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Readiness shines in look back at 2018

appy New Year! I hope each of you had an opportunity to enjoy some time off during the holidays. As we enter 2019 ready to tackle any new challenges the New Year may bring, I would like to take a moment to recall some of the outstanding accomplishments the 60th Air Mobility Wing achieved over the past year.

If I could sum up 2018 in one word, it would be readiness. Team Travis experienced a renewed emphasis on readiness, to include executing several base-wide exercises the largest in years. We also carried out the day-to-day operations to support and defend our nation. On top of everything we accomplished, we also celebrated our 75th year as a military aviation installation. 2018 was a tremendous year, and we should all be proud. The 60th Operations Group

enabled rapid global mobility to support the fight both at home and abroad. The 6th Air Refueling Squadron prepared themselves for full spectrum readiness by participating in exercises Neptune Falcon, Golden Thunder, Albacore Rising and Valiant Shield. The 9th ARS continued combat operations through the flawless execution of more than 700 combat sorties. The 21st



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ing the installation of a state-of-the-art mission-planning cell, and collaborating with Air Force Research Laboratory on an aircrew sleep study to improve our understanding of work/sleep cycles. Ad-60TH AIR MOBILITY ditionally, they accrued WING COMMANDER more flight hours than any other C-17 squad-

Airlift Squadron con-

selves apart through

innovation, spearhead-

tinued to set them-

ron in the Air Force. The 22nd AS led an aircraft staging location for a historic summit in North Korea, ensuring peaceful diplomatic talks in the Pacific region, and flew the first C-5M Super Galaxy supporting troop movements to our own border. Finally, the 60th Operations Support Squadron helped author a letter of agreement between the Federal Aviation Agency and the Department of Defense regarding small unmanned aircraft systems and provided support for 2,800 missions and 31,000 flight hours.

Our 60th Maintenance Group remained lean and fit to fight last year, standing undaunted in the face of challenges. Always prepared, the 60th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron facilitated the delivery of critical equipment to Kilauea. Hawaii, in the wake of disruptive volcanic activity. They also generated seven C-5M,

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carrying 50 tons of cargo, enabling urgent missions to support the repair of Wake Island's mooring buoy. This skilled group of Airmen also enabled the launch of not one, but two noteworthy spacecraft this vear: NASA's InSight lander and the Advanced Extremely High Frequency communications satellite. The lander recently completed its journey to Mars, where it will investigate the deep interior of the Red Planet. Our maintenance Airmen received high praise for their timely troubleshooting of issues that could have prevented the launch of the communications satellite, which will be utilized by both the U.S. President and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Continuing to foster their innovative spirit, the 60th MXG implemented a new training tool with the help of GoPros and Youtube, creating an online catalogue of helpful "how-to" videos. Additionally, they eliminated outdated forms, implemented new equipment on their servicing trucks, and conducted several studies aimed at improving efficiency in scheduling, taskings, and readiness. Despite rarely encountering these specific sets of missions. the MXG responded swiftly and boldly, employing their expertise at a moment's notice.

in the Air Force yet again this year. In addition to winning 27 awards at the Major Command level, the hospital was awarded the Meritorious Performing Hospital for 2018 – the only DoD facility to win this award three years in a row! The Clinical Investigation Facility was awarded the Function Mission Team Award in the category of Research and Development. The outstanding accomplishments in the field of healthcare by the CIF team represent great advances in military medicine, science and worldwide healthcare. Their scientific breakthroughs will positively impact the survivability of our warfighters, and will translate to better outcomes for all patients. The 60th MDG also stayed on the cutting edge of readiness through the planning, coordination and execution of multiple large-scale exercises including U.S. Transportation Command's Ultimate Caduceus and Southern Hope, along with the first National Disaster Medical System Federal **Coordination Center exercise** in five years! Finally, they were able to provide much-needed medical care in support of relief efforts for both Hurricanes Florence and Michael. The proud 60th Mission Support Group demonstrated

The warrior medics of the

60th Medical Group at David

Grant USAF Medical Center

proved why they are the finest

unparalleled service while "working towards yes," and continuously improving processes and support. Our 60th Contracting Squadron exemplified fiscal stewardship while working towards ves in the execution of the largest year-end program. They ensured an ontime execution of 23 requirements at DGMC, all while finding over \$39 million in savings for implementation. The 60th Security Forces Squadron supported global readiness and training through a coordinated base-wide surge in firing operations at the range. They maintained operations at an unprecedented seven days a week for nearly three months – a 300 percent surge in weapons qualifications! The 60th Logistics Readiness Squadron continued to deliver remarkable natural disaster support above and beyond their core duties. They quickly responded to the Nelson Fire, a local disaster that raged dangerously close to our own installation, and provided critical support when Hurricane Michael devastated Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida. Our 60th Force Support Squadron continues to impress and develop a strong, resilient fighting force. They assisted 326 Team Travis personnel in achieving higher education degrees with \$2.8 million in tuition assistance awarded. Additionally, they were awarded the

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U.S. Air Force photos by Louis Briscese, Heide Couch, Lan Kim and Master Sgt. Joey Swafford

Super Galaxy: Aeromedical evacuation's big ally

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Master Sgt. Joey Swafford

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During a cold, gloomy first week of December, total force Airmen teamed up at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, to test the capability of the Air Force's largest aircraft to perform aeromedical evacuation during a proof-of-concept event.

The goal was to establish the C-5M Super Galaxy as part of the universal qualification training program for AE forces. If successfully certified, the C-5M will have the capability to move three times the current capacity in one mission compared to other AE platforms.

The proof of concept event was made possible by recent upgrades to the C-5 making the cargo compartment more suitable for AE operations.

"The engine upgrade allowed the aircraft to produce a lot more power and to use the iet more efficiently." said Master Sgt. Christopher Boots, 60th Operations Group Standardization and Evaluation C-5M flight engineer evaluator. "Another factor was the environmental system received upgrades. We now have better control over the systems, and we're able to better control the environment (temperature and cabin pressure) that the AE folks would have downstairs in the cargo compartment."

The C-5M upgrades allowed the proof of concept to work, but the Airmen's innovation is what made it happen.

"The Air Force as a whole is more interested in using the assets that we have more efficiently and maximizing the capability that we can get out of different airplanes," said Maj.

"It was great to observe, this is an example of that. It's first hand, our Airmen working hard to make innovative strides using our existing platforms to ty Command) as well to try to get after a critical mission set," maximize the way we use the said Brig. Gen. Darren James, director of AMC's Operations, Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration. "Last week's test provided valuable learning as we move forward in evaluatgreater capability to the AE ing ways to increase our readenterprise could be a game iness and support of the 2018

T-tail to check for ice buildup before an aeromedical evacuation proof-of-concept flight Dec. 5, 2018, at Scott AFB, III.

National Defense Strategy."

Staff Sgt. Nicholas Peterson, 60th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron C-5M Super Galaxy flying crew chief, climbs a ladder to the top of the aircrafts

The C-5M AE mission not only benefits readiness for any future conflicts it will be a bendisasters.

"Using the C-5 for AE is going to be a pivotal point moving forward because it can be another platform for AE to move troops and also to aid in humanitarian missions and do mass evacuations," said Maj. Catherine Paterson,

Squadron flight nurse. "Just being able to help either troops or humanitarian relief and pitchefit during any future natural in for that makes my job even

more exciting and just warms

439th Aeromedical Evacuation

my heart." The C-5M and the active-duty Airmen crew traveled from Travis AFB. They were joined in the proof of concept by other active-duty Airmen and civilians from AMC, Scott AFB and

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Band performs for holidays

The USAF Band of the Golden West performed as part of the band's annual holiday concert series.

