

# Former big leaguer discusses ... **RESILIENCY**

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# Leaders need to practice resiliency, too

When getting in trouble as a child, how many of you heard, "This is going to hurt more than it's going to hurt you?" I'd like to take this old adage and relate it to how leaders need resilience, too.

For supervisors at every level, it is easy to live vicariously through our subordinates. Let me give a brief example. Within the last year, my superintendent and I had to deal with a disciplinary situation within the unit. How did we both react to the challenge?

Beyond our initial disappointment, both of us found ourselves being extremely



**Commentary by Col. Curtis Marsh**  
60TH DENTAL SQUADRON

down concerning the member's action and subsequent punishment. We were "in a funk." Our body language was horrible, prompting others to ask us if everything was okay. We asked ourselves, "What could we have done differently and where did we fail?"

The truth is good people sometimes make poor decisions. How could we have responded to the crisis better? First of all, we shouldn't have worn our emotions on our sleeves. If, as leaders, we allow ourselves to be visibly "in a mood," others in our organization pick up on that and are also affected.

## Commander's Commentary

Retired Gen. Colin Powell put it well when he said, "Optimism is a force multiplier," and "Leadership is all about people. It is not about organizations. It is not about plans. It is all about people—motivating people to get the job done. You have to be people-centered." We should not have only taught resilience to our organization, we should have embodied it ourselves.

How could we have responded better? Winston Churchill said, "Success is not final, failure is not fatal; it is the courage to continue that counts."

Though the two of us always tell a member to pick himself or herself up, dust themselves off and get back in the fight, we hadn't practiced what we preached. We should have been out motivating our other 120 personnel.

All of us have made mistakes in the past. As a matter of fact, if you haven't done something stupid, you haven't lived. A sign on my office wall states, "The biggest mistake you could ever make is being afraid to make one."

There are so many great quotes and adages concerning resiliency. To not study and learn from them is to repeat the mistakes of so many brilliant people. Nelson Mandela said, "Do not judge me by my

success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again."

Abraham Lincoln said, "I am not concerned that you have fallen; I am concerned that you arise."

So, does meting out punishment hurt us as leaders and supervisors more than our subordinates? Perhaps occasionally, but usually not. When it does, hopefully we can emulate the British during the Battle of Britain and "keep a stiff upper lip."

Even better, we can dole out the punishment while maintaining the dignity, honor and respect that every member deserves, pick the member and ourselves up and go on to motivate all our people to get the job done.

# JROTC, Health Academy students tour hospital

**Tech Sgt. Ilesha Edwards**  
60TH MEDICAL SUPPORT SQUADRON

David Grant USAF Medical Center at Travis Air Force Base, California, hosted a hospital tour March 29 for 80 De Anza High School 11th and 12th grade Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps and Health Academy students.

The De Anza Health Academy prepares students for health careers primarily in the patient care field and emergency medicine.

The student's purpose for attending was, "to have a work-based learning experience that provides them the opportunity to see a working hospital," said Fathom N.G., lead professor of the De Anza Health Academy.

The students were greeted by Lt. Col. Daniel Lamar, 60th Medical Group deputy commander. His message to the students was that the healthcare industry is always looking for ways to make healthcare safer while encouraging the students to come up with new ideas and ways to do this through being innovative in healthcare.

"The patient has to trust that the equipment that we are using works, and not worry about if it works," said Chief Master Sgt. Justin Helin, 60th Inpatient Operations Squadron Superintendent.

After the students were greeted, they were broken up into four teams and paired with DGMC non-commissioned officers who escorted them throughout the hospital. The stops along the way included Medical Logistics, the Aeromedical Staging Facility, Simulation Laboratory, Laboratory Department and the Hyperbaric Chamber.

The Hyperbaric Chamber was a highlight for the students. They were



U.S. Air Force photo

Students from De Anza High School tour the hyperbaric chamber at David Grant USAF Medical Center March 29 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The students attended the tour to have a work-based understanding of the workings of an operating hospital.

able to go inside the state-of-the-art chamber in which patients inhale intermittent 100 percent oxygen in chambers pressurized to greater than one atmosphere absolute.

The benefits of this treatment are increased blood flow and hyper-oxygenation to ischemic hypoxic tissue; promotes cell growth, new blood vessel formation and collagen deposition; reduces edema; helps fight infection through various enhanced leukocytic

functions and reduces the toxic effects of such poisons as carbon monoxide.

With so many stops along the way, the students got an opportunity to eat lunch at the DGMC dining facility surrounded by doctors, nurses, physician assistants and laboratory technicians.

The students continued the day with an Airman's Panel consisting of 12 Airmen from a variety of medical specialties throughout the 60th MDG. This allowed the students to ask whatever

questions they had. The panel discussion ranged from the decision to enlist after high school, dormitory life and ending with why our Airmen love what they do each day in the U.S. Air Force.

The tour ended with a chat with the 60th Air Mobility Command career assistance advisor, Senior Master Sgt. Scott Piper. As a life coach, he left the students with the idea, "Pursue your passion, love what you do and do what you love."



**Commentary by Chief Master Sgt. Parnel Scalabrino**  
60TH DENTAL SQUADRON

# Working vs. serving an important difference

Every military member takes an oath. Among other things, this oath verbally confirms that each of us will support and defend the Constitution of the United States. This is not merely an occupation, this is a service commitment that requires true dedication and sacrifice.

I have a brother-in-arms, Senior Master Sgt. Peter "KC" Smith, who will retire this June after 26 years in the Air Force. He has given his heart and soul to his Airmen and nation. He will leave behind an outstanding legacy of integrity,

## Chief's Commentary

excellence and service before self. He shared some insight years ago that I'll never forget.

Smith once said, "We are blessed to have the opportunity to serve our nation." At that time, I had seven years in the Air Force and was planning for the possibility of separating when my enlistment expired. Like many other Airmen, I joined to learn a skill, complete a degree and travel the world.

But Smith's words resonated with me. "Blessed to serve." It was then and there I started to see my position, rank and career field not as "working for" the Air Force but "serving" the Air Force. His words significantly changed my perspective. It was no longer about me and what I could get from the Air Force. There was much more to my oath and service commitment than I originally thought.

When I talk about serving the Air Force, two main things come to mind: duty and loyalty. Duty to serve is the commitment to make

necessary sacrifices to accomplish the mission. Moreover, duty to serve is about how we dedicate a prescribed amount of time, energy and effort to fulfill our nation's goals and objectives while preserving a healthy balance to meet personal needs, all to the best of our ability.

Second, loyalty to serve is a commitment to the success and preservation of our force. Loyalty motivates us to help others, to lead, guide and mentor Airmen to

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## On the cover

**Former Major League Baseball player Darryl Strawberry speaks April 11 to patrons at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The former Rookie of the Year and four-time World Series champion spent 17 years in the majors.**

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# WARRIOR OF THE WEEK

**Name:**  
Airman 1st Class Lisa Robinson.

**Unit:**  
60th Force Support Squadron.

**Duty title:**  
Official mail center administrator.

**Hometown:**  
Fort Pierce, Florida.

**Time in service:**  
One year.

**Family:**  
Mom, sister, three brothers, father (deceased).

**What are your hobbies?**  
Eating, meeting new people, going new places and sleeping in on the weekends.

**What are your goals?**  
Buy a house within the next five years and become an Office of Special Investigations special agent.

**What is your greatest achievement?**  
Obtaining my bachelor's degree.

## Travis plans Earth Day activities

Merrie Schilter-Lowe

60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

April 22 is Earth Day, a time when people around the world gather to plant trees, hold demonstrations and clean up neighborhoods, roads, parks, streams and lakes to show support for protecting the environment.

Travis Air Force Base, California, will highlight the day with weeklong activities that include a grocery bag art contest and a demonstration to help home gardeners conserve water. The base will also sponsor a booth at the community celebration from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 21 at the Fairfield Civic Center Library in Fairfield, California.

