

THE *Airstream*



Employer Awareness Day

910th AW welcomes reservists' bosses



Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer
910th Airlift Wing Commander



Commander announces upcoming events

By the time you are reading this, we will be more than halfway through the Air Force's "101 Critical Days of Summer" safety campaign. Both the Secretary and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force have asked that we all take a proactive approach to safety as we strive toward a goal of zero accidents and fatalities. They remind us that "every Airman needs to be a wingman, mentor and safety leader. Whether it is personal leadership in risk management or calling 'knock it off' as appropriate, you must be proactive in your approach to saving lives this summer."

So far this summer, the 910th Airlift Wing has done a great job of mitigating risk — let's keep it up and end the summer safely and accident free. You can also use risk mitigation techniques in your personal life as well. For example, before you say "watch this!" try and think about the potential consequences, then set a good example for your family, friends and neighbors...and be safe!

On Saturday of the August Unit Training Assembly, we'll take some time out of our schedule and celebrate 910th AW Family Day. I hope you'll bring your family out to the base to show

'I hope you'll bring your family out to the base [for Family Day] to show them what you do and to let us show them that we appreciate their sacrifices and support.'

them what you do and to let us show them that we appreciate their sacrifices and support. Chief Master Sgt. Louis Cox from 910th Civil Engineer Squadron has promised me great weather and some great food so be sure to plan on coming out.

If you are getting ready to deploy or have recently returned from a deployment, don't forget about your 910th Yellow Ribbon team. Lots of great information and assistance is available; the 910th point of contact is Maj. Steve Morris. For more information, email steven.morris@us.af.mil.

If your spouse hasn't told you yet, the Wing is hosting a Military Ball Sept. 17 here on base in our new Community Activity Center. We're looking forward to a fun night and if you'd like to join us, contact Capt. Wendy Strainic, 910th AW executive officer at wendy.strainic@us.af.mil.

See you at the UTA and at Family Day! L+10



Services deliver 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' repeal input

Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

Officials from all of the services and combatant commands have provided their input to the Defense Department in advance of the repeal of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" law that bans gays from serving openly in the military, a Pentagon spokesman said in Washington, July 13.

The input includes progress on training of the force, the regulatory aspects of the change in the law and other aspects, Marine Col. Dave Lapan said.

"Ultimately, it's for the services to provide their input to the secretary about whether their services are prepared for repeal to take place," he said.

No requirement exists for 100 percent of the force to receive training prior to repeal, the colonel said.

"It is more in the nature of giving the input where all the services are in the training and whether they've reached a point where they believe they are ready to move forward," he explained.

The department actually is trying to follow two laws, Lapan said. The first is the original law passed in 1993. Its provisions were to remain in effect until repeal. The second law calls for repeal to take effect after certification that the services are ready.

However, a court in California ruled that the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" law is unconstitutional. The U.S. government asked for a stay, and a three-panel court of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals granted the stay. On July 6, the court vacated the stay and gave the department 10 days to stop enforcing the provisions of the old law.

"We have two laws: the law known as 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' that a court injunction has stopped us from enforcing, but we also have a law that requires us to certify that the force is ready for repeal," Lapan said. "And we are trying to comply with both."

Since then, Defense Department officials have been speaking with Justice Department lawyers about the next steps. In the meantime, the department continues to abide by the repeal law, and that is what the input from the services represents, Lapan said.

Officials from each of the services have provided input, and the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the secretary of defense will make their decision when to certify to the president that DOD is ready to move forward with repeal.

Lapan would not hazard a guess when the decision will land on the president's desk.

(U.S. Armed Forces News Service release.)

910th Aerial Spray Flight participates in oil spill exercise



A specially-equipped 910th Airlift Wing C-130 Hercules cargo aircraft sprays water as a practice dispersant onto a simulated oil spill May 12 as part of a multi-agency oil spill response exercise near the San Diego coast. The 910th AW joined the U.S. Coast Guard and more than 35 organizations to complete this low-altitude, high-speed mission. The 910th AW operates the Department of Defense's only large-area, fixed wing aerial spray capability.

Photo by Mr. Eric White

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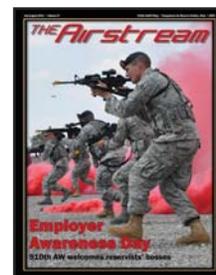
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Senior Airman Patrick B. Payne, 910th Security Forces Squadron fireteam member, participates in a demonstration of mission capabilities July 10 during the 2011 Employer Awareness Day. Approximately 60 civilian employers were welcomed to YARS for a tour of the base, Security Forces training scenario, firefighting demonstration and a flight over Niagara Falls in a C-130 Hercules aircraft. The annual event is conducted with cooperation from the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

Full story on pages 6-7. Photo by Staff Sgt. Valerie Smock.