In 2018, the band performed eight shows in seven days at six

than 10,000 audience members.

Kevin Simonds, 22nd Airlift

Squadron C-5M pilot. "I think

a priority within the force and

in the MAJCOM (Air Mobili-

With the Department of De-

fense's shift to focus on great

power competition and main-

taining readiness, the C-5M's

assets that we have."

More than 900 get cookies

The annual Operation Cookie Drop collected more than 900 dozen homemade, donated cookies for more than 900 Airmen venues and performed for more living in the Travis Air Force geants of the base's squadrons to

Travis breaks ground on KC-46 hangar, **PAGES 14-15**

Base, California, dorms. The Travis Spouses' Club hosted the event.

The club starts organizing for Cookie Drop every October with donations of frozen cookie dough, which is baked into cookies. They work with the first ser-

draw up lists of airmen who will get the boxes of cookies.

Leftover cookies are taken to service members on the flightline, the hospital and other ar-

Volunteers such as Airmen 1st Class Kelcie Edwards, of the 60th Operations Support Squadron, and Loraine Browning, of the Blue Star Families of Sacramento, showed up to sort, box

and decorate the boxes of cook-

"We also brought hot chocolate packets," Browning said. "We do this because we just love our military. Our children are in the military and there are other people who are taking care of

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Travis chips in after typhoon

Airmen from the 60th Aerial Port Squadron along with the aircraft staircases and cargo they assisted in loading and securing went to Saipan International Airport in the Pacific, as part of a multinational joint relief operation supporting populations affected by Super Typhoon Yutu.

Service members from Joint Region Marianas and Indo-Pacific Command provided Department of Defense support to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands' civil and local officials as part of the FEMA-supported Typhoon Yutu recovery efforts.

Super Typhoon Yutu was strongest tropical cyclone ever to pass over the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Saipan and Tinian, equivalent to a Category 5 hurricane.

49ers embrace Travis, Airmen

As part of its support of Veterans Day, the San Francisco 49ers football team engaged in multiple events in Novem-Base, California.

For the team's Nov. 12, 2018, appearance on ESPN's "Monday Night Football," the U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West performed in honor of Veterans Day and to support the National Football League's Salute to Service Campaign.

Additionally, 10 Travis Airmen were invited to Levi's Stadium, the home of the San Francisco 49ers, Nov. 11 in Santa Clara, Calif.

The Airmen and their families had the opportunity to view of the 49ers practice. They were able to meet with the players one-on-one and converse with each other.

For one family this experience was more than amazing and why Senior Master Sgt. Scott Piper, 60th Air Mobility Wing career assistance advisor, says, "Everything happens for a reason."

"Growing up in the military, I didn't have a 'local' team and in the 1980s, the 'Niners' were



Senior Airman Xavier Clark, 60th Aerial Port Squadron, waits to secure aircraft staircases and cargo onto a 517th Airlift Squadron C-17 Globemaster III from Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska, Nov. 5, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. A group of 60th APS Airmen and equipment headed to Saipan International Airport in the Pacific as part of a multinational joint relief operation supporting populations affected by Super Typhoon Yutu.

on national T.V. quite a bit, so I them," said Scott.

Smoke clouds float over Travis

Smoke from a wildfire in Butte County, California filled the air for nearly two weeks in November 2018, flooding Northern California skies, including the air over Travis Air Force

The Camp Fire was more than 120 miles from the base, burning more than 153,336 acres and destroying 18.804 structures, according to a press release from the California Department of Forestry and Fire

The blaze killed 86 people, making it the deadliest wildfire in California history.

The fire reached 100 percent containment after 17 days on Nov. 25, 2018.

ber 2018 with Travis Air Force started watching and following then-Gov.-elect Gavin Newsom, DOD." and FEMA director Brock Long toured the Paradise area.

DGMC earns distinction

Medical Center at Travis Air Force Base was recognized for a third year as a meritorious performing hospital by the American College of Surgeons National Surgical Quality Improvement Program.

DGMC is the only Air Force hospital recognized for surgical patient care and outcomes in 2017 and the only Department of Defense site to win the distinction for three consecu-

In a Nov. 1, 2018, note to senior leaders, Brig. Gen. James Dienst, Air Force Medical Operations Agency commander, called the recognition "a no-

The goal of ACS NSQIP is to reduce surgical infection, illness and death related to a surgical procedure by helping hospitals better understand the quality of care they provide compared to similar hospitals with similar patients. Accord-The David Grant USAF ing to ACS, 708 hospitals participate in NSQIP.

closer look at AF

Students gained firsthand experience during a tour of static heavy lift aircraft during a base tour Nov. 8, 2018 at Travis Air Force Base, California.

Travis hosted Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps students from three high schools in Northern California.

Students learned about various career fields in the U.S. Air Force, toured static air-On Nov. 17, President Donald table accomplishment for Air craft, a dormitory, and had the

Trump, then-Gov. Jerry Brown, Force Medical Service and opportunity to talk with personnel about military life.

Chapel team named AF's best

The Chapel Team at Travis AFB won the Charles I. Carpenter award which recognizes the best large chapel team

The award is named after Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Charles I. Carpenter, who was the first chief of Air Force chaplains. serving from Aug. 1949 to Aug.

Winning the award validates the exceptional services the chapel team provides to Travis. Mai. Todd Leathermon. 60th Air Mobility Wing, deputy wing chaplain says this is a total team effort.

"The team we have is extraordinary," said Leathermon.

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Senior Airman Clinton Andrews, 821st Contingency Response Support Squadron aerial porter, offloads cargo from a Travis Air Force Base C-17 Globemaster III at Tyndall AFB, Florida, Oct. 12, 2018. The contingency response team deployed to assess damage and establish conditions for the re-initiation of airflow, bringing much needed equipment. supplies and personnel for the rebuilding of the base in the aftermath of Hurricane Michael.

Travis responds after hurricane

TYNDALL AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — On the afternoon of Oct. 10, 2018, Hurricane Michael, a Category 4 hurricane, ripped through Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida, and the surrounding through its path.

Airmen from the 821st Contingency Response Group, Travis Air Force Base, California, received the alert call the next day and within 12 hours, a small initial assessment team headed out the door via a Travis C-17 Globemaster III to assess damage to the airfield.

After surveying the damage, a C-17 from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, transported a larger contingency response element of nearly 50 Airmen. On board was also much needed equipment and supplies for the reinitiation of airflow and for the rebuilding of the base.

"Our main mission is to help restore Tyndall AFB by facilitating large support packages coming in from multiple organizations," said Lt. Col. Troy Aug. 22, 1984. Pierce, CRE commander.

Hurricane Michael sustained winds up to 150 mph, which significantly damaged

every structure throughout the

Additionally, a C-17 Globemaster III with a crew from the 21st Airlift Squadron and the 860th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron stood ready to aid in humanitarian relief operations.

The C-17 staged at Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona, after departing Travis AFB to be able to quickly deliver search area, leaving severe damage and rescue capabilities to the affected area when called

> Though the call never came, the C-17 crew knew it was vital

DGMC toasts 30 years of service

David Grant USAF Medical Center celebrated its 30th year in Bldg. 777 at Travis Air Force Base, California.

