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Have some news? Please notify Major Bradley Crawford at 484-9803 if YOU have any newsworthy happenings in your section. Retirements ... promotions ... weekend deployments ... new personnel ... special projects ... etc., that are of interest to members of the unit. These are the types of events that we want to publicize in the *Jet Blast* and local news media. Please be sure to include the author's name on public affairs articles.

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Leadership on all levels

How do we manage our people? Actually, I hope we do not manage people. We should lead our people, while managing missions, deployments, training, budgets, professional education, etc. Leadership is expected and needed—not only from commanders, chiefs and first sergeants. While that group is the



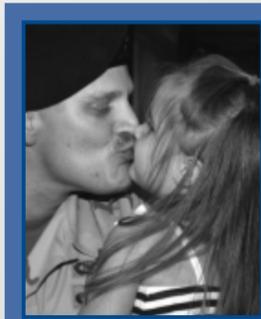
Col Erik Hearon
Wing Commander

focal point for ensuring our successes and future, every person at Key Field has a responsibility and opportunity to lead. Some areas to focus on include: (1) recruiting, not just the job of those wearing the badge; (2) retaining our best people, through mentoring, encouragement, sharing information and responsibilities, and counseling when necessary; (3) setting an enthusiastic and energetic example; (4) establishing high expectations and goals as individuals, sections, groups and the wing; (5) holding people

accountable for standards and performance; (6) being fair and cordial in all relationships; (7) rewarding high achievers with everything from a simple thank you to position and rank promotions; and (8) leaving a legacy of service before self, excellence in all we do and integrity.

Our wing vision is “To be the best air mobility unit, the standard by which others are measured.” All of us should strive for doing our part of accomplishing this and achieve no less.

Thank you for all of your work and dedication. Thanks also go to our



HAPPY KISS FOR HAPPY RETURNS!
Read about members of the 238th ASOS returning and enjoy more photos on page 9.

(Photo by SMSgt Rick Davis)

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

families and employers for their understanding and accommodations.

More survey comments

Last month's column addressed some of the comments from the informal survey conducted

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HISTORY BITS

By MSgt David Pippen
Base Historian

In August 1964, the 153rd participated in Operation "READY GO," a non-stop deployment to Europe. This entailed flying reconnaissance missions in West Germany in support of the 7th Army Maneuvers. This was the first time that an Air Guard had flown non-stop to an overseas destination. Approximately 500 photo missions were flown and 18,000 feet of film exposed.

December 11, 1951—153rd Ftr. Sq., along with the 108th Fighter Wing to which it was assigned, was transferred to the Tactical Air Command and reassigned to Godman AFB, Kentucky. This was an activation for the Korean Conflict.

NEW BASE EXCHANGE HOURS

	TIME	CLOSED FOR LUNCH
Weekdays		
Monday	Closed	N/A
Tues-Fri	0830-1630	1230-1330
Drill Weekends		
Saturday	0900-1600	1300-1330
Sunday	0800-1500	1230-1300

NCO ASSOCIATION NEWS

By MSgt Bill Stephens, president; phone 4-9237.

Find out about the latest NCO issues by going to this website:

www.eangus.org.

Plan on attending these upcoming events:

National EANGUS Conference

22-26 Aug 2004

Louisville, Kentucky

Dress in that Key Field style!

We have a variety of Key Field T-shirts, golf shirts and denim shirts available for purchase at reasonable prices. Interested? See or call TSgt Paula Meek 4-9372.

Annual training reporting guidelines

All support personnel are to report to CRTG at Gulfport on Saturday, 10 Jul 2004 NLT at 1200.

If you are currently enrolled in a CDC, please bring them with you. Your supervisor will be checking them for progress.

If you bring your spouse or family, please note you will be paying \$18 per night. You must contact SMs Hagan at 601-484-9824 before 26-27 JUNE 04.

Kids AT will be in progress. If you have downtime, you do have the option to help out. POC is TSgt Daniel Daugherty at ext 4-9768.

