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# Respect, leadership action fuel success

Each and every day here at Travis Air Force Base, California, I am inspired by incredible people performing nothing short of miracles as if they were routine.

Far from perfect and constantly facing ambiguity, risk, complexity and even frustration, our teams of heroes consistently deliver exceptional results to keep our mission moving...projecting American Power is not easy. It takes deliberate thought and work to forge people of character, cohesive teams, and an energizing pride in a warrior ethos to ensure mission success.

The fuel driving this success is respect for people and



**Commentary by Col. Michael Higgins**  
60TH MEDICAL GROUP COMMANDER

leadership engagement.

Those who lead in a mindful and engaging way visually demonstrate two key characteristics embraced by well-studied, high reliability organizations; sensitivity to operations and deference to expertise. This engagement of a leader, at the place where operations happen, is not only a mindful journey to learn, but also a direct investment in our people.

Imagine what can be realized if leaders at all levels can make this a daily habit. Imagine the shift in culture, understanding and clarity of purpose if we could invert our organizational charts: where the leader is the key and most visual supporter

### Commander's Commentary

of the teams of people in one's charge. Done with an open mind, curiosity, and a skilled coaching style, this purposeful demonstration of respect and deference to our experts forges those magic ingredients of empowerment and trust.

Frontline experts are heard, demonstrate in real-time organizational challenges and successes, and communicate needs as well as goals. Both leaders and heroes learn together answers to questions like, "Why?" and "What can I do to help?" At David Grant USAF Medical Center, the mantra of "Trusted Care Begins with Me" is a commitment

to our patients and our teams as we aim to heal, protect and train heroes. Team Travis shows so many other great examples throughout the base. Our wing commander and command chief's regular engagement in the Works with Airmen program, the maintenance group's "Stripes On the Line" initiative, our Honorary Commanders' program, civic leader engagements and many others throughout our entire team. All this effort is aimed at a clear, predictable and undeniably reliable performance in safety, quality and mission effectiveness.

We embrace incredibly difficult challenges each and every day both here at Travis and throughout the world. Our mutual success depends on all of us to galvanize a culture fueled

by respect and engaged leadership. Regardless of rank or position, can I count on you to exercise a questioning attitude, embrace a respect for people, and take responsibility to ensure you are engaged as leader? As a follower and expert, can I count on you to speak up, solve problems, and respect all with whom you work? Only the most consistently focused, supported, empowered, respected, innovative and reliable teams can be successful in crushing our nation's enemies and caring for our friends as we execute combat and non-combat missions alike.

Thank you, Team Travis, for all that you do and represent. I remain inspired. Stay relentless, make great decisions and continue to treat others like heroes deserve. No bounds.

# Travis Airman focused on becoming RPA pilot

**Nick DeCicco**  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

As Staff Sgt. Richard White talked about his childhood dreams of becoming a pilot and mentions hearing planes fly overhead, the roar of one from the Travis Air Force Base, California, flightline buzzes above us.

"It's pretty crazy to think I work on those planes now, like that one right now," he said with a smile. "That's probably where it started, just seeing these giant things in the air."

White, 60th Maintenance Group maintenance operations controller, is stepping closer to his dream. White will soon learn if he's made it through the board phase of qualification to fly remotely piloted aircraft.

White is one of several enlisted Airmen from the 60th MXG who applied to become such a pilot. The process involves several rounds of testing before reaching the phase White has. The field narrows from hundreds of applicants to more than 30 along the way.

Enlisted Airmen are being considered for the program, which is a departure from typical Air Force policy, that used to limit piloting to officers.

Other Travis maintainers who applied include Staff Sgt. Michael Richardson, Staff Sgt. Joshua Cintron Ruiz and Tech Sgt. Kyle Dedeaux. Richardson has since left for his next assignment.

Tech. Sgt. Caleb Woolman, 60th MXG maintenance operations controller assistant section chief and White's immediate supervisor, said after taking the test, White, Cintron Ruiz, Dedeaux and Richardson came back to the shop discussing the differences in the test and compared notes.

"The test was one of the toughest I've ever taken, so I guess I will have to find



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**A 432nd Wing sensor operator flies a training mission Oct. 13, 2015, at Creech Air Force Base, Nev. Several Airmen from Travis Air Force Base, Calif., have submitted their applications to fly remotely piloted aircraft.**

other ways to benefit the Air Force," said Dedeaux, 60th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief. "The experience was awesome and I highly recommend attempting it to all of my subordinates."

Of the four Airmen, only White proceeded to the next field of applicants, which he estimated includes approximately 300 Airmen.

For White, a native of Antioch, California, becoming an RPA pilot is one step in part of a larger picture for his career. He is also pursuing a move to Officer Training School, which he intends to pursue if he becomes an RPA pilot or not.

"Sergeant White is a very self-motivated individual," said Master Sgt. Rusty McRaney, 60th MXG maintenance operations controller section chief. "He takes care of himself. He takes care of everyone around him. He's always looking out for other people."

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**Commentary by Chief Master Sgt. April Gaines**  
60TH MEDICAL GROUP COMMAND CHIEF

# 'Take pride in what you bring to the fight'

A couple of weeks ago, I had the opportunity to attend a Basic Military Training graduation at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas. It had been about 20 years since I stepped foot on the BMT parade grounds.

I was truly amazed at the pride the military training instructors and their teams displayed during the ceremony as we accepted more than 900 new Airmen into our U.S. Air Force.

As Airmen we sometimes forget

### Chief's Commentary

the pride we had when we first came into the military. Pride can be viewed from many different angles in our Air Force culture. Duty and appearance are a couple of things that come to mind when referring to Air Force pride.

