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U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Bryan Crane

Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James Roy addresses members of the 509th Security Forces Squadron July 25. Roy visited the base July 25 and 26.

Load crews hold quarterly competition



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Commentary

Make it a point to know your own business

By Cheryl (Cheri) LeBlanc

509th Bomb Wing Chief of Information Protection

Many Team Whiteman members don't worry about their personal affairs and the effects it could have on their careers until it becomes an issue.

Some rely heavily on their significant-others to handle personal and financial affairs as we focus on our military careers. I can't stress enough how wonderful it is to have that support and peace of mind, especially with the ops-tempo we keep. However, there are some who may not have that support or others that simply don't care to keep up with those issues.

Please take the time periodically to discuss or research your personal and financial affairs before it's too late.

I'm referring to the reinvestigations for your security clearance. Far too often, after submitting your paperwork, a response comes back from the Air Force Central Adjudication Facility, to suspend your access to classified material because of financial concerns. Roughly 90-95 percent of the suspended cases we receive are due to financial issues that Team Whiteman members didn't even know existed.

Recent economic factors have had a significant impact on the housing market, subsequently affecting many Team Whiteman members in a negative way. The AFCAF views each case individually looking for patterns or trends of irresponsibility versus one-time significant events like a house foreclosure prior to a permanent change of station, death in the family, or job loss, etc.

We have seen cases of stolen identity and wrongful use of social security numbers by close family members to establish bad debt. I cannot stress enough the importance of watching your credit reports, communicating with lenders when needed, or taking the proactive approach to seek financial counseling to learn ways to control your financial future and keep your clearance in good standing.

Keeping your personal affairs in order is equally important as the AFCAF evaluates the "whole person." The adjudicative guidelines they use set the basis for their decision on whether a Team Whiteman member will receive and retain a clearance.

The adjudicative guidelines are as follows: Allegiance to the United States; Foreign Influence; Foreign Preference; Sexual Behavior; Personal Conduct; Financial Considerations; Alcohol Consumption; Drug Involvement; Emotional, Mental and Personality Disorders; Criminal Conduct; Security Violations; Outside Activities and Misuse of Information Technology Systems. The guidelines coupled with our Air Force standards serve to ensure good order and discipline and safeguarding of classified material.

Additionally, your local commander has the ability to suspend access to classified material based on the same guidelines. In the event your access is suspended, you are given a specific amount of time to mitigate the issues and provide information to resolve those issues. At that time, the commander and the AFCAF reevaluate the circumstances and recommend reinstatement or permanent revocation. When you separate or retire from the military, if your clearance is in good standing, it can be used for up to 24 months to seek and secure other employment which requires a clearance, as long as the new employer will accept that investigation. Your unit security manager can provide you a memorandum which reflects the status of your clearance when you leave the military.

So take the time to know where your personal and financial affairs stand before it is too late. Communication is always the greatest enabler of a Team Whiteman member's life. Significant concerns need to be addressed with your supervisor, commander and first sergeant before they are overwhelming and cause other problems.

My job is prosecuting sexual assault

Commentary by Col. Don M. Christensen

Chief, government trial and appellate counsel

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- Here's a simple truth...sexual offenders reject our core values of integrity, service and excellence, in favor of following their own base, undisciplined, criminal desires. Most sexual assaults committed by Airmen are "blue on blue," or Airmen victimizing other Airmen. So in addition to rejecting our core values, these undisciplined Airmen reject the Wingman concept that we prize in the Air Force. They represent a direct threat to unit morale, good order, and discipline. They degrade combat readiness, but with the combined efforts of command, law enforcement, and our team of prosecutors, they will be held accountable. Together, as a team, we will protect other Airmen and protect our strength and combat readiness as the world's greatest

Detecting and prosecuting sexual assault is our priority. Recently, we posted on the internet significant Air Force sexual assault prosecutions. The posting may be found here: http://www.afjag.af.mil/sexualassaultprosecution/index.asp. As you can tell from a quick review of this information, we will prosecute sexual offenders anywhere they are found. From reviewing these cases, you can see sexual assault in the Air Force carries substantial penalties.

Air Force.