**BASE
SPEED LIMIT
15 MPH
Entering &
Exiting Gates
5 MPH
Parking Lots
5 MPH**

BULLETIN BOARD

Training Schedule

The CDC & PME Testing Schedule is as follows:

UTA

Saturday - 1300

Sunday - 0900

During the Week

Tuesday - 0900

Thursday - 0900

We ask everyone to assist us in keeping with this schedule and your assistance in this request is appreciated.

Case lot sale

Once again the 186 ARW Family Readiness Group is sponsoring a Case Lot Sale here on Key Field on 6 and 7 August 2004.

Our first case lot sale was such a success that the NAS Commissary has agreed to do it again.

The location, hours and items for sale will be announced at a later date but make plans now to attend.

For more information please call Connie Myers at 484-9623.

Deployment Opportunities

From time to time the Logistics Plans office receives short notice requests for volunteers to deploy to CONUS and OCONUS locations. These taskings are to fill positions for AEFs or to participate in certain exercises. If you would be interested in participating in these type

deployments, please contact your Unit Deployment Manager or First Sergeant. They will need the following information: Rank, Name, Your Work Area, AFSC, Good Contact Numbers, amount of notice you would need to deploy (i.e. immediately, 24 hours, 48 hours, etc.)

Benefits websites

Need information on benefits? Take a look at the following website and you'll find a wealth of information of government services and benefits:

http://www.vba.va.gov/EFIF/res_guard.htm

July promotions

CMSgt	
Kenneth E. Yates	186 MDS
SMSgt	
Danny R. Rainer	186 MXS
MSgt	
James M. Smith	186 LRS
TSgt	
Anthony D. Hubbard	248 ATC
James W. Atwood	186 LRS
SSgt	
Patrick L. Threatt	186 AMS
SrA	
Adam B. Bout	238 ASOS
Ross A. Waguespack	238 ASOS
OFFICER PROMOTION	
1st Lt	
Thomas G. Bittick	186 SF

Annual Training billeting notes

You may check in at the Billeting Office (Bldg 160) beginning at 1200 hours Saturday, 10 July, but may have to wait for housekeeping to clean the room before moving your luggage inside. If you put your luggage and other items in the room before it is cleaned, housekeeping will not clean your room or exchange the linen.

Everyone is reminded that while performing Annual Training at Gulfport CRTC (if you are not paying for your room) you will need to take wash clothes and towels with you.

PHONE USAGE INSTRUCTIONS AT GULFPORT CRTC

DSN: DIAL 94+NUMBER

COMM: DIAL 99+NUMBER

TOLL FREE: DIAL 99+NUMBER

Long distance access requires the use of a long distance carrier that will bill to the member's residence or account. Bellsouth phone book lists several carriers.

EMERGENCY NUMBER FOR GULFPORT CRTC:

SECURITY 24-HOUR OPERATION

EXTENSION 6211

OR DSN: 363-6211

COMM: 228-214-6211

DINING HALL

The Dining Hall at Gulfport is Building 160 adjacent to Billeting. It will become operational at 1100 hours on Saturday, 10 July.

Personnel will not be allowed to enter the dining hall barefoot or with "shower shoes." Tank tops and sleeveless shirts are not permitted in the dining area.

Dining periods during the entire training period will be as follows:

Breakfast	0500-0600
Lunch	1100-1230
Dinner	1600-1700

Annual Training trip tips

As you head to Gulfport for annual training please keep the following in mind...

TRIP PLANNING

- Have travel routes planned out
- Drive during the day if you can
- Take scheduled rest breaks – DON'T PUSH IT
- Have emergency plans – know who to notify
- Prepare your vehicle
- Use speed commensurate with conditions
- Expect the unexpected (weather, construction zones, animals)

DON'T DRINK & DRIVE

- Alcohol is a depressant

- Only way to sober up is time
- What to do?
- Limit consumption
- Designate a sober driver
- Taxi

SUNBURN

- Protect your skin by using sunscreens with a sun protection factor (SPF).
- SPF 2 to 4 - For persons who seldom burn but tan profusely.
- SPF 4 to 6 - For those who need extra protection from sunburn.
- SPF 8 to 15 - For maximum protection with little tanning results.
- SPF 15 and over - An ultra rating that permits no tanning.
- If you do get sunburned, rinse or

soak in cool water or use cold compresses. Use a mild non-medicated cream only on mild sunburns with no blisters. See a doctor for bad sunburns.

