

440th Airlift Wing Combat Airlifter

June 7-8, 2014

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Vice Commander's message

Seventy years ago this Friday, having taken off from RAF Exeter, Col Frank Krebs led the 440th Troop Carrier Group, with the 95th Troop Carrier Squadron and three sister squadrons (96, 97, 98 TCS), on its first actual combat airdrop mission. The 440 TCG, along with the 435, 436, 438, 439 and 441 TCGs, carrying the 101st Airborne, crossed the west coast of the Cotentin peninsula of France on its way to its assigned drop zones east and south of St. Mere Eglise, with times over target starting at 0130. They were joined by the 61, 313, 314, 315, 316 and 442 TCGs carrying the 82nd Airborne, and the 434 and 437 TCGs towing gliders. The whole formation was five hours long. Until crossing the coast, everything had gone like clockwork, everything according to plan. The next ten minutes became chaotic. The otherwise exceptional planning had not taken into account, nor forecasted, the dense fog which conspired with the low clouds from the same weather

system that had pushed D-Day from 5 June to 6 June 1944. The tight formations the veteran pilots had held en route was meant to deliver the 101st Airborne Division troops in the densest fighting groups possible but now became the primary hazard to getting to the drop zones at all. In 36 or 45-ship serials made up of 9-ship "Vee of Vees" flights (an inverted "V" of three 3-ship elements, also in inverted "V") with 1000 ft between flights, 200 ft between elements and 100ft between aircraft, there was very little room for error and safety demanded keeping the other aircraft in sight. In fog so thick Gen Gavin afterward recorded that, while he was standing in the door, he could not see the wing tip of the airplane he was riding in let alone the ground, neither could the pilots see the other airplanes in their formation. In the days before radar formation aids, that was some no-kidding "fog of war!"

In the thirty minutes prior to the TCGs initial arrival, Pathfinder units had jumped into the French countryside to mark the drop zones and set wind panels but had also alerted the German air defenses. Flak added to the already hazardous situation, but the weather and was the worst enemy of the first serials. There were reports of evasive actions (forbidden in the permission briefs) but in most cases these were to avoid mid-air collisions and maneuver to find holes in the clouds and fog to find the drop zones, rather than avoid the flak. In more than one case these maneuvers were the result of other crew members taking control of the aircraft from a dead or incapacitated pilot. In some cases, the crews were able to keep damaged aircraft flying long enough for the Airborne soldiers to jump, in others not. In Picauville, there is a monument to four crews and soldiers who went down together, including a 95 TCS, 440 TCG crew.

In the end, in spite of the weather, enemy air defenses, drop zone markings that extinguished prematurely and flooded drop zones, nearly fifty percent of the Airborne soldiers were dropped within a mile of their target and nearly eighty percent within five miles. More importantly, all of the 82nd and 101st Airborne divisions objectives were met in that first day.

This week, two 95 TCS (95 AS, 440 AW) aircraft along with one 96 TCS (96 AS, 934 AW), and one 773 AS (910 AW) aircraft are participating in the 70th anniversary of D-Day, and weather permitting will be part of a large formation to make a memorial airdrop on the large drop zone just southwest of St. Mere Eglise. It is especially fitting that these four aircraft departed Pope Field, carrying Fort Bragg Airborne soldiers on their trip to Normandy. This was, after all, where the Airborne concept was developed and where the Airborne troops and Troop Carrier crews initially trained—and still do. Having participated in the 68th anniversary events and memorial airdrop, I can say it was a truly humbling experience. The 70th will be a much larger event and will likely be the last annual celebration. All 440th members, including our active duty associates, have played a part in the successful launch of this memorial to the brave Airborne and Troop Carrier warriors for whom we carry on the legacy. On this 70th anniversary of D-Day, remember, reflect, and honor them.

