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Flight inspires officer's letter to daughter

BEEliners, friends and family, after reflecting on the recent all-woman BEE-liner mission to the Pacific, I felt compelled to write the following letter to my daughter:



Commentary by Lt. Col. Erik Fisher
21ST AIRLIFT SQUADRON

around the world and back. We did this to honor our past and recognize the service of women today. We also did it for you. We did it for the other 7-year-old girls in your first-grade class and all the young girls who will lead our country in the future.

Dearest Ella,
March is Women's History Month. To commemorate this occasion, the 21st Airlift Squadron "BEEliners" formed an all-woman C-17 Globemaster III aircrew to fly a mission to Australia. These women pilots, loadmasters, maintainers and public affairs personnel piloted, loaded, fixed and documented a journey halfway

In the history of our nation, equal opportunity for women was inexcusably delayed. Today, it is young and unfinished. We declared our independence from Britain in 1776, but it would take another 134 years for women to earn the right to vote nationally. In 1920, Congress finally ratified the 19th

Commander's Commentary

Amendment to the Constitution, stating the right "to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex." Your teachers will illuminate the stories of Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Lucy Stone. These courageous leaders founded the National American Woman Suffrage Association and fought valiantly for social equality and civil rights. In 1916, with Carrie Chapman Catt at the helm, NAWSA finally won the battle for women's suffrage, but the war for equal opportunity was

far from over.

In 1948, a year after the birth of the United States Air Force, Congress passed the Women's Armed Services Integration Act. This law granted full, rather than voluntary, status to women in the military. Until Congress passed the Civil Rights Act of 1964, workplaces suffered from rampant segregation and discrimination. Women were often clustered around certain jobs and marked with low status and low pay. In 1976, just 41 years ago, the first women were admitted to the military service academies. In 1991, Congress authorized women to fly combat missions. The last seven decades have seen much progress, but progress still

remains. Today, 20 percent of Air Force personnel are women, but only 6 percent of pilots are women. Recently, the "Me Too" and "Time's Up" campaigns illuminated the quest for equal opportunity. A portion of the glass ceiling remains. One day, it will be shattered completely. As your father and a leader in our United States Air Force, I offer these thoughts. I believe we must be one in service, and we are stronger because of, rather than despite, our differences. Some of our differences are visible – gender and the hue of our skin. Others are not always visible – the way we think and our inspirations and motivations.

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Toastmasters improves readiness, speaking skills

Commentary by Staff Sgt. Staci Warren
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PROTOCOL OFFICE

Commentary

I started attending Toastmasters meetings when I first arrived at Travis Air Force Base, California, a year and a half ago to improve my public speaking skills and get involved with other members of the base.

When I first started Toastmasters, I felt the usual jitters every time I was asked to speak in front of people. I was asked to brief a group of commanders on base about my unit's mission and could hear my voice shaking and feel my face turning red throughout the short speech.

Since Toastmasters has been a regular part of my life, I have improved markedly in my confidence in my abilities to speak in public, as well as my ability to listen effectively. For the last year and a half, I have felt the jitters go away, my voice shakes less and I am better equipped for both vertical and lateral communication.

It is easier now to project confidence in what I am saying, making my messages more clear and effective. This group provides me with a no-threat way

to continue to improve my skills and to watch and help others grow through the same pains that everyone feels when public speaking.

Recently, Lanora Cox, Team Travis Toastmasters vice president of education, shared her experience of coming to a new job at the Mitchell Memorial Library and how Toastmasters helped her through it.

"Although Travis is located near my home, working at the base generated a subtle but profound culture shock," said Cox. "Rank left me tongue tied. Toastmasters introduced me to techniques for how to rise above assumptions and be articulate in a new environment.

These are the very skills that Airmen need when they make the reverse transition to work in the world outside of the military. Toastmasters teaches the techniques of good speech not through memorization or theory, but through experience. In each meeting we have the opportunity to practice speaking in formal and informal ways. At our own pace, we present speeches to meet structured goals. We also participate in more extemporaneous speech. We receive and give critiques. Throughout all of this, we have fun."

Toastmasters provides an

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Easy being green: Couple's relationship blooms

Airman 1st Class Christian Conrad

60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

"To quote Big Sean, 'the grass ain't always greener on the other side, it's green where you water it.'"

Capt. Broderick Lockett, 21st Airlift Squadron director of staff, gives a long, sideways look at his wife, Capt. Aisha Lockett, 60th Air Mobility Wing executive officer, in a way that asks the question, "Did my wife just sum up our six-year marriage with a Big Sean lyric?"

The answer: an equally long, sideways look at her husband, and a smile, soon breaking into a laugh that says, "What better way to do so?"

The Locketts came to Travis Air Force Base, California, in 2015 and in that time, what grass they have found themselves on has been plentifully watered. From Broderick's participation in the Tuskegee Airmen heritage flight to Aisha's work in organizing a fun run in support of the Air Force Assistance Fund, their mark on Travis has been one of compassion, hard work and pride.

But being a dual-military couple hasn't been without its challenges.

"There's always the possibility of being sent to different bases when you're a military couple," said Broderick. "We've been fortunate so far as to be able to go through our careers in tandem, but we're



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Christian Conrad

Capt. Aisha Lockett, 60th Air Mobility Wing executive officer, and Capt. Broderick Lockett, 21st Airlift Squadron director of staff, stand together March 27 on the flightline at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The Locketts have been at Travis since 2015 and, in that time, have contributed not only to the base's standard of living, but also to its history and legacy.

sensible enough to realize that as our careers progress, there might be sacrifice that goes along with it. But we have each

other and that's always going to be enough to weather whatever comes our way."

Broderick and Aisha met

at Tuskegee University, Alabama in 2004. Finding themselves in the same Reserve Officers' Training Corps flight, it

wasn't before long that the two became a couple, starting on the road that would bring them

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On the cover

Capt. Jamie Larivee, aircraft commander assigned to the 21st Airlift Squadron, pilots a C-17 Globemaster III during a March 16 flight over the Pacific Ocean.

U.S. Air Force photo/Heide Couch



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WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

Name: Staff Sgt. Keith Perry.	Hometown: Jonesboro, Arkansas.	Family: Wife and three children.
Unit: 9th Air Refueling Squadron.	Time in service: Six years.	What are your hobbies? Roller blading.
Duty title: KC-10 flight engineer, section chief resources.	What are your goals? Be the best flight engineer, potentially cross train.	What is your greatest achievement? I rocked my transition to a new jet and community.

CHPS launches fitness program

Ashley Chappell
CIVILIAN HEALTH PROMOTION SERVICES

Winter is over and it's time to think about adopting a new, active lifestyle.

Let's "Spring Into Shape!" Join Civilian Health Promotion Services for the Spring Into Shape Physical Activity Challenge. This initiative is open to all federal civilian employees and active duty members.

Participation is free and easy. Participants who enroll at AFMCwellness.com, attend the initial and final check-ins with CHPS, complete and log at least 10 hours of physical activity and attend the CHPS class titled "Get Up and Get Moving" will receive a free fruit infuser water bottle.