Duty performance is a primary focus in today's Air Force. Our Airmen perform a wide range of

duties and functions that require a great deal of training and attention to detail, but how many of our members actually get some form of satisfaction from their own achievements? Having pride in our work is essential to fostering a more energized workplace. When Airmen feel such positive energy, they are more likely to want to come to work and do a great job. I can honestly say that our Airmen at Team Travis do amazing things across this base. We as Airmen need to recognize

our own specialized qualities and skills that contribute to our mission. What we do on a day-to-day basis is not "just a job." Take pride in what you bring to the fight, we all have something to brag about. Be bold and confident about showcasing your skills and don't be afraid to own it.

Less than 1 percent of Americans have the privilege of wearing a military uniform. Do you

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## Tailwind



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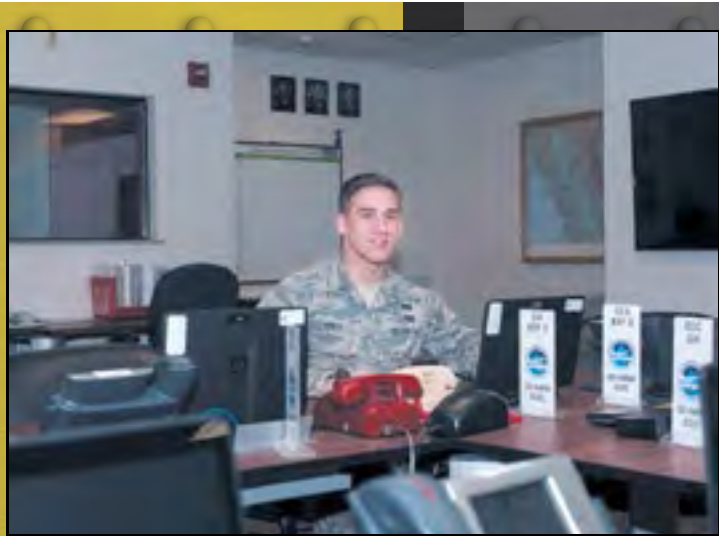
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**Paul Boyce, 60th Force Support Squadron, prepares salads at the dining facility Jan. 25 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.**

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## WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

**Name:**  
Airman 1st Class  
Tyler Smith.

**Unit:**  
60th Civil Engineer Squadron.

**Duty title:**  
Emergency management  
apprentice.

**Hometown:**  
Toledo, Ohio.

**Time in service:**  
One year.

**Family:**  
None.

**What are your goals?**  
To complete Community College of the Air Force by April 2018, eventually commission via the Nursing Enlisted Commissioning Program and attend the University of Toledo.

**What are your hobbies?**  
Working out, watching football and exploring the outdoors with friends.

**What is your greatest achievement?**  
Completing Career Development Courses in less than two months. My greatest off-duty achievement was earning my high school football team's leadership award.



# Base welcomes new batch of honorary commanders

**Senior Airman Amber Carter**  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Twenty-one community leaders were scheduled to be inducted Feb. 2 during the Honorary Commanders Change of Command Ceremony at Travis Air Force Base, California.

The ceremony was scheduled after the Tailwind’s production deadline Feb. 2.

The honorary commander’s program was developed to encourage and exchange ideas, experiences and friendship between key members in the local area and the Travis military community.

“I am looking forward to building additional relationships with base leaders, finding ways to honor and involve them within our schools and to further enhance interaction with and honor of our military personnel and their families,” said Janet Fogh, 60th Air Mobility Wing Chaplain’s new honorary commander and Vacaville Christian School High School and Middle School principal. “Supporting the military community is a life-long passion and this opportunity will enable further involvement and opportunity to do so.”

Honorary Commanders serve a two-year term. During their term they are given tours and invited to different events to gain a complete understanding of the Travis mission.

“I love the program and the base so much,” said Jamil Zainasheff, 60th Maintenance Squadron’s current

honorary commander as well as president and chief executive officer at Heretic Brewing Company in Fairfield, California. “It is a tremendous honor and opportunity to connect with the people in our Air Force. This program has shown me what service to your country means and made me want to be a better person.”

Col. John Klein, 60th Air Mobility Wing commander, hosted the event and greeted the group of more than 130 commanders, honorary commanders and civic leaders who attended the ceremony at the Delta Breeze Club.

“Here at Travis, we pride ourselves to rapidly project American power anytime ... anywhere,” said Klein. “It is these enduring local partnerships, like the Honorary Commanders Program, that support our vision to serve locally and are vital for our mission execution.”

Klein encouraged new honorary commanders to be active in the program.

“Have pride in your new role,” said Klein. “A strong relationship with your unit will make this program a success and will enrich the bonds between our communities.”

The 21 Honorary Commanders who served their two year term were thanked by Klein for becoming an active member of the military community.

“You are now Team Travis alumni,” said Klein. “You will forever be a part of the Travis family and I hope the bonds you made with your unit will continue to thrive.”

## C-130 flies over Travis



A C-130 Hercules from the Nevada Air National Guard’s 152nd Airlift Wing conducts flight operations Jan. 13 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The C-130 Hercules is a workhorse for the Air Force. It has been in service for more than half a century. Designed specifically to transport troops and equipment into combat zones, the Hercules operates throughout the U.S. Air Force serving with Air Mobility Command, Air Force Special Operations Command, Air Combat Command, U.S. Air Forces in Europe-Air Forces Africa, Pacific Air Forces, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Command, fulfilling a wide range of operational missions.