*Information provided by the AMC Museum at Dover AFB



UTA Schedule

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	OPR
SATURDAY			
0630-0700	SIGN IN AS DIRECTED (Core hours 0700-1600)	UNIT AREAS	Unit UTAP Monitors
0700-0800	MDS Prep for physicals		
0730-0900	Fit to Fight testing	Hercules Gym	Unit Health Monitors
0800-0930	Fit to Fight testing	Hercules Gym	
0800-1130	Newcomers Orientation		
0800-1600	CATM AFQC		
0800-1600	Physicals (by Appt):	Bldg 399	Unit Health Monitors
0830-1000	Fit to Fight testing	Hercules Gym	
0900	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Testing	A&FRC	
0900-1000	Supervisors Safety Training	Bldg 735, Rm 211	
0900-1200	RAB Office Hours	Bldg 378, Rm 13D	
0930-1030	3SOXX IHT	Bldg 306	
1000-1200	Career Advisory Meeting	Bldg 306, Rm 201F	
1000-1400	MFLC	A&FRC	
1030-1300	PLT Augment Initial & Refresher Training	HAWC	
1100-1230	CGOC Meeting	Bldg 730	
1230-1430	A&FRC Office Hours	Bldg 110	
1300	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Testing	A&FRC	
1300-1430	Nutrition Class	HAWC	
1300-1430	UTMs	Bldg 306, Rm 009	
1300-1500	JAG Services	Bldg 306	
1300-1500	Pre-separation VA briefing	A&FRC	
1300-1530	FSS Service	Bldg 306	
1300-1530	ID Cards	Bldg 285	
1300-1530	FM Mil Pay & Travel Service		
1300-1630	Mask Fit Testing	Bldg 513	Mr. Geigher x7932
1430-1530	UDM Training	Bldg 900	
1600-1630	SIGN OUT AS DIRECTED	UNIT AREAS	Unit UTAP Monitors

SUNDAY			
0630-0700	SIGN IN AS DIRECTED (Core hours 0700-1600)	UNIT AREAS	Unit UTAP Monitors
0700-0800	MDS Commanders Call		
0700-1500	Force Support Squadron Services	Bldg 306	
0700-1500	ID Cards	Bldg 285	
0715-0845	Fit to Fight testing	Hercules Gym	
0745-0915	Fit to Fight testing	Hercules Gym	
0800-0930	Driver's Improvement	Bldg 900	
0800-1100	CDC/PME testing	Bldg 306, 1st Floor	
0800-1230	MDS follow-up appts & shots		
0800-1500	Veterans Benefits Briefing	A&FRC	
0800-1600	CATM AFQC		
0815-0945	Fit to Fight testing	Hercules Gym	
0830-1230	Mask fit testing	Bldg 513	SSgt Geigher
0845-1015	Fit to Fight testing	Hercules Gym	
0900-1000	Airman's Council	Bldg 306, Conf. Rom	
0900-1200	Financial Management Open (military pay & travel)	Bldg 315	
0900-1200	RAB Office Hours	Bldg 378, Rm 13D	
0930-1030	Supply CBRNE		
1000-1130	Chief's Group	Bldg 306	
1130-1300	HRDC Meeting	Bldg 306, Basement	
1200-1300	Top 3 Meeting	OG/AES Conf Rm	
1200-1500	CDC/PME Testing	Bldg 306, 1st Flr	
1300-1400	SORTS/ART Brief	Bldg 900 AFOC	
1300-1400	5/6 Council	36 AES	
1300-1530	Financial Management Open	Bldg 315	
1300-1530	MDS In-House Training		
1500-1600	Unit Time with Airmen to close out UTA		
1600	Show time for Patriot Pope Flight	PAX Terminal	
1600-1630	SIGN OUT	UNIT AREAS	Unit UTAP Monitors
1700	UTA Airlift Departs	Pope Field	

Airman & Family Readiness

Pre-Separation briefing will be offered on Saturday, June 7 at 1300 @ A&FRC. If you are currently serving on 180 + days or more of continuous orders, this briefing is mandatory. We recommend attending prior to orders ending. Also, we encourage members going into the IRR or retiring to attend as well. No appointment required.