SIS encourages participants to complete physical activity and track minutes completed on the AFMCwellness.com activity log starting April 9 through May 18. This year, SIS aims to help the workforce learn how to get up and get moving as regular physical activity is one of the most important things you can do for your health.

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- Enroll online at AFMCwellness.com: Now through April 18.
- Initial check-in and enrollment award pick-up: April 2 through 18.
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U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Charles Rivezzo

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Cadet 3rd Class Jack Bell, Cadet Squadron 29, poses for a photo on the Terrazzo March 19 at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colo. In the span of 72 hours, Bell talked a suicidal man off a Colorado Springs, Colo., overpass and helped air traffic controllers in Northern California locate a downed aircraft.

Cadet faces eventful 72 hours

Staff Sgt. Charles Rivezzo
U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY PUBLIC AFFAIRS

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — The Air Force Academy's honor code says a cadet will not lie, cheat, steal or tolerate those who do. But there's a lot more to the honor code.

"To me, it's about doing what's right all the time and having the courage to act when it matters most," said Cadet 3rd Class Jack Bell, Cadet Squadron 29.

In the span of 72 hours, Bell talked a suicidal man off a Colorado Springs overpass and helped air traffic controllers in Northern California locate a downed aircraft.

When it comes to living with honor,

Bell said, "Sometimes there's a gray area and it doesn't have anything to do with lying, stealing or cheating but with simply having integrity in how we carry out our everyday actions."

Driving south Feb. 21 on Interstate 25, Bell noticed a man standing on the ledge of the Interquest Parkway overpass.

"That was something that obviously looked out of place, so I pulled over," he said. "I could tell this guy wasn't doing OK and something wasn't right. I was just shocked by how many people drove by like nothing was wrong."

Bell pulled over to the shoulder of the interstate overpass and dialed 911 to ask for assistance. He cautiously moved toward the man.

"I started with making small talk trying to get him off the ledge," Bell said. "He kept saying 'no, no, I'm fine.' He clearly wasn't."

Bell engaged the man in conversation, trying to entice him off the ledge.

"I asked him, what do you plan on doing up here?" he said. "That's when he kind of snapped out of it and realized what he was doing and got very emotional. He mentioned something about God and I saw that as an opportunity to use faith to connect with him."

For 15 minutes, Bell convinced the man to step down from the ledge.

"I finally said, 'how about we walk off this bridge together,' and he agreed," Bell said.

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Travis Airman chosen for degree program

Kat Bailey
AIR FORCE'S PERSONNEL CENTER
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas — A Travis Air Force Base, California, Airman was among those the Air Force recently selected to participate in the Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program.

Staff Sgt. Ashley Halverston, 60th Inpatient Squadron, was selected from Travis. The other participants and their current assigned units are Staff Sgt. Shane Berger,

Davis Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona; Senior Airman Leslie Gore, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland; Tech. Sgt. Almaz Jamankulov, Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Staff Sgt. Judith Mathess, Goodfellow AFB, Texas; Staff Sgt. Verity Oltjenbruns, JB McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey; Staff Sgt. Amber Powell, Beale AFB, California; and Tech. Sgt. Sean Smith, Chantilly, Virginia.

The program, aka EMDP2, begins in July. It offers enlisted Airmen an opportunity to complete the preparatory

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Jessica Jones
ARMY AND AIR FORCE EXCHANGE
SERVICE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Military children can be an engineer for the day during Month of the Military Child by building their own Lego City hero April 7 at the Travis AFB Main Exchange.

The Lego "Heroes Needed" event will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 7 at the Travis Exchange Main Store and helps military brats find their inner heroes while celebrating creativity. This event will allow children to build city scenes to bring out the heroism within

April 7 event to create city scenes

them. The Lego kits will come complete with monster trucks, forest tractors, police scenes and beach scenes with families having fun together.

Military children four and older will receive a certificate for participating.

"Science, technology, engineering and mathematics skills will continue to be in high demand as children grow up," said Phonda Bishop, Exchange facility manager. "It's an honor to share this activity with our military kids so they can have

fun bringing their imagination to life."

The Lego "Heroes Needed" event is one of several in-store activities planned by the Army & Air Force Exchange Service in celebration of Month of the Military Child, which every April recognizes the contributions of warfighters' children to the armed forces community.

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Senior Master Sgt. Travis Shaw, Headquarters Air Combat Command Surgeon General pararescue programs manager, talks to Airmen during a water confidence training class March 6 at Anderson Field House at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.

Airman teaches others from own shortcoming

Airman 1st Class Monica Roybal
633RD AIR BASE WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS, Va. — As he drove home on an overcast winter's day, a flood of critical thoughts fueled feelings of defeat that consumed every moment since the blow horn was pressed to signal, "I quit."

Staff Sgt. Michael Svoleantopoulos, 497th Operations Support Squadron weapons tactician, returned from the Air Force Pararescue Indoctrination Course much sooner than he anticipated.

Svoleantopoulos spent the previous three years mentally and physically training for his goal to successfully cross-train into pararescue. Four weeks into the 13-week development and indoctrination course, he blew the horn to signify self-induced elimination.

"I was feeling extremely low and pathetic," said Svoleantopoulos. "I stopped working out and I just didn't care. My direction in life was to get that beret and I failed. I didn't know what to do anymore."

Svoleantopoulos said a chance run-in with his training partners at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia, in December 2017, is what sparked the beginning of his recovery process. He said the support system of friends and his desire to want to give back to the battlefield Airman community is what helped him bounce back from this personal defeat.

The first step toward recovery was returning to the water confidence classes instructed by Senior Master Sgt. Travis Shaw, Headquarters Air Combat Command Surgeon General

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The NMCMS, as the lead

coordinators, are required to make substantial contact with wounded warriors and caregivers at least every 30 days. Contact is made through face-to-face visits, telephone calls, e-mails and text messages. Consistent back-and-forth dialogue helps establish trust and ensures the wounded warriors are not forced to

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U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Sean Campbell

Lt. Gen. Giovanni Tuck, center, 18th Air Force commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Todd Petzel, left, 18th AF command chief, talk with Airman Dorm Council representatives while touring the Airmen dorm campus March 20 at Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash.

Leaders visit Fairchild

Senior Airman Sean Campbell
92ND AIR REFUELING WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

FAIRCHILD AIR FORCE BASE, Wash.— The 18th Air Force commander and 18th AF command chief met with Fairchild Airmen to discuss goals, priorities and laud Airmen's efforts during a visit March 19-22 at Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington.

Lt. Gen. Giovanni Tuck, 18th Air Force commander, stressed the importance of Fairchild's dedication to making aerial refueling happen, as well as how vital each Airman is to the 18th AF mission.