# Program helps members get healthy

**Merrie Schilter-Lowe**  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

He gained 30 pounds during his wife’s first pregnancy. He lost 20 and was working on the last 10 pounds when he learned at Christmas that his wife is pregnant with their second child.

This time around, Staff Sgt. Randall Loeschner, 60th Inpatient Operations Squadron, has a plan to stay on track despite having “pregnant foods like pizza in the house.”

Loeschner is enrolled in the “Better Body Better Life” program offered by the nutritional medicine clinic at David Grant USAF Medical Center at Travis Air Force Base, California.

Following a recent class, Loeschner explained that he already knew “a lot about nutrition,” but is finding that’s not the case with some Airmen he works with as a unit physical training leader.

“They didn’t grow up with this (information). They don’t know what is a ‘good fat’ or what foods are considered proteins,” said Loeschner.

One of the most important elements of the BBBL program is learning to set smart goals.

“They force me to look at the way I’m eating and hold myself to those standards,” said Loeschner.

BBBL is a hands-on five week series focusing on nutrition, physical activity and behavioral issues that promote healthy living. Classes can be taken in order or as a participant’s schedule allows.

“The purpose of this program is to help people change their whole lifestyle,” said Capt. Jeffery Perry, 60th Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron chief of outpatient nutrition.

BBBL participants identify personal goals and devise plans to meet them. Perry said he’s watched some participants go from being disorganized to preparing meals ahead of time and from being inactive to exercising daily.

Participants get weighed and measured at the beginning of each class although the goal for some participants isn’t

at least 150 minutes of vigorous activity weekly.

“We talk about different types of activities and how to set up a regimen,” Perry said. “We encourage people to use the fitness resources available at the fitness center and to discuss with their doctor any health concerns before attempting any strenuous physical activity program.”

BBBL classes are held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Thursdays. The program is open to all Tricare beneficiaries.

Active-duty members who sign up at the Airman and Family Readiness Center website can earn five Leadership Pathways credits when they complete the program, Perry said.

Nutritional medicine also offers classes for people at risk for high cholesterol and high blood pressure as well as nutrition classes for people with diabetes. For more information or to enroll in any of the programs, call the clinic at 707-423-7867.

**“Some people just want to improve their diets.”**  
— Capt. Jeffery Perry

weight loss.

“Some people just want to improve their diets,” Perry said.

Classes are small (eight to 10 students) so participants have time to interact with one another and share their successes and failures.

“We provide a lot of information about changing behaviors, like looking at portion sizes,” said Senior Airman Bryan Metcalfe, 60th MDTs. As a BBBL instructor, Metcalfe also covers topics such as nutrient dense foods, emotional eating, dining out and reducing stress.

In addition to helping participants make better food choices, the BBBL program encourages participants to get

# Blended Retirement System Opt-In training available

**Kat Bailey**  
AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas — The Defense Department will implement the new Blended Retirement System in less than a year. While no one needs to make a decision until Jan. 1, 2018, all Airmen should take advantage of training and informational resources to research their options during 2017.

Airmen eligible for the new BRS will begin receiving email notifications in February from myPers to ensure they receive correct information regarding their benefits to make the decision best suited for their individual needs.

The Opt-In course is designed to provide sufficient information for eligible Airmen to make an educated decision about their retirement

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# Air Force buys next lot of Pegasus tankers

88th Air Base Wing  
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WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio — The Air Force has awarded a \$2.1 billion contract to Boeing for the third Low Rate Initial Production lot of KC-46A Pegasus tankers.

This award includes 15 aircraft and associated spare parts. The first two production lots for seven and 12 aircraft respectively were awarded in August 2016. This award brings the total number of tankers purchased by

the Air Force to 34.

"This program is moving forward at a steady rate," said Brig. Gen. Duke Z. Richardson, the program executive officer for tankers. "We are getting aircraft on contract and moving them down the production line, meeting test requirements, and preparing for 'iron on the ramp'."

The first aircraft delivery is scheduled for McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas, which is the first active-duty Air Force operating location for the Pegasus. That delivery will be followed by

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A Boeing KC-46A Pegasus prepares to receive fuel from a KC-10 Extender while a KC-135 Stratotanker flies alongside. The Air Force awarded a \$2.1 billion contract for 15 additional KC-46A tankers Jan. 27.

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# Airman returns to service after 20 years, deploys



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Master Sgt. James Dullaghan, 455th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron Helicopter Maintenance Unit HH-60 Pave Hawk dedicated crew chief, walks past his aircraft during a 50-hour inspection Jan. 19 at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan.

**Staff Sgt. Katherine Spessa**  
455TH AIR EXPEDITIONARY WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

BAGRAM AIRFIELD, Afghanistan — “For anyone that has ever been in and gotten out, I don’t know that you ever stop feeling that pull to come back. That you ever stop missing it.

“It’s always a part of you. It just kept pulling at me and pulling at me.”

For newly-promoted Master Sgt. James Dullaghan, an HH-60 Pave Hawk crew chief with the 455th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, that pull brought him straight to a recruiter’s office – for the second time.

“I first came on active duty in November 1978,” he said. He initially served for 10 years on active duty as a wideband equipment specialist. Twenty years after leaving active service, Dullaghan re-enlisted as an Air Force reservist in February 2009.

Dullaghan didn’t stray far from his Air Force roots during his break in service – he has worked on the space shuttle program and unmanned rockets at Cape Canaveral and the Kennedy Space Center in Florida for the last 28 years. His Reserve duties allow him to

continue working in the space program.

