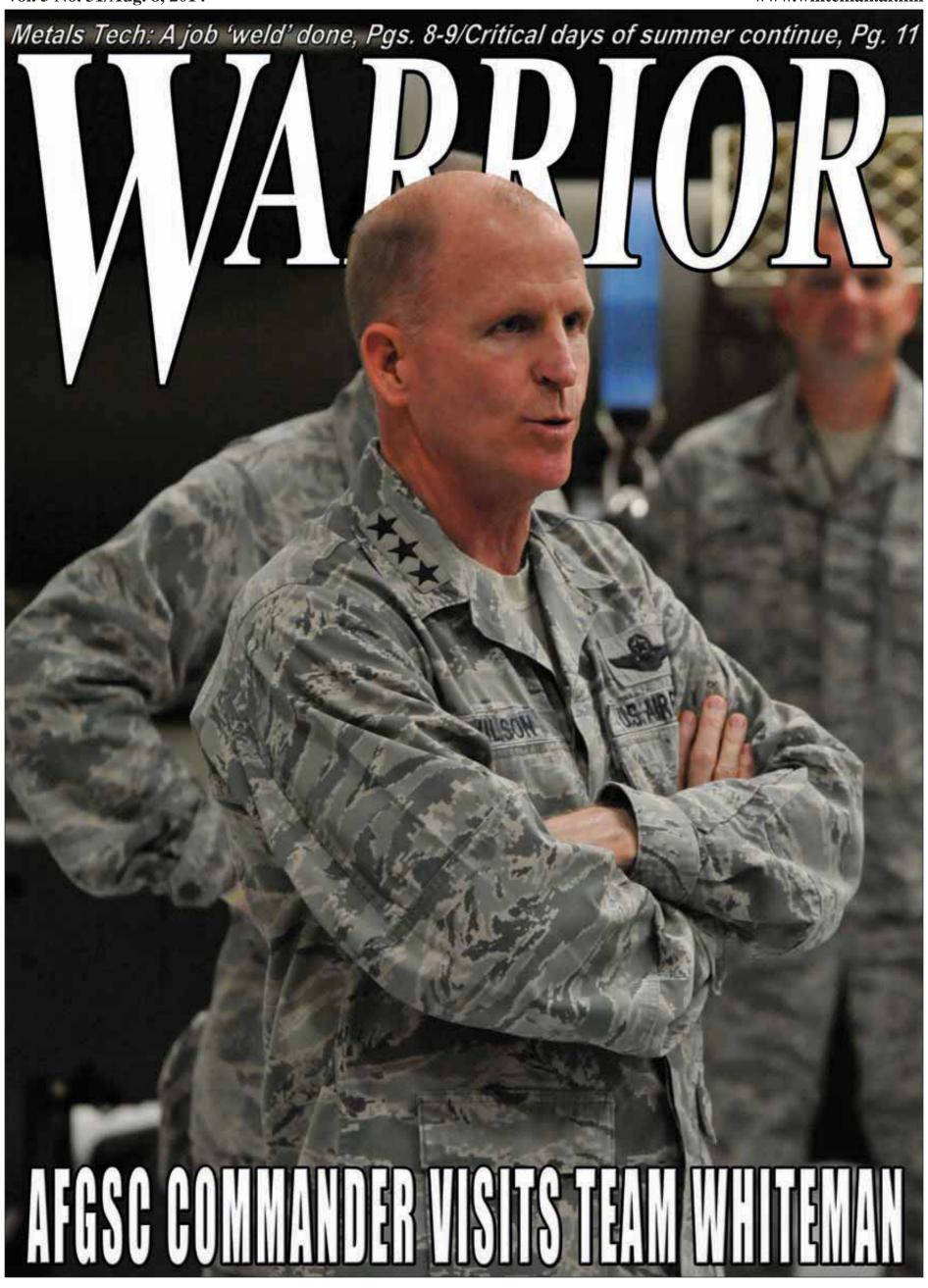
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Commentary

Helping hands ensure mission success

By Lt. Col. William Hepler 72nd Test and Evaluation Squadron

Returning to Whiteman following three years of service at two other bases, I have had the opportunity to reflect on what this base and it's people meant to me during my nine years here, prior to leaving in 2011.

In short, I think Whiteman represents the best of what the Air Force demands of its people. In 2002 arriving at Whiteman for the first time, my entire focus was on living up to the B-2 community's expectations for me as a pilot. My job was to learn to fly the B-2, employ it to the absolute best of my ability and be ready to meet the demands of any Combatant Commander that called. During this time I had a very narrow focus, I had missed the multitude of Airmen that made my job to be a B-2 pilot even possible.