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Friday, March 30th
Good Friday - Service at Noon

Saturday, March 31st
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Thursday, March 29 Maundy Thursday service 7pm
Friday, March 30 Good Friday service at Noon
Friday, March 30 Way of the Cross service 7pm
Saturday, March 31 Holy Saturday service at Noon

Easter Schedule
Saturday, March 31 Easter Vigil service at Ascension, Vallejo, 7pm
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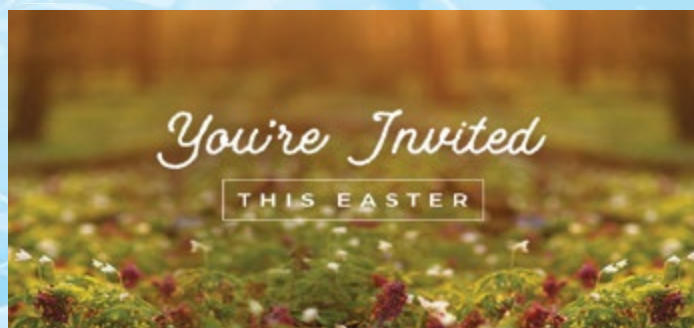
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Agencies reach new milestone



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Stakeholders from Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va., NASA Langley Research Center, the Air Force Civil Engineer Center and the Office of Energy Assurance meet in preparation for the assessment kickoff meeting for JB Langley-Eustis' Energy Savings Performance Contract.

J. Brian Garmon
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY

TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — The Air Force Civil Engineer Center and the Office of Energy Assurance recently attended a historic Energy Savings Performance Contract preliminary assessment kick-off at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia.

An ESPC is a partnership between federal agencies and energy service companies that provides energy savings, resiliency, and facility improvements with no up-front capital costs to the government. This ESPC represents the first collaborative project between AFCEC and OEA to reach the acquisition stage and is also the first to include NASA as a stakeholder.

"The partnership between AFCEC and OEA represents the future, utilizing energy savings projects to provide energy assurance and resiliency for the Air Force,"

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Packages for test pilot due May 27

Kat Bailey
AIR FORCE'S PERSONNEL CENTER
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH — Application packages for the U.S. Air Force Test Pilot School selection board are due by May 27.

The board, set for July 23-25, will consider total force officer and current Air Force civilian applicants to attend training as early as July 2019. Officers may apply to become a test pilot, test combat systems officer or test remotely piloted aircraft pilot. Both officers and civilians interested in flight test engineer positions are encouraged to apply. Applicants from all aircraft types and backgrounds must have strong academic and technical experience.

Capt. Bradley Diedrick, Air Force's Personnel Center assignments officer, pointed out a few changes to this year's application process. Air Force Materiel Command approved a reduction in the flying hours required in the experience eligibility requirements for test pilots, CSOs and RPA pilots.

There also are new application forms. Diedrick said applicants should use the forms attached to the TPS Personnel Services Delivery Memorandum on myPers or available on the TPS website, rather than the forms posted on the Air Force E-Publishing website.

Program graduates will earn a Master of Science in flight test engineering through Air University.

Find additional information about rank requirements, eligibility criteria, process and other specifics on myPers using a CAC-enabled, .mil computer.

For more information about Air Force personnel programs, visit the AFPC public website.



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Mariette Adams

Staff Sgt. Amanda Morgan, Cybersecurity Foundry Course student, receives assistance from Airman 1st Class Shelby McKinlay, a CFC instructor, March 9 at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.

AFCYBER hosts new course

Tech. Sgt. R.J. Biermann
AIR FORCES CYBER PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND, Texas — Air Forces Cyber hosted its first-ever Cybersecurity Foundry Course March 5-14 at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.

Eighteen cyberspace professionals shared their knowledge and expertise of cybersecurity functions, processes, procedures and data analysis skills with 100 cyberspace students from across the Air Force, all with one goal in mind.

"We're making this investment in our Airmen to improve the mission readiness and health of our Air Force network," said Maj. Gen. Chris Weggeman, AFCYBER commander.

"We are building and executing these training (courses) to teach and empower our Airmen to effectively employ these cybersecurity and defense tools, and deliver mission readiness and mission assurance for our service."

During the two-week

course, students received interactive instruction and hands-on keyboard training. They also completed practical exams to demonstrate their concept understanding.

"We're showing the students the full capability of the cybersecurity tools available to them," said Airman 1st Class Shelby McKinlay, a course instructor who is also a patch management technician with the 83rd Network Operations Squadron. "They can take what they've learned back to their base to provide them a better understanding of these tools as well."

One student plans to do just that.

"Each tool does something different throughout the AFNet to give us a complete picture of network security and to mitigate vulnerabilities," said Marcus Taite, Air Force District of Washington cybersecurity branch chief and course student. "I'm eager to get back to work to use these tools more."

McKinlay stressed the course's importance and its

support of cybersecurity. "Cybersecurity is integral to all Air Force missions," she said. "We can't get by without technology, and if we aren't vigilant, we can't protect it. These tools help us do that."

At Weggeman's direction, Capt. Leo Schoonover and Master Sgt. Michael Greene, 690th Cyberspace Operations Group and course creators, gathered various cybersecurity professionals last fall to brainstorm course content and goals. In January 2018, a pilot workshop was held to finalize lesson plans, student handouts, slides, tests and other course materials.

"This is an opportunity to pull together as a community, and provide tangible training solutions," said Schoonover. "This is a great first step."

The course is scheduled for three more iterations throughout 2018. In 2019, the course is scheduled to be included in client systems technician initial skills training, so every new technician will receive the training.

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All-female crew leads mission

Story and photos by Heide Couch

60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

On March 16, an all-female crew of seven Airmen assigned to the 21st Airlift Squadron and 945th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron took off from Travis Air Force Base, California, aboard a C-17 Globemaster III to accomplish their own unique milestone.

The mission was in recognition of Women's History Month, which the United States began as Women's History Week in 1982. The event was expanded to the entire month of March in 1987. The United States Air Force has made a tradition of commemorating this important occasion with special Women's Heritage Flights consisting of all-female aircrews.

While an all-women aircrew might not have been regular, the mission reflected what the Airmen do every day: transporting equipment and military personnel halfway around the world, and then back again.

"Almost 80 years ago, Amelia Earhart set a record flying from Oakland to Honolulu in 16 hours," said Capt. Jamie Larivee, 21st AS pilot and aircraft commander. "We did it our first day together, in six hours. The first Air Force women aviators only started flying in the last few decades. Today, I'm serving with a whole crew of amazing gifted ladies flying a mission just like any other."

Larivee has been in the Air Force for seven years. She is also a true Air Force brat; both of her parents also served in the Air Force.

"My brother and I got to meet so many incredible, hardworking and inspirational people in the Air Force, I wanted to join their team," she said. "It's important for me to serve, to help people around the world. I love to travel and I wanted an exciting job."

Having a career in any military field involves sacrifice and challenge. Being a woman can sometimes mean extra effort.

"A woman once said: In aviation, gender doesn't matter," Larivee said. "You're a flyer; the jet doesn't know the difference."