Twenty years after separating from the Air Force, he had a discussion with a co-worker that made him think about the value of serving and spurred him to action. Dullaghan went to the recruiter’s office the next day.

He is now a dedicated crew chief deployed with his unit to Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan.

“Because of my break in service, I had to retrain and I went to tech school with a bunch of 18 and 19 year olds,” Dullaghan said, laughing. He was 50 years old at the time. “I was older than all of my instructors, but they were cool about it.”

Initially his instructors didn’t believe him – when determining who the class leader would be, the instructors asked each E-5 what their date of rank was.

“Sept. 21, 1981,” Dullaghan replied.

Thinking he was joking, the instructors gave the position to another NCO. It was only later they discovered that Dullaghan had served before some of them were born.

At Bagram, Dullaghan and his unit maintain the 83rd Expeditionary Rescue Squadron’s

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U.S. Air Force Capt. Brittany Bean, left, and U.S. Air Force 1st Lt. Wesley Cobb, right, C-17 Globemaster III pilots with the 816th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron, perform preflight checks Dec. 23, 2016, at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar.

## Squadron answers call

**Master Sgt. Thomas J. Doscher**  
18TH AIR FORCE

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. — United States and Coalition forces in Afghanistan are working to advise, train and assist Afghan security forces across the country. At places like Jalalabad Airfield in the country’s far-eastern Nangarhar Province, they recently called for a shipment of vehicles to support their ongoing work with their Afghan partners.

Getting those much-needed vehicles came with a catch.

Jalalabad Airfield’s runway is so narrow, the C-130 and C-17 Globemaster IIIs are the only AMC aircraft that can land at the airfield. Because of the requirement to bring in multiple vehicles on each sortie, the C-17 was required and they would have to back up and take off in the same direction they flew in.

The aircraft would also have to land in the middle of the night and take off again before the sun rose.

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Airlift Squadron’s C-17 Globemaster crews dropped off the much-needed vehicles Jan. 16, 2017. It took the crew only 70 minutes to land, drop off the cargo, back up and take off

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The 816th EAS, based at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar, is

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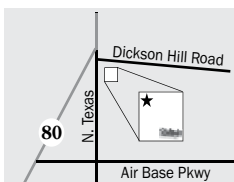
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## Pararescueman awarded Air Force Cross for valor

**Senior Airman Ryan Conroy**  
24TH SPECIAL OPERATIONS WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

HURLBURT FIELD, Fla. — Fifteen years after a 17-hour battle on an Afghan mountaintop, a pararescueman’s extraordinary heroism was recognized with an Air Force Cross, upgraded from a Silver Star, following a service-wide review of medals awarded since 9/11.

Then-Tech. Sgt. Keary Miller – against overwhelming odds and a barrage of heavy fire from al-Qaeda militants – dashed through deep snow into the line of fire multiple times to assess and care for critically wounded U.S. service members, March 4, 2002.

Miller was previously awarded the Silver Star medal for these actions, Nov. 1, 2003. The Air Force Cross is the service’s highest combat medal for valor, second only to the Medal of Honor.

“We are blessed to have Airmen like Keary in the Special Tactics community,” said Col. Michael Martin, the 24th Special Operations Wing commander, who directed training for Miller’s pararescue team before their deployment in 2002. “In an extraordinary situation, Keary acted with courage and valor to save the lives of 10 special operations teammates. This medal upgrade accentuates his selflessness despite an overwhelming enemy force..although Keary may humbly disagree, he belongs to a legacy of heroes.”

Miller was deployed from the 123rd Special Tactics Squadron, an Air National Guard unit based in Standiford, Kentucky. During the mission, he was the Air Force combat search and rescue team leader assigned to a U.S. Army Ranger quick reaction force.

“I would describe Keary as a dedicated pararescueman –

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## AF responds to hiring freeze

**Secretary of the Air Force**  
**Public Affairs**

WASHINGTON — The Air Force is working with the Defense Department to provide additional guidance on the federal civilian hiring freeze implemented Jan. 23.

According to the official memorandum, the hiring freeze applies to all executive departments and agencies regardless of the sources of their operational and programmatic funding, excepting military personnel. Exemptions may be permitted to meet the national security mission and public safety responsibilities or to prevent essential services from interruption. During this freeze, contracting outside the government is not permitted.

The appointment of federal

employees who began work on or before Jan. 23 will not be affected and those with existing "firm" offers with effective dates on or before Feb. 22 may proceed. The Air Force Personnel Center will provide individual notices to those directly affected by this freeze. This will include those individuals who received job offers prior to Jan. 22 with a confirmed start date after Feb. 22, or in some cases, no start date.

The official memorandum calls for the implementation of a long-term plan to reduce the size of the federal civilian workforce through attrition. This plan is to be submitted within 90 days by the Office of Management and Budget in coordination with the Office of Personnel Management.

“Our civilian force is absolutely critical to our readiness and

mission, we are taking every step to ensure we get this right," said Lt. Gen. Gina M. Grosso, the deputy chief of staff for Air Force manpower, personnel and services. "Our team has been working closely with OSD to draft clear Air Force guidance on implementation and hiring freeze exemptions. As of today, we have not received the final DOD guidance memorandum, which we believe will contain some relief in critical mission areas. Once the DOD guidance is released, we will provide the field with detailed guidance on exemption processing to ensure the most swift and effective method to request needed relief."

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# A-10 pilots, Army brigade combat teams train



A pilot from the 74th Fighter Squadron waits to take off Jan. 24 during Green Flag-West 17-03 at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev. The 74th FS brought 12 A-10s to GFW in support of a joint, large-force, combat readiness exercise for close air support integration training.