DGMC provides medical care for nearly 400,000 eligible Department of Defense and Veterans Health Administration patients in Northern California with a staff of more than

The Air Force broke ground on the \$202 million facility

The facility opened opened Dec. 15, 1988.

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Nelson assumes command

Col. Jeff Nelson assumed command of the 60th Air Mobility Wing at Travis Air Force Base, California, during a ceremony Sept. 18, 2018, attended by leaders of the local community, 18th Air Force leadership and Travis Airmen.

Nelson takes charge of Air Mobility Command's largest wing after previously serving as the 628th Air Base Wing commander at Joint Base Charleston, South Carolina.

"I can't wait to see what kind of excitement this assignment brings to our family," said Nelson. "We look forward to being a part of the 18th Air Force family again and helping deliver innovated rapid global mobility from here at Travis."

Travis has a workforce of over 26,000 personnel and is also the home of 58 aircraft to include the C-5M Super Galaxy, KC-10 Extender and the C-17 Globemaster III. As Solano County's biggest employer, Nelson is well aware of the impact Travis has on the local



Maj. Gen. Sam Barrett, center, 18th Air Force commander, passes the guidon to Col. Jeff Nelson, right, 60th Air Mobility Wing commander, Sept. 18, 2018, during an assumption-of-command ceremony at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

Spouse of Year

In September, the Air Force recognized Morgan Noller or families. hard work, awarding her the

Year in Washington, D.C.

The award is given annually by the Air Force Association to a nonmilitary spouse who makes an impact on the lives of service members and their group.

organizing 11 events and providing support for 650 attendees, as well as merging the base's officer and enlisted spouses clubs into a single

Additionally, she coordinat- ana Noller won for volunteer- ed a multi-day 75th anniver-2018 Joan Orr Spouse of the ing more than 2,000 hours, sary gala celebrating of the

history of the 21st and 22nd Airlift Squadrons.

Noller's spouse, Capt. Steven Noller, serves with the 21st AS.

DGMC tries new cancer treatment

Lt. Col. (Dr.) David Gover and Maj. (Dr.) Jason Hoskins, assigned to the 60th Medical Group at Travis Air Force Base, California, performed the first Air Force-only liver cancer treatment on a patient with Y-90 radioembolization Sept. 7.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved the use of one type Y-90 radioembolization 20 years ago.

Both interventional radiologists at David Grant USAF Medical Center, Gover and Hoskins treated patients with Y-90 radioembolization while completing fellowships - Gover in 2004 at the University of California at San Diego, and Hoskins in 2017 at Indiana University, Indianapolis, Indi-







Firefighters from Travis Air Force Base, Calif., work to prevent the spread of the Nelson Fire Aug. 10, 2018, in Fairfield, Calif. Travis dispatched 12 firefighters, two fire engines and one water tender to support firefighting efforts. The fire scorched 2,162 acres before it was extinguished.

Firefighters help douse blaze

At 4:56 p.m. Aug. 10, 2018. a call came into the Fairfield Fire Department in California about a fast-moving fire near 2,162 acres, destroyed one Interstate 80 between Nelson and Cherry Glenn Roads.

homes in the Paradise Valley and Gold Ridge neighborhoods in Fairfield, as well as the Foxboro community in Vacaville, California.

The fire also burned power poles along Peabody Road in Vacaville, which knocked out power to more than 2,800 homes. This prompted the closure of Peabody Road between Chuck Hammond Drive and

the evacuation of 75 homes and hundreds of people.

The base dispatched 12 firefighters, two fire engines and one water tender capable of holding 5.000 gallons of water.

home and resulted in one injury before it was extinguished. The fire quickly grew to It took a team of approximate-1,000 acres and threatened ly 200 firefighters, 70 engines and four aircraft working together for three hours before the fire was contained and several more hours before the fire

Officer awarded Bronze Star

Lt. Col. Patrick Kennedy,

Foxboro Parkway, as well as 60th Medical Group Lab and Pathology Flight commander at Travis Air Force Base, California, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement while deployed to Craig Joint Theater The Nelson Fire grew to Hospital at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, from October to 99.23 percent.

2017 to May 2018. The Bronze Star Medal is awarded to members of the U.S. armed forces for heroic achievement, heroic service, meritorious achievement or meritorious service in a com-

Although the hospital did not suffer any direct hits during his deployment, it was targeted two to five times per month. The enemy's goal was to reduce the number of military members returning to duty, said Kennedy.

While assigned as the Diagnostics and Therapeutics Flight commander with the 455th Air took photos with the Airmen. Expeditionary Wing, Kennedy and his team not only increased efficiency at the hospital, they also helped increase patient survival rates from 98 percent

The Oakland Raiders invited 30 Airmen from Travis Air Force Base, California, to attend their training camp in Napa, California, in August

to a scrimmage between the Clara, Calif. Raiders and the Detroit Lions. After the scrimmage, several

players and coaches from both teams signed autographs and

The invitation to the training camp is part the of the Raiders Community Days initiative that honors service members, first responders, and the United Service Organization Bay Area. For Staff Sgt. Christopher Spears, 60th Operations Support Squadron weather forecaster, the opportunity to see one of his favorite teams was a chance of a lifetime.

Additionally, the San Francisco 49ers invited military service members from the local area to observe their training camp Aug. 12, 2018, during a military appreciation day at The Airmen were treated their training facility in Santa

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A view of the Travis Air Force Base, Calif., Intel Shooting Star light show, wherein Travis families were shown the choreographed capabilities of over 500 drones during an Independence Day celebration July 5, 2018. The drones conducted a show consisting of various designs meant to highlight both the U.S. Air Force's and Travis' history.

Travis hosts drone show

Intel Shooting Star drones entertained service members and their families with a drone light show over Travis Air Force Base, California, July 5, 2018, to celebrate Independence Day.

The show featured 500 drones affixed with LED lights capable of creating more than 4 billion color combinations in an eight minute production. During the performance, the drones were flown into multiple formations including the Travis 75th anniversary symbol, aircraft and the California bear.

Travis partnered with Intel to foster patriotism and cultivate innovation amongst Airmen and the community surrounding Travis. The culmination of those efforts led to a performance that was the first of its kind on a U.S. military base.

"We also wanted to help celebrate the 75th anniversary of Travis and the amazing work service personnel, both past and present, have committed to over the years," said Natalie Cheung, Intel Drone Light Show general manager.

Leaders for 60th MSG, 60th MDG

Travis welcomed new group commanders in July 2018 24, 2018, during a change-offor the 60th Medical Group and the 60th Mission Support lowed outgoing commander

Col. Victor Beeler took command of the 60th MSG during a

change-of-command ceremony July 16, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Beeler took command form Col. Lance Clark.

In the 60th MDG, Col. Kristen Beals took command July command ceremony. She fol-Col. Michael Higgins.

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Sergeant among top Airmen

JOINT BASE SAN ANTO-NIO-RANDOLPH, Texas — A senior master sergeant from the 6th Air Refueling Squadron at Travis Air Force Base, California, was among the 12 individuals Air Force officials recently announced as an outstanding airmen of the year for 2018.

Senior Master Sgt. Lucero Stockett repesented Air mobility Command as one of 12 individuals named.

An Air Force selection board at the Air Force Personnel Center considered 36 nominees who represented major commands, direct reporting units, field operating agencies and Headquarters Air Force. The board selected the final 12 Airmen based on superior leadership, job performance and personal achievements.