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Staff Sgt. Brenda Haines
910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

A new face at Youngstown Air Reserve Station has worn many hats during his 25-year military career.

It all began with the hat of an enlisted Marine Corps infantryman which soon led to that of a pilot, instructor pilot, high school physics teacher, husband and father.

These hats enable the 910th Airlift Wing's vice wing commander to bring experience, combat readiness and vast civilian education to YARS.

Col. Patrick Slattery joined the 910th AW in March and said he has settled in nicely at YARS. As the vice wing commander, he will assist Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer, 910th AW commander, with the management of approximately 1,400 Air Force reservists, technicians and civilian professionals.

He joined the U.S. Marine Corps as an infantryman in December 1985 while he was studying for his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Illinois. After graduation, he received a commission and moved forward to pilot training.

During his time as a Marine, Slattery served on numerous deployments which forced him to make some decisions about his military future.

"I wanted to get out of the Marines because it was a really big stress on

my family," he said. "At that point, I had two small boys and I saw them never because I was always deployed, so it was kind of a choice 'Do I want to stay in the Marines or do I want to keep my family?' I thought, 'I'd better keep my family.'"

Because of his strong ties to the Chicago area, Slattery, a native of St. Charles, Ill., decided to join the Air Force Reserve's C-130 squadron based at O'Hare International Airport.

"I cracked the code to get into their squadron because I was the first person from the Marines that they ever hired," he said. "It was kind of a test and it worked out OK."

Slattery said he enjoyed being a pilot with the Air Force Reserve so much that he became what he calls a "Reserve bum," which is someone who is a reservist but works full time hours.

"There were months that I worked 25 days out of 30," he said.

After numerous deployments, Slattery decided that it was time to put on a new hat.

"I decided to become a teacher while I was deployed," he said. "I knew that I couldn't go back to being a Reserve bum because I needed to stabilize my life a little bit after four times back and forth to the desert. [Deployment is] pretty high stress on you and your family so I really just envisioned what I wanted to do going forward."

That forward progress landed him in school pursuing his Master of Arts in teaching from National Louis University in Chicago.

"I knew that I could be in a teaching, learning environment because I really liked being an instructor pilot for the Air Force," said Slattery. "I also had to find a job where it would be compatible with staying in the Reserve, so going to an 80-hour-a-week corporate America job is not always the best job when you're trying to be a reservist. The main reason is because I knew that I would like to be a teacher. The side benefit of having a good schedule with the summers and holidays off was just the icing on the cake."

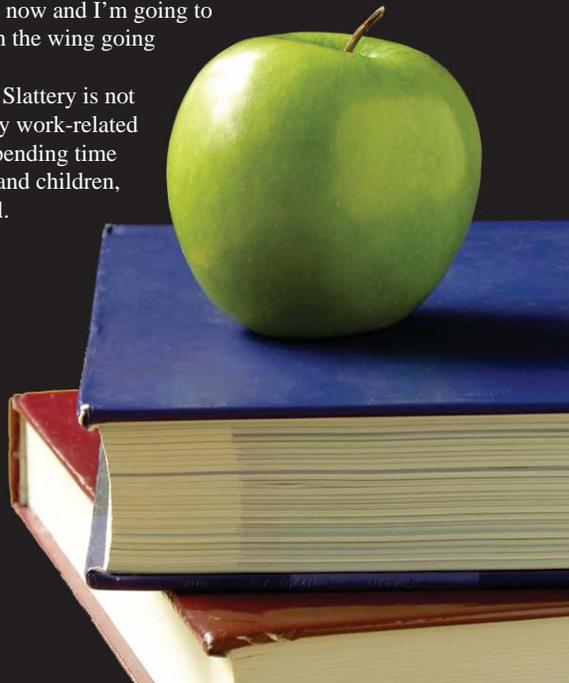
Slattery now teaches physics to high school students at South Elgin High School in South Elgin, Ill., and travels monthly to YARS to serve as vice commander.

"I've been really impressed by the quality of people and the cooperation within the offices [at YARS]," he said. "I feel like the wing is on good footing right now and I'm going to work as hard as I can on the wing going forward."

When Col. Patrick Slattery is not wearing one of his many work-related hats, he can be found spending time with his wife, Cherise, and children, Nick, Kevin and Rachel.



U.S. Air Force file photo



SARC

Staff Sgt. Valerie Smock
910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Reservists at Youngstown Air Reserve Station in need of help now have a new face to turn to.

Shelly R. Trimble, Sexual Assault Response Coordinator and behavioral health support coordinator, joined the 910th Airlift Wing in April. Before starting at YARS, Trimble worked at the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center for six years as a mental health therapist and also as a primary care social worker.

The SARC's job is to respond to incidents that occur due to sexual assault or mental health issues.