Staff Sgt. Ryan Callaghan  
23RD WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

NELLIS AIR FORCE BASE, Nev. — Pilots from the 74th Fighter Squadron prepared for future deployments while participating in Green Flag-West 17-03 from Jan. 13-27 at Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada. GFW is an air-land integration exercise that gives Air Force pilots a chance to conduct realistic close air support in a joint training environment designed to mirror the current conditions present in overseas contingency operations.

“Green Flag is a big exercise where we get to train with a lot of Army assets that we don’t normally work with,” said Air Force Maj. Michael Dumas, the 23rd Fighter Group chief of standards and evaluation. “We’re supporting an entire brigade combat team, more than 4,500 guys, and being involved in that kind of large force exercise is really great training for us. It’s especially important for our younger guys who have never been exposed to this kind of integration.” Air Force 1st Lt. Kyle Singletary, an A-10C Thunderbolt II

pilot from the 74th FS, is on his first large-scale exercise with the squadron. “I think Green Flag is preparing us well because we get to see what the Army would actually look like on the ground in a deployed environment,” Singletary said. “We get to see what close air support is supposed to be doing in a large-scale battle and the associated difficulties that come along with it, like battle tracking, finding targets and flying alongside artillery fire. “These are the scenarios we try to simulate back home in

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our training,” Singletary continued. “So the main difference, and the real benefit of coming out here, is that it’s all real.” An added benefit of the realism inherent with an exercise this size is an extra challenge called battle tracking, keeping track of the targets as they move and react to friendly force movements. “It’s a pretty cool problem to have because it’s very difficult for us to simulate back home,” Dumas said. “It’s the same training every day, so we all know where the targets are. Here, there’s a bunch of stuff

on the ground and you don’t always know what it is. Providing close are support while working through the uncertainty of finding the friendlies to protect and the targets to kill is really important practice for when we go to support Operation Inherent Resolve.” The friendly forces and targets alike are on the ground at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, California, where the Army conducts pre-deployment certification training and according to Army Capt. Zachary Busenbark, the 357th Ground Liaison Detachment, 4th Battlefield Coordination Detachment ground liaison officer, realism is the name of the game.

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fleet of HH-60s which conduct personnel recovery operations into hostile environments. Working on aircraft has been a lifelong dream for Dullaghan. Though his recruiter and father recommended the electronics career

field when he first enlisted in the 70s, Dullaghan knew he always wanted to “turn wrenches.” What truly drew him back was the relationships he developed while serving. “It was a family, and that’s the stuff you always miss,” Dullaghan said. “There’s a brotherhood here that you can’t find anywhere else. I know there are guys that I haven’t seen in 30 years, that if I were to get a hold of them again, it’s like we were never apart, we wouldn’t skip a beat.” This time around is no different. “This is the guy or the gal that I can put my back up against and they’ve got me and I’ve got them,” he said about the men and women he works with day in and day out.

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## Training

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system. However, Airmen are highly encouraged to discuss their personal situations with a personal financial counselor at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. The training (course number J3OP-US1332) is now available via Joint Knowledge Online and takes approximately two hours to complete.

Only those active Airmen who, as of Dec. 31, have served fewer than 12 years, or Reserve Airmen who have accrued fewer than 4,320 retirement points, will have the option of electing BRS or remaining in the legacy retirement system. These Airmen will be required to take the Opt-In training and should provide a copy of the JKO training certificate to their unit training manager upon completion.

The Air Force recommends BRS training for all Airmen and encourages them to take either the Opt-In course or the BRS Leader Training on JKO (course number J3OP-US1330). Many leaders may not be eligible to opt-in to BRS themselves, but still need to be knowledgeable about the new system to understand what their junior Airmen should know as they prepare to make their decisions in 2018. The leader training course is also available to those without a Common Access Card – to include family members – via an alternate website.

BRS information is continuously updated on myPers. Click “Retirement” from any military landing page.

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# Travis competes for AF-level award

Base wins against Air Mobility Command, now up for food service award for second consecutive year



1) Sam Simmons, 60th Force Support Squadron, restocks food Jan. 25 at the Sierra Inn Dining Facility at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The facility was named Air Mobility Command's best and now competes at the Air Force level for the Hennessey Award, which recognizes excellence in food service.

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

The Sierra Inn Dining Facility at Travis Air Force Base, California, is Air Mobility Command's Region 2 nominee to compete for the John L. Hennessy Trophy. The Hennessy Trophy is presented to the best food service program in the Air Force and each major command nominates a base to compete. Travis will compete for the honor for a seventh time and will represent Region 2 for the second straight year. Region 2 covers a large geographic area beginning west of the Mississippi River and stretching to Asia. "Being nominated to compete for the Hennessy Trophy is a great honor and shows that we are part of an elite group of superior performers," said Tech. Sgt. Ginger Bell, 60th Force Support Squadron dining facility manager from Radcliff, Kentucky. "Our No. 1 priority is our customers and we take great pride in our work. This nomination validates what we already know...that we perform with excellence every day," said Bell. Senior Master Sgt. Robert Lombardi, 60th FSS sustainment services flight superintendent

