. Stephen Wilson

continued. "We hope to have a predictable, flexible budget going forward."

To ensure the nuclear triad is responsive, survivable, flexible and visible, the Air Force plans upgrades that include replacing the ground-based strategic deterrent missile with the Minuteman III: advancing the development of the B-21 Raider to provide critical flexibility across a wide range of joint military operations with long-range, large mixed payloads and survivability; and upgrading to the will be compatible with all nu-

"Today's modernization is tomorrow's readiness," he said. "We don't control the future, but we need to be ready for it. Our nuclear forces will continue to play an important role for our nation."

Enemies are closing the adtion; it helps us move forward vantage gap fast, and Wilson on our readiness recovery," he isn't interested in a fair fight.





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Three generations celebrate their military service

Lundin family service dates to WWII

Tech. Sgt. Darnell T. Cannady 480TH INTELLIGENCE, SURVEILLANCE AND RECONNAISSANCE WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS, Va. — Three generations of Lundins gathered at the National World War II Memorial May 24 to celebrate the military service of family members, past and present.

It all began when 1st Lt. Nicholas Lundin, the 480th Intelligence, Reconnaissance and Surveillance Wing chief of

current operations, was planning his promotion ceremony. He learned early in the process that his grandfather was going to be in Washington, D.C. as part of an honor flight at the same time as his promotion.

"Luckily, the timing matched up so that instead of just getting up and knocking out a ceremony, it was something worthwhile," the younger Lundin said. "It was a great

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First Lt. Nicholas Lundin, the 480th Intelligence, Reconnaissance and Surveillance Wing chief of current operations, stands between his dad, Michael Lundin and grandfather, Ray Lundin while saying the oath of enlistment administered by Lt. Col. Brian Webster, presiding officer May 24 at the National World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C.

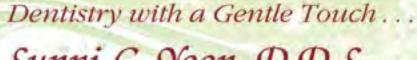


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Flags planted honor local vets

1) Nearly two dozen Airmen and their families placed American flags at approximately 1,400 grave sites of fallen service members in preparation for **Memorial Day** ceremonies May 27 at the Fairfield-**Suisun Cemetery** in Fairfield, Calif. 2) Two children place American flags at the ceremony. 3) Airman 1st **Class Korrin** Nortega, 60th **Aerial Port** Squadron at **Travis Air Force** Base, Calif., searches for veterans' grave sites to place American flags. 4) A child places a flag at a grave site. 5) The

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Air Force Base, Calif., searches for veteran grave 2ND LIEUT





Story and photos by **Tech. Sgt. James Hodgman** 60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Nearly two dozen Airmen and their families from Travis Air Force Base, California, helped place approximately 1,400 American flags on the grave sites of fallen service members in the Suisun-Fairfield Cemetery May 27 in preparation for Memorial Day ceremonies.

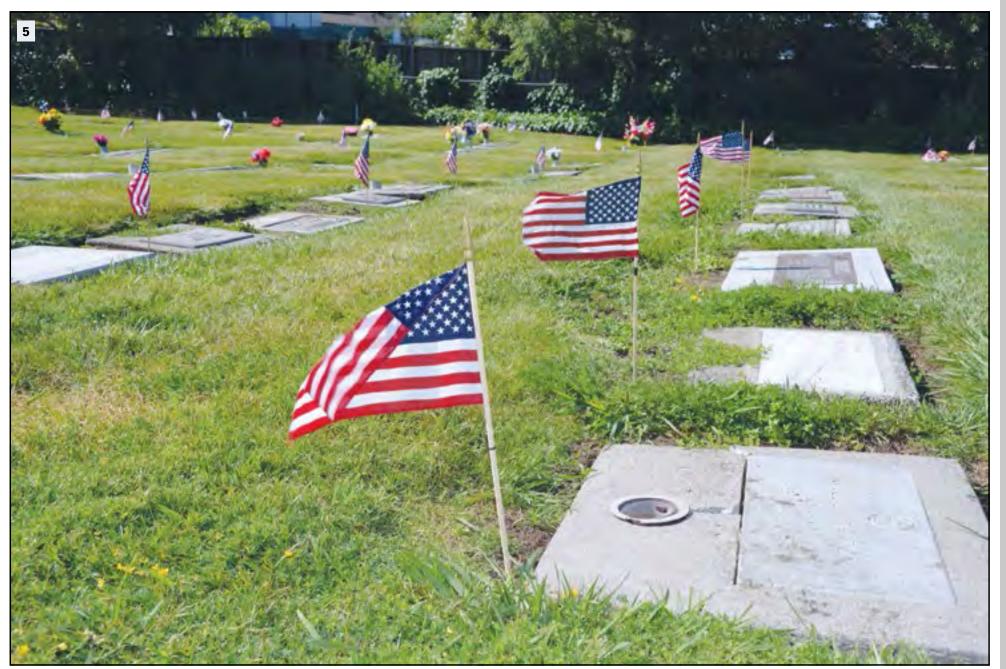
in Suisun City, California, is an imganizers.