"I go to [organizational] meetings to raise awareness," said Trimble. "If there are any behavioral health needs in the squadrons, I'm here to help."

Trimble said she has always had an interest in helping people, so it is no surprise she went into this field. Her main interest is in mental health; however, she has assisted with many treatment programs regarding drugs, alcohol and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

"You get to meet people who lived through history," she said. "I have met a Pearl Harbor guy, someone who was in the concentration camps during World War II and another from the Battle of the Bulge. I worked with soldiers back from Iraq and Afghanistan, from the Korean War and World War II. The stories you hear, it's like, wow. You take a lot for granted."

Trimble created a military sexual trauma support group at the VA hospital. When she told the participants there she was leaving, it was a tearful



Photo by Staff Sgt. Valerie Smock

Senior Master Sgt. Korene Rooks, personnel readiness chief assigned to the 910th Airlift Wing Force Support Squadron, reviews paperwork with Shelly R. Trimble, Sexual Assault Response Coordinator and behavioral health support coordinator, June 4 at Youngstown Air Reserve Station. The SARC's job is to respond to incidents due to sexual assault or mental health issues.

MY STRENGTH IS FOR DEFENDING.



So when she told me that guy
went way too far with her, I said:
LET'S CALL THE SARC.*

PREVENTING SEXUAL ASSAULT IS PART OF MY DUTY.

*Your Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC):

Shelly Trimble
Youngstown Air Reserve Station
330-233-2100
shelly.trimble@us.af.mil



MyDuty.mil



Youngstown Air Reserve Station Sexual Assault Prevention and Response: Sexual Assault Response Coordinators and victim advocates are available at major DoD installations to assist victims of sexual assault.

moment for them, she said.

"They were glad for the opportunity, but sad I was leaving," said Trimble. "They said 'I'm glad you're doing this.' These were military sexual trauma survivors. I was helping them process through it. Now I'm on the forefront, trying to prevent it."

Prevention and education are key components to the entire process. Just like an Airman out on the front line, directly impacting the war, the SARC raises awareness which helps win the fight against sexual assault.

"I am thrilled that we have Ms. Trimble here as our new SARC," said Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer, 910th AW Commander. "In addition to educating our Airmen on the SARC program, she has a lot of experience from her former position at the Veteran's Administration and brings a wealth of knowledge

and resources to the Wing."

Even though she is still learning the ins and outs of every part of her job at YARS, she said she is happy to be here and is ready to jump in with both feet.

"I'm already impressed with her enthusiasm, spirit and insight and am looking forward to having her as part of the 910th team," said Linsenmeyer.

Trimble said she is thrilled to be at YARS, not only to help service members but because her family is nearby. When not spending time with her family, she enjoys cooking, baking and playing with her two dogs.

Help is just a phone call away: If you have been sexually assaulted, please call the YARS 24/7 SARC Response Helpline at 330-233-2100 or email shelly.trimble@us.af.mil. The Department of Defense SARC website is <http://www.myduty.mil>.

A civilian employer of a 910th Airlift Wing reservist stands on the flightdeck of a C-130 during an employer orientation flight over Niagara Falls, July 10.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Valerie Smock

Employer Awareness Day

Reservists' bosses experience YARS mission firsthand

Staff Report



Tech. Sgt. Phillip A. Klinge Jr., fireteam leader with the 910th Security Forces Squadron, shows civilian employers what Security Forces contributes to the 910th Airlift Wing's mission July 10 during the 2011 Employer Awareness Day at Youngstown Air Reserve Station.

Photo by Tech. Sgt. Rick Lisum

The engines of a C-130 Hercules roaring to life, firearms blazing as terrorists attack and take hostages, and flames shooting into the sky and engulfing the hulk of a Hercules during a training scenario are just a few of the sights and sounds that approximately 60 civilian employers of unit reservists experienced during the 910th Airlift Wing's annual Employer Awareness Day July 10.

The goal of this event is to inform civilian employers regarding their Air Force reservist employee's role in the defense of the nation and the importance of the 910th AW's mission.

The program, conducted in cooperation with the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, allows the employers to experience several of the capabilities the 910th AW's unit members and gives the employers the opportunity to visit with reservists in their military work centers.

"[Employer Awareness Day] is a valuable look at what a reservist does to learn and practice what is needed to keep our country safe," said Kim Boal of Pennsylvania Department of Corrections State Correctional Institute and employer of a 910th reservist.

ESGR is an organization within the Department of Defense with branches in each state that assist employers and reservists in matters concerning the rights and responsibilities of reservists and their employers under federal law.

"It's an eye-opener for them and lets them see what their employees are doing," said John Hoppers, Ohio chairman of the ESGR. "They don't [just] come and do weekend drill."