**"I'm extremely proud of our 85-member food service team for all of their hard work to ensure mission success at Travis."**  
— Senior Master Sgt. Robert Lombardi

from Ludlow, Massachusetts, said his Airmen enable Travis to be successful. "We provide food service to 26,000 Travis military and family members so they can focus on the mission," Lombardi said. "I'm extremely proud of our 85-member food service team for all of their hard work to ensure mission success at Travis." Excellence is the hallmark of the Hennessy Trophy. According to the Hennessy Award website, the program's focus is promoting excellence in customer service and food service support within the Air Force. Achieving success in the competition is a reflection of pride, commitment and motivation to be the best. Airman 1st Class John Greedy, 60th FSS food service member from Santa Clarita, California, said he hopes the Travis community realizes the significance of what the Hennessy Trophy represents and encourages people to experience eating at the Sierra Inn. "This is a prestigious award because if we win it, we'll know that we are the best," Greedy said. "Just simply being selected to compete is a demonstration of our performance level." "We feed the base and provide a safe environment and high quality food," he added. "Come into our dining facility and experience excellent service." In 2016, the Sierra Inn Dining Facility provided nearly 400,000 meals to three facilities on base supporting three wings including the largest air mobility wing in AMC. The facility also oversees an inventory valued at \$480,000. The John L. Hennessy Award was established in 1957 and is the oldest military food service award. The award is named after John L. Hennessy, a hotel and restaurant executive who led a special Hoover Commission Task Group advisory of military food service and commissaries board to improve military food service.



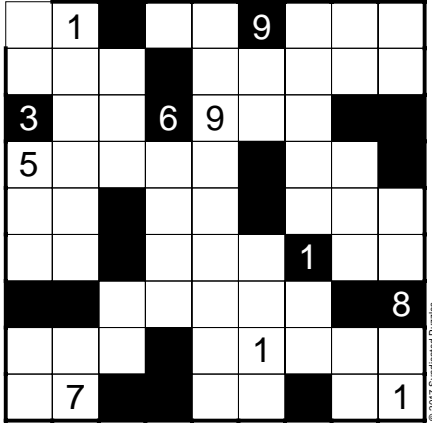
2) Staff Sgt. Michael Thiessen, 60th Force Support Squadron, prepares hash browns Jan. 25 at the Sierra Inn Dining Facility at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. 3) Tech. Sgt. Arnulfo Valdez, 60th FSS, moves a pallet of food in the storage area Jan. 25 at the dining facility. 4) Airman Eileen Rodriguez-Berumen, 60th FSS, retrieves food from a cooler Jan. 25 at the dining facility. 5) Don Wise, 60th FSS, places meat in a tray Jan. 25 at the dining facility. 6) Airman 1st Class Zachary Wilson, 60th FSS, prepares grilled cheese sandwiches during lunch Jan. 25 at the dining facility.



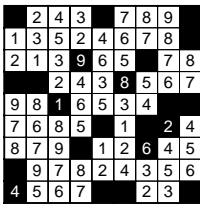
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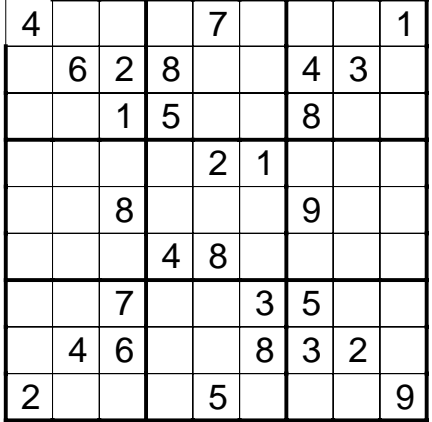
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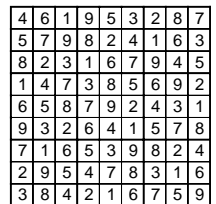
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News Notes

Upcoming events and information

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**2017 Scholarships for Military Children.** The Defense Commissary Agency scholarship application period runs through Feb. 17. Students with questions regarding the application should contact scholarship managers directly at 856-616-9311 or [militaryscholar@scholarshipmanagers.com](mailto:militaryscholar@scholarshipmanagers.com). Results will post on the scholarship website at [www.militaryscholar.org](http://www.militaryscholar.org) on or about May 15.

Recurring events and information

**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 E. Scott" Chapter 1320.** General membership meetings are from 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. on the first Friday of every month at Wingman's in the Delta Breeze Club. For more information, contact Master Sgt. Francisco Zamorano Jr.

**Airmen's Attic and Loan Locker.** The Airmen's Attic and the Loan Locker are open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday and from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the last Saturday of every month for all ranks. It is located at 560 Hickam Ave. For more information, call 707-424-8740 or visit the Facebook page "Travis AFB Airmen's Attic."

**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.

**Bunco.** 6 p.m. every third Wednesday of the month at the USO Daedelon Room. For more information, visit [www.esctravis.com](http://www.esctravis.com).

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**Family Advocacy Women's support group.** Weekly meeting from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday for women with past or current domestic violence events in their lives. Meet at the David Grant USAF Medical Center's Mental Health conference room. For more information, call Molly Martinez at 707-423-5158.

**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://pdpform.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://jhns.release.dma.mil/public> and fill out the information.

**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](mailto: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 p.m. first and third weekends of the month. For more information, call 707-557-4646.

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**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 identification.** The prohibition in 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 years 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 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 have three hours or more to give, call 707-424-3905.

**SGLI and vRED.** The Record of Emergency Data, aka vRED, and Servicemembers Group Life Insurance form are two of the most-critical documents a service member is responsible for maintaining throughout a military career. Commanders, Casualty Assistance personnel and Mortuary Affairs personnel rely heavily on these two documents as a vital source of information when a crisis occurs resulting in serious injury or death of the service member.

**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](mailto: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 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](mailto: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.mil](mailto:richard.shea@us.af.mil).