"We are here to honor those who served in the armed forces and thank them for protecting our freedoms," said Mike Satterfield, a retired U.S. Air Force senior master sergeant with 27 years of service. "They deserve it. We will always remember and honor the young men and women who gave their all."

Fallen service members from several wars call the Fairfield-Suisun Cemetery their final rest-The annual effort, hosted by the ing place, including veterans of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2333 the Vietnam War, Korean War and World War II. The cemetery also portant one to honor those who features a Medal of Honor recipient made the ultimate sacrifice, said or- from the Civil War, 2nd Lt. Abraham Jay Buckles.











Facebook page "EFMP Travis AFB."

Fairfield/Vacaville Train Station

Project. Located at Peabody Road and

Vanden Road in Fairfield with a six-lane

overpass. Construction is scheduled for

visit http://bit.ly/1yNIBwV.

completion in October. For more information.

Family Advocacy Parent/Child

children ages 1 to 3 meets from 9:30 to 11

a.m. Wednesdays at the First Street Chapel

infants 8 weeks to 1 year meets 9:30 to 11

Annex. For more information, call 707-423-

Family and Friends Combat Stress

Peer Support Group. Meets from noon to 1

p.m. the first Tuesday of every month at the

p.m. the third Thursday of each month at The

Peak For more information contact Amber

Quirate and Jessica Soto at 501-231-7756 or

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in that row and column, and are not part

of any straight. Glance at the solution to

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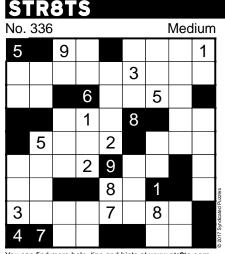
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The solutions will be published here in the next issue.

Retiree Corner

Brain injury center opens more sites for TBI care

The Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center recently added traumatic brain injury network sites at Fort Gordon, Georgia; Fort Drum, New York; and at the South sites help DVBIC spread the facilities." word among the military

community about the latest in TBI research and treatment according to DVBIC deputy director Katherine Helmick.

"If we want to impact and improve health care for our service members, we need to be where they are," Helmick said. "This puts us at all five of the VA's Polytrauma Reha-Texas Veterans Health Care bilitation Centers and at high System in San Antonio. These volume military treatment

- Health.mil

Events and info

Give Parents a Break Program. Canceled due to federal civilian hiring freeze until further

Burgan Boulevard paving. Burgan Boulevard will receive a mill and overlay June 5-16. All work will be completed between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. and the road will reopen for daily traffic. Detour signage will be in place during construction hours and facilities will have alternate access routes and parking. Hangar Avenue will have manhole repairs during this time period as well accomplished between the 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday Hangar Avenue will not close, but pay attention to traffic cones/flagger during the construction. For more information. contact the civil engineer project manager at

Chapel programs

Recurring events Catholic

Twin Peaks Chapel

- Roman Catholic Mass: 9 a.m. and noon
- 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., offered 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 Medical Center Chapel

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

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

• Sacrament Services: 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Fairfield Stake Center, 2700 Camrose Ave.,

DGMC Medical Center Chapel

- Latter-day Saints Service: 4 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday at DGMC Medical Center Chapel.
- For all other enquires, 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 .2:30 p.m. Sunday.
- Children's Ministry is provided for

In the next week ...