Military & Family Life Counseling (MFLC) services offered on Saturday, Jun 7, 1000-1400 at A&FRC. Walk ins are welcomed.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department will be conducting officer candidate testing on Saturday, June 7 in Rm#1060 at the A&FRC. There will be 2 sessions available; please check testing times below and website for minimum standards for employment.

- 0900 - any active duty, reservist, guard or retired (20 years or more) military member
- 1300 - 440 AW Airmen only

<http://charmeck.org/city/charlotte/CMPD/organization/Administrative/PoliceTrainingAcademy/Pages/>

Veterans Affairs (VA) Benefits brief will be offered on Sunday, June 8, 0800-1430 for members with a mandatory appointment. However if you are interested in hearing this informative brief, arrive by 0800hrs and we will try to accommodate.

FY2015 UTA Schedule

October 2014

Primary: 18-19 Oct

December 2014

Primary: 6-7 Dec
Alternate: 13-14 Dec

February 2015

Primary: 21-22 Feb

April 2015

No UTA (12-13 Mar)
EXERCISE: 18-19 Apr

June 2015

Primary: 6-7 Jun

August 2015

Primary: 8-9 Aug

November 2014

Primary: 15-16 Nov

January 2015

Primary: 10-11 Jan
Alternate: 25-26 Jan

March 2015

Primary: 14-15 Mar
MOBEX: 12-13 Mar

May 2015

Primary: 2-3 May

July 2015

Primary: 11-12 Jul

September 2015

Primary: 19-20 Sep
Alternate: 12-13 Sep



Protocol's Corner

Plan ahead for Retirement Ceremonies. You will need several weeks lead time to ensure the retirement flag can be sent to the appropriate office, flown and returned to you in time for the Retirement ceremony. Below is the flag order information for special ceremonies:

Flag Ordering for Special Ceremonies. Flags for retiring military members may be purchased using unit O&M funds. Contact your local unit GPC approving authority. Flags may also be obtained at cost from the honoree's U.S. Senator or U.S. Representative. Contact the appropriate congressional office for their ordering procedures. The websites listed below are current as of the publication of this document, but are subject to change. Sources for flags can be found on the GSA website: https://www.gsaadvantage.gov/advgsa/advantage/main/start_page.do.

Flags that have been flown over the Capitol can be ordered from the honoree's U.S. Senator or U.S. Representative. Ordering procedures are outlined at the following website: <http://www.capitolflags.gov/ordering/>.

Instructions on ordering flags flown over the Pentagon are available through the Pentagon Force Protection Agency at the website: <http://www.pfpa.mil/services/flagpnt.html>.

From the AFPAM 34-1202 Protocol Instruction

Dining Facility for UTA

This UTA please utilize the 82d CAB Dining Facility (DFAC) only. This applies to all meal card and cash customers. The facility is located off of Longstreet Rd. To get there; exit the Reilly Rd gate from Pope AAF. From the Reilly/Butner Rd intersection, travel on Reilly Rd for approx. a half mile and turn right on Longstreet. Travel approx a half mile (past All American Pkwy) and turn right on Rotary Ln then make an immediate left into the DFAC parking lot. They will be open for Breakfast 0800 - 0930, Lunch 1200 - 1330 and Dinner 1530 - 1730. The phone number is 432-5538.

As a reminder, all enlisted personnel are required to have a unit issued meal card and your military ID in order to receive a meal at no cost to you.

If anyone has questions please let me know.

Kevin S. Smith, SMSgt, USAFR (ART)
Superintendent, 440 FSS/FSV
Pope AAF, NC
COML: 910-394-1574
DSN: 424-1574



Sending/ Receiving PII while TDY

How do I send and receive PII emails when I'm not at Pope?