USE RISK MANAGEMENT

- Accept no unnecessary risk
- Make risk decisions at proper level
- Accept risk ONLY if benefits outweigh costs
- Use risk management on and off duty

BOTTOM LINE

- Enjoy your trip – SAFELY
- Be rested, responsible and ready
- Be involved in the mission
- BE A LEADER IN SAFETY

MXG NEWS

All in the family

In the photo at right, A1C Korey Harris (center) is sworn in by Capt Charles G. Sanders (right) of Maintenance Operations Flight. On the left is Korey's father, MSgt James W. Harris of Quality Assurance.

Korey is assigned to the Fire Department. He leaves for basic training 14 July and will be in Tech School from September through December... then on to college in January 2005. Korey has just graduated from Kemper Academy High School where he played football and basketball and was a member of the Student Council. He enjoys hunting and fishing also.

MSgt Harris (affectionately known as "Monkey") said, "I am very proud of Korey for his efforts and grades in school and for becoming a member of the best Guard Unit in the Air Force. I'm also proud to call him my son because of the person he has become. My thoughts for Korey... Welcome to the real world, Son!"



MSgt James W. Harris, A1C Korey Harris and Capt Charles G. Sanders

Recent Promotions Congratulations!

TSgt James I. Reid – AMS
SSgt Joshua M. McDonald – AMS

Welcome

A1C Stephen L. Boswell – F/L
AB Warren H. Westbrook – Hyd
A1C Jeffery A. Gaines – Dock

July Birthday greetings:

01	Charles E. Schellbach – F/L
02	James F. Painter – E/E Warren H. Westbrook – Hyd
03	John V. Harrold – Eng
09	Michael T. Grimsley – F/L
11	Reginald L. Oliver – F/L
12	Raymond L. Mitchell – E/E
13	Danny R. Smith – Eng Ryan Adams – Fuel
14	Tony D. Ferguson – F/L
15	Michael W. Wilhite – Com/Nav
20	Gail McKinion – Pro/Mobility Lucas B. Cleveland – F/L
22	Dustin K. Hoffer – Dock
23	Vernon L. Ash – Eng Steven E. Brown – Hyd Christopher Morland – F/L
25	Christopher L. Guyse – F/L George F. Manley – MOC
26	Raymond J. Tope – G & C
27	Wilma C. Roebuck – F/L
29	Ricky D. McGinty – F/L

Think about joining CAP

MSgt Sam Clatterbuck changes hats and is also the Meridian Civil Air Patrol Squadron Commander where he serves as Lt Col Sam Clatterbuck. CAP is a civilian auxiliary of the USAF. Although organized 01 December 1941, it became a permanent peacetime institution on 01 July 1946. You can join the CAP Senior Program if you are at least 18, a U.S. citizen or legal resident non-citizen and have not been convicted of a felony or serious misdemeanor. You can join the Cadet Program if you are at least 12 or have entered the 6th grade, are not 18, are not married, are not on active military duty, are a U.S. citizen or legal resident non-citizen, and have not been convicted of a felony or serious misdemeanor. Local information can be obtained from Sam Clatterbuck at 4-9321.

More information can be obtained from <http://mswg.cap.gov>.

The winner of the American Flag given away by Maintenance in celebration of Flag Day is:

MSgt Sam Clatterbuck - Avionics

Congratulations!

CLOTHING MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Air National Guard began implementation of a new clothing management program on 1 Oct 03 with all ANG bases scheduled to be on line by 1 Oct 04. This new method will remove most clothing transactions from Standard Base Supply System (SBSS) processing, eliminate base level stocks and provide a web based ordering method that is responsive to the customers needs. Uniform items included in this process are items identified as fair, wear and tear. These are the same types of clothing that we

currently replace as needed or IAW applicable regulations. One for one swap outs are still required. Organizational clothing items are exempt at this time, i.e. flight suits. Desert Camouflage Uniforms will be added in the near future.