Ten-minute swing evaluation. On June 3, head to Cypress Lakes Golf Course for a free golf swing evaluation from a PGA Pro. While there, meet PGA Pro instructors who provide private lessons, receive professional club

fittings and see top brand-name demos. For

more information, call 707-424-5797.

• Protestant Men of the Chapel: 8 to 9 a.m.,

• Protestant Women of the Chapel: 9:30 to

• Protestant Traditional Service: 10 a.m. to 11

Twin Peaks Chapel

DGMC Medical Center Chapel

Airmen's Ministry Center

through Friday at Bldg 1348. Home-cooked meal

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60th FSS

Upcoming events

will begin Food Truck Fridays, which will take place

every Friday through Aug 11 at the Delta Breeze

Club. This kid-friendly/pet-friendly event will

Run. Ride. Row Across America

Desk. For details, call 707-424-2008.

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fun challenge that's free. Run, ride or row your way

across the states from the west coast to the east

coast. Register and track your mileage at the Front

Contests

Designer Handbag Bingo. June 30 at

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photos? MyAirForceLife.com is offering \$3,000 in

theme is travel destinations. For more details, visit

www.MvAirForceLife.com/Arts/Photo-Contest/.

For more information, visit http://www.travisfss.

6 p.m. For more information, visit TravisFSS.com/

Food Truck Fridays. Beginning June 9, FSS

For more information, call Twin Peaks Chapel

at 6 p.m. Tuesday's followed at 7 p.m. by Bible

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a.m. Sunday

at 707-424-3217

include live music.

HandbagBingo

Art on the Vine. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 3 and 4, BackRoad Vines, 2221 Julian at Coast Guard Island, Alameda. Lane, Fairfield. www.fvaa-arts.org.

> **Ghost Tour.** 8 p.m. Saturday, leaves from Lawler House, 718 Main St, and 8 p.m. June 16, leaves from Virgil's Bait Shop, 201 Main St., Suisun City. www. suisunwaterfront.com.

Cave Quest Vacation Bible School. 9 a.m. to noon June 5-9 at Twin Peaks Chapel. For ages 3-12. Free. Volunteers welcomers for more information, call 3-12. Free. Volunteers welcome. Eugene Dingle at 202-351-9292 or Roger Olaes at 707-631-0167.

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 Sergeants Association "Walter every month at Wingman's in the Delta Breeze

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

counseling for teens and young adults. Text trained crisis counselor responds quickly.

Employee-Vehicle Certification and Reporting System. Civilian and military prizes for the 2017 AF Photo Contest. This year the

> Balfour Beatty Community Center. For more information, call 707-424-4342 or visit the

Recurring

E. Scott" Chapter 1320. General membership meetings are from 3 p.m. on the second Friday of Club. For more information, contact Senior Master Sgt. Angell Nichols or Tech. Sgt. Rebecca Linden

Airmen's Attic. The Airmen's Attic is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and

Crisis text line. Free, confidential, 24/7 741-741 anywhere in the United States and a live.

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

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 the new paperless website at https://ihns.release.dma

> **LGBT Alliance.** General membership meetings take place at 6 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. For more information, email lgbtalliance707@gmail.com or call 707-424-2486.

Mare Island Museum, Now a Blue Star Museum, which means active-duty military. reservists and their dependents are eligible for free admission from Memorial Day to Labor Day, 1100 Railroad Ave. on Mare Island in Vallejo. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday 10 a m to 4 n m Saturday For more information, call 707-557-4646.

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

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from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Wednesday at Bldg.

Mitchell Memorial Library. Open 9 a.m.

791. All deployers are fit as necessary. For

more information, call 707-424-2689.