The winners are authorized to wear the Outstanding Airman of the Year Ribbon with the bronze service star device on the ribbon. They are also authorized to wear the Outstanding Airman of the Year badge for one year from the date of formal presentation. The remaining 24 nominees are authorized to wear the OAYR.

Fini flight waves goodbye to Klein

Col. John Klein, 60th Air Mobility Wing commander, receives a spray of water from his wife and children upon heritage wall at the Heritage



Col. John Klein, 60th Air Mobility Wing commander, is sprayed with water by his wife and children after completing his "fini-flight" June 27, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. Klein was the wing commander from June 2016 to July 2018 before beginning an assignment with the Council of Foreign Relations in New York.

Travis Air Force Base, Calif., Base, Calif., June 15, 2018. June 27, 2018.

Klein was the wing commander from June 2016 to July 2018. He now serves with the Council of Foreign Relations in New York.

9th ARS hits 75th anniversary

Gen. Paul Selva, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, visited Travis Air Force Base, California, to unveil the 9th ARS

completing his "fini-flight" at Museum at Travis Air Force of command ceremony June 21.

ARS' 75th anniversary as well as speaking at the base's 75th anniversary dining out.

Selva was the commander of the 9th ARS from 1994-95.

621st CRW greets leader

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. — Col. Ryan T. Marshall assumed command of the 621st Contingency Response Wing during a change

2018, at Joint Base McGuire-The visit was part of the 9th Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey.

Maj. Gen. Christopher Bence, U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center commander, presided over the ceremony in which Col. Charles Henderson relinguished command of the 621 CRW to Marshall.

Marshall, who previously served as the director of Operations, Logistics, Plans & Strategy at the U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center here, now leads the 621 CRW, a highlyspecialized unit trained to rapidly deploy personnel, quickly open airfields and establish.

expand, sustain, and coordinate air mobility operations around the world.

Since Henderson assumed command of the CRW in June 2016.

Torch Run boosts Special Olympics

The 2018 Special Olympics Torch Run took place June 20, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

The annual event brings law enforcement from the community and the base together to show their support for Special Olympics and the athletes who participate in the games.

Flight engineer hits 10k mark

Master Sgt. Scott Dillinger, KC-10 Extender flight engineer, hit 10,000 flight hours on a June 4, 2018, flight from Misawa Air Base, Japan to Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska

Dillinger and his fellow crew members landed at Travis AFB, California, June 6, 2018, where they were greeted by several members of the 6th ARS who were on hand to celebrate Dillinger's accomplish-

"I reached a milestone that was really important to me and it feels good," said Dillinger. "Even better than hitting 10,000 hours is sharing it with my crew."

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Base helps after Hawaii volcano

A C-5M Super Galaxy from Travis Air Force Base, California, departed May 15, 2018, to deliver a double recirculating cement mixer trailer to the island of Hawaii. The trailer will be used in support of Kilauea volcano relief efforts.

An aircrew from the 22nd Airlift Squadron was responsible for the short notice delivery of the equipment to the island. Tech. Sgt. Cole Rehse, 22nd AS, loadmaster, was given less than 24 hours' notice before the mis-

"We had less than 24-hour notice for this trip which is out of the ordinary as far as notifications go," said Rehse. "Any time you have an opportunity to help people out and ensure their safety, that's always fulfilling."

The cementing trailer has local ties to the Travis community as the company that owns the trailer is based 20 miles away in Rio Vista California. Alexander Morris, operations manager, in Rio Vista, is grateful for the assistance Travis provided.

Loading the double RCM trailer onto the C-5M Super Galaxy was somewhat challenging because of its size. The trailer weighs more than 55.000 pounds and is almost 100 feet long. Securing the trailer properly took some time because it had never been done

Giants celebrate base's 75 years

Members of the Travis al mobility throughout Califor-Air Force Base, Calif., Honor Guard presented the colors during a pregame ceremony 2018. May 19, 2018, at AT&T Park in San Francisco, California, before the San Francisco Giants and Colorado Rockies Major League Baseball game.

Travis was recognized at the game in honor of its 75th anniversary.



Galaxy May 15, 2018, at Hilo International Airport, Hawaii. The 22nd AS delivered the trailer to Hawaii in support of Kilauea volcano relief efforts.

CRW Airmen take part in C-Strike Airmen assigned to the

821st Contingency Response

an 11-day timeframe. The ex-

ercise provided contingency

response forces the opportu-

nity to rehearse potential real-

world situations in a joint envi-

ronment by training in aerial

port procedures, aircraft en-

gine running off-loads, and car-

go uploading and downloading.

Group exercised their ability to execute and sustain rapid globnia during exercise Cerberus Strike April 26 through May 7, Cerberus Strike, also known as C-Strike, is a contingency response-centric joint mobility exercise that takes place over

Members from Travis also participated in the playing of the national anthem before the

"This has been an amazing experience," said Maj. Ian Granier, 921st Contingency Response Squadron and the contingency response element commander. "The 921st CRS had an exceptional opportunity to come out here and test the skills they have been developing over the past year. The team has exceeded our expectations working in an austere environment and handling

a different number of unique

Base hosts

threats."

Travis Air Force Base, California, in partnership with the Solano County Office of ture their passions is what the

tion May 10, 2018, for young, enterprising high schoolers to showcase proposed solutions to real-world problems facing the base.

Named for Travis' own innovation initiative, the "Phoenix Spark Challenge" allowed 49 students from the local community the opportunity to flex their genius on a set of three challenges currently facing Travis engineers.

"The point of the competition is to get kids excited about (science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics)," said Staff Sgt. Cory Carlisle, 60th Operations Squadron air traffic controller and one of the competition's developers. "Providing these students the freedom and resources to pursue their own ideas and nurtimately about."

The challenges required a comprehensive knowledge of STEAM with all three involving problems that intersected into each subject's principles.

The challenges' official descriptions were:

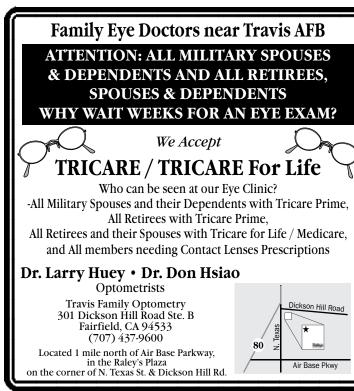
• Airfield Lighting Check: Design a system that saves time by remotely and wirelessly checking the lighting on the

• Unmanned Aerial Systems: Design a system that can deny UAS, or drones, entry into Travis' airspace.

• Self-Driving Bus: Design a driverless vehicle capable of carrying 15 to 20 passengers with luggage from the Passenger Terminal to the Visitors Center.

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Tech. Sgt. Traci Keller, 60th Air Mobility Wing Public Affairs broadcast journalist, shares a moment with a child after covering the delivery of emergency response vehicles through the Denton Program April 20, 2018, at La Aurora International Airport in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

Final C-5M arrives at base

axy to be added to the Travis organizations to developing na-Air Force Base, Calif., fleet arrived April 17, 2018, from Lockheed Martin.

The C-5M, with a cargo load capacity of 281,001 pounds, can and is managed by the U.S. Defly 2,150 nautical miles, offload, and fly to a second base 500 nautical miles away from the original destination, all without aerial refueling.