Our partners in AFOSI thoroughly investigate each allegation to provide commanders with timely, accurate, and pros-

ecutable evidence. They pass the ball to commanders, who call upon my team to prosecute the offender to the maximum extent allowed under law.

Our team of prosecutors is better than any you will see in the civilian community or on TV. I have 17 highly skilled senior trial prosecutors, who are selected from among hundreds of judge advocates for their top notch trial skills. They have the very best trial skills in the Air Force JAG Corps. They prosecute the Air Force's most serious courts-martial. Seven of my senior trial prosecutors have been identified as "Special Victim Unit (SVU)" prosecutors, due to their training and experience in combating sexual assault. They are dedicated to bringing justice to victims of sexual assault and ensuring commanders are able to appropriately hold offenders accountable.

In the typical case we prosecute, the accused Airman exploits his victim's intoxicated state to commit the sexual assault. We are very effective in prosecuting these offenders, and the law encourages us to prosecute Airmen who use alcohol to facilitate sexual assault of substantially incapacitated victims. Prosecuting this kind of case is one of our core specialties.

The Air Force has done a great job training Airmen about respecting other Airmen and not sexually abusing their fellow Airmen. Training can reach many Airmen who might be tempted to commit this crime. For others, who cannot be persuaded by training, my team, the Senior Trial Prosecutors - Special Victims Unit, stands at the ready to vindicate the victims.

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A few parting words from Tony Monetti

Dear Whiteman Warriors,

As I culminate 24 years of Air Force service, allow me to thank you for the privilege and honor of serving amongst the best American citizens on the planet. Members of the 509th, "we lucky few" are members of an elite stealth team empowered with the trust of our political leaders to defend our great nation against all enemies foreign and domestic.

America depends on you to fly, fight and win. Stay focused on your solemn duty and know that the enemy fears you. And they should. My parting thoughts for you are to stay loyal to your commanders and senior enlisted leaders. Loyalty requires you to follow the lawful orders of your commanders with steadfastness of purpose and integrity.

Do not speak ill of your leaders, for they have unbelievable pressures that require your commitment and duty. Most importantly, I encourage you to stay true to our Air Force core values for they will define you in the future. Integrity First, Service Before Self and Excellence in All We Do.

God bless you, the 509th and our beloved nation. Aim Higher! Isaiah 40:31

Tony Monetti

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The 2012 Johnson County Heart Walk is scheduled for Sept. 22 in Warrensburg. Area residents can help support programs to fight this growing health problem are encouraged to participate. For more information, visit the Heart Walk website at johnsoncountyheartwalk.org. The local Heart Walk is part of a nationwide effort. For more information, contact Carmen Schick at 816-210-5772, or email carmen.schick@heart.org.

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509th OG gets new commander



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Nick Wilson

Col. Edward Martignetti accepts command of the 509th Operations Group from Brig. Gen. Thomas Bussiere, 509th Bomb Wing commander, during an Assumption of Command ceremony July 20. Colonel Martignetti comes to Whiteman after serving as Vice Commander, 607th Air Operations Center, Osan Air Base, Republic of Korea.

Whiteman Airmen help support developing nations

By Senior Airman Montse Belleau 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Members of the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron and 131st Bomb Wing completed a humanitarian mission to El Salvador, July 18.

The purpose of the mission was to transport donated supplies to El Salvador under a special Department of Defense program used for charitable/humanitarian goods delivery called the Denton Amendment.

"The Denton amendment provides for humanitarian and civic assistance in conjunction with military operations, allowing organizations which ordinarily would not have the means to transport their donations to those in need to utilize available military airlift," said Maser Sgt. Jeffrey Mount, 509th LRS

This shipment will provide clothing and shoes for hundreds of people, especially children. Computers, school supplies and sewing supplies will be delivered to the La Palma Christian School to help teach basic computer skills and other fundamental education.

An estimated 1,400 people are expected to benefit from the donations. According to Mount, the distribution is anticipated to have a 10-month duration.