"Last year, we had a booth at Fairfield's event and we will participate this year with plenty of freebies," said Jonathan Carlson, 60th Civil Engineer Squadron environmental management system coordinator. "They also have a kid's fishing derby, which begins at 8 a.m., free children's activities, music and entertainment."

The civic center library is located at 1000 Webster St., behind city hall.

From April 23-27, children at the child development centers and elementary schools on base will decorate grocery bags to show their love for the environment, said Carlson. The bags will be collected and displayed at the commissary.

On April 25, Jennifer Baumbach will teach an urban gardening class at the Balfour Betty Community Center at 1 p.m. Baumbach is a master gardener from the University of California Davis and program coordinator for Solano and Yolo counties.

"Having an adequate water supply is closely linked to climate change," said Penn Craig, 60th CES natural and cultural resources manager. "The urban garden concept enforces

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U.S. Air Force photo

A C-17 Globemaster III, sits on the flightline April 4 at Joint Base Charleston, S.C., as it is prepared for transfer to the Charlotte Air National Guard, N.C.

## Charlotte ANG receives first C-17

Staff Sgt. William O'Brien

JOINT BASE CHARLESTON  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE CHARLESTON, S.C. — The first of four C-17 Globemaster IIIs was transferred from Joint Base Charleston to the Charlotte Air National Guard, N.C. April 7 as part of a congressional mandate.

Through this directive Joint base Charleston will send 16 C-17s to four Air National Guard bases.

"Between Joint Base Charleston and Joint Base Lewis-McChord, we have been transferring airplanes to West Virginia, Tennessee, New York and

now Charlotte," said Norman Moore, 437th Maintenance Group deputy director. "Congress mandated the Air Force transfer aircraft to those locations to help replace their fleets with C-17s. We will additionally be sending four C-17s to Pittsburg ARS next fiscal year."

The transfer marks a transition for the Charlotte ANG from flying the C-130 Hercules to the C-17. The new airframe expands their mission sets such as aeromedical evacuation and air-drop capabilities.

"We came down to Charleston to do conversion training, look over the aircraft and get a good idea of

the situation and the condition of the aircraft," said Master Sgt. Larry Boles, 145th Air Wing aircraft mechanic. "They provided us a really good overview of the aircraft and some great insight we haven't gotten before. They gave a lot of real helpful information. It's going to definitely increase our capabilities. It's a whole new mission with different load capabilities."

Charleston is home to the 373rd Training Squadron Detachment 5, which is responsible for C-17 Globemaster III initial skills crew chief training (Type 3), advanced skills technical training (Type 4), and

international training, the only U.S. Air Force C-17 Trainer Development Team for crew chiefs. Through training courses with the 373rd TRS and hands-on experiences with maintainers assigned here, Charlotte ANG Airmen learned the ins and outs of their new planes before the transfer took place.

"They come here for training classes to learn the tech data on this new airframe," said Senior Master Sgt. Phillip Wiley, 437th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron lead production superintendent. "We make sure the experience and knowledge of

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U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Whitney Laine

Capt. Joseph Migliuri, 92nd Medical Group pediatrician, performs a wellness vision exam during a patient's check-up April 4 at Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash.

## RESET improves pediatric care

Airman 1st Class Whitney Laine

92ND AIR REFUELING WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

FAIRCHILD AIR FORCE BASE, Wash.— The 92nd Medical Group Pediatric Clinic implemented a new concept of operations: rewarding, efficiency, setting priorities and empowering team members, or RESET, to their system of patient care.

RESET came from an original model built at Ramstein Air Base and was modified by Fairchild Airmen to better suit the pediatric clinic and successfully integrate with Military Health System Genesis.

"The aim of RESET is to improve access to care for the patient population," said Capt. Joseph Migliuri, 92nd MDG pediatrician. "This has allowed patients to see their provider more expeditiously. This is done by changing the way in which we do business, cutting waste in our workflow and rewarding teams that are effective in this area."

Although the RESET system was not intended to be used with MHS Genesis or a pediatric clinic, the pediatric team

restructured the original blueprint to fit the needs of the clinic. With the new design, the team focused on their main goal of increasing patient access.

"Records show us that in December 2017, we had a rate of zero available appointments within a week's time; since integrating the RESET system, we saw our rates of availability increase to 55 appointments per week as of March 2018," said Capt. Neal Alexander, 92nd MDG maternal child flight nurse manager.

Virtual appointments are offered to allow patients to receive the care they need from doctors without having to visit the clinic. Caring for patients through virtual appointments has also allowed doctors to have more time to see more patients per day.

"Patients would previously have to go through a long rope of people to have their information forwarded to a nurse or technician and then a doctor," Alexander said. "We have changed the appointment process. Now, when a patient calls, they are offered a virtual

consultation or a face-to-face consultation."

The team has changed the culture of their work environment with the reward portion of the RESET program.

"Historically, a provider team who is very efficient in seeing their patients, creating more patient openings, are not rewarded for their work," Alexander said. "The team would instead receive patients from the overflow caused by teams who are less efficient or have no motivation to be efficient."

This has motivated team members to become innovative, driven and efficient with patient care.

Within three months implementing RESET into the 92nd MDG Pediatric Clinic MHS Genesis workflow, the clinic's goals of patient access and care have greatly improved. Through the spread of this innovation and modernization to other specialties and Department of Defense installations, Team Fairchild's innovative Airmen are keeping mobility forces operationally ready for any missions they're called to do.

## DGMC to collect unused drugs

Merrie Schilter-Lowe

60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Nine hundred pounds. That is the weight of unused medications collected in October 2017 at Travis Air Force Base, California, on National Drug Take Back Day, said Airman 1st Class Elizabeth Wenner, 60th Medical Group pharmacy technician.

This year, David Grant USAF Medical Center will again take part in the campaign to collect expired, unused and unwanted

prescription drugs to help prevent someone dying from prescriptions obtained—sometimes by theft—from family and friends.

"Items should be taken to the pharmacy in the base exchange mini-mall from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.," said Wenner. "Also, both the main hospital pharmacy and the satellite pharmacy in the mini-mall will accept drug turn-ins Monday to Friday."

Other sites in Solano

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## Travis encourages ride-share program

**Derrick Morley**

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Travis Air Force Base, California, personnel might be interested to know the federal mass transit benefits program for 2018 rose to a \$260 monthly maximum allowable amount for qualifying transportation via vanpool, bus, ferry or train. This is compared to 2015's federal mass transportation monthly benefit amounts of \$130.

For personnel at Travis AFB, government-issued personal debit cards are distributed after the application process is complete. There are financial incentives for Travis AFB personnel to "go green and save green."

This is a valuable initiative since the opening of the Fairfield/Vacaville Train Station. Carmen Chan, 60th Civil Engineer Squadron community planner, relayed that she and other riders often bike from the station to base via the Forbes pedestrian gate off of De Ronde Dr. for ease and safety. Bikers are advised to familiarize themselves with the Forbes gate prior to utilization due to limited hours that reflect the local school schedule. There are other alternatives from the train station as well including the community bus and also app-based services such as Uber and Lyft.

The Department of Transportation subsidizes a bicycle benefit program for \$20 per month for commuters who bike to and from work. This policy

reimburses for bicycle-associated commuting costs such as bike locks, bike upgrades, repairs and general maintenance. Managing to commute, share or bicycle two to three days a week greatly increases the environmental benefit by reducing the carbon footprint of our community. Bicyclists can also reduce daily stress through getting exercise and fresh air.

"This program is a win-win for us here at Team Travis," said Derrick Morley, 60th Force Support Squadron community readiness specialist and Travis mass transportation benefits program manager at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. "These transportation benefits put money back in the pockets of our Travis team members, improves air quality and reduces traffic congestion."