"Some days are different. We have to show we can do our jobs well while also staying true to



1) Capt. Victoria Nicholson and Capt. Nichole Evans, 21st Airlift Squadron pilots, make final approach to an undisclosed location in the Pacific region March 19 during a Women's Heritage Flight. An all-female C-17 Globemaster III crew conducted the mission that displayed pride in their heritage and showcased their ability to conduct rapid global mobility in today's Air Force by transporting equipment and military passengers to Pacific Command area of responsibility.

ourselves as women, that we can do what our country asks of us. This particular mission is a celebration of how far we've come in the century, even the last decade, as a nation, as a military and as a culture," she said.

Larivee takes inspiration from her own mother, who was in the first class of women at the Air Force Academy.

"She and her classmates had so many obstacles and people who doubted them, more than I ever will, but they made it and thrived in the Air Force together," she said.

The aircrew included three loadmasters, with one just starting her Air Force career, and one deciding to leave the military in a few months.

This was the first mission for Airman 1st Class Alexia Lewis, 21st AS loadmaster, her "dollar ride," and she was carefully guided throughout the trip by her senior members. Her professionalism and her efficiency outweighed any lack of inexperience.

"I hope to serve in the best and most dedicated way possible, though it feels like a sped up version of growing up," she said.

"You start out having a lot to learn, but in a few days you grow up and become far more familiar with your duties and the mission."

Even though she is new to the Air Force, the importance of the mission was clear to her.

"It is very significant flight in the sense that it has taken me over a year of training to get to this point," Lewis said. "It has also shown me how truly capable and globally ready we are. We can be anywhere in the world in a matter of hours. Being a mission-qualified loadmaster is my goal, and I feel like I have been set up for success by flying with these ladies."

Senior Airman Kaitlyn Besse, a loadmaster with the 21st AS, joined the Air Force three and a half years ago to be a part of something and to get life experience anywhere else, but has made the decision to move forward and rejoin the civilian sector.

"Moving on and leaving the Air Force feels like the hardest decision I've made so far in my life," said Besse.

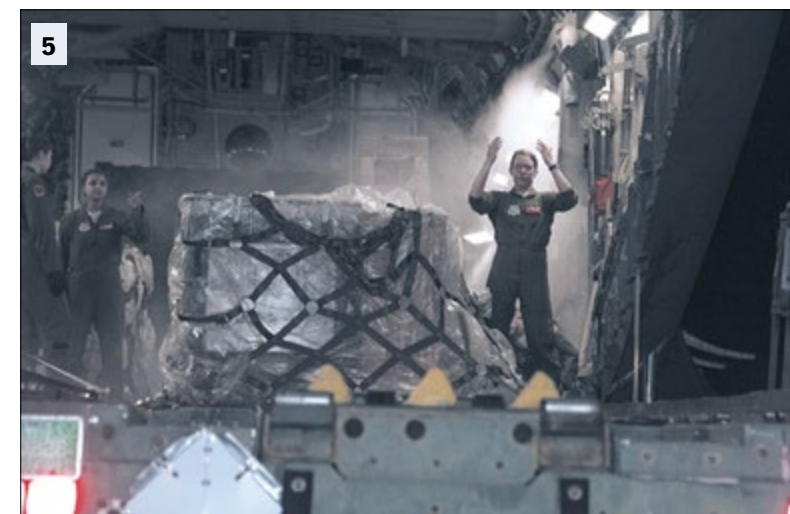
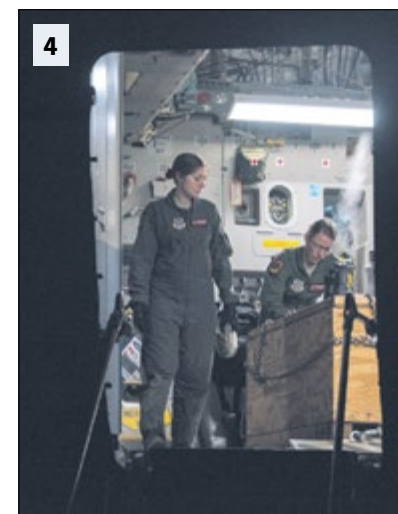
"I have always felt the Air Force was my first step to my future success," she said. "Now,

after nearly four years, the Air Force was probably the most important step to lead me to my future goals and ambitions. The Air Force has molded me into the strong confident female I am today. I'm excited to take all of my skills and experiences and apply it to college and my future."

The women all had a role to play during the mission to keep the flight running smoothly and on schedule. On-loading and off-loading massive cargo containers at various stops were efficiently executed by the women using skills learned by training and experience.

Other than marking Women's History Month, the female aircrew seemed to all share the same opinion. The mission was no different than any other tasked in Air Mobility Command.

"The best thing about it is, outside of the celebration of the Women's Heritage Flight, it's not special," said Capt. Tory Nicholson, 21st AS pilot. "We are a fully qualified, normal crew component, and we are our doing our jobs. We're not the first all-female crew and we definitely won't be the last."



2) Staff Sgt. Ashley Cardillo, 21st Airlift Squadron loadmaster, conducts a pre-flight inspection before a mission March 16 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. 3) Capt. Victoria Nicholson, 21st Airlift Squadron C-17 Globemaster III pilot, conducts a preflight inspection. 4) Senior Airman Kaitlyn Besse and Airman 1st Class Alexia Lewis, 21st Airlift Squadron loadmasters, prepare cargo for offload March 18 during a Women's Heritage Flight at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam. 5) Lewis marshals a tunner loader into position March 18 at Andersen.

Puzzles

STR8TS

No. 379 Tough

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Previous solution - Medium

3	2	1	6	7	4	5		
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	6	7	5	8	3	1	2	
7	6	8		1	2	5		
6	5	9	2	4	3	7	8	
5	7	4	1	3	2	8	6	9
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How to beat **Str8ts** – Like Sudoku, no single number can repeat in any row or column. But... rows and columns are divided by black squares into **compartments**. These need to be filled in with numbers that complete a "straight". A **straight** is a set of numbers with no gaps but can be in any order, eg [4,2,3,5]. Clues in black cells remove that number as an option in that row and column, and are not part of any straight. Glance at the solution to see how "straights" are formed.

SUDOKU

No. 379 Easy

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Previous solution - Very Hard

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

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

For many strategies, hints and tips, visit www.sudokuwiki.org

If you like Str8ts, Sudoku and other puzzles, check out our books, iPhone/iPad Apps and much more on our store at www.str8ts.com

News Notes

Take Your Kiddo to Work Day. April 24. Register at the Airman and Family Readiness Center to receive a free complimentary goody bag. Limited to 150. For more information, call 424-2486 or visit TravisAFRC.com.

Sexual Assault Response Coordinators. The alternate SARC serves in the absence of the primary SARC and deputy SARC due to leave, temporary duties, deployments, illness, etc. They also serve as subject matter experts once all requirements are met and training/certifications are completed. Officers O-2 and above or civilians GS-12 or equivalent, who have completed the VVA initial training and/or AF SARC course, has performed SAPR VA/VVA duties under SARC supervision, and are D-SACPC certified may serve as an alternate SARC. If interested or want additional information, please contact the SARC or SAPR VA at 707-424-1105 /1098 or email tiffany.stevenson@us.af.mil to receive a packet.