Fire trucks taken to Guatemala

The crew made up of Airmen assigned to the 21st Airlift Squadron and the 860th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron delivtruck to Guatemala City, Guatemala, April 20, 2018.

They were donated by the Mission of Love Foundation and shipped through the others.

Denton Program.

partment of Defense transpor- spirituality. tation program that moves humanitarian cargo, donated by The last C-5M Super Gal- U.S. based non-governmental tions to ease human suffering. The approved cargo is transported by DOD land, air or sea assets on a space-available basis partment of State and DOD.

Strawberry pays visit to Travis

Former baseball player vis Air Force Base, California.

Strawberry, an admitted ered the ambulance and fire former Rookie of the Year and pounds of fuel to more than four-time World Series champi- 4,000 receiver aircraft and sup-New York Yankees, now uses globe. those experiences to motivate

As a pastor, he uses his testi-The Denton Program is a Demony to instill healing through

earns distinction

Nearly three dozen Airmen of the 6th Air Refueling Squadron's In-Flight Refueling Section at Travis Air Force Base, California, were recognized in April 2018 at the 39th Annual Boom Operator's Symposium at Altus AFB, Oklahoma with the 2017 Senior Master Sgt. Albert L. Evans Trophy.

The award is given to the turned pastor Darryl Strawber- most outstanding air refueling ry visited Travis April 11, 2018, section in the Air Force each to share his journey with Air- year. The 6th ARS received the men and their families at Tra- honor for the sixth time, more than any unit in the Air Force.

The section was responsidrug abuser and alcoholic, the ble for offloading 50 million on with the New York Mets and porting missions around the

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Travis breaks ground on KC-46 Pegasus hangar

2nd Lt. Rachel Brinegar

60TH AIR MOBILITY WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Leadership from Travis Air Force Base as well as civic leaders from the local community broke ground on a three-bay hangar for the incoming KC-46A Pegasus tanker aircraft, Dec. 14,

The three-bay hangar is the first and largest of several construction projects set to begin over the next few years in preparation for the arrival of the KC-46. Once complete, the 174,300-square foot facility will be used for maintaining the new aerial refueling platform.

"In total, Travis is scheduled to receive 24 KC-46s through the middle of the next decade," said Maj. Gen. Sam Barrett, 18th Air Force commander, in front of an audience of more than 200 Airmen and community members. "Those aircraft will play a vital role in providing flexibility to U.S. and Coalition forces around the world."

Among those community members were Congressman John Garamendi from California's 3rd district and State Senator Bill Dodd from California Senate's 3rd District, who both spoke at the ceremony.

"This base has been the gateway to the Pacific for a long, long time and amongst all of us in this room, we are really just the current generation of men and women that have made this base critical to our nation's defense and it's going to continue on," said Garamendi.

The Pegasus is the newest aerial refueling platform in the Air Force's tanker fleet, bringing with it the capability to refuel two fixed-wing aircraft simultaneously and an increased aeromedical evacuation capacity.

These enhancements will allow Travis to remain at the forefront of rapid global mobility and continue to project American ty, it's a part of the community," power anytime, anywhere.

"The KC-46 will continue the great legacy we have that allows mobility aircraft to reach any

1) Maj. Gen. Sam Barrett, left, 18th Air Force commander, listens to a speaker during a groundbreaking ceremony Dec. 14, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif. The groundbreaking is for the new construction of a three-bay hangar scheduled to be the first military construction project in preparation for the KC-46A Pegasus arrival to Travis AFB. The 174,300-square-foot facility will encompass three bays and is designed for optimal aircraft maintenance

spot on the planet in 18 hours or active duty positions. less," said Barrett.

It is not without the support from the local civic leaders that made it possible for Travis to be chosen as one of the bases for the

"With the help of businesses in the region, we will build hangars to house the aircraft. Travis AFB isn't just in the communi-

In total, the KC-46 is expected to bring 175 million dollars in the base and the community that

"2023 is just around the corner and years of preparation are about to culminate with a 107 million dollar new hangar," said Dodd. "All this is tied to the Travis community consortium and its long-term goals of preserving and supporting the mission at Travis AFB.'

Construction on the hangar will officially begin March 2019.

The groundbreaking ceremony showed the first visible step to military construction and 96 new the Pegasus is coming, stated

Col. Jeffrey Nelson, 60th Air Mobility Wing commander.

"We have worked hard to build relationships around Travis," said Mai. Thomas Neveu. KC-46 Program Integration Office. "It is now, and will continue to be, the relationships we have here that will guarantee the success of the projects."

The first of the Pegasus aircraft is set to arrive January 2023, approximately six months after the scheduled completion date of the three-bay hangar



2) Representative from the Air Force and the State of California conduct the first dig during a groundbreaking ceremony Dec. 14, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base. Calif. 3) Maj. Gen. Sam **Barrett, 18th Air Force** commander, provides remarks during the ceremony. 4) Sen. **Bill Dodd. California** Senate's 3rd District, provides remarks during the ceremony. 5) Representatives from the Air Force and the State of California attend the ceremony. 6) U.S. Rep. John Garamendi. California's 3rd District, provides remarks during the ceremony. 7) Travis Community Chairman, provides remarks during the groundbreaking

sewage/water leaks or illegal dumping, call

spills, call the base emergency numbers.

707-424-2575. For hazardous chemical/material

Civilian Health Promotion Services. Will

a m. every Monday for all DoD federal civilians

Screenings include cholesterol, glucose, blood

information, visit www.AFMCwellness.com or

foh.hhs.gov.

pressure and body composition analysis. For more

contact CHPS at 707-424-CHPS or CHPSTravis@

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

Employee-Vehicle Certification and

must maintain emissions information with the

Reporting System. Civilian and military personnel

Web-based ECARS system. For more information,

Exceptional Family Member Program

Sensory Play Group. This group meets from 2 to

4 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesdays at the

Family Advocacy Parent/Child play

groups. Toddlers to the Max play group for

11 a.m. Wednesdays at the First Street Chapel

Annex. The Rattles to Raspberries play group for

infants 8 weeks to 1 year meets 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Thursdays at the First Street Chapel Annex. For

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

Balfour Beatty Community Center and from

1 to 2 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at

The Peak. For more information, contact Amber

Ouirate and Jessica Soto at 501-231-7756 or

Government no-fee passports. All

submissions of applications for government

photocopy of Military Identification Card front

and back; 2) Passport photo taken in the past six

months; 3) Supporting document(s), proof of

county seal, if it involved a name change submit

a court order or marriage certificate. Passport

application cannot be handwritten and printed

back to back and must be completed online with

2D barcode at website https://pptform.state.gov

Hometown News Releases. To submit

https://ihns.release.dma.mil/public and fill out

p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4

p.m. Saturdays, 1100 Railroad Ave, in Valleio, For

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

791. All deployers are fit as necessary. For more

to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to

more information, call 707-557-4646.

Mare Island Museum. Open 10 a.m. to 2

M-50 Gas Mask Fit Testing. Takes place

Mitchell Memorial Library. Open 9 a.m.

and/or https://travel.state.gov. For more

information, call 707-424-5324.

a Hometown News Release, visit

U.S. citizenship certified copy with state or

no-fee passports must now include: 1) A

email travsopcombatptsd@gmail.com.

Family and Friends Combat Stress Peer

children ages 1 to 3 meets from 9:30 to

more information, call 707-423-5168.