My time away from Whiteman allowed me to recognize how much I depended on the skills and effort of my fellow Airmen who work in maintenance, fuels and supply and who prepare the jets each day. Beyond the flight line workers, I also recognize the civil engineers making sure the lights work and hanger doors open and the comptrollers making sure the bills get paid. The list goes on and on. Without all of them, I couldn't do my job. Coming back has further opened my eyes to the whole of the Whiteman mission.

Recognizing that it takes a team to ensure mission success is critical to our Air Force today. For example, every member of our Air Force is dependent on the highest in quality medical care that the Medical Group provides. Each Airman processes through the Force Support Squadron as they enter the base, and every unit on base depends on contracting to provide those capabilities, we as an Air Force have given up to our civilian counterparts. I cannot acknowledge every Airman and mission here for all they do, but each and every job plays an important role in ensuring our nation's needs are met. I now also see an equivalent level of interdependency we have as

As the military continues to shrink and budgets become tighter, it is natural to feel discouraged when the Air Force asks each of us to accomplish our mission with less people and less resources. It is during these times that we have to find a way to help our fellow Airmen and reach out a helping hand when that Airman is in need. We are offered classes on bystander awareness and suicide prevention, but sometimes the most important thing to a fellow Airman is an offer of assistance in their time of need, regardless of what that need may be. It may be a big project that is coming due, an EPR or OPR that could use one more review, a few extra minutes at the end of the day helping them work through a challenge or assistance with picking up a vehicle from the repair shop.

Every Airman needs assistance from a friend or fellow Airman at some point. I challenge you to ask these three questions of yourself:

- 1. Are you willing to help a fellow Airman when asked?
- 2. Do you offer your help without being
- 3. Are you willing to ask for help when you need it?

It is the helping hand we offer one another that strengthens our Whiteman team. Every Airman has a job that is critical to getting the mission done, and it is important for everyone to recognize the other's efforts. Take the time to recognize what each other does, thank them for their effort and offer them assistance when you have the chance. You never know when someone will return the favor for you. As the fiscal and mission challenges of our Air Force continue to increase, it is only through the outstanding team of Active Duty, Guard, Enlisted, Officer, Civilian and Contract Airman that will ensure Whiteman AFB and the AF as a whole meets the challenges placed before us.

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On the cover

Airman 1st Class Keenan Berry Lt. Gen. Steve W. Wilson, Air Force Global Strike Command commander listens to a briefing during a visit to Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 7, 2014. Wilson visited several different base agencies during his tour of Whiteman, concluding

at the Low Observable facility.

U.S. Air Force illustration/

Commander's Corner

The Commander's Corner is a forum for the Team Whiteman community to make suggestions or voice concerns about Whiteman directly to Brig. Gen. Glen VanHerck, 509th Bomb Wing commander. Each week the Whiteman Public Affairs office solicits questions via the official Whiteman Facebook page, Niner Line, and emails to the Commander's Action Line, offering people an opportunity to ask questions and receive answers directly from the wing commander.

QUESTION:

From Gaetano - "We did those peer-to-peer interviews for the Force Improvement Program that recently occurred, and from my standpoint and my supervisors and people below me, people really liked that and they were able to get out some good ideas."

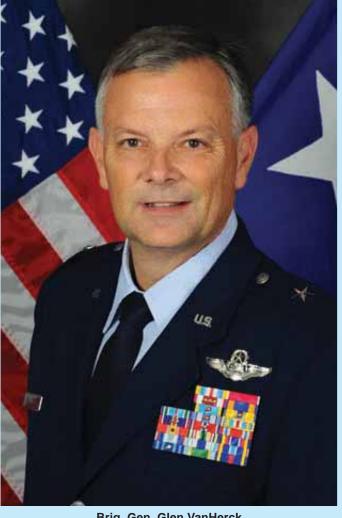
RESPONSE:

"Thanks for the comment Gaetano. Air Force Global Strike Command is still organizing data and finalizing the reports, but I expect us to have more information on the results of FIP in the coming weeks.

For those of you who don't know what the Force Improvement Program is, it started at the 20th Air Force, with leadership there intensely focusing on asking Airmen to identify programs, policies and procedures that could be executed more effectively, efficiently and safely in support of the nuclear mission.