60th FSS

Upcoming

MLB discount tickets. Get tickets to the upcoming games: Los Angeles Dodgers at San Francisco Giants on April 7, Oakland Athletics at Giants on July 14 and Atlanta Braves at Giants on Sept. 11. For more information, call 707-424-0969.

UFC Fight Night. Watch Tony Ferguson vs. Khabib Nurmagomedov April 7 at Wingman's. Doors 7 p.m. All Pay-Per-View events shown at Wingman's are free for members. Nonmembers \$10. For more information, call 707-437-4737.

Zip-lining. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 15 via Outdoor Recreation. This adventure is \$25 for R4R eligible and \$85 for all others. Ages 18 and up. Call 424-0969 to learn if you qualify for R4R pricing.

Club member breakfast. 6:30-9 a.m. April 22 at the Delta Breeze Club. Nonmembers \$7.95.

Closures

NAF Human Resources Office hours. The office will close every Thursday. Business hours are 7:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday Wednesday and Friday. NAF HRO also is closed on federal holidays. For more information, call 707-424-4749.

News and notes

Dependent ID card renewal. Dependents can now renew their ID cards online at <http://bit.ly/2C01q9e>.

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

Chapel programs

Recurring events

- Catholic Twin Peaks Chapel**
- Roman Catholic Mass: 9 a.m. and noon

In the next week ...

fri Holy Thursday Mass. 6 p.m. March 29 at Twin Peaks Chapel.

Good Friday service. 6 p.m. March 30 at Twin Peaks Chapel.

Easter Eggstravaganza. 9:30 a.m. to noon March 30 at the Youth Center Baseball Field. Have fun with an egg hunt, Easter Bunny visit, games and prizes. For more information, call 707-424-5392.

sat Rebuilding Together Solano County. The group will host a work day involving Travis Air Force Base personnel from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 31 at 340 Mokolunne Drive in Vallejo. For more information, visit www.RebuildingTogetherSolanoCounty.org contact Elizabeth Hoffman via email at ehoffman.rts@gmail.com.

Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation scholarship program. Accepting applications for the 2018-19 academic year. All residents, including spouses and children, who live at a BBC-owned and managed property are eligible to apply. Applications must be submitted at www.bbcommunitiesfoundation.org by March 31.

Holy Saturday Vigil Mass. 8 p.m. March 31 at Twin Peaks Chapel.

Bunny Hop Run. 10 a.m. March 31 at the Travis Fitness Center. 1.5-mile run. Registration \$5. First 100 receive free shirt. Hunt for eggs while you run (ages 4-8) and find the "Golden Egg" to win a prize (ages 9 and up). For more information, call 707-424-2008.

Sunday.

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

First Street Chapel

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

sun Easter holiday hours. Due to the observance of Easter Sunday, several FSS facilities will experience temporary closure or limited operational hours. For more information, visit www.travisfss.com.

Easter Sunday Mass. 9 a.m. and noon April 1 at Twin Peaks Chapel.

Easter Brunch. 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. April 1 at the Delta Breeze Club. \$30.99 for club members, \$34.99 for nonmembers, children ages 4-11 \$12.99, children ages 3 and under free. For more information, call 707-424-2745.

mon Youth golf camp. April 2-5 at Cypress Lakes Golf Course. Youth ages 6 to 16 will have a chance to learn from our course pros. Camp registration \$99 and includes free set of golf clubs. Space limited. For more information, call 448-7186.

Horse Camp 101. 8 a.m. to noon April 2-4 at the Equestrian Center. English riding, horsemanship, grooming, feeding and much more. Lunch will be provided by Outdoor Recreation. The cost is \$50 for R4R eligible and \$200 for all other customers. Call 424-0969 to learn if you qualify for R4R pricing.

Youth tennis camp.

9 a.m. to noon April 2-6 at the Travis Fitness Center. All levels welcome. Stretch, warm-up, learn footwork drills and point play with coaches. Register at the Fitness Center front desk. For more information, call 707-424-2008.

DGMC Chapel

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

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

- Sacrament Services: 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Fairfield Stake Center, 2700 Camrose Ave., Fairfield.
- DGMC Chapel
- Latter-day Saints Service: 4 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday at DGMC Medical Center Chapel.
- For all other enquires, call LDS Military relations representatives at 707-535-6979

Protestant Upcoming

- Family Bible Study Night.** 5:30 p.m. free dinner, 6:30 p.m. at First Street Chapel. Six-week study. Children's ministry offered for 6 months to

12 years old. Begins March 22.

First Street Chapel

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

DGMC Chapel

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

Airmen's Ministry Center

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



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

Recurring

Air Force Office of Special Investigations.

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

Air Force Sergeants Association "Walter E. Scott" Chapter 1320. General membership meetings are at 3 p.m. on the second Friday of every month at Wingman's in the Delta Breeze Club. For more information, contact Senior Master Sgt. Angell Nichols or Tech. Sgt. Rebecca Linden de Romero.

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

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group.

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

Base emergency numbers.

Mobile phone



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

Today	
• 6:30 p.m. "Black Panther" (PG-13)	
• 9:30 p.m. "Red Sparrow" (R)	
Saturday	
• 6:30 p.m. "Forever My Girl" (PG)	
• 9 p.m. "Fifty Shades Freed" (R)	
Sunday	
• 2 p.m. "Peter Rabbit" (PG)	

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

Base illicit discharge number. To report sewage/water leaks or illegal dumping, call 707-424-2575. For hazardous chemical/material spills call the base emergency numbers.

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

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

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

Fairfield/Vacaville Train Station Project. Located at Peabody Road and Vanden Road in Fairfield with a six-lane overpass. Construction is scheduled for completion in October. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/1yNlBwW>.

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

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

Government no-fee passports. All submissions of applications for government no-fee passports must now include: 1) A photocopy of Military Identification Card front and back; 2) 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://pftform.state.gov> and/or <https://travel>.

state.gov. For more information, call 707-424-5324.

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

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 family members 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. Saturday. For more information, call 707-557-4646.

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

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

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, 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 NAF folks. Family members welcome, but must cover own costs. All registrations done via phone at 1-800-966-3844.

MPP self-renewal program. Did you know that dependents can now renew their ID cards online? To participate in this program, visit <http://bit.ly/2mR1gI2>. This program is limited only for renewing dependents' IDs. For all other services, visit MPP during duty hours or call 707-424-8483.

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

Photocopying of military identification.

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

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

Retiree Activities Office. Openings for

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

60th Air Mobility Wing Information Protection Office. All requests are done on Thursdays and by appointment only. Schedule an appointment by calling 707-424-3114 or by emailing 60arw.ip@us.af.mil. Fingerprinting is only for federal employment and for agencies with a valid support agreement. 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.

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.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.