Support Group. Meets from noon to

Balfour Beatty Community Center For more

information, call 707-424-4342 or visit the

Facebook page "FFMP Travis AFR"

crisis counselor responds quickly.

call Xuven Lieu at 707-424-5103

Swap Ads

For rent

3/2 home, very clean, 3 mins. to Travis. Living room, dining room, family room, fire place, dishwasher, microwave, custom draperies. Top-of-the-line carpet. 3 patios. A/C. No pets, no Sec. 8. \$2,000 plus deposit. 707-425-5679.

Puzzles

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To complete Sudoku, fill the board

that each row, column and 3x3 box

For many strategies, hints and tips,

other puzzles, check out our books.

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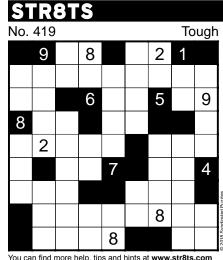
our store at www.str8ts.com

see how 'straights' are formed.

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squares into compartments. These



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SUDOKU Previous solution - Medium Easy

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Retiree Corner

Retired general wins Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy

ARLINGTON, Va. — Retired Gen. Lloyd Newton, the first African-American Thunderbirds pilot, received the 2018 Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy during the 71st National Aeronautics Association's Wright Brothers Memorial Dinner Dec. 14, 2018, in Washington, D.C.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. David L. Goldfein, who introduced Newton during the ceremony, thanked Newton for his service and his ability to break barriers in the Air Force.

Newton, who flew 269 combat missions during the Vietnam War, is the first African American to receive the Wright Brothers Memorial Trophy.

- Air Force News Service

Events and upcoming

Free Holiday Facebook Bingo. This

every week. Everyone 18 and older can pick up Holiday Facebook Bingo cards at the Airman and Family Readiness Center, Arts & Crafts, Cypress Lakes Golf Course, Mitchell Memorial Library, Outdoor Recreation and Travis Bowl. Don't forget to "LIKE" us on Facebook (@60FSS) to play and win \$1,000 cash. For more information, visit TravisFSS.com.

Home for the Holiday Reservations at Westwind Inn. Westwind Inn is now available for holiday reservations! From now through Jan. 4, 2019, you can book and reserve loved ones' stay for up to 14 nights (excluding TLFs, pet TLFs and business suites). Reservation based on availability. To make reservations or for more details, call 424-8000.

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

Chapel programs

Recurring events

Catholic

Twin Peaks Chapel

• Children's Church: 10:15 a.m. Sunday.

4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday or upon

appointment

Street Chanel)

and Friday

federal holidays.

• Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession:

• Infant Baptism Prep Class: Two classes.

• Women's Bible Study: 10 a.m. (at First

• Catholic Women of the Chapel: 6 p.m

• Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: 6 to

• RE Classes: 10:15 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday,

First Street Chapel

DGMC Chapel

• Roman Catholic Mass: Noon to 12:35

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

Sunday at DGMC Medical Center Chapel.

For all other inquiries, call LDS

Military relations representatives at 707-535-

DGMC Chapel

• Latter-day Saints Service: 4 to 4:30 p.m.

p.m. Monday through Thursday, except for

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

Registration required. 6 to 7 p.m., quarterly.

• Children's Choir: 2 p.m. Sunday.

• Youth Choir: 1 p.m. Sunday.

Adult Choir: 4 p.m. Sunday.

first Monday of every month. Annex

7:30 n m Wednesday Annex

Roman Catholic Mass: 9 a.m. and noon

60th FSS

season, 60th FSS will give away \$1,000 cash

10:30 a.m. Sunday. Gospel Worship Service: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 n 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

Protestant

First Street Chapel

• Protestant Community Service: 9:30 to

Twin Peaks Chapel

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

DGMC Chapel

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

Airmen's Ministry Center

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

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

Recurring

Air Force Office of Special Investigations. To report a crime, get a foreign travel brief or

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

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

Air Force Sergeants Association "Walter E. Scott" Chapter 1320. General membership meetings are at 2 p.m. 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 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

5 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and closed Sunday.

information, call 707-424-2689.

Montezuma Shrine Club. Meets every third Thursday of the month at the Masonic Center, 412 Travis Blvd., Fairfield, For more information, call Mike Michaelis at 707-427perform free wellness screenings from 7:30 to 9:30

2573 or Cal Gitsham at 707-425-0060. MPF self-renewal program. Did you know that dependents can now renew their ID cards online? To participate in this program visit http://bit.ly/2mR1gl2. This program is limited only for renewing dependents' IDs. For all other services, visit MPF during duty hours or call 707-424-8483

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

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

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

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

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

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

News Notes

Death notice. Lt. Col. Michael Melton is authorized to make disposition of the personal property of MSgt Ivan Reyes, deceased. Defense Threat Reduction Agency, as stated in AFI 34-511. Any person having claims for or against the deceased person, contact Melton by phone at 707-424-8636 or email michael e melton14 mil@mail mil

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.

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 3 p.m. the third Saturday of the month at the Airman and Family Readiness

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

Transfer Program: • Erin Dunniway, 60th Operations Support

 Rose Villa, 60th Medical Diagnostics and Therapeutics Squadron.

Squadron

The VLTP allows an employee who has a medical emergency or is affected by a medical emergency of a family member and is without availability of paid leave to receive transferred annual leave directly from other employees. For more information, call 707-424-1720.

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

• 6:30 p.m. "Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald" (PG-13)

• 9:30 p.m. "The Possession of Hannah" (R)

Saturday

- 6:30 p.m. "Robin Hood" (PG-13)
- 9 p.m. "The Girl in the Spider's Web" (R) Sunday

• 2 p.m. "Ralph Breaks the Internet" (PG)

Local events

What's Cookin' Wednesday. Free lunch

at the Travis AFB USO Bldg. 1348. Served from

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Wednedsay. For active

duty. Guard, reservist and their families.

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

Vallejo Art Walk. 5 to 10 p.m. second Friday of each month, downtown Valleio, Free admission www.valleioartwalk.com Vallejo Farmers Market. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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

third Saturday, St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 101 West St., Vacaville. 925-978-6989..

Music and dance

Chamber Music at Rancho Flaubert. Telegraph String Quartet, 3 p.m. Feb. 17; 7059 Bucktown Lane, Vacaville. www.sites.google. com/view/cmarf/home.

City Sports Bar and Grill. Music begins at 9 p.m.: Johnny Favorite, Jan. 4; Running with Scissorz, Saturday; The Cheeseballs, Jan. 11; The Callahands, Jan. 12; 7155 Browns Valley Parkway, Vacaville. 455-7827, www. starsrecreation.com.

Downtown Theatre. Unauthorized Rolling Stones, 8 p.m. Jan. 19; 1035 Texas St., Fairfield. www.downtowntheatre.com.