1. MS Office Outlook Web Access with S/MIME control Ad-In. Login to the AF portal using your CAC >> click the 'Email' button located in the upper right-hand corner >> Click on 'Pope Field' among the list. You should see a web-based version of your Outlook inbox.

Next, you need to install S/MIME Control Add-In into your browser. To do that, click on Options inside the Outlook Web Access page >> click E-Mail Security >> click Download the Outlook Web Access S/MIME control. To install the control, you will need to contact the Pope Comm Focal Point, or possibly your Organizational Information Assurance Officer (IAO) for the proper administrator permissions. They will be able to install the control which will allow you to read/send emails that are digitally signed/encrypted.

2. Safe Access File Exchange (SAFE)

SAFE is an AF-approved, cloud-based, file storage system which allows you to email links to files instead of sending file attachments. Transmitting PII this way makes it possible for you to gain access to files from CAC-based, and personal email accounts. Not only does SAFE help protect PII, it cuts down on the large emails. You can access SAFE from this hyperlink <https://safe.amrdec.army.mil/safe/>, or learn more about SAFE on the 440 CF EIM page under Privacy Act Documents https://afrc.eim.us.af.mil/sites/440aw/440_MSG/440_CF/SCOK/FOIA_PA/SitePages/Home.aspx.

3. Encrypt your Word, Excel, PowerPoint files before sending outside the AFNET

To encrypt MS Office files, go to File >> Save As >> Tools (at the bottom of the window) >> General Options. You will see a password prompt to encrypt your file. After the file is encrypted, send the password to the file in a separate email. Do not send together with your encrypted file attachment as it will render the whole process useless against protecting PII.

4. Encryption Wizard software <https://spi.dod.mil>

This is actual software that you download on your computer, and it takes some setting up to do. Both the sender and recipient must have this software loaded on their computers for this to work. Contact the Pope Comm Focal Point or your Organizational IAO for assistance loading the software.

Who can I ask if I have questions about PII?

Most units have Knowledge Operations Manager (3D0X1) in their Squadron or Group. Under the Privacy Act program, protecting PII falls squarely in their AFSC's responsibility. Most of the Wing's KOMs have been trained on PII prevention and how to use SAFE, but it's up to you protect your PII. Talk to your local KOM about whether something is PII, what the best method would be for your situation, and other ways to protect PII. If you are having a technical problem with getting software loaded, contact either the Pope Comm Focal Point or your Organizational IAO for assistance.

Do the right thing - take care of your fellow Airman and their PII,

PII Violations

Lately the 440 AW has been experiencing unencrypted Personnel Identification Information violations. Please follow the below steps when sending and/or storing PII.

Mark:

PII must always be properly marked. When you print PII, you use FOUO marking and cover sheets. The same is true in cyberspace. We mark our PII emails with 'FOUO' in the Subject line, and drop the Privacy Act statement in the message header. Markings alerts the recipient that they are now in possession of PII and their responsibility to handle it appropriately.

Encryption:

When sending PII via email, it must be sent as an encrypted email, period. If you can't encrypt the PII, then you are unable to transmit that PII properly. Encryption ensures only the authorized recipients view the PII, and that it has not been modified during transmission.

Share Drives/MICT:

When uploading PII information in Share drives ensure folders have access control restrictions and never upload PII into MICT.

Protect PII!

Quarterly Awards

Nominate your deserving Airmen, noncommissioned officers, senior noncommissioned officers, first sergeants, company grade officers, civilians wage employees, civilian program specialists (GS-1 through GS-11), civilian program manager (GS-12 and GS-13) and civilian senior manager (GS-14 and GS-15) for quarterly awards.

The 1st quarter nomination packages are due to the TSgt Alisha Feagin NLT April 8, 2014. Please take the time to recognize the hard work and outstanding accomplishments of your Airmen and civilians.