Travis AFB can reduce their carbon footprint, help mitigate the impact of climate change, lessen their commuting costs and reduce daily stress by participating in this program.

Travis military members, Department of Defense and Numbered Air Force employees interested in learning more or obtaining application materials are encouraged to contact Morley at 707-424-2486 or at [derrick.morley.1@us.af.mil](mailto:derrick.morley.1@us.af.mil). Travis members are also invited to stop by and speak with Morley for more information about the Mass Transit Program or any other services offered at the Airman and Family Readiness Center.

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## Fest celebrates base children



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1) Children place ribbons under a tree April 11 during the Family Fun Fest at Travis Air Force Base, Calif, which recognizes April as Autism Awareness Month, Child Abuse Prevention Month and Month of the Military Child. 2) Children take a photo with the Travis Credit Union mascot during the fest. This year's theme was "strong family, strong community."



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# Leaders press into STEAM

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MACDILL AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — Air Mobility Command hosted more than 30 members of its Civic Leader Program during a visit here April 11-13.

The visit focused on the impact of the mobility enterprise mission and promoting the goals of the ongoing Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math initiative spearheaded by Gen. Carlton D. Everhart II, AMC commander, and his staff.

“The mobility enterprise is critical to ensuring America’s lethality,” said Everhart. “Family and military readiness requires strong connections and interaction with the communities we live in and serve. It is important to ensure the public understands the value and impact of our Airmen and missions to national defense.”

The AMC Civic Leader Program allows a diverse group of highly-motivated individuals who are leaders in industry and academia to gather for the purpose of enhancing insight into mobility missions and cultivating partnerships in communities



Dana Lancellotti, an Air Mobility Command civic leader, uses a drill during a fabrication flight demonstration April 12 at MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.

U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Ashley Perdue

near and surrounding Air Force installations.

“Our civic leaders are critical to what we do,” said Maj. Gen. Sam Barrett, AMC Director of Operations, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration. “They walk away with a much richer and deeper understanding of our mission set and

the complexity of what we do. Most importantly, they walk away knowing that we have quality Airmen that are motivated and that their support is critical.”

Members of the program traveled from around the nation to learn about Air Mobility Command’s level

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# Exchange eyes kids Nerf event

Jessica Jones  
ARMY & AIR FORCE EXCHANGE SERVICE  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Military brats at Travis Air Force Base, California, can test their targeting skills with help from Nerf and the Army and Air Force Exchange Service during a special event to celebrate Month of the Military Child.

The Nerf Blasters event will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 21 at the Travis AFB Exchange. Military children eight and older can choose from an assortment of Nerf Blasters and practice their accuracy by shooting at a target in the Blaster testing tent.

“This event celebrates older kids during the Month of the Military Child,” said Phonda Bishop, Travis AFB Exchange facility manager. “Hopefully, they’ll meet new friends and set up a time to play with Nerf Blasters after this event.”

The Nerf Blasters event is one of several in-store activities planned by the Exchange 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 Airman Aquan Hopkins, 387th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron entry controller, stands guard April 2 in Kuwait.

## Training strengthens bonds

**Staff Sgt. William Banton**  
386TH AIR EXPEDITIONARY WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

KUWAIT — Over the past few months, the 387th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron has increased joint security operations through host nation cooperation at Abdullah Al-Mubarak Air Base, where a large-scale, temporary cargo facility is under construction.

U.S. forces are working with their Kuwaiti counterparts to move aerial port operations to Cargo City, a previously undeveloped area adjacent to an available ramp at the Kuwait International Airport.

Since both the Kuwait Air Force and U.S. military coalition are temporarily located there until the new West Al-Mubarak Air Base is complete, it provides a strategic opportunity to

work closer with host nation counterparts while implementing essential changes to security operations and procedures.

Lt. Col. Vanessa Schoon, 387th ESFS commander, said the new construction provides an opportunity to review and implement these measures, which meet both coalition forces' and host nation's needs, strengthening

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## Flight ensures fallen go home with honor

**Staff Sgt. William Banton**  
386TH AIR EXPEDITIONARY WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

SOUTHWEST ASIA — Senior Airman Edward Reta, 387th Air Expeditionary Group Force Protection Flight, remembers watching the C-17 Globemaster III as it taxied to its parking location at an undisclosed location in Southwest Asia.

Watching a tail ramp lower, he felt moved by the setting and circumstances as he was one of six Airmen from the 387th AEG Force Protection and 387th Civil Engineer Fire Department to come to attention.

Still, Reta was grateful to be part of a group that came together as they made their way on to an aircraft, in unison. They carefully moved the aircraft's most significant cargo, a transfer case with the remains of a fallen warrior, to a theater mortuary evacuation point truck waiting on the tarmac.

There is a heaviness that never becomes routine when dealing with loss of a life in today's warfighting environments, he says but also there is a reverence involved demonstrating how vital and distinctive it is to be helping get the fallen home safely.

"When a service member is involved it is a huge deal," Reta said. "It was emotional for me to actually be able to see it in person."

In a deployed environment, the process can bring in an additional set of emotions for the team and they have to learn to manage in their own ways while completing the mission with care.

"It's hard to disconnect yourself from the situation that is going on at the time," said Tech. Sgt. Cody Owens, force protection day shift lead. "It's hard to not getting emotional and just maintain your military bearing, while trying to pay homage to the fallen member."

On March 15, an HH-60 Pave Hawk helicopter crashed in western Iraq, killing all seven members on board. All of those service members passed through the 387th AEG, prior to returning home.

"At first it was difficult, but I have learned to be able to separate myself from the event," Owens said. "I knew a bunch of people personally that knew them, so it kind of hit close to home."

"I've never experienced that; a lot of thoughts go through your head that this is real and that it can happen to anybody," Reta said. "Obviously the family and friends of the deceased goes through your head and then your thoughts are of your family and friends."

Upon returning from the theater of operations to the

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## 688th CW launches mentorship program

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

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND, Texas — The 688th Cyberspace Wing wrapped up its inaugural mentorship program April 12.

Airpower Leadership Academy provided 11 staff and technical sergeants the opportunity to learn from several senior noncommissioned officer facilitators during 10 weekly, two-hour sessions, all with one goal in mind.

"The purpose of ALA is to develop junior NCOs into strong leaders by helping them find and solidify their leadership philosophy," said Master Sgt. Rudy Chavez, 92nd Cyberspace Operations Squadron operations superintendent and ALA director.

ALA is unrelated to professional military education, such as Airman Leadership School or Noncommissioned Officer Academy; and supplemental education, such as the NCO Professional Enhancement Seminar.

"This program builds on the PME foundation through deliberate mentorship," said Chief Master Sgt. Emilio Avila, 688th Cyberspace Wing command chief master sergeant. "We connect senior NCOs—who are able to provide perspective—with junior NCOs, so these junior NCOs can find and feel comfortable with their leadership style."

Each session was focused on an individual leadership quality, such as empowerment, resilience and effective influence.

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## Space training opens to allies



Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Citing the National Defense Strategy, Air Force Secretary Heather Wilson announced that beginning in 2019 the Air Force is opening its space training to allies during her keynote speech April 17 at the 34th Space Symposium in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

"It's time to build on years of collaboration to deepen our relationships with our allies and partners in space,"

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U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Dennis J. Hoffman  
Secretary of the Air Force Heather Wilson speaks April 17 at the 34th annual Space Symposium in Colorado Springs, Colo.

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# AETC conducts course for first time

**Capt. Jennifer Nentwig**  
AIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas — Air Education and Training Command conducted its first-ever Squadron Command Team and Spouses Course April 10-13 with 45 current or incoming commanders, 15 superintendents and 29 spouses participating in the new program.

The participation of squadron superintendents and their spouses is new to the course and is a reflection of AETC's focus on strengthening and supporting team leadership at the squadron level.