Montezuma Shrine Club. Meets every third Thursday of the month at the Masonic Center, 412 Travis Blvd., Fairfield. For more information, call Mike Michaelis at 707-427-2573 or Cal Gitsham at 707-425-0060.

Motorcycle licensing and training. California Rider Education offers the Motorcyclists Training Course, the Basic Riders Course 2 and the Military Sportsbike Riders Course on base. MTC classes take place most weekends. Motorcycles and helmets provided. Successful completion gives students a DL389 that waives the skills test at DMV. Course cost covered for active duty, reserves, some DOD and some NAF folks. Dependents welcome, but must cover own costs. All registrations done via phone at 1-800-966-3844.

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 identifica-

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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-

Retiree Activities Office. Openings for volunteers. Customers are retired American service members and their dependents. It is the RAO's responsibility to maintain open communication and to ensure retirees receive the service and the respect that they deserve. If you would like to apply for a volunteer slot and

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- 9 p.m. "Going In Style" (PG-13) Saturday
- 6:30 p.m. "The Circle" (PG-13) • 9 p.m. "Gifted" (PG-13)

Sunday

• 2 p.m. "Pirates of the Carribean: Dead Men Tell No Tales" (PG-13)

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60th Air Mobility Wing Information **Protection Office.** The office has the following walk-in customer service window hours: 8 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday as well as window hours from 8 to 11 a.m. Friday. For emergencies, call 707-424-3114.

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

Toastmasters. The Travis Toastmasters meets at noon on the first and third Tuesday of the month in the USO Lounge. Toastmasters is an organization that helps people practice communication, as well as build on skills they already have. All are welcome to attend. For more information, call Nicole Culberhouse at 478-273-1760.

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.

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 Heritage Center. The facility is looking to add to its historical collection. It is missing the past 15 years of conflict in which Travis was involved. Do you have something special to donate for generations to appreciate? The center also seeks volunteers. The gift shop is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday For more information, call Rick Shea at 707-424-5598 or email richard.shea@us.af.

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June 17, Al Porter Plaza, 411 Davis St.,

Vacaville, 759-2703

scotsdixon.org

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more information, call 707-424-1720

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of each month through September, 90 Main St., downtown Benicia. 745-9791, www. beniciamainstreet org The Hub. Mina Alali, 7:30 p.m. Friday;

Matthew Frantz, 8 p.m. Saturday; Poetry by the Bay open mic, 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Tuesdays, 350 Georgia St., Vallejo. www. thehubvallejo.com.

Northern California Pirate Festival. 10 a m to 6 p m. June 17-18 Valleio Waterfront Park, 298 Mare Island Way. www.norcalpiratefestival com/

"Sounds of Suspense." Radio broadcast, noon fourth Friday of each month, Vacaville Public Library-Town Square, 1 Town Square Place, www.solanolibrarv.org.

Vacaville Farmers Market. 8 a.m. to second Friday of each month, downtown Vallejo. www.vallejoartwalk.com. noon Saturdays through October, 300 Main St. Fairfield Farmers Market, 3 p.m. Thurswww.downtownvacaville.com days through Oct. 5, Jefferson and Texas

Vallejo Farmers Market. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays, year-round, Georgia and Marin streets. www.pcfma.com.

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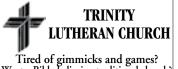
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overall experience for everybody involved."

Nicholas' grandfather served in the Pacific in the U.S. Navy during World War II and was selected to travel to the nation's Capitol through an honor flight program in Northeast Indiana. The program affords WWII veterans the opportunity to fly

for free to visit and reflect at their respective memorial.

This was the elder Lundin's first time visiting the WWII monument, and he said it was the perfect backdrop for his grandson's promotion cere-

"I'm happy to be here and help pin on his bars," said Ray Lundin, Nicholas' grandfather. "I really felt honored to be here

veterans are accompanied by "Guardian" volunteers who fly with them and escort them throughout the trip, which is a role Nicholas' dad was honored

to fulfill. "I really have been looking forward to this, both my dad and I have really been talking about this for the last month and a half," said Michael Lundin, Nicholas' father. "I've

draw all of that out. To come memorial in conjunction with here and see my son ... I'm certainly proud of him and what he's accomplished, along with mv dad."