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:

- Jessica Pope, 349th Air Mobility Wing
- Tony Brown, Scott Air Force Base.
- Daniel Durkin, 60th Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron.
- Anonymous employee, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.
- Anonymous employee, McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas.

The VLTIP 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.

Retiree Corner

New dental program insurance choices coming

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — People who have TRICARE Retiree Dental Program coverage now need to know that the program is ending Dec. 31.

Anyone with TRDP this year or those people who would have been eligible for the plan will be able to choose a dental plan from among 10 dental carriers in the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program, or FEDVIP. Beneficiaries can begin reviewing program options now at www.opm.gov/

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said Les Martin, AFCEC's Program Development division chief. "Combining expertise in the process will continue to set these projects up for success."

The secretary of the Air Force and chief of staff of the Air Force launched OEA in February 2016. It serves as "a storefront for strategic energy resilience, achieving mission assurance through energy assurance."

"Our particular ESPC is unique. We are not only a joint base, but also are partners with the NASA Langley Research Center," said Dan Porter, JB Langley-Eustis base energy manager. "There are issues and challenges that have not yet been encountered on other ESPCs. AFCEC and OEA aren't just outside agencies who are just checking off a list then leaving us on our own. We feel as though we are all in this together and have shared interest in making this project successful for (JB

Langley-Eustis) and NASA."

Porter was then asked what benefits the partnership between OEA and AFCEC brought to JB Langley-Eustis.

"Working with AFCEC and OEA on this and other projects feels like being in the right place at the right time," said Porter. "OEA came to (JB Langley-Eustis), observed and listened to us and our mission partners, then formulated courses of action tailored to our needs. When determining what avenue to pursue, AFCEC provided

recommendations that helped us in our decision-making process. Once we decided to pursue an ESPC, AFCEC did the heavy lifting. After all, they had the experience of executing these contracts and knew what was needed to achieve our goals."

In addition to the installation stakeholders, Energy Systems Group, the energy services provider selected to perform the assessment, was in attendance to ask and answer questions related to the project.

"The Air Force Civil Engineer

Center and Office of Energy Assurance have worked closely together to drive this innovative approach, and ESG is honored to support the critical missions at Joint Base Langley-Eustis and NASA Langley," said Steve Spanbauer, Energy Systems Group senior vice president.

Installations interested in pursuing energy cost-saving projects are encouraged to reach out to AFCEC through the Reachback Center at (888) 232-3721 or at AFCEC.RBC@us.af.mil.

Lt. Gen. Giovanni Tuck, 18th Air Force commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Todd Petzel, 18th AF command chief, are shown in an isochronal inspection during a mission immersion March 20 at Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash.

U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Sean Campbell



Leaders

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operations around the globe, he added.

"We're talking about putting Airmen, like you, in contact with our joint forces," Tuck said. "For everything we are asked to do, I promise you we are going to do it as a total force with our coalition partners, operating in a joint environment."

Innovation is the

lifeblood of the Air Force and Fairchild's middle name. Tuck and Petzel heard directly from Airmen about their innovations during the mission immersion and were impressed with their talent and ideas to move the mission even better and faster.

"We spent much of our time here engaging with Airmen and they had much to say," Tuck said. "If any Airman has a great idea, then I'm game to hear it. Anyone

can make an impact." Petzel commended the hard work and sacrifices Team Fairchild continually brings to the fight.

"Everything we do as an Air Force starts and ends with Airmen," said Chief Master Sgt. Todd Petzel, 18th AF command chief. "It takes each and every member of the team to move this mission; from the front office to the flightline to the cockpit, you are making it happen."

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Academy security forces and firefighters arrived to the scene while Bell walked with the man up the street.

"He had a wife and two kids," Bell said. "He hugged me afterward and told me he was just waiting for a semi-truck to come down the freeway before I started talking to him. That's what he went there to do and he was ready to act upon those intentions. I am so grateful that he was able to return safely to his family and get the help he needed."

72 hours earlier

Bell, a licensed pilot, was flying an SR-22 aircraft with his brother, sister and fellow cadet, C3C Austin Kintz, toward Monterey, California. Over the radio, air traffic control told Bell of a plane in his area that fell off their radar and went radio silent. Engine failure was the last transmission the controllers received.

"Up in the air, everyone is a fellow Airman," Bell said. "Airman to Airman, you help each

other out when in need. It's what we do in the military as a whole, we answer the call whenever and however it comes. So it wasn't even a second thought for me."

Air traffic controllers gave Bell the last coordinates of the missing plane and asked if he would fly over the area.

"I had to find a small hole in the clouds that I could punch through and do a little tactical spiral descent to get down below the cloud layer and head toward the location we were given," he said.

Bell located the aircraft in a California coastal mountain range and circled the area. His passengers looked out the window reporting on the crash site while Bell circled the aircraft above the scene. They could see that the wings and fuselage appeared intact and that the pilot had survived the impact.

Bell radioed their observations, allowing for first responders to quickly find the crash site and expedite rescue efforts.

"I know someone else would have done the same for me," Bell said. "It's the kind of brotherhood mentality we breed here (at the Academy) and in the flying community as a whole."

Bell said his actions stemmed in part from his military upbringing and the values instilled within him from a young age. His father served as a Navy fighter pilot for 20 years and his mother has an extensive background within education.

"My parents played a significant role in shaping me into who I am today," he said. "They used to always tell us, if you can look yourself in the mirror at the end of the day and be satisfied with your actions, then you know you did the right thing. That's what makes character and integrity."

"To me, that's what this whole experience (the Academy) has meant as well. It's about learning the core values of service and living honorably all the time. It's rare when we come across these kinds of situations, but when we do, we have an opportunity to make a difference. Then it's simply a matter of acting."

Maj. Jamie Johnson, the air commanding officer of CS-29, spoke highly of Bell's courage to do the right thing.

"Jack is an exceptional testament of how one Airman can make life-changing impact on others," he said.

Teaches

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pararescue programs manager. Svoleantopoulos said he has been attending the classes since they met two years ago.

"He has invested so much time in us and I owe it to him to use the insight that I have gained to help others in the class to succeed," said Svoleantopoulos. "I need to show my appreciation for his hard work by paying it forward."

For the past five years, Shaw, who cross-trained into pararescue, has been teaching an informal water confidence training class for service members interested in cross-training into battlefield Airman careers such as pararescue and combat control.

"I focus on water training because I know from personal experience how much guidance is needed in that part of the indoctrination course," Shaw said. "This is where most people falter, so I need to prepare them for the toughest part."

Upon hearing about Svoleantopoulos' self-elimination, Shaw said he knew he had to allow time for personal healing, but he also knew now was the time Svoleantopoulos needed the very close-knit community of battlefield Airmen.