"Humanitarian missions are a key role of the US military and the best kind to be a part of," Mount said. "Providing much needed clothing and household items to countries that do not have them is vitally important to developing nations. Furthermore, this cargo would likely have never made it to its intended destination without the support provided



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Montse Belleau

Airmen with the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron load humanitarian aid cargo onto a C-17 Globemaster III, July 18, 2012 to be shipped to people in need in El Salvador.

by military airlift and USTRANSCOM."

Whiteman was in charge of coordinating the delivery and buildup of all 7,090lbs of cargo donated by Monett Church of Christ. The items were put in pallets and loaded aboard a C-17 Globemaster III. Whiteman served as the handover point from civilian charitable organizations to the U.S. military transportation system.

"The chance to build up and load these pallets onto an aircraft afforded Whiteman airmen the opportunity to practice skills they are trained to use for deployments and exercises in a tangible and meaningful way," Mount said. "Whiteman has been asked to support on average two Denton movements a year.

"We always embrace the chance to do these types of missions because of the good that is being done with this humanitarian cargo as well as the opportunity to practice our skills," Mount said. "In the past we have moved wheel chairs to Iraq, an ambulance to El Salvador, and school supplies to Honduras. The sense of mission accomplishment is awesome."

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AFGE Local 2361 awards \$500 scholarship



Buck Roberts, President of American Federation of Government Employees Local 2361 at Whiteman, presents Megan Batusic, daughter of Michael Batusic, 509th Civil Engineering heating, ventilation and air conditioning office, and Donna Gordon, a check for a \$500 dollar scholarship July 17. Megan plans to attend Central Methodist University in Fayette, Mo., and pursue a career as a physical therapist. The AFGE represents about 450 bargaining unit employees at Whiteman.

AF releases mid-year selective re-enlistment bonus list

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In addition to a rebalance in overall payments, the Air Force identified 53 Air Force specialties, down from 78, to receive bonuses.

Based on the semiannual program review that began in March, officials published the latest list, which includes Airmen in special operations, explosive ordnance disposal, tactical air control party, cryptological language analysts, and intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance, to name a few.

Deleted bonuses will take effect August 18.

The Air Force also reduced overall payments across most career fields and enlistment zones, and eliminated bonuses for Zone E re-enlistees or those in the 18-20 year range.

While the Air Force remains at a 17year high in overall retention, the bonus list is indicative of stressed or undermanned career fields within the Air Force.

"We are facing the realities of high retention in many areas of the force, and



government-wide budget deficits," said Lt. Gen. Darrel D. Jones, deputy chief of staff for Manpower, Personnel, and Services at headquarters U.S. Air Force. "These are difficult decisions--we need to be good managers of the most valuable resource in the Air Force, and that's our dedicated Airmen. But we also need to be responsible stewards for the

American taxpayer, and that means living within the budget."

General Jones said that is what these SRB changes reflect.

According to Lt. Col. Robert Romer, the acting force management division chief for the Air Force, the criteria used to determine to which career fields the Air Force would pay bonuses includes current and projected manning levels, career field retention and re-enlistment trends, career field force structure changes, and career field stress indica-

Even though SRB multiples have decreased for many career fields that remain on the list, Colonel Romer said Airmen may still be able to get a bonus that approaches the \$90,000 maximum allowed by law by reenlisting for a longer term.

"For our most critical Air Force specialty codes that have been offered bonuses with a multiple of seven that maxed out at \$90,000 for a 4-year reenlistment, we reset the multiple so the average re-enlistee could still reach the max bonus with a 6-year re-enlistment."

Airmen will have 30 days from today to re-enlist under the current bonus of-

Due to the continued budget trend, FY13 SRB multiples are projected to be consistent with the mid-year changes. The Air Force will release FY13 bonus offerings in October.

The newly released bonus list can be found at http://mypers.af.mil.

More information is available at local military personnel flights.



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The 131st Bomb Wing; A Tradition of Family and Service

By Staff Sgt. Meiko Schill 131st Bomb Wing Public Affairs

People inherit various traits from their families. Eye color, hair color and height are some genetic traits passed down from one generation to another. Traditions, like genetic traits, can also be passed down in much the same way.

For some families, a college alma mater, birthplace or religious affiliation can be handed down as well, thereby creating a legacy. For others, the desire to serve their community and their country is a trait and tradition woven into their family heritage, much like threads sewn into a uniform nametape.