BDU's will be provided with nametape, USAF tape, stripes and MAJCOM patches already sewn on. Badges will have to be sewn on when we receive the uniforms from KYLOC. Blue shirts may have stripes sewn on, members choice.

What this means to you: Starting 1 Oct 04 you need to plan ahead. All clothing items will be back-ordered from KYLOC. Turn around time will be 7-14 days. We will no longer have BDU's, hats, belts etc in stock.

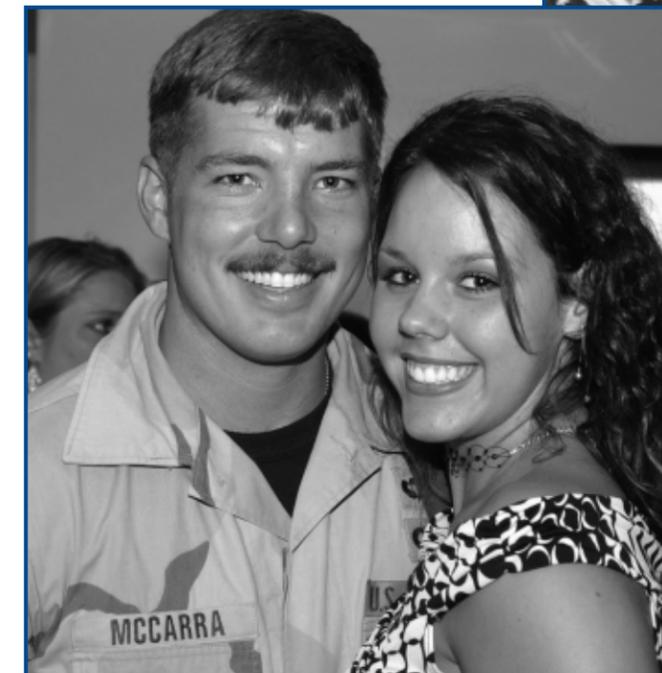
You need to plan ahead.

If you are going to school, you will need to ensure that you have what you need well in advance.

You need to plan ahead.

Bring your hat and belt with you to drill.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS



Photos by SMSgt Rick Davis

Chief Master Sergeant Billy Joe Gressett Retires

Family, friends and co-workers joined together during the June UTA to congratulate and thank CMSgt Billy Joe Gressett on his retirement after 42 years of military service. After spending several years in the Active Duty Air Force, CMSgt Gressett joined the MSANG in 1967 and spent 37 years in the 186 ARW. While at Key Field he served in a number of positions with the most recent position being Security Superintendent. We wish CMSgt Gressett well in his retirement.



DIRECTLY ABOVE, CMSgt Gressett receives retirement certificate from Col Hearon. TOP, RIGHT: CMSgt Gressett receives Chief's award from CMSgt Shields. MIDDLE, RIGHT CMSgt Murphy presents CMSgt Gressett with Security Forces memento. Bottom right, CMSgt Gressett presents his wife, MSgt Sandra Gressett, with flowers as a token of appreciation for her support throughout his career. (Photos by SSgt Regina Davis)



Family and friends welcome 238th home

Members of the 238th Air Support Operations Squadron recently returned from a deployment to greet waiting family Members and friends at the Meridian Regional Airport. While deployed, 238th ASOS Airmen joined with ASOS members from other units to support the 1st Cavalry Division in Operation Iraqi Freedom II. The 238th ASOS members returning include Lt Col Marc D. Wilson, SMSgt James T. Brown, SSGT Don T. Wiggins, SrA David C. McCarra, SrA Christopher Stone and AIC Mitchell R. Lewis. Photographer SMSgt Rick Davis did an excellent job of capturing the joy of the moment.



Thoughts on fatherhood...