ESGR participates in these types of programs to show appreciation to employers for their support of their employees who serve in the Guard and Reserve forces. To learn more about ESGR, visit the organization's website at <http://www.esgr.org>.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Jim Brock

The civilian employer of a 910th Airlift Wing reservist talks with the flightcrew of a C-130 July 10 during Employer Awareness Day.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Valerie Smock

The civilian employer of a 910th Airlift Wing reservist peers through the window of a C-130 July 10 during an orientation flight over Niagara Falls as part of annual Employer Awareness Day.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Valerie Smock

Senior Airman Erik Bateman, 910th Security Forces Squadron fireteam member, participates in a training scenario July 10 during Employer Awareness Day.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Valerie Smock

Senior Master Sgt. Paul Miller, C-130 flight engineer with the 773rd Airlift Squadron, communicates with aircrew members during an employer flight over Niagara Falls July 10.

YARS GROUP KEY TO FAMILY GROWTH

Story and photos by Senior Airman Megan Tomkins
910th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

During deployments, not only are reservists affected by separation, but their families back home have to deal with a missing spouse, parent or child in addition to potential issues on the home front. For years, the Airmen and Family Readiness office has been at the forefront of support for the families left at home. Now, the Key Spouse Program at Youngstown Air Reserve Station has stepped in to assist with these efforts.

"We are here to help Airmen and Family Readiness take care of the families," said Greta Barninger, KSP coordinator for YARS and wife of reservist Tech. Sgt. Daniel Barninger, career coordinator for 76th APS. "They get overwhelmed. We want to repromote Airmen and Family Readiness in a positive light and show that they are doing the best they can."

Barninger said she experienced firsthand what spouses and families go through when her husband deployed and one simple phone call helped her through.

"I was married for two years, we had an eight month old baby girl and I became a single parent overnight," she said. "About two months into the deployment, I received a call from a wonderful person assigned to Airmen and Family Readiness ... That first phone call changed my thought process of what it is to be a military spouse. Our Key Spouse Program was not even in the development stages at this point, she just thought it was important to call me."

The "wonderful person" she referred to is Tech. Sgt. Marcy Yerkey, Airmen and Family Readiness technician with the 910th Airlift Wing.

"[Families] can call on us any time," said Yerkey. "We strive to be sincere and good listeners. With help from the Key Spouse Program, nobody falls out of the loop."

KSP volunteers work alongside Airmen and Family Readiness to meet their objectives by calling family members of deployed Airmen. They spend time addressing families' needs and concerns.

The KSP has become more prominent as it has grown and gained participants. Volunteers attend



Judi Linsenmeyer, Chris Bullard, Greta Barninger and Shelly Roberts pause for a moment from making pillowcases for servicemembers to take a group photo during a Yellow Ribbon Program event, Feb. 26 in Virginia Beach, Va. KSP participants work alongside Airmen and Family Readiness.

Yellow Ribbon Program events, which are family-based gatherings supporting service members before, during and following deployments. The KSP conducts sessions for the spouses and makes pillowcases with photos of the families' deployed loved ones, ideally helping ease separation.

"It is a commander's program, governed by the commander and run by volunteers," said Judi Linsenmeyer, KSP mentor and wife of Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer, 910th AW Commander. "There's hope out there to grow [the program] every UTA."

The 910th AW helped pioneer the program, which is now expanding Air Force Reserve Command-wide.

"Our base was one of the first to step up to the plate," said Shelly Roberts, advisor for the

KSP and wife of Col. Ronnie Roberts, 910th Medical Squadron Commander. "We helped with the beginnings of the program. I am very positive [about the group's future.] We never thought we would even have the Key Spouse Program or the Yellow Ribbon Program."

Mrs. Linsenmeyer said it was a struggle to acquire budding participants for the early on-base KSP meetings.

"At first, some are hesitant," she said. "But we use a social atmosphere to draw [participants] in."

This friendly gathering of KSP members is called Youngstown Reserve Spouse Group.

For more information or to join KSP, contact Mrs. Judi Linsenmeyer at 919-440-6439 or linann10@hotmail.com.

Commander reminds Airmen to protect PI

Col. Fritz Linsenmeyer

910th Airlift Wing Commander

The following is a friendly reminder regarding Personal Information (PI).

Definition of PI - Information that identifies, links, relates, or is unique to an individual, or describes him or her, e.g., social security number, age, military rank, civilian grade, marital status, race, salary, home and office phone numbers; other demographic, biometric, personnel, medical and financial information; etc.

Such information is also known as Personally Identifiable Information (PII) (i.e., information which can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as their name, SSN, date of birth, place of birth, mother's maiden name or biometric records, including any other PII which is linked or linkable to a specified individual).

Following are some examples of information that is normally not releasable to the public without the written consent of the subject. This list is not all-inclusive. The facts and circumstances of the request and the nature of the record will determine releasability.

Marital status (single, divorced, widowed or separated).