This phenomenon is found quite often at the 131st Bomb Wing, Missouri Air National Guard.

The mere inklings of the 131st began with the ingenuity of three brothers and their love of aviation. On June 23, 1923 in St. Louis, Maj. William Robertson and his brothers, Lts. Frank and Dan, created the 110th Observation Squadron, an aviation section of the 35th Division, Missouri National Guard. Major Robertson was the first commander of 110th OS. The 110th eventually became the 131st BW. The brothers served until the 1930s.

The tradition of family has been a staple of the unit ever since, with many families joining over the years.

Staff Sgt. Brock Schuld is a fourth gen-

eration 131st member with an extensive lineage. Schuld's father, Lt. Col. Craig Schuld, joined the 131st in 1972 and served for 31 years. Schuld's maternal grandfather, Senior Master Sgt. Frank Oestereich, enlisted in 1955 and served for 35 years. Additionally, Schuld's great-uncle, Master Sgt. Ed Oestereich, enlisted in 1950 and served for 24 years while his son, Brock's cousin, Tech Sgt. Danny Oestereich enlisted in 1985 and served for 20 years.

"It's an honor to continue a legacy that started over 55 years ago," said Schuld. "Growing up with the unit and then enlisting into it completes the circle."

2nd Lt. Emily Opfer enlisted into the 131st BW in 2008 and fulfilling a family custom in doing so. Opfer's great-uncle, retired Brig. Gen. Harding Zumwalt, was the commander of the 131st Tactical Fighter Wing in the 1970s and served for 30 years, while his son, {Emily's cousin}, Buck Sgt. Jeffery Zumwalt enlisted in the 131st in 1967 and served for six years.

These older legacies are great examples for newer 131st families to follow.

Master Sgt. Shawn Tamborski, a paralegal for the 131st BW, is a proud mother of two recent Airmen First Class. Her son Clarence joined the 131st in 2009, her daughter Becky joined in 2011. Her middle son, Alex plans on joining the 131st this fall.

Master Sgt. Craig Eufinger has also watched with pride as two of his children

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Keeping the B-2 Spirit Mission Propelling Forward

By Staff Sergeant Sean Navarro 131st Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Without proper maintenance, a car's engine would eventually degrade beyond repair well before its life expectancy. However, with the talents of a highly skilled technician, the engine will not only last longer but perform better.

Just as car mechanics perform inspections and repairs to keep our vehicles running in prime condition, the 509th MXS Propulsion Flight inspects, maintains, repairs, and tests the engines and tailpipes of the B-2 Spirit while ensuring the best possible career progression for their airmen.

"We weed out all the bad products," said Staff Sgt. Eric Barnes, 509th F118 Test Cell Craftsman. "I like seeing a motor coming in for work, troubleshooting it, watching the final project run across the test cell, and seeing it complete."

"The nice thing about our career field is we get to see our [end] product being used," agreed Tech. Sgt. Jason Chesonis, 509th Test Cell NCOIC.

The Jet Engine Intermediate Maintenance section is responsible for the F118-GE-100 engines and the tailpipes used in the B-2.

Utilizing the Enhanced Two-Level concept, they provide basic maintenance and repair. Other repairs that the JEIM handles include the compressor, fan, turbine and front frames along with the replacement of all external components on the engines and tailpipes.

About \$4 million in upgrades to their test cell facility is coming their way. Though the flight has been able to accomplish their mission with dated equipment, these upgrades will allow the section to spend more time troubleshooting the engines rather than the testing equipment.

"Our test cell facility is probably one of the older test cells, and right now we're working a major upgrade which we'll receive next year," said Sgt. Chesonis. "We have the only back up test cell for the F118 engine. If [the main repair] depot goes down, we automatically jump in."

In addition to focusing on mission accomplishment, the propulsion flight also takes proactive steps with their team's career progressions.

"I like working with the airmen. I like the whole training aspect, making sure they know what they are doing," Sgt. Chesonis said.

Making sure the airmen are properly trained keeps their skills well-rounded which can prevent unintended damage to one of the \$3.6 million engines or \$2.5 million tailpipes.