Empress Theatre. Mindi Abair & The Boneshakers, 8 p.m. Jan. 5: Groovality, 7:30 p.m. Jan 9; "You Don't Have to Ride Jim Crow' film 7:30 n m. Jan 10: David Victor's Supergroup, 8 p.m. Jan. 12; 330 Virginia St., Valleio 552-2400 www.empresstheatre.org

First Street Cafe. Doug Houser, 7 p.m. Jan 4: Parts & Labor 7 n.m. Jan 18: 440 First St., Benicia. 745-1400, www.firststreetcafe.com. The Rellik Tavern. Running with Scissorz,

9 p.m. Jan. 4; 726 First St., Benicia. 746-1137, www.therelliktavern.com

Solano Symphony. Salute to Youth, 8 p.m. Feb. 9. Downtown Theatre, 1035 Texas St. Fairfield; 3 p.m. Feb. 10, Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre, 1010 Ulatis Drive, www. solanosymphony.org

Solano Winds. 8 p.m. March 8. Downtown Theatre, 1035 Texas St., Fairfield. www.solanow-

Theatre Deville. Bodhi Shrugs, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 4; Blackwater, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 5; Strange Brew, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 11; Pete Escovedo, 8 p.m. Jan. 12: Big Band Jazz. 5 p.m. Jan. 13: 308 Main St., Vacaville. www.theatredeville.com.

7 p.m. Jan. 26; 1010 Ulatis Drive. 469-4013, www.vpat.net.

Vallejo Symphony. 3 p.m. Feb. 10, Empress Theatre, 330 Virginia St., Vallejo. www. vallejosymphony.org.

Empress Theatre. Michael Mancini, 8

Georgia St., Suite 15, Vallejo. www.facebook. com/womenandminorityartistart.

Jen Tough Gallery. "Sugar High," through First Street Cafe. First Street Funnies. 8 p.m. Jan. 11; 440 First St., Benicia. 745-1400, Jan. 4; "Surface Tension," Saturday through Feb. 13; open 1 to 6 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, 942 Tyler St., Benicia, www.ientough.gallery.

Lawler House Art Gallery. "Variations of Abstract," through Jan. 27: open noon to 4 p.m. Friday through Sunday, 718 Main St., Suisun City, www.lawlerhousegallery.org.

The Little Art Shop. Open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. 129 First St., Suites D & E. Benicia. 771-6667, www.thelittleartshop.com.

Mankas Artisans. Open noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, inside Powell's Antiques 1371 Oliver Road Fairfield

Marilyn Citron O'Rourke Gallery: Jan Radesky. "The West Meets East," through Thursday; open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, noon to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday, closed New Year's Day, 150 E. L St., Benicia, www.benicialibrary.org.

Vacaville Art League Gallery. "Celebrate the Season," through Jan. 19; open noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, closed New Year's Day, 718 E. Monte Vista Ave. Free. 448-8712, www.vacavilleartgallery.org.

Asian Art Museum. Kimono Refashioned Feb. 8 through May 5, open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, 200 Larkin St., San Francisco. 415-581-3500, www.asianart.org. Crocker Art Museum. Arte Extraordinar

io, through March 24; open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, closed New Year's Day, 1216 O St., Sacramento. 916-808-1182 www.crockerartmuseum.org

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All-woman crew leads C-17 flight

On March 16, 2018, an allfemale 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.

Women's History Month in 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.'

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

Base museum hosts open house

A "Gateway to the Pacific" tour celebrated the 75th anniversary of the base March 16 at the Travis Heritage Center at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.

The Gateway to the Pacific tour included a heritage walkabout with rotating stations, open aircraft displays and remarks from retired military personnel. Travis is celebrating 75 years as a major strategic logistics hub for the Pacific and integral part of global power proiection for the total force.



Capt. Jamie Larivee, 21st Airlift Squadron aircraft commander, pilots a C-17 Globemaster III March 16, 2018, during a flight over the Pacific Ocean. She was part of an all-female C-17 Globemaster III crew that honored Women's History Month and highlighted AMC's ability to conduct rapid global mobility in today's Air Force by delivering equipment and military personnel to the Pacific Command area of responsibility.

Heritage Center hosted a free done by 600 nautical miles due at various bases across the Air behind-the-scenes tour of the facility and its exhibits.

Helicopters take new route

A KC-10 Extender crew from Travis Air Force Base, California, took part March 10 in a firstof-its-kind mission to move six U.S. Marine Corps MV-22 Ospreys to Morón Air Base, Spain.

The mission to move the MV-22s charted an alternative, transatlantic southern route as opposed to a northern passage used in previous efforts.

Departing from Joint Base Charleston, South Carolina, the Travis KC-10 rendezvoused with MV-22s leaving L.F. Wade International Airport in Bermuda. Together, the aircraft continued on to Lajes Field, Portugal, before arriving at Morón.

Earlier, in January 2018. The longest flight that an MV-22 has the Spark Innovation program with multiple performances. to the change in route, according Force. to a video by U.S. Marine Corps Cpl. Holly Pernell.

In the past, the same transit has taken a northern trajectory across Canada, according to 1st Lt. David Burleson, 9th Air Refueling Squadron KC-10 pilot. Inclement weather forced the change in flight path.

The return flight also saw the Travis crew drag two MV-22s back to Bermuda from Lajes. Burleson said, prior to this mission, he had never refueled Os-

Iravis acts as hub of innovation

Representatives from each major command in the U.S. Air Force met March 5-7, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base, California, for an innovation summit fo-The mission was also the cusing on the implementation of reflection during March 2018

Travis' Phoenix Spark took center stage at the summit and one of its creators, Maj. Anthony Perez, 60th Operations Support Squadron KC-10 Extender pilot, Home in Yountville, Califoroffered tips to MAJCOM leaders who aspire to create their own Spark Hubs at their respective bases.

The summit, billed as a "cross-talk event led, briefed homes and killed over 40 peoand facilitated by the Airmen ple. Thousands were impacted fostering grassroots innovation by the disaster, including muefforts" by Travis' Facebook, featured guest speakers from Travis AFB, AFWERX and Silicon Valley.

Band performs in Northern California

The United States Air Force Band of the Golden West worked to deliver healing and

On March 4, musicians from the Napa Valley Youth Symphony had a chance to perform with members of the United States Air Force Band of the Golden West at the Veterans nia. The performance was delayed from Oct. 8, 2017, due to devastating wildfires in Napa, Sonoma and Solano counties that destroyed over 6,500 sicians from the Band of the Golden West and the Napa Valley Youth Symphony.

Later, on March 29, members of the Golden West Winds performed at the Veterans Day and 50th Commemoration at the State Capitol in Sacramento, Calif. The event was held to recognize all Vietnam veterans and commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War.

Crew honors Tuskegee Airmen

On Feb. 23, 2018, a C-5M Super Galaxy assigned to the 22nd Airlift Squadron and its 11-person crew was all African-American.

This historic mission was created to honor the heritage of the Tuskegee Airmen and to showcase the capability of the men and women who

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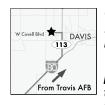


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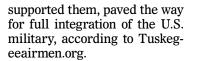
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"I feel extremely honored and thankful to be a part of this crew," said Capt. Dariel Baker, 22nd AS C-5M pilot. "The Tuskegee Airmen and many others fought hard to establish a place for African-Americans in aviation. They suffered through discrimination in a time where support for AfricanAmericans in aviation was not high, so I have a lot of respect for them enduring the hardships to pave the way for me and those after me."

This flight was historic since it was the first time an all African-American C-5M crew was formed to honor the heritage of the Tuskegee Airmen and highlight the diversity of the Air

Travis helps NASA move spacecraft

Airmen from the 21st Airlift Squadron and the 860th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron at Travis Air Force Base, California, loaded and transported the NASA InSight Spacecraft Feb. 28, 2018, from Lockheed Martin Space, Buckley Air Force Base, Colorado, to Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif., aboard the C-17 Globemaster III.



U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 22nd Airlift Squadron and the 60th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron take a group photo during a Tuskegee Airmen heritage flight Feb. 27, 2018, at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan.