FIP team members sent out and received thousands of surveys and conducted hundreds of interviews with Airmen at the ICBM wings, and ultimately collected about 300 different recommendations on how to improve processes and better support Airmen as they carry out the mission.

Soon after, FIP teams visited the bomber wings in Global Strike, and, similarly, received significant amounts of input, and they are in the process of working through that data and providing Lt. Gen. Wilson, the commander



Brig. Gen. Glen VanHerck

at Global Strike, with overall recommendations.

The key is that our Airmen who made their voice a part of the conversation will be able to look back and say they helped improve how we do business here at Whiteman, which was the goal of the program."

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NEWS BRIEFS

Did you know???

What the qualifying and disqualifying factors are to apply for Palace Chase. To be eligible for this opportunity, you must: Be a U.S. citizen, complete at least 2/3 of the initial Active Duty Service Commitment for officers and 24 months of a 4-year contract or 36 months of a 6-year contract for enlisted members, be medically qualified worldwide, meet fitness standards.

If you have any questions regarding this program, you can contact your unit First Sergeant or Master Sgt. Stephen Thomas, the AFRC In-service Recruiter, at 687-1868.

Estate of Senior Airman Scott O. Whitney

Anyone with a possible claim against the estate of Senior Airman Scott O. Whitney should contact Lt Justin Ong at 660-687-2382.

Found property

Keys, wallets, bicycles, jewelry and other items have been turned in as found property to Security Forces Investigation Section. To inquire about lost property, go to building 711, room 305, or call Detective Steven Scott at (660) 687-5342.

Worship service change

Starting this Sunday, 3 August 2014 our Protestant Community will be launching a new "Protestant Worship Service." This new service will combine the former 8 a.m. Traditional and 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Services into one.

Air Force Housing Web Site

Visit www.Housing.af.mil to find your new home with the Air Force. This web site serves as a one-stop shop for Airmen and their families to obtain information about the housing options and support services available to them at Air Force bases worldwide.

CCAF GEM Program

Military members avoiding taking classes because of work shifts, deployments or other time constraints have a program to assist them. Community College of the Air Force degree requirements can be met through distance learning using the CCAF General Education Mobile (GEM), a partnership between CCAF and other schools. For more information call (660)



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Chance of Storms Mostly Sunny
Hi 86 Hi 86
Lo 68 Lo 69

New changes to the Whiteman running track

Provided by Master Sgt. Tahawah Chaplin 509th Force Support Squadron

There has been a modification to the measurement of the Whiteman AFB Fitness Center's running track. The running track previously measured as a quarter mile running track, making six laps equivalent to 1.5 miles. After being re-measured by the Athletic Marketing

Company, a certified track builder, the track was measured as a 400 meter track. With the change, runners will now have to run six laps plus 46 feet to achieve 1.5 miles, eight laps plus 61 feet 4 inches for two miles and 10 laps plus 76 feet 8 inches to achieve 2.5 miles. Brig. Gen. Glen D. VanHerck, 509th Bomb Wing Commander, has signed the memo approving the updated Fitness Testing Running/Walking Course. The changes became effective July 22, 2014.

Social media requires care, caution with political material



U.S. Air Force graphic

By Master Sgt. Christian Michael

Air Reserve Personnel Center Public Affairs

BUCKLEY AIR FORCE BASE,

Colo. – Most Americans are born with a political rattle in their hands, and learn to shake it early. While U.S. culture promotes opinions and debate, the Department of Defense, U.S. Air Force and Air Reserve Personnel Center wish to remind Airmen that, while on active duty - and even for reservists who may be perceived as active military representatives, participating in politics on social media is exactly the same as it is in-person: strictly prohibited.

According to a list of DoD and Air Force Instructions longer than the average Airman's arm, which includes the 2014-2015 Voting Assistance Guide, DoDI 1000.04, Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) And Directive-Type Memorandum (DTM), 10-021, Guidance In Implementing Installation Voter Assistance Offices (IVAOS), DoDD 1344.13, Implementation of The National Voter Registration Act (NVRA), and U.S Office of Special Counsel, Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Social Media and the Hatch Act, dated April 4, 2012, participating in politics is prohibited for members of the DoD and Department of Homeland Security when that participation can be interpreted as an official

For active duty Airmen, that's any Facebook share, Twitter retweet or other repost of material from a political party, partisan candidate or campaign profile to friends, or even to post on those sites in a way that would constitute political activity. Nor can Airmen suggest their friends "like" those sites.

It's exactly like in-person partisan political activity - no stumping or selling a particular candidate, party or campaign.