"The biggest thing is quality," Sgt. Chesonis said. "If our test cell wasn't here, we'd lose quality."



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Sean Navarro

The airmen of the 509th MXS Propulsion Flight perform two separate repairs on July 18th simultaneously on a single engine. After the engine has been repaired and tested for quality, it is queued for installation into the B-2 Spirit.



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Sean Navarro Senior Airman Edward Caglayan, 509th Maintenance Squadron Aerospace Propulsion Journeyman, completes maintenance on part of the F118 engine on July 18th. The Propulsion Flight must keep the engines refurbished to ensure the B-2 Spirit's mission readiness.



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Sean Navarro

Airman 1st Class Lester Popham, 509th Maintenance Squadron Aerospace Propulsion Apprentice, helps remove part of the frame for repairs on the F118 engine, the propulsion power plant for the B-2 Spirit, on July 18th. After reassembling the engine with serviceable parts, it must be tested and inspected before it can be reinstalled onto the



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Nick Wilson Senior Airman Edward Caglayan, 509th Maintenance Squadron aerospace propulsion technician, installs a bracket and bolt onto an extension duct of a B-2 Spirit engine July 17. The extension duct helps redirect airflow through the engine to maximize thrust.

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Load Crews compete for bragging rights



Staff Sgt. Rafael Linero, 13th Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons load crew team chief, inspects the loaded munitions before completing their team load during the Load Crew of the Quarter competition July 20. The competitions teach Airmen how to perform their jobs accurately and safely in a stressful situation.

Story and photos by Airman 1st Class Bryan Crane 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Every quarter members of the 13th and 393rd Aircraft Maintenance Units compete in a friendly rivalry for bragging rights, along with the chance to compete in the Load Crew of the Year competition.

"The competition helps introduce the crews to a stressful situation where they can gain experience to help them perform in real-life situations," said Master Sgt. John Herndon, 509th Maintenance Group weapons standardization superintendent

Additionally, the competition helps promote camaraderie throughout the participating squadrons and is a way to recognize the load crews for their hard work and dedication.

The Airmen are graded in four categories: dress and appearance, their composite tool kit, a written test, and the weapons load.

During the weapons load portion, Airmen are graded not only on their timing, but also on efficiency.

"The load crew team chief uses a checklist that specifies exactly what to do and when to do it," Herndon said. "Each member is assigned certain tasks and must complete them in a safe, secure and reliable manner."

The 393rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit won the competition, along with bragging rights for this quarter.

The team members were Master Sgt. Daniel Herron, Tech. Sgt. Johnathan Haynes, Staff Sgt. Stephan Capkovic and Senior Airman Jake Smith.



Senior Airman Jordan Bland and Senior Airman Michael Phillips, 13th Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons load crew team members, prepare to lift a mock munition to be loaded during the Load Crew of the Quarter competition July 20. During the load competition, each team is timed and graded on loading the munitions with the least amount of errors.



Staff Sgt. Rafael Linero, 13th Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons load crew team chief, goes over his checklist during the Load Crew of the Quarter competition July 20. The Airmen are graded on a written test, dress and appearance, their composite tool kit, and the weapons load. The team that accumulates the most points wins the competition.



Master Sgt. Daniel Herron, (right), and Staff Sgt. Stephan Capkovic, 393rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons load team members, prepare mock munitions to be taken to a mock bomb bay during the Load Crew of the Quarter competition July 20. The competition recognizes the best load crew and promotes camaraderie among the units.



Senior Airman Jake Smith, 393rd Aircraft Maintenance Unit weapons load team member, drives mock munitions to be loaded in a mock bomb bay during the Load Crew of the Quarter competition July 20. The teams are graded on how quickly and accurately they load the munitions.

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From the Frontlines:

Master Sgt. Gloria Torres

By Senior Airman Nick Wilson 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Faced with challenges of an ever-changing mission, she managed passenger travel and cargo movement operations with a watchful eye. Without her leadership, service members and cargo wouldn't have reached their intended destination.

Master Sgt. Gloria Torres, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron personal property section chief, was a vital asset while deployed six months to Southwest Asia. She returned to Whiteman in February.