Number, name and sex of dependents.

Civilian educational degrees and major areas of study (unless the request for the information relates to the professional qualifications for federal employment).

School and year of graduation (if in connection with professional qualifications for federal employment).

Home of record.

Home address and phone number.

Age and date of birth (year).

Present or future assignments for overseas or for routinely deployable or sensitive units.

Office, name, state, unit address and duty phone for overseas or for routinely deployable or sensitive units.

Race/ethnic origin.

Educational level (unless the request for release of the information relates to the professional qualifications for federal employment).

SSN - Use of the SSN includes the SSN in any form, including, but not limited to truncated, masked, partially masked, encrypted, or disguised SSN.

Before you send something out, ensure you comply with the Privacy Program requirements. When in doubt, or if you are unsure of how to transmit or send out PI, Maj. Richard Basting, director of 910th Communications Flight, can answer your questions at 330-609-1776.

Outdoor Recreation Office offers rental equipment

Youngstown Air Reserve Station personnel can rent numerous items from the 910th Services Squadron's Outdoor Recreation Office.

Equipment, such as a brand new carpet shampooer, a four-foot, 500-pound capacity scaffold and a 16-foot, 300-pound capacity, multi-position ladder, are among the many items available. The ladder and scaffold are \$10 each for the weekend and fold down for an easy fit into most cars.

Children's inflatable bouncers, tables and chairs are available but dates are filling up quickly.

In addition, passes for the Holden Arboretum are available. The Holden Arboretum is a nature preserve approximately 25 miles east of Cleveland. It has more than 20 miles of hiking trails.

For more information, visit the Outdoor Recreation Office at the 910th Fitness Center.

916th seeks past members

The 916th Air Refueling Wing will celebrate 25 years at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, N.C., with a four-day event this October.

Past members are invited to return for a Chamber After-Hours hangar party Oct. 20 and a golf tournament and luncheon Oct. 21.

For more information and registration, contact 916th Public Affairs Office at 919-722-2216 or 916arpa@seymourjohnson.af.mil.

Civilian award winners recognized

Many of the superior accomplishments of the 910th Airlift Wing are due to the outstanding efforts of the civilians who work in the unit. The Civilian Awards program provides employees with well-deserved local recognition.

The recipients of the January to March 2011 civilian awards are:

Junior Civilian of the Quarter - Ryan

Wisniowski, 757th Airlift Squadron

Senior Civilian of the Quarter - Michael

Seres, 910th Operations Group

The winners have their choice of 8 hours Time Off Award or \$300 Cash Award. They are also eligible for the "of the year" award in December.

Airmen can benefit from career advisement

Why should I re-enlist? Many Airmen are unaware of their benefits.

Some benefits include medical and dental insurance, Thrift Savings Plans, reserve retirement, Servicemembers Group Life Insurance, education and VA benefits, BX and commissary privileges, consumer military discounts and more.

Airmen can consult with a career advisor at any time during their career, not just when they are eligible for re-enlistment. A career advisor can help estimate retirement pay based on a points calculation so Airmen can plan for the future.

For more information or an appointment, contact Master Sgt. Brian Starr at 330-609-1079 or brian.starr.2@us.af.mil.

Airmen can purchase discount tickets for nationwide attractions

The Information, Tickets and Travel program provides discount tickets to Airmen, their families and authorized Morale, Welfare and Recreation program customers at nationwide attractions and recreational events. Discount tickets are available for purchase at installation force support ITT offices.

ITT offices provide local and national destination and entertainment tickets for sale at discount prices worldwide.

The Air Force formed agreements with nationally-recognized attractions like Disney, Sea World, Busch Gardens, Universal Studios, Six Flags and others.

For more information on vacation destinations and other recreational activities, visit the ITT office in Building 113, Room 109B (downstairs) or call Julie Hansen at 330-609-1934.



Airmen can award bosses for being 'patriot' employer

Civilian employers play a critical role in the defense of the nation by complying with existing employment laws protecting the rights of workers who serve in the Reserve component. Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve is a Department of Defense organization that promotes cooperation and understanding between Reserve component members and their civilian employers and assist in the resolution of conflicts arising from an employee's military commitment.

Reserve and National Guard members can recognize their boss's support by nominating him or her for a Patriot Award. The employer will receive a DoD Certificate of Appreciation and a Patriot lapel pin.

For more information, visit <http://www.esgr.org>.

Air Force releases updated dress and appearance instructions

The Air Force's instruction on dress and personal appearance recently received an appearance upgrade with the release of the updated instruction July 18.

Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance, received the facelift after several years of interim updates as uniform items were introduced and phased out.

The last revision to the AFI was in 2006, prior to the release of the Airman Battle Uniform, which replaces the Battle Dress Uniform and Desert Camouflage Uniform Nov. 1, 2011.