However, it doesn't mean an Airman can't offer an opinion.

As in the past, when Airmen could write letters to the editor regarding particular issues, Airmen may still post their opinions on their own pages and that of non-partisan sites and organizations. However, as with the newspapers, if the writer is identified as an Airman or other representative of the U.S. armed forces (which, if you didn't know, active duty members are considered just that, by default), then it must be clear that the Airman's opinion is a personal one, and does not reflect the official stance of any government agency.

For members not on active duty, such as reservists and guardsmen, political activity is permitted on social media so long as their participation in no way implies official endorsement or condemnation of any particular partisan political entity.

If an Airman has any doubt as to what is or is not permitted, he or she could contact their unit judge advocate or their Federal Voting Officer to ensure any participation is legal.

For more information, visit www.fvap.org or refer to these references:

DoDI 5405.3, Development of Proposed Public Affairs Guidance (PPAG)

2012 DoD Public Affairs Guidance for Political Campaigns and Elections

DoDD 1344.10, Political Activities by Members of the Armed Forces

5 U.S.C, Sec. 7321-7326, The Hatch Act of 1939, as amended in 1993

5 C.F.R. Parts 733-734, Political Activities of

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DoDD 5230.09, Clearance of DoD Information for Public Release

DoDI 5120.4, DoD Newspapers, Magazines and Civilian Enterprise Publications

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DoDR 5120.20-R, Management are Operation of AFRTS

Television Service (AFRTS)

DoDI 1334.1, Wearing of the Uniform

AFI 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel

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NAVPERS 15665I, United States Navy Uniform Regulations MCO P1020.34G, Marine Corps Uniform

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2014-2015 Voting Assistance Guide

DoDD 1344.13, Implementation of The National Voter Registration Act (NVRA)

U.S Office of Special Counsel, Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Social Media and the Hatch Act, dated April 4, 2012 (supersedes social media advisory, dated August 10, 2010)

Internal Revenue Code

18 U.S.C. 609, Use of military authority to influence vote of member of Armed Forces



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Microwave oven safety



By 509th Civil Engineer Squadron

Many of us rely on microwave ovens to heat meals or defrost dinners due to our busy day-to-day schedule. Though the microwave oven is taken for granted, safety shouldn't be.

- Plug the microwave oven directly into the wall outlet. Never use an extension cord.
- Never use aluminum foil or metal in a microwave oven. This could cause the oven to overload and catch fire.
- Always supervise children when they are using a microwave oven.

- Food heats unevenly in microwave ovens. Stir and test before eating.
- cause of injury from microwave ovens.
- leave the door closed, turn the oven off and call 911 and the fire department.

This is Whiteman AFB Fire and Emergency Services Hot Tip of the Week. If you have any questions please call Fire Prevention at 687-6083/6080 or Check out our Facebook page: Whiteman AFB Fire and Emergency Services

• FACT: Scald burns are the leading • If you have a fire in the microwave,

June 2014 Article 15s and Discharges



In June 2014, one member was punished under Article 15, Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), and four members were administratively discharged from the Air Force. There were no courts-martial during the month of June.

ARTICLE 15s

A Senior Airman from the 509th Security Forces Squadron received an Article 15 for negligent discharge of a firearm and negligent damage to military property. For these related offenses, he received a reduction to Airman First Class (suspended), forfeiture of \$500.00 pay per month for 2 months with \$250 pay per month for 2 months suspended, 15 days extra duty (suspended), and a reprimand.

DISCHARGES

An Airman First Class from the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received an honorable discharge for fitness failure.

A Senior Airman from the 509th Force Support Squadron received an honorable discharge for fitness failure.

A Technical Sergeant from the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron received an honorable discharge for fitness failure.

A Technical Sergeant from the 509th Maintenance Operations Squadron received an honorable discharge for failure in alcohol treatment.

COMMENT

The number of Article 15s and discharges decreased during the month of June. Last month, there were five Article 15s and five discharges; this month there was one Article 15 and four discharges. This is a positive sign; however, we must all maintain the high standards expected of us as members of the world's greatest Air Force. We all need to do what's required to complete the mission. If one person fails to do their job, then the mission is compromised. It takes a collective effort from everyone to get the job done and we need to remain vigilant to ensure that happens.