"My mission was to redeploy service members and support aircraft cargo movement," Torres said. "I ensured service members returned to their home station after deployments and during emergency leave circumstances."

She handled more than 700 emergency leave situations, ensuring service members got home when there was a death or extenuating circumstance in the family.

"I remember dealing with a Marine who was downrange fighting when he received word his father passed away," said Torres. "While he was crying in the terminal, I tried to console him as quickly as possible, so I could get him home and deal with other members who were dealing with similar circumstances. It was definitely a challenge and something I think made my Airmen and me stronger."

Torres and her Airmen also rendered honors to fallen comrades stationed at her base before the bodies were sent back to the U.S., which was an

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"My Airmen realized that this war is real life, and they are not here just to pack boxes," Torres said. "Our brothers and sisters in arms are actually dying out there, and everything we do is in support of that war effort."

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Heart walk offers opportunities to help fight nation's no. 1 killer

By Jeff Murphy

Heart Walk Committee Member

WARRENSBURG, Mo. -- Whether it's a friend, co-worker or family member, nearly every Johnson Countian likely knows someone who has been the victim of cardiovascular disease or stroke.

Area residents who want to help support programs to fight this growing health problem are encouraged to participate in the 2012 Heart Walk, Sept. 22, in Warrensburg.

The Johnson County Heart Walk Committee is recruiting volunteers, sponsors and participants for this year's walk, said Cliff Harris, a Warrensburg businessman and resident who is chairing the event for the second year.

"We're grateful for everyone who supported the Heart Walk last year," Harris said. "Despite a tough economy, we had exceptional help from corporate sponsors and individuals donors. We're also very grateful for the walkers who participated in the event and look forward to having them join us again this year."

The Heart Walk is the American Heart Association's premiere event for raising funds to save lives from this country's number one and number three killers heart disease and stroke. Designed to promote physical activity and heart-healthy living, the Heart Walk creates an environment that's fun and rewarding for the entire family. It is estimated that Johnson County has a 35 percent rate of cardiovascular disease and stroke. This means that one out of every three persons will be diagnosed or suffer from a form of the disease.

Harris encourages anyone who wants to know more about how to get involved to visit the Heart Walk website at johnsoncountyheartwalk.org.

The local Heart Walk is part of a nationwide effort. This year, more than one million walkers will participate in nearly 350 events across the country. For more information, contact Carmen Schick at 816-210-5772 or email carmen.schick@heart.org.

Whiteman Exchange receiving high marks on back to school savings

By Army & Air Force Exchange Service Public Affairs

With a new school year around the corner, the Army & Air Force Exchange Service is stocking the shelves to help students with all their school needs. From supplies to clothing, the Whiteman Exchange has it in store for students and parents.

"Every product is, of course, tax free every day at the Whiteman Exchange," said Becky Stover, store manager. "As a result, shoppers with Exchange privileges aren't subject to the restrictions and limited savings opportunities available through the upcoming 'tax holiday.'

In fact, military shoppers who shop the Whiteman Exchange during this year's 'tax holiday' will see an added benefit as local sales tax percentage discounts will be matched, by category."

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their tax-free benefit from Aug. 3 to Aug. 5 (Missouri's designated "tax holiday"), offering an additional percentage off (equivalent to the local sales tax rate) to the already low Exchange prices.

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"The Exchange's buying staff has done its homework over the past year, and we're ready to pass the savings lessons on to military families," Stover said. "Even though we've crammed to deliver the best 'back to school' shopping experience possible, we're always prepared to match the lowest local price to ensure authorized shoppers are getting the best value for their 'back to school' dollars."

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joined the ranks of the 131st. Airman First Class Brendan Eufinger enlisted in 2011 after his brother Jacob, also an Airman First Class, joined in 2009.

Eufinger said he tries to instill in his sons the importance of doing their best and being proficient in their technical skills.

For many Air National Guard members

in Missouri, the 131st is not only a Wing, but also a tie to their family's roots, giving an even deeper meaning to the nametape sewn on their uniform.

While the uniforms have changed over time, the legacy of service before self and sense of family unity continues to flourish in its ranks.



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Torres added that she remembers working with a team of Explosive Ordnance Disposal members who had a teammate killed in action.