The team loaded a large, white crate carrying a spacecraft weighing 1,380 pounds, according to a Lockheed Martin report.

The upload took approximately three hours to complete.

75th anniversary logo unveiled

Travis Air Force Base, California, held a kickoff celebration Feb. 8, 2018, with a new logo unveiling for its 75th Anniversary.

The ceremony commemorated and honored the past 75 years of American power with heritage walkabout displays, food and live music.

California Sen. Bill Dodd, D-Napa, 3rd Senate District, was the keynote speaker for the celebration and helped base leadership unveil the official 75th Anniversary logo on a C-17 Globemaster III.

"The impact this base has had and continues to have in our communities cannot be overstated," said Dodd. "You stand ready to bear any burden to defend our nation, you protect and preserve our freedoms every day and you are the guardians of our democracy. For the next 75 years, you will continue to enrich our community and defend our nation.'

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SecAF pays visit to Travis

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Wilson toured the Phoenix Spark office during her stop.

Phoenix Spark is a program chartered by U.S. Air Force Gen. Carlton D. Everhart II, Air Mobility Command commander, to provide AMC Airmen at all levels avenues to be innovative in finding ways to modernizing the Air Force.

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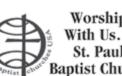
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Among its major reforms, the act will establish fixed numvice members to appeal their The act is the result of U.S. convictions and require most Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, court-martial documents be former 18th Chairman of the made publicly accessible under Joint Chiefs of Staff, who pro- a system similar to those used posed a systemic review in civilian criminal justice sys-

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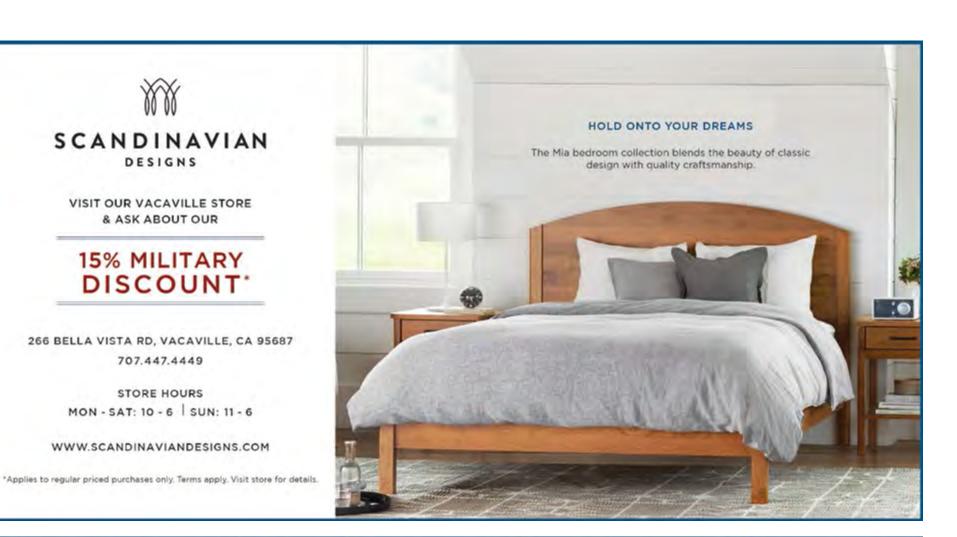
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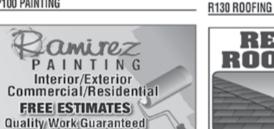


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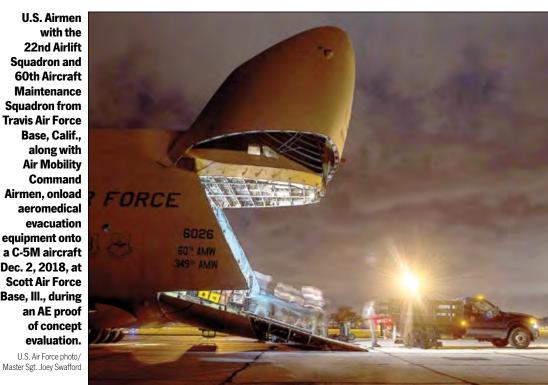
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U.S. Airmen with the 22nd Airlift Squadron and 60th Aircraft Maintenance **Squadron from Travis Air Force** Base, Calif., along with **Air Mobility** Command Airmen, onload aeromedical evacuation equipment onto a C-5M aircraft Dec. 2, 2018, at **Scott Air Force** Base, III., during an AE proof of concept evaluation.

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the 43rd AES out of Pope Army Air Field, North Carolina. Reserve AE teams from the 439th San Antonio, Texas also joined them. Lastly, the team included the 142nd AES with the Delaware Air National Guard, mak- AE enterprise." ing it a total force effort.

This effort allowed for training standardization and boosted readiness for operational missions.

"It's always beneficial to have the total force working together ... as one team," said Paterson. "You always learn new things from working along with people from different backgrounds. You get different ideas, different concepts and you work together with the sole purpose of bringing troops home safelv."

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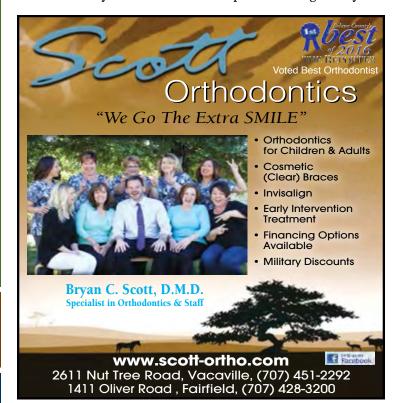
platform before the C-5M is officially part of their mission.

"We have made a great amount of progress in the last eight months," said Maj. John Camacho-Ayala, Headquarters AMC branch chief for aero-AES out of Westover Air Re- medical evacuation operations serve Base, Massachusetts, and and training. "I think that the 433rd AES out of Joint Base sometime in the near future we will definitely have a C-5 as part of our arsenal and a part of our weapons systems for the

Once all the certifications are completed, the AE community will gain their biggest ally yet with the Air Force's largest plane.

The importance of having this great ally wasn't lost on those who participated in the

"I can say yep; I was there at the very beginning of the C5 (AE testing) to help out and to provide input to troubleshoot questions," said Paterson. "And to get AE on this aircraft hope-With the proof of concept fully up and running and transsuccessfully testing the cargo porting troops, so that we can department as a viable option do it. I mean there's nothing munity is waiting for the Air back on your career and say I





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Super Galaxy aircraft sits on the flight line while a KC-10 Extender aircraft, not pictured. is prepared for a training sortie at **Travis Air Force** Base, California. Oct. 24, 2018. **Both aircraft** were from the **60th Air Mobility** Wing. Travis Airmen conduct training events to stay current and be prepared for future mobility operations.

1) A U.S. Air

Force C-5M

U.S. Air Force photo/Master Sgt. Joey Swafford

2) U.S. Air Force Airman **Basic Dillon Henry gets** dunked while participating in the dunk tank during the **Summer Connection Block Party at Travis Air Force** Base, Calif., June 9, 2018. Travis families enjoyed a variety of games, food and musical entertainment during the event. 3) Airman 1st Class Adrian Gomez, **60th Maintenance Squadron** precision measurement equipment laboratory technician, calibrates a piece of medical equipment May 2, 2018, at Travis Air Force Base, Calif.





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