By the time you get this copy of the Jet Blast Father's Day will have passed but I still want to share some thoughts about fatherhood with you. Many of you who are reading this are fathers. I have three sons and I look upon my role as a father as being more important than my job as a pastor and as a chaplain. I just want to encourage all of you who are fathers to make a commitment to invest your lives in the lives of your children. There is no better investment that we can make. I only have sons but many of you have daughters. I came across this list of "The Top Ten Ways to Intimidate Your Daughter's Date When He Comes to Pick Her Up," that I thought you may get a laugh from reading.

10. Sprinkle some dust on your daughter before she leaves. Explain, "It makes fingerprinting easier."
9. Challenge him at arm wrestling.
8. Introduce him to your good friend Tony Soprano.
7. Answer the door wearing a police swat team uniform.
6. Casually show him your collection of five shrunken heads, then yell up to your daughter, "Number six is here!"
5. Come to the door bare-chested. Do a lot of flexing.
4. Introduce him to the family by calling each family member to the living room using a whistle, then making them stand at attention and salute.
3. Have the funeral home director over to measure the young man.
2. Answer the door in a straight-jacket.
1. As they leave, speak into a walkie-talkie: "Subject is wearing khakis and a blue polo shirt, driving a green Ford."

On a more serious note the following is another top ten survey that was done a few years ago. It was the result of a survey of elementary children that indicated the ten most appreciated qualities for dads:

1. He takes time for me.
2. He listens to me.
3. He plays with me.
4. He invites me to go places with him.
5. He lets me help him.
6. He treats my mother well.
7. He lets me say what I think.
8. He's nice to my friends.
9. He only punishes me when I deserve it.
10. He isn't afraid to admit when he's wrong.

I pray that as we have received love and direction from our Heavenly Father that we will also love and give direction to our own children.

In Luke 15:11-32 we see the story of the prodigal son. The hero of the story is the father who was willing to receive a rebellious but broken son back into the family with open arms. The lesson is that God is the Father that we all need. I pray that as we have received love and direction from our Heavenly Father, we will also love and give direction to our own children. To do that requires a commodity we all have an equal amount of—time. Let me close with a story I read recently about a dad who promised his take his two sons to the circus. But early that morning the phone rang; an urgent business call required the dad's presence downtown. The two boys braced themselves for the disappointment. Then they heard their father say, "No, I won't be down; it'll have to wait." When he came back to the breakfast table, his wife smiled. "The circus keeps coming back, you know," she said. "Yes, I know," replied the father, "but childhood doesn't."

—Chaplain David Allen

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during the May drill. As mentioned before, the comments have led to some changes. Some additional areas of concern and comments on them are:

Traffic: Saturday's arrival traffic does not seem too bad but Sunday's arrival and departure on both days gets backed up. Like the lines at the dining facility when so many people show up at the same time, traffic gets slowed down during peak periods. We recently moved up the Sunday roll calls of about half of the people on base by 15 minutes, which may not have been enough. We will continue working on better ways to operate.

Correspondence courses and Professional Military Education (PME): PME has been a requirement for promotion and advancement for several years. It obviously requires an extra amount of time and dedication, on top of the many things we already ask of everyone. It may ultimately provide opportunities not otherwise available. Again, remember that those opportunities may come at Gulfport or Jackson, in addition to Meridian.

Gulfport deployment: The annual Gulfport deployment, suspended for a couple of years, is intended to accomplish many things, including:

(1) ancillary training events that are difficult to schedule on drill weekends and can more efficiently be given to larger groups; (2) provide an opportunity for people to go to a very pleasant location, bringing family if circumstances permit, thus increasing morale and esprit-de-corps.

Thank you again for your comments. B. H. Liddell Hart said, "The only thing harder than getting a new idea into the military mind is to get an old one out." Working together, we will continue to improve our Wing.

SECURITY ISSUES

Camera phones pose security threat

The following is provided from the Information Assurance Connection published by Headquarters Air Force Communications Agency. This information applies to daily actions on Key Field Air National Guard Base. Any questions, contact the Information Assurance Office, telephone 49748.

By MSgt Darrell Lewis,
ALC/PA, Tinker AFB OK

Carrying the latest "have-to-have" electronic gadget may mean big trouble for the person who brings it into unauthorized locations. Officials from the National Security Agency said in an advisory the new cellular phones with integral digital cameras pose an unacceptable security risk to

homeland security. This type of phone is not authorized for use or possession within any Air Force building processing classified information.