Most of the changes to the AFI are more about mechanics and clarification than new policy, said Ruth Ewalt, the Air Force Uniform Programs and Policies chief at the Air Staff. They are intended to make the AFI more user-friendly.

"The changes are a result of Airmen in the field requesting clarification, leadership approving more specific policy, and the need to integrate information from the 98th virtual uniform board and other wear policy approved since 2006," Ewalt said. "We added the ABU, green fleece, and physical fitness uniform information not in the previous AFI and corrected instances of conflicting information."

For clarity and ease of reading, the chapters were rearranged and sections were made inclusive to eliminate turning back and forth to configure a single uniform, she said. The difference in the old and new AFI is that the tables are now integrated into the text. Each uniform has its own section, starting with the most formal through the utility, PT, and distinctive uniforms.

One thing Airmen might notice is the amount of pictures incorporated into the revised AFI.

"Individuals learn and retain information differently," Ewalt said. "For some, a photo is a better tool than volumes of text or audio. We wanted to make this AFI as 'user-friendly' as possible. It covers every Airman -- from the first-day recruit in Basic Military Training to the 30-plus-year career Airman."

Sections are also inclusive, listing all items that may and must be worn with each particular uniform with the exception of outer garments which are covered in their own section.

The first three chapters cover the basic philosophy, appropriate circumstances to wear uniform items, how and where to purchase them, roles and responsibilities, and grooming and appearance standards.

Chapters four through seven cover uniforms worn and maintained by all Air Force members: dress, utility, and physical training uniforms. Chapters four and five include the dress and utility uniforms. Chapter six explains outer garments, headgear, rank insignia and accessories, and chapter seven covers the physical training uniform.

The remaining chapters "customize" the uniforms of unique populations and discuss badges, awards and decorations unique to individual Airmen.

The final chapter contains instructions for recommending changes to dress and personal appearance policy or uniform designs.

The revised AFI also added a tattoo measurement tool to standardize the process for Airmen and commanders to determine if a tattoo meets standards.

"There is also a form to document tattoos that are borderline excessive or require a commander-approved waiver," Ewalt said. "The policy regarding what constitutes an excessive tattoo has not changed. The standard is still not more than 25 percent of the exposed body part."

The revision involved input from individuals of all ranks and components of the Air Force, including Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard members.

"This three-year effort included Airmen from all walks of Air Force life, ... (including military) training instructors, recruits, recruiters, first sergeants and Air Force leadership from all levels, professional military education instructors, functional communities, and support organizations to name a few," Ewalt said. "This Air Force instruction was influenced by a huge population of Air Force service members because it impacts the total force."

For online dress and appearance information, go to the dress and appearance webpage on the Air Force Personnel Center's website at <http://www.afpc.af.mil/dress/index.asp>.

(U.S. Air Force press release)

Bicycle Safety Tips

The Air Force Reserve Command's Critical Days of Summer 2011 campaign is in full swing and the 910th Safety Office encourages Youngstown Air Reserve Station Airmen to practice bicycle safety.

There are several tips bicyclists need to remember to avoid collisions with automobiles and remain safe while riding:

- **Wear a properly fitted bicycle helmet and make sure the bicycle is ready to ride by checking equipment.**
- **Avoid busy streets.**
- **Headlights and tail lights are extremely important, especially when riding at night.**
- **Take the whole lane when appropriate.**
- **Signal your turns.**
- **Rethink using portable music players or mobile phones – stay alert at all times.**
- **Ride with the traffic flow and obey all traffic laws.**
- **Look before turning.**
- **Watch for parked cars.**
- **Never ride on a sidewalk or area that isn't designated for bicycles.**
- **Yield to traffic when appropriate.**
- **Be predictable – Ride in a straight line; not in and out of cars.**
- **See and be seen by wearing something bright; even during the day.**
- **Don't ride in the automobile's blind spot.**
- **Ride further left to hold your lane.**

Remember: Bicycle riders on public roads have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists and are subject to the same rules and regulations. Questions? Contact Wing Safety at 330-609-1391.

DoD improves Common Access Card Security Features

As of June 2011, Social Security Numbers will no longer be printed on any new Department of Defense identification card.

ID cards will now have a DoD ID number in place of SSN. This number will be used as the Geneva Conventions serial number.

Card holders eligible for DoD benefits will have an additional ID number printed on their cards.

Contact Military Personnel Flight for more information at 330-609-1388.

Deserving Airman Commissioning Board scheduled for August UTA

The Deserving Airman Commissioning board for the vacant Security Forces Officer position is scheduled for Aug. 6 at 9 a.m. in Building 400.