"AETC is leading the way in ensuring our superintendents at the squadron level are exposed to the same level of rigorous preparation and knowledge as their commanders, so together as a team they can better lead successful squadrons," said Chief Master Sgt. Juliet Gudel, command chief of AETC.

During the four-day

course, commanders, superintendents and spouses received AETC leadership guidance and also learned about various topics from mentorship, to how to handle tragedies, to operational security and social media, and more.

According to Senior Master Sgt. Scott Jessup, superintendent of the 306th Flying Training Group at the U.S. Air Force Academy, participating in the training helps superintendents build a shared foundation for working together with their commanders.

"This course is a great opportunity for superintendents and commanders to come together, be put on the same page, and be ready for that squadron command team relationship," he said.

Lt. Col. Mark Chang, who will soon assume command of the 315th Training Squadron at Goodfellow Air Force Base, agrees that the course is beneficial to establish a team mindset between commanders and superintendents.

"I think it is giving me a

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Lockheed Martin courtesy photo

An F-35 from Edwards AFB flies over the California coastline. F-35 flight testing recently finished the developmental test flight of the System Development and Demonstration phase of the program.

# F-35 completes flight test

**F-35 Joint Program Office  
Public Affairs**

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — The F-35 program has accomplished the final developmental test flight of the System Development and Demonstration phase of the program.

The F-35 Integrated Test Force is based at Edwards Air Force Base, California, and Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Maryland,

"Completing F-35 SDD flight test is the culmination of years of hard work and dedication from the joint government and industry team," said Vice Adm. Mat Winter, F-35 Program executive officer. "Since the first flight of AA-1 in 2006, the developmental flight test program has operated for more than 11 years mishap-free, conducting more than 9,200 sorties, accumulating over 17,000 flight hours, and executing more than 65,000 test points to verify the design, durability, software, sensors, weapons capability and performance for all three F-35 variants. Congratulations to our

F-35 test team and the broader F-35 enterprise for delivering this new powerful and decisive capability to the warfighter."

The final SDD flight occurred April 11 at Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Maryland, when Navy test aircraft CF-2 completed a mission to collect loads data while carrying external 2,000-pound GBU-31 Joint Direct Attack Munitions and AIM-9X Sidewinder heat-seeking missiles.

From flight sciences to mission systems testing, the critical work completed by F-35 test teams cleared the way for the Block 3F capability to be delivered to the operational warfighter. More than a thousand SDD flight test engineers, maintainers, pilots and support personnel took the three variants of the F-35 to their full flight envelope to test aircraft performance and flying qualities. The test team conducted six at-sea detachments and performed more than 1,500 vertical landing tests on the F-35B variant. The developmental flight test team completed 183 Weapon Separation Tests;

46 Weapons Delivery Accuracy tests; 33 Mission Effectiveness tests, which included numerous multi-ship missions of up to eight F-35s against advanced threats.

"The F-35 flight test program represents the most comprehensive, rigorous and the safest developmental flight test program in aviation history," said Greg Ulmer, Lockheed Martin's vice president and general manager of the F-35 program. "The joint government and industry team demonstrated exceptional collaboration and expertise, and the results have given the men and women who fly the F-35 great confidence in its transformational capability."

Developmental flight test is a key component of the F-35 program's SDD phase, which will formally be completed following an Operational Test and Evaluation and a Defense Department decision to go into full-rate aircraft production.

While SDD required flight test is now complete, F-35 flight testing continues in support of

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# Indonesia, US Airmen talks boost efficiency

**Staff Sgt. Daniel Robles**  
PACIFIC AIR FORCES PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM, Hawaii — Pacific Air Forces hosted the Indonesian air force leadership here to discuss the continued partnership and integration of both air forces during Airman-to-Airman talks April 11-12.

A2A talks are designed to foster military-to-military relationships with regional partners and pave the way for future collaboration. The exchange allows Airmen to meet face-to-face to discuss common regional security challenges.

"These talks are invaluable as we continue to develop our military-to-military relationships here in the Indo-Pacific," said U.S. Air Force Maj. Gen. Russell Mack, Pacific Air Forces deputy commander. "Our objective is to solve problems and make changes. If we can't reach an agreement right away, we will figure out solutions that mutually benefit both of our countries and our militaries."

During the two-day conference, PACAF leadership and seven members of the Indonesian air force discussed expanding their bilateral engagements, increasing cooperation in aviation safety, cybersecurity efforts, future subject matter expert exchanges and improving and expanding the Cope West bilateral exercise.

"This meeting provides a wonderful opportunity to discuss and explore ways to enhance the professionalism of our respective air forces," said Indonesian Air Vice Marshal Umar Sugeng Haryono. "This will strengthen the relationship between both air forces for years to come."

The U.S. and Indonesian militaries conduct approximately 170 activities annually across the Defense Department, which included Exercise Cope West 18 in March.

# 'Troops for Teens' links Airmen, youth

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

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND, Texas — In 2013, former Air Forces Cyber commander, Lt. Gen. Kevin McLaughlin, and his wife, Victoria, wanted to positively impact children in the San Antonio, Texas, community.

Instead of searching for an opportunity, they created one: Troops for Teens. The program is a joint South San Antonio High School and AFCYBER volunteer program that links Airmen mentors with at-risk teens.

"This program is extremely important because it exposes our students to our neighbors who they wouldn't normally see," said Judy Perez, SSAHS at-risk counselor. "The work the volunteers do with our at-risk students is so crucial because ... the volunteers have the ability to make a difference in the lives of our students when they are most vulnerable and likely to make bad choices. They have a way of connecting with them that really makes a lasting impression on them."

According to Perez, a student is considered at-risk if



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Jamie Adimora

South San Antonio High School students take pictures of Balto, an 802nd Security Forces Squadron military working dog, during a Troops for Teens event March 9 at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas.

they have any one of 13 indicators, such as failing two or more core areas in a semester; failing a grade level for one or more school years; being expelled during the past or current school year; and various other reasons.

"In the past, teachers would refer students to the program," Perez said. "Now that it's in its fifth year, I work directly with these students and select them to attend. There is a core group of about 35 to 40 students who rotate attending each monthly event."

Today, Master Sgt. Austin Borchardt, 24th Air Force intelligence operations superintendent and Tech. Sgt. Jamie Adimora, 24th Air Force personnelist, work with Perez to oversee the program and its many Airmen volunteers.

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## Airman first to receive Army badge

Staff Sgt. Teresa J. Cleveland

633RD AIR BASE WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS, Va. — On April 9, for the first time ever, an Airman was awarded the Basic Army Instructor Badge at Joint Base Langley-Eustis.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Casey Andersen, 362nd Training Squadron, Detachment 1 HH-60 helicopter crew chief instructor, was teaching a class of Airmen and Soldiers when Army Maj. Gen. Malcom Frost, Center for Initial Military Training commanding general, presented him with the BAIB.

The AIB, awarded in basic, senior and master levels, was created for Army noncommissioned officers in 2014 to recognize the professionalism of the educators responsible for training, leading and mentoring Soldiers. Although the badge has only been around four years, Air Force instructors have been a part of the 128th Aviation Brigade for 33 years.

Due to the verbiage of Army Regulation 600-21, Non-commissioned Officer Education System Instructor Development and Recognition Program, leaders believed only Soldiers were eligible for earning the badge – until now.



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Teresa J. Cleveland

**Army Maj. Gen. Malcom Frost, left, Center for Initial Military Training commanding general, pins the Basic Army Instructor Badge on Air Force Staff Sgt. Casey Andersen, 362nd Training Squadron, Detachment 1 HH-60 helicopter crew chief instructor, April 9 at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Va.**

“Once we asked the question about Air Force instructors, no one could say why they couldn’t qualify, so we got started getting everything

together to get Andersen qualified,” said Air Force Capt. Richard Collier, 1st Det. commander. “Now, we’re looking to

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## Air Force seeking multilingual Airmen

86th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany — Do you know one or more foreign languages? You may be eligible for the Language Enabled Airman Program.