"Communications are getting faster and easier," said Jane Guidicini, AFCA CTTA (Certified TEMPEST/Emission Security Technical Authority). "While that does help speed communications, it can also unfortunately allow classified information to get out of a classified area inadvertently or otherwise.

"We realize occasionally the restrictions might seem overly strict when the new technologies come out, but it's better to be overly cautious than to have an incident," Guidicini

said.

"It takes just a little common sense to realize that if you have a cell phone with a camera, you should leave it home if you work in a classified area," said TSgt Shon Kloeping, 72SFS, NCOIC of Physical Security.

If someone in a restricted area has one of the phones with a camera capability and a security forces troop discovers it, he or she would be forced to confiscate the camera for review of unlawful images, Kloeping said.

Additionally, civilian employees could face federal charges and military members could face federal charges and Uniform Code of Military Justice actions.

AFI 33-119 (DRAFT), which addresses the proper use of electronic messaging, is still in coordination and is not yet published. However, we may use the following information for interim guidance on electronic messaging policy:

AFI 33-119 (DRAFT) Paragraph 3.7. Electronic messaging will replace or supplement formal Air Force formats for communications like official memorandums, messages, orders, taskings or letters. This includes messages and other communications exchanged between organizational elements in support of command and control, combat support, combat service support and other functional activities. Users will not add slogans, quotes, special backgrounds, special stationeries, digital images, unusual fonts, etc., routinely to their official or individual electronic messages. Users must consider professional image and conservation of Air Force network resources (bandwidth).

AFI 33-119 (DRAFT) Paragraph 4. Electronic Message Signature Blocks. Electronic messages, to include official communications such as memorandums (letters), notes, messages, reports, etc., will follow specific formats found in this instruction, Air Force Handbook (AFH) 33-337, *The Tongue and Quill*, AFI 33-321, Authentication of Air Force Records, and AFMAN 33-326,

Preparing Official Communications.

4.1. All official electronic messaging will include "//SIGNED//" in upper case before the signature block to signify it contains official Air Force information (e.g., instructions, directions, or policies). This is not to be confused with the digital signature capability in DMS HGS and Individual MGS messaging.

4.2. Senders will include a signature block on all official electronic messaging. For example:

4.2.1. Military Signature Block:

4.3. Slogans, quotes, graphics, digital images, clip arts, etc., are prohibited.

Also, AFI 33-332, Privacy Act Program, 29 January 2004, gives the following guidance on the protection of Privacy Act information in E-mails.

7.3. Sending Personal Information Over Electronic Mail. Exercise caution before transmitting personal information over e-mail to ensure it is adequately safeguarded. Some information may be so sensitive and personal that e-mail may not be the proper way to transmit it. When sending personal information over e-mail within DOD, ensure:

(1) there is an official need; (2) all addressee(s) (including "cc" addressees) are authorized to receive it under the Privacy Act; and (3) it is protected from unauthorized disclosure, loss, or alteration. Protection methods may

include encryption or password protecting the information in a separate Word document. When transmitting personal information over e-mail, add "FOUO" to the beginning of the subject line, followed by the subject, and apply the following statement at the beginning of the e-mail:

"This e-mail contains FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY (FOUO) information which must be protected under the Privacy Act and AFI 33-332."

Do not indiscriminately apply this statement to e-mails. Use it only in situations when you are actually transmitting personal information. DoD Regulation 5400.7/AF Supp, Chapter 4, provides additional guidance regarding FOUO information.

7.3.1. Do not disclose personal information to anyone outside DOD unless specifically authorized by the Privacy Act (see paragraph 12.4.).

7.3.2. Do not send PA information to distribution lists or group e-mail addresses unless each member has an official need to know the personal information. When in doubt, send only to individual accounts.

7.3.3. Before forwarding e-mails you have received that contain personal information, verify that your intended recipients are authorized to receive the information under the Privacy Act (see paragraph 12.4.).