Interested Airmen are required to submit the following items to Tech. Sgt. Elizabeth Ference by Aug. 1:

- AFOQT Scores
- Official Transcripts
- Record Review RIP
- EPR's (the most recent three, if none available so state)
- Fit to Fight printout from AFFMS
- Three letters of recommendation (one must be from Unit Commander)

Official transcripts can be sent to Sergeant Ference at the following address:

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NEWCOMERS

Maj. Steven Shilliday, 757th Airlift Squadron
1st Lt. Crystal Bowen, 910th Operations Support Squadron
2nd Lt. Ryan Gallagher, 910th Operations Group
Staff Sgt. Yanira Nieves, 910th Communications Flight
Staff Sgt. David Ruiz, 910th Maintenance Operations Flight
Staff Sgt. Jason Schneider, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Staff Sgt. Paul Turner, 910th Operations Support Squadron
Senior Airman Daniel Holland, 910th Maintenance Operations Flight
Senior Airman Edward Jackson, 910th Airlift Wing
Airman First Class James Hudson, 773rd Airlift Squadron
Airman First Class Andrew Mitchell, 757th Airlift Squadron
Airman John Bordell, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Airman Tyler Carroll, 910th Logistics Squadron
Airman Jack Kinnaird, 910th Civil Engineer Squadron
Airman Dontay Sankey, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Airman Jacob Wood, 910th Communications Flight
Airman Basic Jacob Brooke, 910th Force Support Squadron
Airman Basic Katey Gibbins, 910th Financial Management
Airman Basic Cory Gilmore, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Airman Basic Kevin Miller, 76th Aerial Port Squadron
Airman Basic Joseph O'Neil, 910th Operations Support Squadron
Airman Basic Ryan Rathburn, 76th Aerial Port Squadron

PROMOTIONS



Terri J. Morrison, 910th Force Support Squadron
Sabrina R. Ramirez, 76th Aerial Port Squadron



Michael D. Culp, 773rd Airlift Squadron
Tanya L. Gleespen, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Adam C. Lallathin, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Eric D. Wrenn, 757th Airlift Squadron



Zachary M. Eberle, 773rd Airlift Squadron
Craig N. White, 910th Airlift Wing
Todd B. Wilson, 910th Maintenance Squadron



Matthew P. Cox, 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron
Arthur L. Green, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Lindsey K. McDonald, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Joshua N. Molyneux, 910th Airlift Wing
Kristofer E. Schulte, 910th Operational Support
Jerry A. Winkler, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Allen A. Young Jr., 910th Logistics Readiness Squadron



Alexander M. Brakovich, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Robert B. Hunter, 910th Maintenance Squadron
Tyler J. Lawrentz, 910th Security Forces Squadron
Michael W. McMullen II, 910th Maintenance Squadron



Latoya S. George, 910th Civil Engineering Squadron
Nicole D. Griffin, 910th Force Support Squadron