"This is an exceptional network of like-minded people—that is incredibly important for service members to fall



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Monica Roybal
Civil Air Patrol Cadet 1st Lt. Thomas Hall, left, Air Force Staff Sgt. Michael Svoleantopoulos, 497th Operation Support Squadron weapons tactician, and Air Force Staff Sgt. Dajon Begin, 45th Intelligence Squadron full motion video imagery mission supervisor, help each other prepare their uniforms for the pool March 6 at Anderson Field House at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.

back on," Shaw said. "We got together to work through this failure, and this was his opportunity to learn from it and grow. I believed the best way for him to move past it was to bring this experience back into the pool to help others."

Svoleantopoulos said although he cannot tell his training partners exactly what he did at the indoctrination course, he can guide them in the right direction.

"I'm trying to help them learn from my mistakes," Svoleantopoulos said. "I am the baseline of where they should start to prepare for this training. They don't need to waste time on useless training methods when I have firsthand knowledge of what works."

According to Shaw, the two-year long process to become a pararescuer, called the pipeline, has an 80 percent

attrition rate, losing most participants during the water training indoctrination phase.

Shaw said the high rate of participant drop-out is why a solid network of support is imperative to conquering the mental battle.

"The network we have established is invaluable," Shaw said. "It's not just what we do in the pool. These guys do all kinds of events together, train in other areas to stay well-rounded and check in on one another to stay motivated and push each other to achieve their maximum capabilities."

Svoleantopoulos said part of Shaw's training was to prepare for failure. The Airmen were tasked with exercises they could not pass, so that Shaw could gauge their responses.

"He would do things he knew would break us and then ask 'What are you going to do now?'" Svoleantopoulos said. "If [we] didn't react appropriately, he would teach us a better way to handle it."

Armed with the tools to help him continue new career pursuits, Svoleantopoulos said he is ready to start training for his new goal of becoming a U.S. Army Ranger.

"I consider this my biggest failure in life, but it's also my biggest motivator," Svoleantopoulos said. "Ultimately, the network and the bonds that I made prior to going to the indoctrination training is what saved me. Now, it is what's pushing me to continue my journey."

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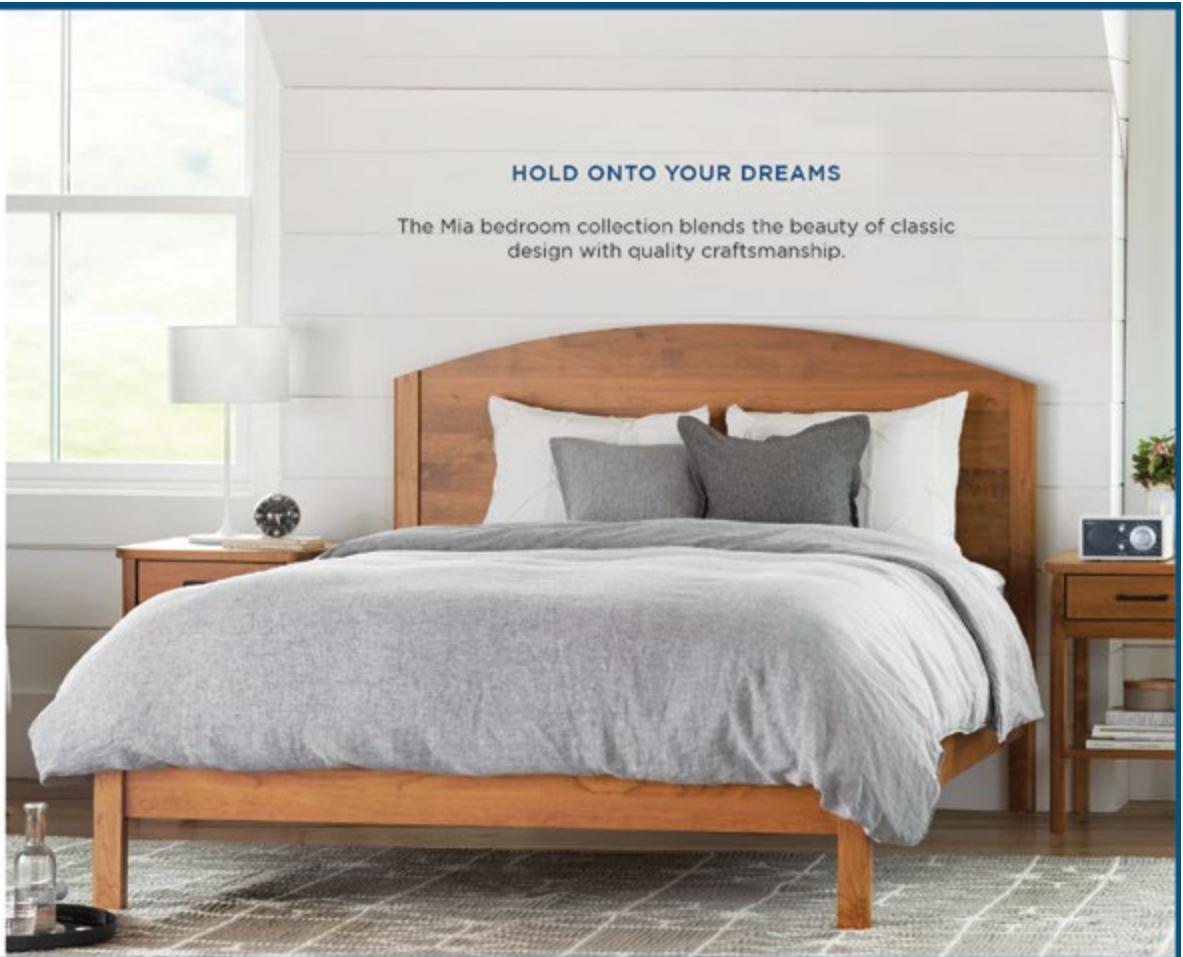
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Helping

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challenges," said Tijuana Hannibal, a regional NCMC team lead with the AFW2 Program. "Our goal is to give wounded warriors the resources they need and provide them a roadmap for their recovery, rehabilitation and reintegration." Visit woundedwarrior.af.mil for more information about the AFW2 Program. For more information about Air Force personnel programs, go to myPers using a CAC-enabled computer. Eligible individuals who do not have a myPers account can request one by following instructions on screen.

Program

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coursework for admission to medical school while maintaining active duty status, or "cadet man-years" for Reserve or Guard selects, with full pay and benefits. The program, which incurs a three-year active duty service commitment, includes coursework in a traditional classroom setting with structured pre-health advising and formal medical college admission test preparation. "This program is open to candidates who demonstrate integrity and are dedicated to becoming future physicians, leaders and scholars of the nation's medical force," said Andrea Zabawczuk, Air Force Surgeon General continuing medical education director. Airmen selected for the two-year program will transfer on permanent change of station orders to Bethesda, Maryland, where they will attend school full-time at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences. Tuition and associated academic costs will be funded by the Air Force. Following successful completion of the program, graduates will apply for acceptance to the USUHS medical school and/or civilian medical schools. "Once accepted for an approved medical school, participants will be commissioned as second lieutenants in the Medical Services Corps," Zabawczuk said. "As fourth year medical students, those lieutenants will be eligible to apply for medical residencies approved by the Air Force Health Professions Education Requirements Board." The next EMDP2 board is scheduled for January 2019. Prior to releasing the list, AFPC provided senior raters with advanced knowledge of their Airmen's selection to allow notification through the chain of command. For more information about Air Force personnel programs, visit the AFPC public website.