Award Period

1 JAN-31 MAR (1ST QTR)
1 APR-30 JUN (2ND QTR)
1 JUL -30 SEP (3RD QTR)
1 OCT-30 DEC (4TH QTR)

Nomination Package Due

APR - 1st Tue after UTA
JUL - 1st Tue after UTA
OCT - 1st Tue after UTA
JAN - 1st Tue after UTA

Selections will be made the UTA after nomination packages are due.

Top 3 Council

The next 440 AW Top 3 Council meeting will be Sunday, 8 Jun, 1130-1230 in the OG/AES training classroom (Bldg 730/Rm 160). This is a working lunch and food will be provided by the Top 3!

Our last meeting in Mar, Chief Dizmond (2AS/MXG) provided an overview of Awards/EPR Bullet Writing and the impact/importance each statement provides the individual(s). The Top 3 hosted the Annual 440 AW Family Day Picnic on 3 May, the turnout was great!! We sent a survey out to the Wing for feedback, and thus far, it has been very positive. All SNCOs are invited to attend and participate in the Top 3. Join us as we continue to grow our knowledge and skills, so we can give back to others. Beverly Jackson from the USO will be providing the next presentation, she will brief us on how the USO benefits the military member, as well as what we can do to help the USO and other members of the military.

Top 3 Council Executive Officers

Exec Tip of the Month

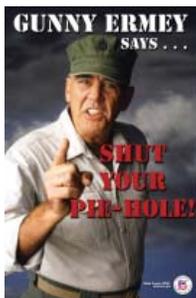
Staff packages regarding personnel actions must be coordinated through FSS prior to routing for wing commander signature.

Contact the command section at 394-5440 for any specific questions.

Information Assurance Tips

When your area, office, warehouse, etc. is a certified classified processing area (CPA) with EMSEC certification on file, remember:

1. It is a CPA at all times, whether you're actively processing with the key in the TACLANE or not.
 2. Cell phones, digital camera capabilities, wi-fi (LAN or mouse), bluetooth, cordless, and infrared devices are not authorized (AFSSI 7702).
 3. Government issued cell phones require AF DAA approval, a statement of the device being an operational necessity (see the wireless agreement)
 4. State Tablets require AF DAA approval and connection monitor docking station to disable wi-fi.
 5. Personal wireless electronic devices must be disabled at all times.
 6. GPS devices that transmit to a relay or satellite then broadcasts outside of the CPA are not authorized.
 7. Connecting USB flash removable media (ex. thumb drives, SD cards) to DoD systems without proper authorization is not authorized.
 8. Contact the unit EMSEC monitor before changing the layout of the CPA.
 9. Contact the Base IA Office at 440cf.ia@us.af.mil if you have any questions
- Do not purchase USB external hard drives without contacting the Base IA Office first.
 - Internet connections to an outside internet service provider (ISP) (ex. Verizon, Time Warner, etc.) must be approved by the GIG waiver panel before any equipment is purchased or connection is made to the ISP.
 - Where can I find IA related training? As a reminder, every second Thursday of the month the Base IA Office conducts Information Assurance Officer (IAO) and IA Representative training, in Building 347 at 0930. We cover information on security incidents/infractions and duties/responsibilities of an IAO. This training is mandatory for new IAO's and highly encouraged as a refresher for those that have already been trained.



440 MDS Moving

The 440th Airlift Wing Leadership and your 440th Medical Squadron are excited to notify everyone that we are in the process of moving into our new facility this week and next! We will be conducting physical exams on the second floor of building 308. Please note that until the rest of the facility is complete the ONLY authorized entrance/exit will be the side door on the East side of the building (next to the Wing Building-306). The parking lot and street side doors are for emergency exit only.

Members should come in the side door and take the stairs on the right directly to the second floor. The first floor and basement are currently OFF LIMITS as there is still construction going on in these areas.

Please bear with us as we may be tripping over ourselves a little this first UTA as we adjust but we are truly looking forward to being able to provide a clean, comfortable, and functional facility for our fellow Wing members.