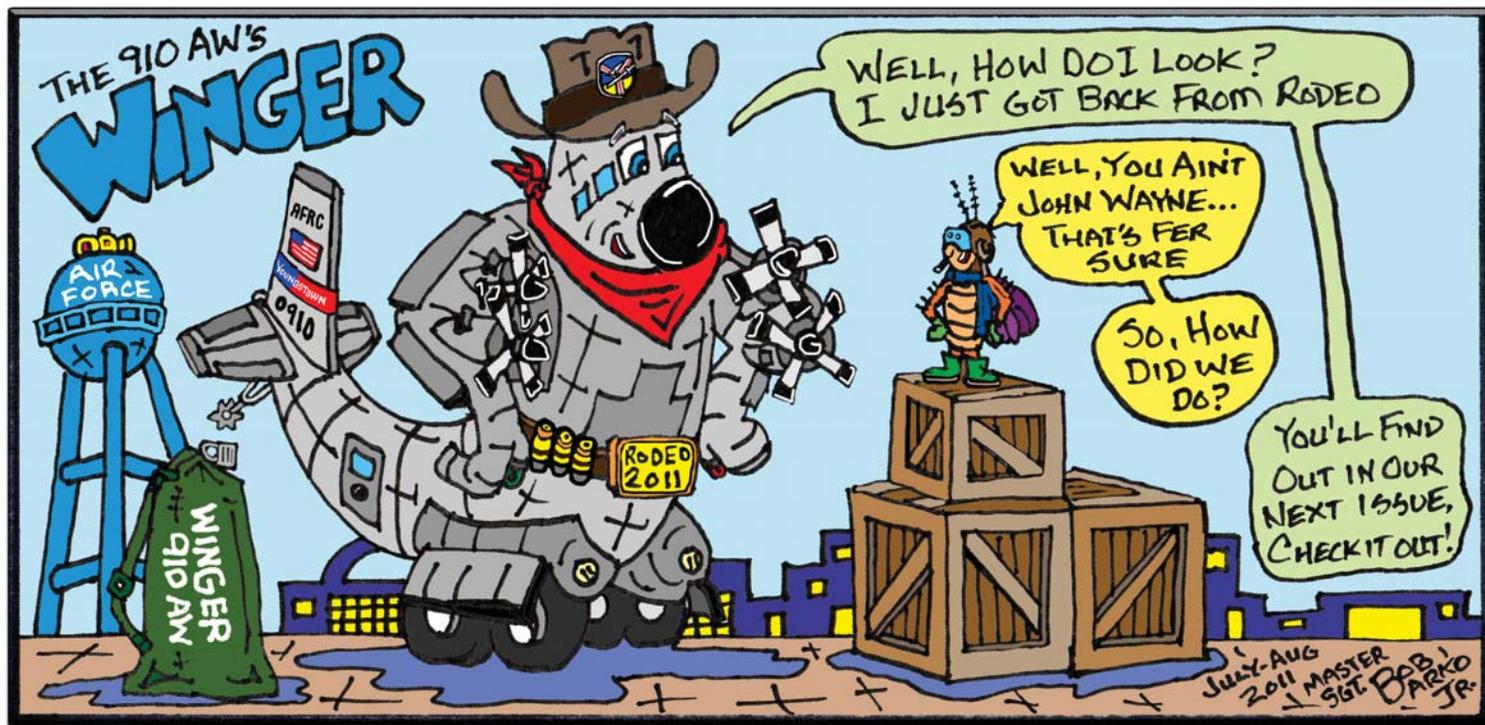


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757 AS wins AFRC Loening Trophy

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The 910th Airlift Wing's 757th Airlift Squadron was awarded the 2010 Air Force Reserve Grover Loening Trophy, May 2. The trophy is awarded annually

to Air Force Reserve Command flying units and associate units, exclusive of combat rescue and special operations units. The award, named for noted aviation pioneer Grover Loening, is given to promote a competitive spirit among AFRC flying squadrons.

The news of the trophy being awarded to the 757th AS was accompanied by a message from the Air Force Reserve's top officer.

"Please extend my sincere congratulations to the men and women of the 757th Airlift Squadron for their dedication and hard work," said Lt. Gen. Charles E. Stenner Jr., Air Force Reserve Command commander.

According to AFRC, the 757th AS distinguished itself by outstanding achievement of national and international significance during the 2010 calendar year. During worldwide contingency, humanitarian and training operations, the squadron's Airmen flew 5,119 hours. During those flying missions, they moved 2,204 passengers and 297,000 pounds of cargo and dropped 2,371 paratroopers as well as 84,000 pounds of cargo.

Also, during a Unit Compliance Inspection and within two months of the start of an Air Mobility Command Aircrew Standards and Evaluations Visit, squadron personnel immediately responded to a call by the president of the United States to respond to the largest environmental disaster in United States history. The 757th provided the first ever Department of Defense large area oil dispersion mission following the sinking of Transocean Deepwater Horizon oil rig and the resulting oil spill which impacted the coastal states along the Gulf of Mexico. During the 42-day operation, the squadron's personnel worked in a joint, inter-agency and multi-command environment to achieve their mission objectives.

In addition to completing operations across the United States, the 757th sent a 62-person team to Ramstein Air Base, Germany, to support the 38th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron. While based at Ramstein, the team completed 244 sorties that moved 867 passengers and 836 pounds of cargo. This team was also charged with closing down operations of the 38th EAS.

Individual accomplishments within the 757th, including six quarterly wing awards and two "of the year" awards, contributed to the squadron winning the Loening Trophy.

"The professionalism, knowledge and technical expertise exhibited daily by every member [of the unit] remain second to none," said Col. Craig Peters, 910th Operations Group commander. "I'm proud to command these professionals, our citizen Airmen, the best AFRC and our nation has to offer."

Peters said the unit's success was due to the contributions of the entire 910th Airlift Wing supporting the primary mission of providing aircrews and aircraft to anywhere, anytime.

"Thanks to all of the 910 OG and the 910th AW in helping us achieve this tremendous recognition from AFRC," said Peters.



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A 910th Airlift Wing C-130 Hercules aircraft, based at Youngstown Air Reserve Station, sprays an oil-dispersing product into the Gulf of Mexico, May 9. The 757th Airlift Squadron was recently awarded the 2010 Air Force Reserve Grover Loening Award, named for noted aviation pioneer Grover Loening. Among the squadron's recognized accomplishments was its role in the massive response to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The 910th AW is home to the Department of Defense's only large-area, fixed-wing aerial spray unit. The 757th AS was also recognized for its support of the 38th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron, based at Ramstein Air Base, Germany. The EAS, which provided airlift and airdrop support to theaters of operation on the European, African and Asian continents, was comprised of Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard and ceased operations after more than 20 years, Sept. 15, 2010.