"We still had to ship his weapon to the home station," she said. "We had a couple of men crying because when they opened the weapon case to verify the serial number, the weapon was busted up into pieces."

While dealing with this difficult facet of the redeployment mission, Torres also balanced managing both the passenger travel and cargo movement sections simultaneously. This included ensuring mission essential items were received in a timely manner.

"Our transit time for Fed Ex was five to seven days, and sometimes that wasn't acceptable because we had a down aircraft that maintainers needed parts for immediately," Torres said. "Trying to track down these parts and get them to maintainers in a timely manner to keep aircraft flying was definitely a challenge."

Additionally, Torres's section was in charge of removing under used equipment and office items all over base. Her unit saved the Air Force \$2 million by transferring the equipment to another base in Southwest Asia where it could be utilized fully.

Though Torres spent many hours getting the mission done, she still found time to participate in humanitarian assistance projects within the base

community.

One of her humanitarian assistance projects was helping out at a school for handicapped children called Nadjeshda.

While helping out at the school, Torres met Karla Maria, the lady that started the school.

"Karla Maria shared her 33-year struggle of how she fought to keep her school open for the children," Torres said.

"In Southwest Asia, handicap children and mothers are disowned because of their disability. Her story not only touched my heart and made me want to do more, it also made me thankful for the life I have."

While she experienced many trials and tribulations during her time in Southwest Asia, Torres said overcoming those challenges made her a stronger person.

"This deployment afforded Torres the opportunity to gain invaluable experiences," said Brian McCandless, 509th LRS traffic management of-

"As the Traffic Manager she was responsible for the entire cargo operation along with passenger movement processing more than 6.8 million pounds of cargo and 10.5 thousand joint force passengers across the AOR. The knowledge gained has enhanced her ability to perform as a SNCO in this busy career field."

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Volunteer opportunities for High School Students (dependents) — High school sons or daughters of active duty Air Force members can volunteer up to 250 hours over the four years of high school, with a maximum potential of \$1,000 toward college or vocational-technical school. The Youth Employment Skills Program is an Air Force wide program that offers high school students the opportunity to learn new skills, volunteer their time while helping their community and receive money toward their educational endeavors. For every hour volunteered, \$2 will go to base youth programs to support recreational improvements, computer labs, and other programs. For more information about the YES program, contact Whiteman Youth Programs at 660-687-5586 or search Whiteman AFB Teen Programs via Facebook and click "Like."

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Whiteman AFB Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate 24 Hour Emergency Crisis Line — Whiteman AFB Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate 24 Hour Emergency Crisis Line is available 24/7 for safety planning, support and referrals. Victim advocates can be reached during duty hours and for nonemergencies at 660-687-4341.

Retiree Activities Office — The Retiree Activities Office provides an interface be-

tween the active duty and the retiree population from all military branches. The RAO is staffed by volunteers and open from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday through Friday. The RAO is looking for volunteers and training is provided. For information, call 660-687-6457 or 1-800-303-5608 or email rao@ whiteman.af.mil.

Breastfeeding Support Group Breastfeeding Support Group is a 90-minute support group offered to Whiteman members and is the first Wednesday of every month from 11:30 a.m. -1 p.m. at the A&FRC. Contact Briana Kovach at 660-687-0368 for information. Children are welcome and should bring something to play with. No RSVP needed.

FAMILY ADVOCACY OUTREACH

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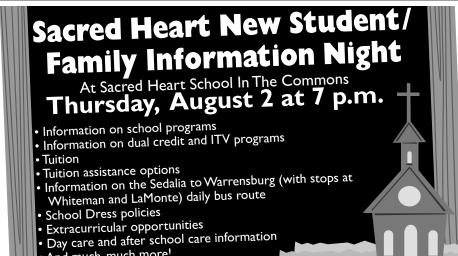
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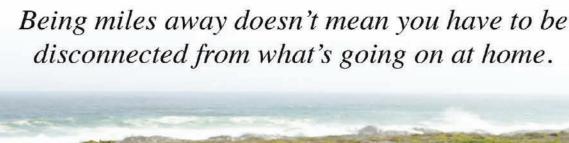
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