The Air Force Culture and Language Center is forming a corps of multilingual Airmen to take on missions around the world and recently released a memorandum detailing the 2018 LEAP recruitment process.

This year’s application window for active duty enlisted and officer Airmen began on March 20, 2018, and will continue until June 16. Applicants must have at least 48 months time-in-service.

LEAP centers around the concept of specially-identified multilingual Airmen who go on missions every few years to serve as translators and sharpen their foreign language skills. The program’s objective is to produce cross-culturally competent leaders from all Air Force career fields to support missions around the world, said Lt. Col. Laura Hunt, AF-CLC LEAP Language Intensive Training Events program manager.

“LEAP Airmen serve as

ambassadors of the U.S. Air Force,” she said. “They go through special training and obtain a special experience indicator. If somebody has that SEI, I can be confident that if I send them out they will successfully accomplish their mission. They are trained, vetted, and competent in their language and culture.”

LEAP Airmen develop their skills through training, mentorship programs and temporary duty assignments.

Hunt added that LEAP temporary duties vary widely, and can include humanitarian missions, training exercises, cultural immersion programs and professional military education.

An Airman’s journey through the LEAP application process begins with the defense language proficiency test. As of 2018, there are more than 30 languages an Airman can test in.

Applicants may also take an Oral Proficiency Interview in case a DLPT is unavailable. Those who wish to schedule a DLPT or OPI must contact their local education office.

For more information about LEAP, visit the Air Force Culture and Language Center website at <http://culture.af.mil/leap/index.html>.

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# Darryl Strawberry shares his story, inspires Travis

Story and photos by Louis Briscese  
60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Clutching his Bible tightly and delivering an inspiring message, former baseball player turned pastor, Darryl Strawberry, shared his incredible journey with Airmen and their families at Travis Air Force Base, California. Strawberry's off-the-field problems are well chronicled.

An admitted drug abuser and alcoholic, the former Rookie of the Year and four-time World Series champion with the New York Mets and New York Yankees now uses those experiences to motivate others. As a pastor, he uses his testimony to instill healing through spirituality.

Strawberry, whose career spanned 17 seasons, immediately rose to fame as a baseball star with the New York Mets in 1983. The instant success made him a hit with the New York fans.

"It was fun, it was exciting, but also very challenging," said Strawberry. "To be in the big leagues at the age of 21 and having those expectations, and come to a place like New York and have an immediate impact was a dream come true."

For nearly two decades, Strawberry experienced an abundance of on-field success. However, that success did not translate off the field. Strawberry became addicted to substances, found himself in legal trouble and several marriages ended in divorce. He's been to jail, drug treatment centers and hospitals and was \$3 million in debt at one time. Yet, Strawberry doesn't blame anyone and believes he made those choices because he never accepted God into his life.

"The attention from the success had nothing to do with the choices that I made," said Strawberry. "It came from the brokenness on the inside of my life, which I never dealt with."

That brokenness began early in Strawberry's life when he and his family were threatened by his father.

"At the age of 14, my dad came in with a gun and said that he was going to kill us all," said Strawberry. "My brother and I fought with our dad to get the gun. It was a bad situation."

Years of abuse and dysfunction in Strawberry's upbringing led to him harboring a lot of pain.

"We assume that celebrities or professional athletes have it all together," said Strawberry. "You'll find that most of them are broken and that their pain leads them to their greatness. That's what happened with me."

Eventually, the buildup becomes overwhelming and unmanageable.

"My greatness would eventually lead me to my destructive behavior," said Strawberry. "It had nothing to do with my celebrity status; it had to do with avoiding what I was feeling on the inside."

Even a bout with colon cancer couldn't keep Strawberry from making poor choices. It was his third and current wife, Tracy, who finally got his attention: That he needed to make a change from within.



1) Former Major League Baseball player Darryl Strawberry speaks to Airmen and their families April 11 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. 2) From left, Maj. Kemuel Bellows, a chaplain, Strawberry and Col. Kenneth Reyes, 60th Air Mobility Wing chaplain, pray after Strawberry's presentation.

"It was my wife, Tracy. She told me I needed to (take a step back from baseball)," said Strawberry. "I had never heard anything like that before. I had my identity stuck with being a baseball player and I needed to take responsibility for my life."

All of Strawberry's attempts to get back on track, failed because he was trying to do it alone, he said. Once he accepted God into his life, he saw things more clearly.

"There were many times when I tried to get myself together but I couldn't," said Strawberry. "God never shows us anything different, God is going to use people to help people."

Now Strawberry is a changed man. He's using his testimony to inspire others to accept God into their lives. It was exactly that testimony that inspired Darlene Johnson, 60th Air Mobility Wing, chapel account manager, to pursue Strawberry to come to Travis and tell his story.

"I saw Mr. Strawberry giving his testimony on Trinity Broadcasting Network," said Johnson. "I was so intrigued that I watched it three times and was so impressed with his perseverance."

Johnson really connected with the message Strawberry was conveying.

"I was going through some difficult times and I heard his testimony and it really helped me," said Johnson. "If there's hope for him, there's hope for me, and hope for everyone else."

Johnson believes that Strawberry's message can inspire those in uniform because of the challenges they face from the stressors that come with serving their country.

"It's inspiring the challenges he's overcome

because you realize it's possible," said Johnson. "We can overcome challenges, we can overcome opposition and we just have to be willing to do so."

For those in attendance, Strawberry's testimony is a reminder that you can overcome any challenge if you are willing to. Tech. Sgt. Michelle Tucker, 60th Air Mobility Wing, chaplain assistant, was moved by Strawberry's story.

"It was great to hear his story. I'm so impressed with what he has overcome," said Tucker. "He emphasizes that there's hope for anyone no matter how bad your situation is."

Speaking at a military installation is special for Strawberry because he has a son who is serving in the Air Force. And although it's his first time doing so, he has always appreciated the sacrifices and challenges service members face day-to-day.

"We have a son that is in the Air Force. He's stationed at Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana," said Strawberry. "This is my first time on a military installation. I've seen it from a distance. I've always been impressed with it because it's so important what they do for our country."

Strawberry's message is simple: He wants people to know that accepting God and spirituality is what it took for him to overcome his demons. He's hoping that others will hear that and be open to the same premise.

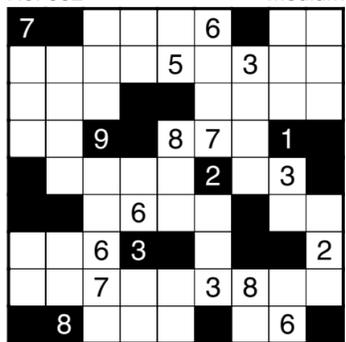
"My message is God must increase what I must decrease," said Strawberry. "If I need to get somewhere in life, I must decrease, and let him lead my life or I can never fulfill the promises."



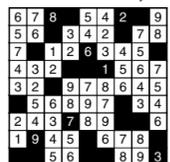
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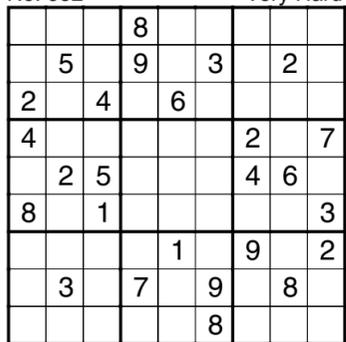


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No. 382 Very Hard



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The solutions will be published here in the next issue.

## Retiree Corner

IRS scammers invent new methods

WASHINGTON — Scammers and cyber thieves continue to use the IRS as bait. The most common tax scams are phone calls and emails from thieves who pretend to be from the IRS.

Scammers use the IRS name, logo, fake employee names and badge numbers to try to steal money and identities from taxpayers.