**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.

**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.

**Tuskegee Airman Lee A. Archer Chapter.** Meets at 1 p.m. third Saturday of the month at Nut Tree Airport. For more information, call James Harris at 707-631-6361.

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

- Linda Claus, 60th Force Support Squadron.
- Peter Escobedo, 60th Logistics Readiness Squadron.
- Sabina Lopez, 349th Civil Engineer Squadron.
- Deirdre Mullin, 60th Medical Operations Squadron.
- Robert Simcox, 60th Comptroller Squadron.



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

**Today**

- 6:30 p.m. "Sing" (PG-13)
- 9 p.m. "Rogue One: A Star Wars Story" (PG-13)

**Saturday**

- 6:30 p.m. "Moana" (PG)
- 9 p.m. "Passengers" (R)

For more information about the Reel Time program, visit <http://bit.ly/2iDWJEy>.

• Frank Singson, 60th LRS.

• Donald Webb, 60th Communications Squadron.

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.

**What's Cookin' Wednesday.** Free lunch served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Wednesday at Bldg. 1348 in the dorms for active duty, Guard and reservists. Family area available with children's TV programs.

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., offered Quarterly.
- Youth Choir: 1 p.m. Sunday.
- Children's Choir: 2 p.m. Sunday.
- Adult Choir: 4 p.m. Sunday.
- Catholic Women of the Chapel: 6 p.m. 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: 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday.
- **Protestant First Street Chapel**
- Protestant Community Service: 9 to 10:15 a.m. Sunday.
- Gospel Worship Service: 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Sunday.
- Children's Ministry is provided for 6 months olds through fifth grade.
- Protestant Men of the Chapel: 8 to 9 a.m., first Saturday of every month.
- **Twin Peaks Chapel**
- Protestant Women of the Chapel: 9:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday.
- **Airmen's Ministry Center**

The Peak is open from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday at Bldg. 1348. Homecooked meal Tuesday's at 6 p.m. followed by Bible study at 7 p.m.

**David Grant Medical Center**  
Roman Catholic Mass: Noon to 12:35 p.m. Monday through Thursday (except for federal holidays).

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

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Upcoming events and information

**Chinese New Year Parade in San Francisco.** Join the once-a-year adventure Feb. 11. See gorgeous floats, elaborate costumes, ferocious lions and firecrackers light up the streets. \$20 per person. For more information, call 707-424-0969 or book online at [Travis-ODR.com](http://Travis-ODR.com).

**Paint night with Frosty Friends.** On Feb. 24, paint a pair of birds in a snowy scene from 6 to 9 p.m. at Arts and Crafts. All supplies are included and guests are welcome to refreshments and finger foods. Reservations required. \$20. For more information, call 707-424-2929.

**Ski shuttles for single Airmen & RecOn.** For just \$5, Outdoor Recreation is providing transportation to various ski resorts around Lake Tahoe. Don't forget to head to the rentals area to get a ski or snowboard tune-up starting at \$20. Single Airmen and RecOn receive priority at the discounted rate. All others are welcome. For more information, call 707-424-0969 or visit [Travis-ODR.com](http://Travis-ODR.com).

For more information, visit <http://www.travisfss.com>.

Local events

Art exhibits

**Artiszen Cultural Arts Center.** Kahil El'Zabar & The Ethnic Heritage Ensemble, 8 p.m. Feb. 4; gallery open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, noon to 6 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, 337 Georgia St., Vallejo. [www.artiszen.org](http://www.artiszen.org).

**Arts Benicia.** Art of Community, through Feb. 19; Ekphrastic Poetry Readings with the Benicia First Tuesday Poets, 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday; open noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday during exhibitions; 991 Taylor St., Suite 114, Benicia. Free. 747-0130, [www.artsbenicia.org](http://www.artsbenicia.org).

**Benicia Plein Air Gallery.** Terry Hughes and Marshall Lockman are February's featured artists; reception is 3 to 6 p.m. Feb. 18; open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, 307 First St., Benicia. 495-2940, [www.beniciapleinair.com](http://www.beniciapleinair.com).

**Coal Shed Studios.** Creations by Orna Pascal, 5 to 8 p.m. Feb. 10; 153 Waterfront Ave., Mare Island. [www.coalshedstudios.com](http://www.coalshedstudios.com).

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**The Corner Store Gallery.** Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, 320 Cernon St., Vacaville. 688-8889, [www.thecornerstoregallery.com](http://www.thecornerstoregallery.com).

**El Comalito Collective.** "I See You," through Feb. 4; "A Day in the Life," Feb. 10 through March 5; reception Feb. 10; open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, 302 Georgia St., Vallejo. [www.elcomalitocollective.com](http://www.elcomalitocollective.com).

**Fairfield-Suisun Visual Arts Association Gallery.** Blue Art Show, through Feb. 15; reception 5:30 to 8 p.m. Feb. 10; open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, Solano Town Center, 1350 Travis Blvd., Suite D8, Fairfield. 688-8889, [www.fvaa-arts.org](http://www.fvaa-arts.org).

**Gallery 621.** "Connecting," paintings and sculpture from Nikki Basch-Davis through March 5; reception is 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 11; open noon to 3 p.m. Thursday, noon to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday, 309 First St., Benicia. [www.gallery621.com](http://www.gallery621.com).

**Lawler House Gallery.** "In My Dreams," through April 23, reception 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday; open noon to 4 p.m. Friday through Sunday, 718 Main St., Suisun City. [www.lawlerhousegallery.org](http://www.lawlerhousegallery.org).