Your 440th MDS Team

Deserving Airmen Program

The 440 AW is having the Deserving Airmen Commissioning Program (DACP) Board during the July 2014 UTA. The program is designed to commission deserving Airmen to fulfill valid, non-rated, line officer unit vacant positions. Package Checklists may be picked up at 440 FSS/FSMPD.

All packages are due to 440FSS/FSMPD (Career Development) NLT June 1, 2014.

College transcripts must be received by the 440 FSS/FSMPD NLT June 20, 2014.

Official AFOQT scores must be added to the completed package NLT July 9, 2014.

Late submissions will not be accepted.

POC: MSgt Nunez 910-394-4480; Maureen.Nunez@us.af.mil

Contact information

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency SFS: 910-394-2800/2808
Chaplain: 910-394-5458
Safety: 910-394-8387
Military Equal Opportunity: 910-394-3961
IG: 910-394-1798
ALRS/UTA lodging: 910-394-1291
ESD: 910-396-4444, DSN: 945-2900
Services Customer Support: 910-394-1056/1574
Military Pay: 910-394-1600/1909/1409/1332
Travel Vouchers: 910-394-1412
MPF Customer Service: 910-394-4480/4447/4477
Patriot Pope/Airlift Support: 910-394-7152/6152
IHG Army Hotels: 910-396-7700
Wing Public Affairs: 910-394-5533
Fitness Questions: 910-394-4287
Command Post: 910-394-9000

Pope Fitness center hours

Monday-Friday 5a.m.-10 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday 7 a.m.- 3 p.m.
For more information, call 394-2671.

SARC News

1 in 6 women and 1 and 33 men will be a victim of sexual assault; as a society our first reaction is to ask questions that blame the victim, i.e. why were you dressed that way, why were you alone, you were flirting/leading them on, what did you think would happen if you got drunk and left with him/her; these type of behaviors are “asking for it” right- WRONG! The victim is never to blame for a sexual assault.

There would be no sexual assault if the offender was not present. The only person deserving of blame is the person who chose to commit the crime of sexual assault on another person. Sexual assaults are “not accidents”, “not caused by circumstances”, “not caused by miscommunication”; they are caused by the offender. Next time you hear of someone being sexually assaulted ask the accused the tough questions and don't blame the victim.

Ms. Karen Smith, SARC/Behavioral Health Specialist: 910 394-4551/7272

Maj. Elenah Kelly, SAPR Victim Advocate: 910 394-1452

Take care of yourself and others - Visit AFRC.WingmanToolkit.org today!

Company Grade Officer Council

CGOs, please join us for our first CGOC mixer on June 7 at 1730 @ Husk Hardware in Sanford. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be provided by CGOC. We will have a quick meeting and conduct elections and all Lieutenants and Captains are encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions please contact Capt. Joya Gamara or Maj. Elenah Kelly. Hope to see you there!

Yellow Ribbon

The Yellow Ribbon (YR) Program promotes the well-being of reservists and their families by connecting them with resources before and after deployments. It began in 2008 following a congressional mandate for the Department of Defense to assist reservists and National Guard members in maintaining resiliency as they transition between their military and civilian roles. Each year, the Air Force Reserve program trains 7,000 reservists and family members in education benefits, health care, retirement information and more.

The next YR event will be held June 27-29 in Atlanta, GA.

Can't attend an event but would love some resources? The Psychological Health Advocacy program (PHAP) consists of full-time, regional teams dedicated to providing free psychological health support, referrals and resources to Airman and their families throughout all phases of the deployment cycle. It is available 24 hours a day. Additionally, the PHAP provides consultation services to Reserve leadership on psychological health issues.

To find out more info regarding PHAP and their services visit: www.afrc.phap.net

For more info on YR resources or eligibility please contact your YR rep: Capt. Joya Gamara at yellow.ribbon.pope@us.af.mil or DSN 424-2388.

Global Address Listing Updates

Got changes to your contact information in the GAL? Tired of trying to look up someone's phone number in Outlook only to find it's not correct or missing?