Couple

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both to Travis. "Even before we dated, (Broderick) would always give me advice, look out for me and take care to keep me on the right path," said Aisha. "He came into this relationship knowing all the good, all the bad and wanted to be here anyway." In 2012, they married. In an effort to stay near each other, the couple married in a state courthouse and had a separate ceremony for what they call their "new-school" wedding. Not a couple to ignore dates, they acknowledge the celebration of both anniversaries which leads to some unexpected, if not, exclusive benefits. "We get each other gifts for both days," said Aisha. "Well, she gets gifts for both," smiled Broderick, before quickly admitting his joke through nervous laughter after eyeing his wife's unamused glare. Dual-military marriages – an active duty member married to another active duty member or to a member of the Air Force Reserves or Air National Guard – are becoming more common, with the highest percentage of these couples being in the Air Force, according to a 2008 Department of Defense study on military families. The success of these relationships don't come about from a lack of trying, though, said Aisha. "We have work curfews," she said. "We spent our early careers charging hard into our work. We were ambitious. We were staying at work until 9, 10 o'clock at night. We found out very quickly, though, that that affects your marriage. It's important to create those balances because as important as it is for us to serve in the military, if you don't have the person you love in your corner – if you don't have the resiliency that comes with that fact – then what are you really bringing to the fight?" The military offers many free resources to dual military marriages including help from Military OneSource, the Chaplain Corps and the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Resiliency, too, as much as anything else, is important to a dual military marriage, according to Broderick. Just as resiliency is derived from that love, it can also be that love that tests it. "Nobody's going to tell you that being away from your spouse for months on end is a walk in the park," said Broderick. "Deployments aren't everyone's cup of tea even when you're single, but when you

have someone waiting for you at home, it offers a whole new dimension to the hardships that can sometimes come with them. But I've found the person I'm willing to work for and at the end of the day, we're there for one another. Always will be." Aisha shoots her husband a pair a finger guns. He shoots a pair back. Since 9/11, deployments are the rule, not the exception, for military families. In an atmosphere of almost constant uncertainty, it's hard to find the time to invest in the future and lay down the foundation off of what that future will be built. But nobody said this was going to be easy, said Aisha. "The only thing consistent for us is change," said Aisha, shrugging her shoulders. "But everyone's cup of tea even when you're single, but when you don't grow by staying comfortable. People don't always realize how integral adaptation is to resiliency. Adapting to deployments or moves or each other. The way we deal and move on from that thrash is what being resilient boils down to, and what makes a marriage strong." "The main thing is, what are you going to do with the time you do have with your spouse," Aisha said. "Are you going to get mad at your husband for folding the laundry wrong or accidentally forgetting to keep up on the cable bill?" Aisha takes a second to slowly side-eye Broderick, who hides his face behind his hands and laughs. "Or are you going to appreciate how he tried – appreciate the fact he cared enough to make the gesture? Are you going to water that grass?"



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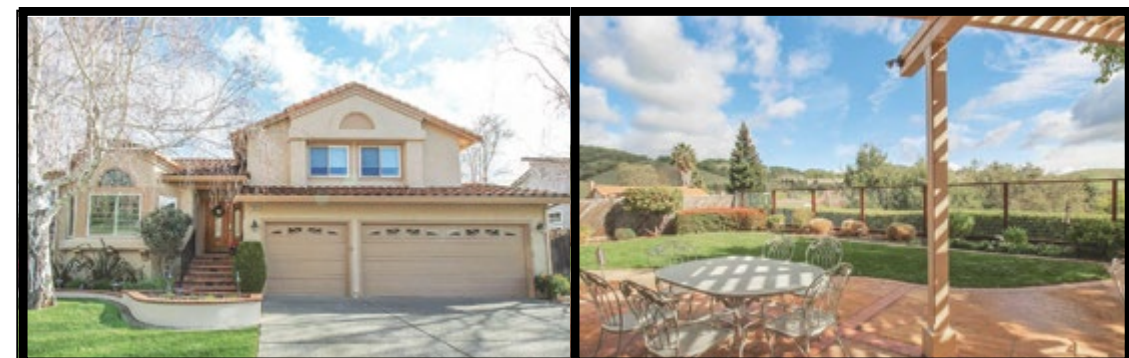
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Leaders are obligated to do two important tasks: First, they must elevate others, through equal opportunity, to become the best versions of themselves. Second, leaders must unite people around a shared vision of better. You, too, will be a leader in your days ahead. I have no doubt you will lift people up, bring them together and make this world a better place.

To the chorus who demands, "Why an all-woman aircrew?" I say, it affirms. It affirms an equal opportunity for young women and girls driven to serve. It affirms the strength and choice of women who

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Love always,
Daddy

Warren

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opportunity to hone communication skills through a positive team environment. Effective communication is a tool that benefits everyone, whether civilian or military, and is necessary at every level within the Department of Defense, civilian sector and in one's own personal life. Toastmasters helps its members increase

the strength of their toolboxes through feedback and encouragement to continuously improve and grow.

Team Travis Toastmasters is open to anyone with base access and meets from noon to 1 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of every month in the Airman and Family Readiness Center conference room.

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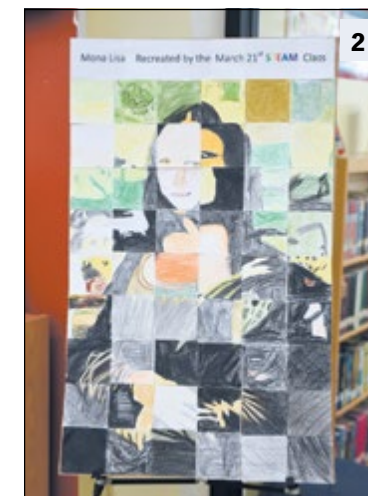
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1) Aurora Shehu, a participant in Travis Air Force Base Calif.'s S.T.E.A.M. program, launches a projectile from her homemade catapult during one of the program's classes Mar. 28 at the Mitchell Memorial Library on base. Shehu says the S.T.E.A.M. program has allowed her to learn more about physics and she enjoys the supplemental learning offered by the program.

S.T.E.A.M.

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2) A re-creation of Leonardo da Vinci's "Mona Lisa" is displayed in the main lobby of the Mitchell Memorial Library March 28 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The re-creation, done by the March 21 S.T.E.A.M. class, consists of 54 4-inch boxes illustrated by each of the class's attendees. 3) Children living on Travis participate in a S.T.E.A.M. activity meant to encourage development in science, technology, engineering, art and mathematical thinking March 28 at the base's Mitchell Memorial Library. 4) Quinn McDonald, S.T.E.A.M. program participant, pores over the method necessary to turn a paper cup, popsicle sticks and rubber bands into a catapult March 28 at the library.





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