Lundin's promotion ceremony was honored to be a part of the significant family event. "When someone asks you to

be a part of this and recognize the transition in service ... it is a huge honor," said Lt. Col. Brian Webster, noting the significance of being at the WWII captain.

Lundin's grandfather's honor flight.

"I'm really honored that Nick asked me to be a part of The officer presiding over this," he said.

Underneath the Pacific portion of the WWII monument. 1st Lt. Lundin's new rank was pinned on by his father and grandfather. A crowd of veterans and guardians watched the ceremony and came up afterward to congratulation the new

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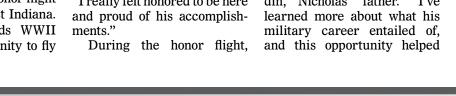


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Pilot

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to get them started, and maintenance drives over in their truck," he said. "They tell us 'hurry up, the F-16s on station have dropped all their bombs, and they need bombs out there

Now taxiing and positioned at the end of the runway, Andrle received a clear indication of what he was getting himself into as he witnessed an AC-130 gunship returning from the same conflict he was headed toward. The gunship, described by some as a fabled, feared, flying bomb truck, was now "Winchester" a term used in aviation circles to describe a gunship when it has spent all its munitions.

"The AC-130 gunship landing was bad news because that meant they were no longer on station to support the guvs on the ground. They had employed all their weapons, which is a lot," Andrle said, laughing at his own hyperbole the same way someone in Antarctica might when describing the winter as cold. "They were coming back to

reload and rearm the gunship, so that was our first indication that a lot was going on."

Not long after takeoff, Andrle received a nine-line transmission from the Bagram AB operations desk - a system designed to allow a Joint Terminal Air Controller on the ground with "eyes" on a target to pass the nine critical pieces of information needed for a pilot in order to employ

Each aircraft was armed with two standard 500 pound bombs and one 2,000 pound GBU-31 joint direct attack munition - a weapon not dropped by an F-16 at Bagram AB for three years until the 79th's latest return. A mere 60 seconds after arriving on scene, Andrle used his first bomb to destroy an insurgent-infested building. Less than 20 minutes later. Andrle "cleared the rails" and delivered all his F-16's remaining bombs.

With only one munition remaining between them, Andrle

and Fuhrmann began to "yoyo" with a nearby KC-135 Stratotanker, sending one pilot to refuel while the other continued to provide close air support to forces on the ground, switching as

> Now with fresh bombs, Andrle rejoined Fuhrmann at of his 500 pound bombs were mission successful.

necessary. Despite being nearly he and Hawk's F-16 airpower presence couldn't be removed from the fight – at least not until the AC-130 returned.

"(Maj. Joseph Miranda) calls me back, says 'come (return to base)' and we'll send you out in a new jet... loaded with the same loadout," he said.

The timing of Miranda's news couldn't have been better. As the operations supervisor, Miranda was aware of Andrle's plight. Of course, in what Andrle would describe as true Tiger fashion, Miranda and the F-16 maintainers there had already "found a way to win."

What Miranda didn't mention at the time was the new jet was none other than "Flagship 379"...the tail flash's final two digits designating it as the 79th FS's signature aircraft, and the name on the side naturally displaying the squadron's current commander. In this case, it is Lt. Col. Craig Andrle.

In an effort he credited as a combined "will to win." F-16 maintainers and weapons specialists put Andrle back in the air exactly 39 minutes after landing – a process Andrle estimated would normally take 33 percent longer to complete.

delivered in short order, deemptied of bombs, Andrle knew stroying enemy occupied buildings and chasing insurgents far-

ordinated symphony of destruction any operations group commander could appreciate— one such as 20th OG commander, Col. Doug Thies, Andrle's boss.