Taxpayers need to be wary of phone calls or automated messages from someone who claims to be from the IRS. Often, these

criminals will say taxpayers owe money and demand payment right away. Other times, scammers will lie to taxpayers and say they're due a refund. The thieves ask for bank account information over the phone. IRS officials warn taxpayers not to fall for these scams.

In most cases, an IRS phishing scam is an unsolicited, fake email that claims to come from the IRS. Some emails link to sham websites that look real. The scammers' goal is to lure victims to give up their personal and financial information.

— Air Force Retiree News Service

## News Notes

**Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Block Party.** Postponed to April 27. For more information, contact 2nd Lt. Katie McGaha at 424-5359 or [katie.mcgaha.1@us.af.mil](mailto:katie.mcgaha.1@us.af.mil).

**Case Lot Sale.** May 3-6 at the Travis Commissary. Savings up to 50 percent off regular retail price on a multitude of household products. The sale will take place on the side parking lot of the store.

**Community College of the Air Force graduation ceremony.** 2 p.m. May 4 at the Travis Air Force Base Theater.

## Chapel programs

### Upcoming events

**Vacation Bible School.** 9 a.m. to noon June 11-15 at Twin Peaks Chapel. Volunteers needed. If interested in volunteering or having your children participate, register at <http://www.myvbs.org/travisafbmakerunfactory>. For more information, contact April Dingle at 202-702-2486.

### Recurring events

**Catholic**  
**Twin Peaks Chapel**

- Roman Catholic Mass: 9 a.m. and noon Sunday.
- Children's Church: 10:15 a.m. Sunday.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession: 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday or upon appointment.
- Infant Baptism Prep Class: Two classes. Registration required. 6 to 7 p.m., quarterly.
- Youth Choir: 1 p.m. Sunday.
- Children's Choir: 2 p.m. Sunday.
- Adult Choir: 4 p.m. Sunday.
- Women's Bible Study: 10 a.m. (at First Street Chapel).

**Catholic Women of the Chapel:** 6 p.m. first Monday of every month, Annex.

- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Annex.
- RE Classes: 10:15 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday, RE Wing.

### First Street Chapel

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

### DGMC Chapel

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

### The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

- Sacrament Services: 9 and 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 enquiries, 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

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**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](http://TravisAFRC.com).

emergency department remains open 25 hours. The DGMC pharmacy and Base Exchange mini-mall pharmacy will open at 1 p.m.

**Travis Fitness Center hours.** Due to Wing Training Day on April 26, the Travis Fitness Center will operate after-hours access only. Official fitness assessments will continue as scheduled. PT testers and customers can gain after-hours access by registering at the front desk during normal business hours before April 26. If an access card is expired or any other issues with access cards arises before this date, see the fitness center front desk.

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**DGMC closed for training.** The David Grant USAF Medical Center at Travis Air Force Base, California will be closed all day April 26 for training. The Family Medicine Resident Clinic and the emergency department will resume seeing patients at 1 p.m. The

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.

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

## 60th FSS

### Upcoming

**MLB discount tickets.** Get tickets to the upcoming games: Oakland Athletics at Giants on July 14 and Atlanta Braves at Giants on Sept. 11. For more information, call 707-424-0969.

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

### News and notes

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

### Closures

**NAF Human Resources Office hours.** The office will close every Thursday. Business hours are 7:30 to 4:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday

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/1yNIBwV>.

**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.

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**Hometown News Releases.** To submit a Hometown News Release, visit <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

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**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.

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**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.

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

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

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**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.

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**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).

**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.
- James Van Nostrand.
- 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.

# THE FLIP SIDE

## Airmen complete FTAC



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Congratulations to the latest Airmen to complete the First Term Airman Center course. Alphabetically: Airman 1st Class Bailee Alusha, 60th Comptroller Squadron; Airman Geovanni Ayala Flores, 60th Civil Engineer Squadron; Airman 1st Class Bryon Bailey, 60th Logistics Readiness Squadron; Airman 1st Class Autumn Boomer-shine, 60th CES; Airman 1st Class Austin Boudreaux, 660th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; Airman 1st Class Garett Brown, 660th AMXS; Airman 1st Class Keisy Capote, 60th Surgical Operations Squadron; Airman Basic Arturo Chavez, 60th Aerial Port Squadron; Airman 1st Class Jonathan Cheagle, 60th LRS; Airman 1st Class Kiana Dutton, 60th CES; Airman Basic Angel Encelan, 60th LRS; Airman 1st Class Brandon Forbes, 660th AMXS; Airman Basic James Gamboa, 660th AMXS; Airman 1st Class Bradyn Harper, 660th AMXS; Airman Jacob Hooper, 660th AMXS; Airman 1st Class Rosa Horton, 60th CES; Airman Basic Angel Encelan, 60th LRS; Airman 1st Class Ricardo Melendez Rosado, 60th APS; Airman 1st Class Chance Morasch, 660th AMXS; Airman 1st Class Johnny Ngo, 60th CES; Airman Basic Arnel Joseph Parayno, 60th LRS; Airman 1st Class Aaron Powers, 60th APS; Airman 1st Class Peter Serface, 660th AMXS; and Airman Spencer Timberlake, 60th Dental Squadron.



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# Badge

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Andersen, a technical sergeant select, first came through the 128th AB as a student in 2011. Now as an instructor, he's learned to work with sister and international services as an instructor.

“I have two different chains of command, but I'm integrated

with the Army,” said Andersen. “It's a unique experience because you get to see how the services differ and it really helps you grow.”

Collier believes it is appropriate that Andersen is the first Airman to receive the badge due to his high-speed nature.

“Andersen is that Airman we want the newest Airmen to see,” said Collier. “He's that Airman everyone likes, everyone respects and everyone trusts. He fits that whole Airman concept and really deserves this.”

# F-35

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phased capability improvements and modernization of the F-35 air system. This effort is part of the Joint Program Office's Continuous Capability Development and Delivery framework, which will provide timely, affordable incremental warfighting capability improvements to maintain joint air dominance against evolving threats to the

U. S. and its allies.

With stealth technology, advanced sensors, weapons capacity and range, the F-35 is the most lethal, survivable and connected fighter aircraft ever built. More than a fighter jet, the F-35's ability to collect, analyze and share data is a powerful force multiplier that enhances all airborne, surface and ground-based assets in the battlespace and enables men and women in uniform to execute their mission and return home safe.

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“These kids don't come from the best homes or situations, but they all have dreams,” Adimora said. “A lot of them want to get a degree in something, join the military, etc. We're here to let them know there's so much out there for them after high school. They can do anything.”

Adimora was quick to volunteer for Troops for Teens for one reason.

“I love kids,” she said. “We all come from different walks of life and most of us can somehow relate with what they're dealing with. It's rewarding to know I can have such an impact on someone who's looking up to me, and I can make a difference in their lives.”

The program runs during the school year and hosts several events for the teens to learn from, interact with and have fun with the Airmen mentors. These events include cook outs and attending the Air

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— Tech. Sgt. Jamie Adimora

Force Basic Military Training coin ceremony and graduation, among others.

“We take them to BMT so they can see our first step into the Air Force,” Adimora said. “We also introduce them to (Joint Base San Antonio) Airmen from different Air Force

careers ... all to show them we have many of the same jobs as the civilian sector.”

During a recent trip, the mentors introduced the teens to military working dogs and their handlers.

“You could have heard a pin drop as the handler explained

the dog's job and its relationship with its human partner,” Perez said. “This type of event exposes our students to opportunities in our own community and hopefully gets them to think about their own future.”

The program will wrap up in the coming months, but Adimora is confident it will continue into the 2018-2019 school year.

“As military members, especially in San Antonio, it's important to support the communities in which we have such a prominent presence in,” she said.

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## Course

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leg up to meet my team far in advance of actually taking command and establishing not only a rapport, but a great foundation for that entire team concept," he said. "It's important that both the senior enlisted adviser and the commander hear the same level of information - no surprises, no secrets - because again it's that team concept."