Users can now go to the ESD Portal to determine how to keep their information current:

Step 1: Go to <https://esd.us.af.mil>

Step 2: Click on View/Update My GAL

Step 3: Follow instructions to update your information for the corresponding GAL Field

My GAL has become the Enterprise standard for end users to update Global Address List information. Effective 05 May 2014, per NOTAM 2014-121-003, the Enterprise Service Desk (ESD) will no longer be accepting NIPR GAL update tickets that could be serviced using View/Update My Gal on the ESD portal.

Any tickets received prior to 05 May 2014 will be worked according to ESD policy, however any tickets received on or after 05 May 2014 will be updated with instructions to use View/Update My GAL and canceled.

Personal Email Addresses

Would you like to receive the UTA newsletter in your personal email prior to the drill weekend? Want to get the notifications for free tickets or events when your not able to access your Air Force email?

Send Adam Luther (adam.luther@us.af.mil) an email requesting to be added to the email list. Be sure to include: name, unit and the email you would like to have added.

This is an opportunity to stay connected and be included in the events going on around Pope Field!

AF Ball Blue Diamond Moments

The AF ball committee is hoping to hear from you!

This year's birthday ball is all about Airmen and their “Blue Diamond” moment. Whatever the circumstances, blue diamond moments are those that make you proud to wear the uniform and happy to be a part of the team. Maybe your blue diamond moment was the day you graduated from basic training or the day you interacted with the local population while serving overseas or maybe it happened while in the middle of an especially challenging mission/exercise/inspection. Maybe your blue diamond moment happened when a wingman went above and beyond to support you during a tough time in your life or maybe it happened when you helped a fellow Airmen pull through their own tough times.

There are no rules or standards for choosing your blue diamond moment, but once you've had a chance to think about it, please contact Maj. Lisa Ray or Mr. Adam Luther. Our goal is to record approximately 45 minutes of these blue diamond moments that will be posted to the website and projected at dinner that evening.

Thanks so much, and we can't wait to see what you guys come up with!!!

Promotions

Airman Basic to Airman

Aaron S. Brown, 440 MXS
Christopher D. Calloway II, 440 MXS
Quentin L. Campbell, 53 APS
Tierra S. Gordon, 53 APS
Shaquanna A. Johnson, 440 AW
Dakota W. Krc, 440 AMXS
Lindsay M. McDonald, 53 APS
Michael A. Rodgers, 440 AMXS
Darvin J. Wilson, 440 AMXS
Adrian Vargas, 53 APS

Airman to Airman 1st Class

Ricky W. Call, 440 MXS
Kristin B. Kurtz, 440 AW
John L. Nguyen, 440 AW
Kourtney J. Tolbert, 53 APS

Airman 1st Class to Senior Airman

Charles J. Allen, 440 AMXS
Alexis A. Best, 440 MXS
Loyd A. Deason, 440 AMXS
Rebekah A. Furches, 440 MDS
Kristen A. Higgins, 440 MDS
Carl R. Honaker, 440 MXS
Alyssa D. Johnson, 440 AW
Morgan B. Johnson, 440 AMXS
Monique M. Korbel, 53 APS
Morgan L. Mills, 440 MDS
Karolyn B. Morrow, 440 MDS
Erica L. Quinones, 53 APS
Charquasia E. Riley, 53 APS
Rodrick L. Smith, 440 AMXS
Jatoni L. White, 440 MDS

Senior Airman to Staff Sgt.

Ryne L. Jordan, 95 AS

Staff Sgt. to Tech. Sgt.

Canvis D. Dolberry, 440 OSS
Christopher J. Fulton, 440 SFS
Brian J. Greer, 440 OSS
Jessica L. Johnson, 440 LRS
Ivan P. Machowicz, 440 MDS
John E. Starzyk, 440 LRS

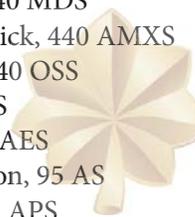
Senior Master Sgt. to Chief Master Sgt.