"(Andrle is) such a leader." Thies said, commending his ability to help the 79th FS overcome unprecedented challenges in Afghanistan. "For the first time since 9/11, the 79th (FS) served as the only fighter squadron in theater, and the number of fighter jets available to them dropped from 18 to 12."

Despite this reduction in aircraft. Thies said the squadron was still remarkably productive, executing 1,900 flights, 9,000 hours, 29 troops-in-contact, 104 priority targets and 610 weapons employments without a single civilian casualtv.

"They lost 33 percent of their hardware, but dropped almost double the amount of weapons," he said. "That tells you how busy they were. That's a great testament to the leadership of Lt. Col. Andrle."

This leadership, Andrle said, was made easy by the laser fothe scene of the conflict. His cus and will to win of every Air-2,000 pound GBU-31 and one man who made the 79th FS's

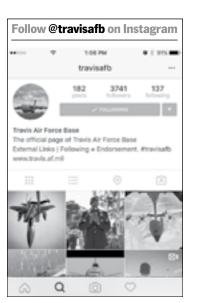
"I have a great squadron," he said. "From the people that are supporting us to go make ther and farther into the tree the mission happen to my pilots that are flying the jets out there The AC-130 returned at this and my maintainers out on the point, joining with the Tigers to line, every person wanted to find win the day by delivering a co- a way to win. To me, that makes leadership easy because you just let people do what they need to do to go find a way to be successful that day."

> While Andrle acknowledges his personal accomplishments that day were "unheard of," he credits them to common Airmanship - rising to the occasion and simply doing what was required to win at the time. However, despite his unit's impressive statistics and his own personal exploits, there is one accomplishment that Andrle treasures more than any other zero Tigers lost under his watch.

"That's not a given," Andrle said. "I think we tend to think deployments are just a part of Air Force life. Everyone's going to deploy and everyone's going to come back, but not everyone comes back. To me, that was the most important thing...when we got the last group of folks back to Shaw (AFB) all in one piece."

Now, Andrle is back home enjoying the company of his wife and four children he missed while away. His battle now won. He has since relinquished command of the Tigers – a duty he described as the honor of his career - to find new ways to win and lead others in doing the same. He charges on, driven by the words echoed back to him by faithful members of the 79th FS upon hearing their commander say the honored phrase "Tiger Tiger."

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F-35

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of the best the Air Force has to offer," he said, "The 388th and 419th Maintenance Group personnel are pushing the program forward by unlocking F-35 combat capability, gauging aircraft and equipment durability, and rapidly accomplishing F-35 weapons system training," he said.

Operationally implementing the upgraded version of ALIS is another milestone for the Airmen working in the F-35 program at Hill AFB.

"The biggest improvement is the incorporation of the propulsion system within ALIS," said Senior Master Sgt. Jory Cyr, the 34th Aircraft Maintenance Unit lead production superintendent. "This alleviates the need to have multiple products to manually track time change items and inspection times. This ALIS update combines air vehicle and propulsion system times in one location."

Cyr said aircraft maintainers here attended classes, which highlighted changes between the previous and current versions of ALIS, and a support team was available in each section to answer questions.

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making sure all the documentation was correct within the new system prior to flying each aircraft," he said. "The 34th AMU was able to fly 100 percent of our local scheduled sorties after the upgrade showing the outstanding dedication and attention to detail by everyone within the 388th Fighter Wing."

The successful ALIS upgrade and F-35 milestones are proving that the Air Force's newest fifth-generation fighter and the Airmen who maintain it are key to America's defense.

"The culmination of the ALIS 2.0.2.4 and our 3,000th sortie is important because it highlights how fast the program at large is moving forward and how locally we are generating sorties at a very high rate – with only 22 aircraft assigned." Miles said. "For example, in March we flew each of our aircraft an average of 17 times. Our Airmen are out-pro-"Aircraft maintenance does ducing the entire F-35 enternot stop when we install these prise and the Hill AFB standup of F-35 operations is ahead

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Zika

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issued travel warnings for Brownsville, Texas, after the first case of Zika virus was reported. Additional cases have been reported in the area, according to the agency's website.