Spouses of both commanders and superintendents participated in a majority of the course sessions, emphasizing the important role that spouses play in squadrons.

"I think including commanders' and superintendents' spouses is a great initiative because not only is it

**"I would highly encourage other commands who are looking adopting a (similar) course to take advantage of the possibility."**

— Senior Master Sgt. Scott Jessup

what's going on at work but it's also what's going on at home," Chang said. "A great example is the key spouses' program - to make sure that all folks in the squadron are taken care of."

While the course for both squadron commanders and superintendents is currently one of a kind, squadron leaders like Jessup who participated in the course believe that the concept would benefit other commands and units across the Air Force.

"I would highly encourage

other commands who are looking at adopting a joint squadron commander and superintendent course to take advantage of the possibility," Jessup said. "This is, I feel, a great opportunity for senior enlisted to come and be represented - and representing - with their commanders, putting us all on the same page and starting the relationship off right. I really feel this course is long overdue."

AETC will offer three more Squadron Command Team and Spouses Courses in 2018.

## Allies

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Wilson said. "We will strengthen our alliances and attract new partners not just by sharing data from monitoring, but by training and working closely with each other in space operations."

The Air Force will add two new courses to its National Security Space Institute located at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado, including one on space situational awareness, for U.S. partners and allies to learn more about collision avoidance, de-orbits and reentries. The service will also open more of its advanced courses on national security space to military members of allied countries.

### Accelerating Defendable Space

Wilson also announced that the Air Force will establish an office that will report directly to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition to change acquisition rules and speed things up. The office will work with program managers to identify areas for streamlining and improvement, and drive forward change in the

way the Air Force does business.

"Their job will not be to buy things, but to change the Pentagon rules and processes through which we buy things so that speed is a priority, and an expectation," Wilson said. "It's time to stop circumventing the bureaucracy and start rewiring it."

### Space and Missiles System Center redesigned for speed

Since last December, Space and Missiles System Center Commander Lt. Gen. J.T. Thompson has been evaluating how the Air Force designs and builds space systems and finding ways for the service to do it better and faster. Now, with the support of Pentagon leadership, Gen. Thompson is leading the restructuring of the Space and Missiles System Center.

The redesign will eliminate stovepipes and establish a Chief Architect to guide and look across the entire space enterprise. SMC will have a special team focused on innovation and others that will drive partnerships, prototyping and leverage commercial space.

And the Air Force is moving forward fast. Setting speed as a key parameter, SMC will reach initial operating capability in October of this year.

## Honor

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U.S., a solemn dignified transfer is conducted upon arrival at Dover Air Force Base, Delaware, when a Air Force carry team transfers the remains from the aircraft to a transfer vehicle to honor those who have given their lives in service to America. Fallen service members, however, have stops

to locations like here along the way before they head home to their family.

Reta described this particular transfer as an honor, saying it was an experience he will be able to take with him to future transfers. The rest of the team echoed those sentiments.

"There's a lot of pride sending (Airmen) back home and (I have) torn feelings about it," Owens said. "I hate doing transfers but I'm also proud of what I get to do."

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Shawn Martin, right, an Air Mobility Command civic leader, watches a small rocket launch with a student mentor from Hillsborough County during a Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics demonstration April 12 at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.

## STEAM

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of activity and impact. The civic leaders gained enhanced insight into the mission and operations of the 6th Air Mobility Wing at MacDill, its co-located mission partners, and how the mobility enterprise supports a global area of responsibility.

The 6th AMW supports the U.S. Air Force and critical joint partners, such as U.S. Central Command, delivering critical refueling capabilities through its fleet of KC-135 Stratotanker aircraft. The wing's Airmen have also been leading in an effort to develop key relationships with industry partners and educational institutions to enhance family readiness and better prepare for future challenges in STEAM-related fields.

"It's an honor to host such a remarkable group of civic leaders," said Col. April Vogel, commander of the 6th AMW. "It's so important that we introduce the public to the incredible mission our Airmen execute and encourage them to take part in promoting our communities. By cultivating a collaborative environment both on-base and outside it, our civic leaders have a direct impact on mission success."

Throughout their visit, the civic leaders received demonstrations by the Joint Communications Support Element, U.S. Central Command, and saw first-hand what it takes to keep AMC's decades-old aircraft flying while ensuring America's lethality.

The 6th Maintenance Squadron allowed the visitors to get an up-close view during a periodic inspection and repair of a KC-135. Airmen of the 6th Fabrication Flight then demonstrated how they do their part to keep the nation's 55-year-old KC-135 fleet functional through the custom parts manufacturing process.

The role tankers serve in enabling the joint fight and worldwide operations is essential to mission success. Tankers comprise more than 40 percent of the U.S. Air Force sorties flown since the outset of Operation Inherent Resolve and ensure the nation's ability to reach any point on the globe quickly.

"The ability to refuel our aircraft is critical to the nation," said Barrett. "Our combatant commands rely on tankers to fuel the fight. The KC-135 enables lethality for America and is critical to our national defense."

In addition to learning more about the importance of the tanker mission and what it takes to keep the aircraft flying, there

was a focus on the continuing importance of inspiring future generations through STEAM initiatives and enhancing local area education.

The AMC civic leaders met a group of local students from the Hillsborough County School District. The students showed numerous STEAM projects they built, including a go-kart, homemade rockets, and even a functional hovercraft.

"The STEAM initiative is so fascinating and so timely because there is a lot of it happening in our communities already," said Dana Lancellotti, an AMC civic leader from Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey. "It ties right in to so many things that I feel we can connect. It is a perfect way to look at the future."

The civics' visit to MacDill also included executive sessions to discuss the way forward for nationwide outreach efforts and areas to partner. These sessions opened dialogue between the leaders in each community to develop plans addressing areas of need - such as the importance of professional license reciprocity for military spouses, who are required to move with the service member, often at a cost to their ability to practice without undue delay and expense.

## Bonds

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a mutually functional and cooperative relationship.

"I think the hardest thing we take for granted is that (our counterparts) stay here and we rotate every six months, so the amount of effort they put and trust in us has to be rebuilt every six months," Schoon said. "As long as we tell our defenders that are coming in behind us, 'listen, this is a relationship we are in together. Keeping everybody safe...That's what the goal should be.'"

The aerial port at Cargo City is the largest strategic logistics point for passengers and cargo in the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility, which requires more cooperative integration with the host nation security force.

"Progression is based off of what we are able to do; just like we have our manning capabilities and restrictions, they're in the same boat," said Master Sgt. Benjamin Hathaway, 387th ESFS training noncommissioned officer in charge and operations (NCO). "We know when we go to Cargo City that we are going to be doing joint operations. In preparation for that, we shouldn't just one day pick up and work together, we need to build up to that and have

an understanding of how everything is going to operate. That's why we are trying to do these things in methodical manner."

The 387th ESFS participated in joint exercises with their counterparts leading up to move to Cargo City. Future plans include having host nation counterparts work entry control points, do vehicle searches and security patrols in cooperation, and in many cases side-by-side with Airmen.

"The training has been progressively on going since 2016, however it has been fairly recently that we have been working together at the gates," said Maj. Mahammad Boresli, a security officer with the host nation forces. "For me the knowledge and experience has been good for my team. I love being able to exercise with our two nations and gain the expertise needed."

The first thing U.S. leadership looked at was how to train the host nation to our standards of vehicle searching.

"The mentality they had going into it was what do the Americans do and why do they do it this way," Hathaway said. "We see how they run their operations and they have a different mindset than us. We are really trying to envelope them into what our mindset is and why it is our mindset."

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## Scalambrino

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achieve what they define as success and ultimately help our nation win wars, directly contributing to something much greater than ourselves.