**Marilyn Citron O'Rourke Art Gallery.** Open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, noon to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday, Benicia Public Library, 150 E. L St. 747-8122, [www.benicialibrary.org](http://www.benicialibrary.org).

**Vacaville Art League Gallery.** Art Teacher show with spotlight on "Portraits of Cuba 2016," with photos from Ed Finkas, through Saturday; Local Inspiration, Feb. 25

through March 25 with works from Jan Lightfoot and JoRene Daniel, reception is Feb. 25; open noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 718 E. Monte Vista Ave. Free. 448-8712, [www.vacavilleartgallery.com](http://www.vacavilleartgallery.com).

Local auditions

**Solano Community Symphony.** Open auditions by appointment, both amateurs and professionals are invited to apply, Mary Eichbauer, orchestra manager. 747-1946, email [gg-mee@ix.netcom.com](mailto:gg-mee@ix.netcom.com), [www.solanosymphony.org](http://www.solanosymphony.org).

**Solano Winds Community Concert Band.** Open auditions for brass, woodwind and percussionists, by appointment. 429-0289, [sw-info@solanowinds.org](mailto:sw-info@solanowinds.org).

Regional auditions

**Capacitor Performance.** 4 to 8 p.m. Feb. 11, ODC Dance Commons, 351 Shotwell St., San Francisco. <https://www.odc.dance>.

**Davis Shakespeare.** 5 to 9 p.m. Feb. 26, Wilkerson Theatre, 1723 25th St., Sacramento and 5 to 9 p.m. Feb. 27, Shelton Theatre, 523 Sutter St., San Francisco. [www.shakespeareadvis.org/audition](http://www.shakespeareadvis.org/audition).

Regional events

**Asian Art Museum.** "Tomb Treasures: New Discoveries From China's Han Dynasty," Feb. 17 through May 28; open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, 200 Larkin St., San Francisco. 415-581-3500, [www.asianart.org](http://www.asianart.org).

**Crocker Art Museum.** "A Show of Force," through Feb. 26; open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, 1216 O St., Sacramento. 916-808-1182, [www.crockerartmuseum.org](http://www.crockerartmuseum.org).

Clinical study seeks volunteers from Air Force

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — In partnership with the Coriell Personalized Medicine Collaborative, recruitment has begun for Phase II of the Air Force Medical Service Personalized Medicine Clinical Utility Study. The aim of the study is to evaluate the utility of genetics and genomics in clinical care.

Phase I of the CUS took place from 2011 to 2013 and enrolled more than 2,100 AFMS personnel to provide education and training on the delivery of

genetic risk information. Phase II expands enrollment beyond the AFMS to reach across the Air Force. Recruitment events will take place at many Air Force facilities in the next 18 months with the goal of enrolling 4,500 new study participants. Online enrollment is also available.

This study is approved by the Air Force Research Laboratory under protocol number FWR20110046H.

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vital to the Air Force's efforts to combat terrorism in the Middle East. Those efforts range from Syria and Iraq to Afghanistan.

"The mission these Airmen do and the contributions they make are huge in the effort to win the war against Daesh while helping our partners build capacity providing security in their own countries," said Lt. Gen. Sam Cox, 18th Air Force commander. "What they do saves lives, every day, by making sure the right cargo and passengers get where they need to safely and on time."

Although there are multiple mobility forces assigned to AFCENT, the 816th EAS is one of the closest 18th AF assigned units supporting the fight in Iraq and Syria. As the only expeditionary squadron directly reporting to 18th AF, it draws on aircrews and maintainers from every C-17 unit to provide theater-direct delivery to the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility.

Put simply, the 816th EAS moves stuff.

And as the squadron's commander, Lt. Col. Steve Anderson, notes, they move a lot of stuff.

"We provide professional and safe combat airlift, bringing massive amounts of bullets,

bombs, food, water, construction materials, vehicles, passengers, helicopters and other items to the U.S. and Coalition forces via air-land or airdrop mission sets," he said. "We fly multiple sorties a day, 365 days a year."

In 2016, the squadron flew more than 2,400 missions, moving nearly 102,000 tons of cargo and almost 120,000 passengers.

Capt. Andrew Stitt, a C-17 pilot deployed from Joint Base Charleston, South Carolina, said the capabilities the squadron brings to the fight make the unit essential to U.S. Central Command's operations.

"Some of the places where Coalition forces are located are landlocked and do not have channels to obtain the necessary supplies that they need to fight in their region," Stitt said. "Because we are able to go into those countries with a minimum amount of risk, we are able to directly deliver and fulfill a need for forces to sustain operations."

Brig. Gen. John Williams is the Air Forces Central Director of Mobility Operations. As the senior mobility officer in USCENTCOM's area of responsibility, he advises senior air component leadership on mobility issues. He said the 816th EAS provides a way around some of the transportation challenges forces in the region face.

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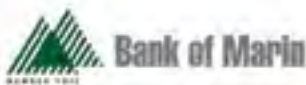
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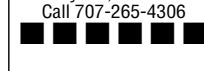
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U.S. Air Force photos  
by Louis Briscese



2) An active-shooter exercise Jan. 26 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif., evaluated David Grant USAF Medical Center staff's response and patient care procedures. 3) Service members from DGMC participate in the exercise. 4) A mock perpetrator participates the exercise.



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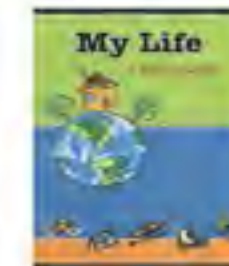
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1 Mar.	0900-1000	Investing Fundamentals
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