Since Jan. 1, the CDC reports 119 cases of Zika virus in the United States and 495 cases in U.S. territories.

During the first quarter, 25 Air Force patients tested positive for Zika virus. Most were the Zika virus may not active duty members and most have symptoms. Others may

traveled to the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Jamaica and St. Croix, according to the Air Force School of Aerospace Medicine at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio.

In adults, the virus has been linked to Guillain-Barre syndrome - a rare disorder in which the body's immune system attacks the nervous system, which may lead to muscle weakness and paralysis. Most people recover from the illness, according to the CDC.

Some people infected with

experience fever, skin rashes, muscle and joint pain, headache and red eyes. Symptoms may last a week but usually are not severe enough for the patient to be hospitalizes. People rarely die from the virus, according to the CDC.

"Places where you find the Zika virus, you find other mosquito-borne infectious diseases... such as dengue or chikungunya," said Johns. "The difference is that Zika affects special populations. Pregnant women and those trying to become pregnant are at the highest risk.'

Symptoms of dengue and chikungunya viruses are similar to those of Zika. Also like Zika, there is no vaccine to protect against infection or medication to treat infected patients.

Early detection and treatment of the dengue virus can lower the risk of medical

complications and death, according to the CDC. Symptoms of chikungunya may last a week and can be severe and disabling.

In addition to Zika, dengue said Johns. The virus affects is no medication or vaccine to prevent infection.

Last year, Solano County reported four cases of WNV in humans – none resulted in death. However, the California Department of Public Health reported the death of a Sacramento County senior citizen in August 2016.

ed with the WNV develop fe- www.cdc.gov/zika/geo/domesver and other symptoms. Less tic-guidance.html. If travelthan 1 percent develop serious ing outside the country, go cephalitis or meningitis, according to the CDPH.

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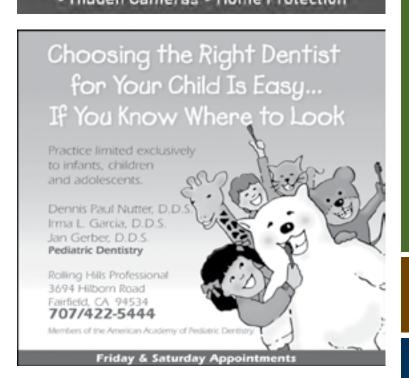
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"We're really a connection between Travis and the area communities," Segala, who also serves on the City Council in Suisun City, said. "What we do is really help shorten the transition for people being reassigned here. It's enough of a disruption to your life; we just want to make it a little easier on these families."

The Travis Regional Armed Forces Committee also works to affirm the importance of Travis to Solano County communities

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again from all sorts of people at Travis – people that have been deployed all over the world, as well as all over the country that there's no other community like this one." Hoover said.

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drive, bought us our first car and remained an active part of our family. When my father was hospitalized, a generous couple found a home for my family closer to the Scottsdale Memorial Hospital. My adopted Italian-American grandparents made us dinner once per week. These were all remarkable people who shaped my life forever. I owe who I am to the kindness of these men and women.

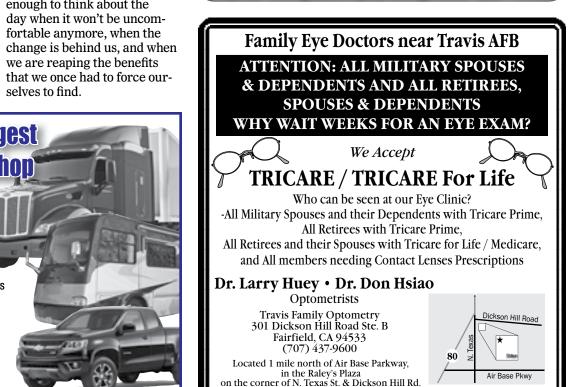
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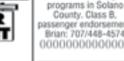
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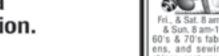
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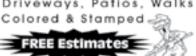






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