Fast forward to today, after 20 years of serving the Air Force, I see the difference this perspective has made; commitment to duty comes easy and a resolute mindset of loyalty and being "all in" is now second nature. This perspective is not a result of reaching 20 years in service, but a byproduct of fulfilling my call to serve. This perspective has allowed me to see, in part, my purpose in life.

Additionally, I mirror this perspective and purpose with a friend of mine, a quiet hero whose life defines the words "service commitment:" retired Chief Master Sgt. Salvatore DiMarco. DiMarco faithfully served 30 years on active duty and has continued to serve as a volunteer for an additional 30 years. When you have the privilege to meet and talk with him, you can tell that DiMarco is motivated by duty and loyalty.

To this day, he continually makes sacrifices to serve his nation. He volunteers at David Grant USAF Medical Center three days a week. Not because he has to, but because he loves to contribute to something greater than himself. DiMarco doesn't need any fanfare, praise or even the spotlight. He quietly serves with true commitment and dedication. He has and always will consider it a "blessing to serve."

Both Smith and DiMarco have personified the core value of service before self. They have dedicated their lives to the service of our nation. These two great examples of service can rest knowing that they made an impact and left a lasting legacy for our Air Force.

The challenge: contemplate your perspective, don't look at your service commitment as "working for" the Air Force, but "serving" the Air Force. It is a blessing and privilege to serve this great nation. I encourage you to remember why we do and what we do. Recommit today to serve and serve with all you have. It's called a "service commitment" for a reason.

## Program

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Although facilitators guided themed discussion, students were encouraged to share their feedback and experiences with the group.

The students voiced their opinions about leadership, and agreed and disagreed with one another. This cross-talk helped each of them see where they were right or wrong, or maybe just needed better direction, according to Chavez.

One student said he benefited greatly from his attendance.

"ALA took the best part of PME and gave it a dedicated venue, the free discussion of topics impacting the force amongst peers," said Tech. Sgt. Kendall Priest, 836th Cyberspace Operations Squadron Maintenance and Support NCO in charge. "It has given me better insight into the thought processes of those around me. I think getting the diverse perspective of others will help

immensely in leadership and everyday situations."

The program was originally created at Osan Air Base, South Korea, by Chief Master Sgt. Randy Kwiatkowski, now 56th Fighter Wing command chief at Luke Air Force Base, Arizona. Avila directed the program at Osan AB and, after arriving here, introduced it to Chavez. It has also spread to a handful of other bases, including Beale Air Force Base, California, and Luke AFB.

"Master Sgt. Chavez took this program and ran with it," Avila said. "He made it his own and got a great group of senior NCOs behind it. This is a great program for any wing; and if you get a great junior NCO out of it, it's something you should invest in."

The next course iteration is scheduled for this fall and will also be opened up to the 688th CW's sister wing, the 67th Cyberspace Wing. Students must be nominated by their squadron leaders or current graduates.

## C-17

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someone who's been working on the C-17 for 15 years is passed on to them for use at their home station."

Wiley provides a unique perspective to the Charlotte ANG maintainers as they prepare to replace a fleet of C-130s with C-17s because he has been a maintainer for both aircraft.

"Some of it's the same, some of it is different," said Wiley. "Systems progress and evolve to get better with newer jets."

Members from both maintenance teams reviewed every aspect of the jet together to ensure

JB Charleston had everything functioning properly before the transfer became official.

"We look at the aircraft pretty extensively," said Moore. "We look at the outside appearance, we do a home station check inspection and look at all the delayed discrepancies. We do the best we can to give them a really good airplane."

As the installation with the largest C-17 fleet, Moore said Joint Base Charleston is always happy to work any trouble shooting issue any base may have and welcomes calls from Charlotte ANG Airmen.

"We have a partnership with all the C-17 bases," said Moore. "We have the most experience

and a phenomenal maintenance team here. Anything they need, we'll be glad to help them out."

Boles was grateful for the hospitality and insight shown to him and his team as they began their transition to the C-17. He hopes the partnership continues and the two geographically close bases can work together to provide rapid global mobility.

"New aircraft like the C-17 with its capabilities will strengthen our mission and make us even more of an asset to the military," said Boles. "The team here was outstanding. It was even more than we were expecting. They made everything seamless and enjoyed sharing their knowledge."

## Earth Day

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the idea of conservation since, unlike traditional agriculture, very little water is wasted. Urban gardening also utilizes little, if any, pesticides – an additional plus for conservation."

Master gardeners are volunteers trained and certified by the university to provide educational outreach to help home gardeners and community organizations garden sustainably and create a healthy environment.

"Each individual has a responsibility to understand the relationship between mankind and our natural resources," said Craig. "It's estimated that more than 7 billion people currently occupy earth. By 2050, that number is expected to increase to nearly 12 billion. If we don't find ways to make our food source sustainable and healthy, we may not have an adequate food supply."

Reducing food waste at home also conserves energy and resources by preventing pollution from manufacturing, transporting and hauling food wastes and sending it to a landfill.

Americans tossed 38 million tons of food waste in 2014, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. For information on ways to prevent food waste visit: <https://www.epa.gov/recycle/reducing-waste-food-home>.

Earth Day dates back to

April 22, 1970, when Sen. Gaylord Nelson D-Wisconsin, forced environmental causes into the national spotlight. As a result, 20 million Americans held demonstrations around the nation. In December 1970, Congress passed legislation creating the EPA to protect human health and the environment.

While Travis AFB focuses on sustainable gardening, this year the Earth Day Network is focusing on plastic pollution. In fact, the Earth Day theme is "End Plastic Pollution," according to the EDN, which leads the worldwide observance of Earth Day.

The network plans to

educate millions of people about health and other risks associated with the use and disposal of plastics that pollute the oceans, water and wildlife and about the growing body of evidence that decomposing plastics are creating serious global problems, according to the agency's website.

"Our goals include ending single-use plastics, promoting alternatives to fossil fuel-based materials, promoting 100 percent recycling of plastics, corporate and government accountability and changing human behavior concerning plastics," the network's website stated.

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"The disposal service is free and anonymous with no questions asked," said

Wenner. Donors should seal liquids and creams and remove all personal information from containers. Needles, (sharp objects), asthma inhalers and illicit drugs will not be accepted.

"Locations that will accept sharps all year-round are the Benicia Fire Department, Sutter Fairfield Medical Campus, NorthBay Medical Center emergency department, NorthBay's VacaValley Hospital and Solano Garbage and Household Hazardous Waste," said Wenner.

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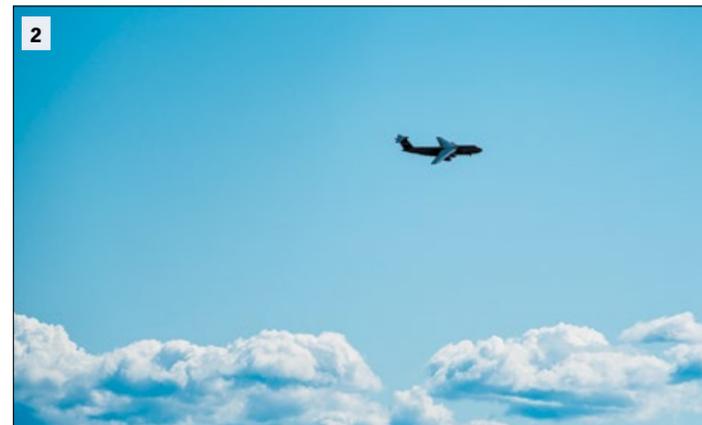
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2) The last C-5M Super Galaxy to join the fleet flies April 17 over Travis Air Force Base, Calif. 3) Lt. Col. Cory Damon, 22nd Airlift Squadron commander, holds the ceremonial C-5M Super Galaxy key April 17 at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The key was aboard the last C-5M Super Galaxy to return to the Travis fleet from Lockheed Martin.



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