Shannon N. Kubatka, 440 OG



The following Captains have been selected for promotion to Major

Sherry A. Veriato, 440 MDS
Kathleen D. Fitzpatrick, 440 AMXS
George D. Franks, 440 OSS
Lisa A. Reed, 36 AES
Michael T. Reed, 36 AES
Theresa M. Livingston, 95 AS
David C. Borden, 53 APS
Elenah G. Kelly, 440 AW



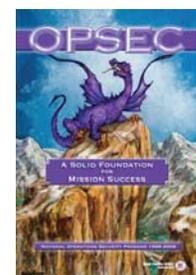
Congratulate these Airmen when you see them!

Newcomers

The 440th Airlift Wing welcomes the following Airmen to the family!

Col. Robert M. Blake, 440 AW/IG
Staff Sgt. Britney Leonard, 440 MDS
Staff Sgt. Tory L. McKellar, 53 APS
Staff Sgt. Robert R. Tompkins, 440 MXS
Staff Sgt. Niesha N. Woodard, 440 OG
Senior Airman Danielle L. Burns, 95 AS
Senior Airman Dylan E. Paradis, 440 AMXS
Airman 1st Class Emmanuelle Lozada Rodriguez, 440 MXS
Airman Kristin B. Kurtz, 440 AW
Airman Basic Matthew D. Hopkins, 440 AMXS
Airman Basic Reakwon E. Rice, 440 SFS

Let these Airmen know you are glad they have joined our team.



440th Security Forces return from Spain

by Tech. Sgt. Samuel Hogue

MORON AIR BASE, Spain -- Twelve members of the 440th Security Forces Squadron recently returned from Moron Air Base, Spain. While in Spain they augmented the 496th Security Forces Flight performing flight-line security operations, weapons storage area access control, anti-terrorism measures and mobile patrols.

During their time-off these members were able to enjoy some of the surrounding cities and countries; Granada, Seville, Portugal and Gibraltar.

The group's time in Spain served to fulfill their annual tour requirement.



Pope Field Airmen complete inaugural All-American marathon

by Tech. Sgt. Peter R. Miller

POPE FIELD, N.C. -- Air Force Master Sgt. Thomas Yurchak, non-commissioned-officer-in-charge of supply for the 440th Logistics Readiness Squadron, and Tech. Sgt. Edward Harmond, a member of the 440th Security Forces Squadron, competed in the inaugural running of the All-American Marathon at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, on May 4, 2014.

"On All-American freeway, they had pictures of fallen soldiers set up in a long row," said Yurchak. "I don't know how many there were, but they seemed to go forever. If I wasn't dehydrated, I probably would have cried. It was a very powerful tribute to our fallen heroes."

The race was Harmond's 14th marathon, he said.

"Seeing the wounded warriors finishing a marathon was great," said Harmond. "There were quite a few wounded warriors out there on hand cycles and there was a blind runner who was blinded in Afghanistan."

Yurchak said that the toughest part of the race was on Honeycutt Road near the end of the race.

"It was incredibly steep," said Yurchak. "I was struggling before that, but that hill put the nail in my coffin."

Harmond agreed.

"It was a good course, but that hill around mile 23 was some infantryman's idea of a cruel joke," said Harmond, a former U.S. Army infantryman.

"I had planned on doing the half, so I hadn't been training for the full marathon," said Harmond. "I wouldn't recommend that anybody go out and run a full marathon if they haven't been training for it. I had to pace myself and slow down. Once you get to that last 6 or 8 miles, it becomes a game of mental toughness. It doesn't matter who you are or how much you train."

More than 780 runners signed up for the All American Marathon and 500 for the 5K, said race organizers. Registration for the Mike to Mike Half Marathon was closed after more than 2000 runners registered to compete. More than 1100 volunteers from Fort Bragg, Fayetteville and the surrounding communities made the races possible.



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