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Aug. 7 marks five years of deterring, assuring

By Lt. Gen. Stephen Wilson

Commander, Air Force Global Strike Command

BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, La. -- In a 2009 speech in Prague, President Barack Obama stated as long as nuclear weapons exist, "the United States will maintain a safe, secure and effective arsenal to deter any adversary, and guarantee that defense to our allies." This is what Air Force Global Strike Command does, and has successfully carried out since 2009.

Upon stand up, this command was charged with reinvigorating the Air Force Nuclear Enterprise. Although sometimes challenging, the 25,000 dedicated professionals of Air Force Global Strike Command made it possible remaining focused on the strategic value of our nuclear deterrent.

We proudly draw our heritage from Strategic Air Command, a magnificent organization once responsible for our nation's strategic air forces. Most notably Strategic Air Command was charged with command and control of strategic bombers and intercontinental ballistic missiles. Strategic Air Command stood down in 1992 and for nearly 17 years those strategic assets languished until the establishment of the Air Force's newest major command - Air Force Global Strike Command.

Air Force Global Strike Command's activation was a truly historic milestone in the Air Force's history. It established a clear line of authority and responsibility for Air Force nuclear deterrent and global strike forces. Instead of being one aspect of many different missions, it is now THE mission of Global Strike.

Air Force Global Strike Command has much to be proud of at only five years old. We improved readiness



Lt. Gen. Stephen Wilson Commander Air Force Global Strike Command

by nearly 40 percent and managed to decrease security deviations by nearly 50 percent from 2010 to 2013. Additionally, we stood up our first ever 24/7 Tactical

Response Force alert, all while pushing the ICBM onalert level to its highest number since 2001. Finally what I find most impressive is that Air Force Global Strike Command wings have passed every Operation Readiness Inspection - a marker for a wings' ability to go to war.

While the command is responsible for two-thirds of the nuclear triad, we have an important conventional global strike mission as well. Exercising our longrange strike capability, the B-2 Spirit led the way in Libya during Operation Odyssey Dawn in March 2011. Three B-2s flew more than 25 hours from Whiteman AFB, Missouri to destroy virtually the entire Libyan air force on the ground. That's airpower, and only part of what Global Strike brings to the fight.

As a command, we have also recognized that certain aspects of our culture have hindered progress and growth instead of encouraging our people to provide continuous feedback. The most impactful change I see across our force is empowering our Airmen. Our Airmen have made the past five years both productive and meaningful. They should also feel empowered to identify challenges and propose innovative solutions with leaving their units better then when they found them their goal.

In his activation speech on Aug. 7, 2009, Lt. Gen. Frank Klotz, Air Force Global Strike Command's first commander, stated activation was not an endpoint, but rather "a milestone in a process of continuous improvement in the pursuit of excellence."

I thank all 25,000 Strikers for continuing on this journey to ensure a safe, secure and effective nuclear deterrent. I am incredibly proud to command this elite force at such an exciting time!

AF implements career intermission pilot program

Courtesy of Air Force News Service

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- Up to 40 active-duty, Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard officers and enlisted members who meet eligibility requirements will be offered between one and three years of partially-paid time out of uniform to focus on personal and professional pursuits under the Career Intermission Pilot Program, or CIPP, Air Force officials announced July 30.

In accordance with the 2009 National Defense Authorization Act, each military branch is authorized to implement CIPP, which authorizes selected members to take a sabbatical and seamlessly return to their active-duty or Air Reserve Component role.

"This program offers a few high performing Airmen the opportunity to focus on priorities outside of their military career without having to choose between competing priorities," said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Mark A. Welsh III.

Applications will be accepted from Aug. 15 to Oct. 15 and a total force selection panel is scheduled to convene Nov. 12 to select the Air Force's first program participants. The active-duty, Guard and Reserve panel will consider active and reserve component applicants using common criteria.

"This is a first for the total force," said Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James. "We've been working together for a couple of years to develop common personnel practices and implement tools used by each component, but this panel represents our first opportunity to truly assess our Airmen – whatever their component – as equal members of the total force."

The panel will select up to 20 officers and 20 enlisted members for the inaugural pilot program.



Implemented by the Navy in 2009 and more recently by the Marine Corps, the program allows participants to retain full medical and dental benefits for themselves and their dependents, as well as exchange and commissary benefits. Participants also receive a stipend of 1/15th of their monthly basic pay. In addition, members will be allowed an Air Force-funded permanent change of station move to anywhere in the U.S. when entering the program, and a move to their follow-on base of assignment when they complete the program.

"The key to the intermission program is the Airman's return to duty," said Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force James A. Cody. "Top performers with a bright future won't be lost to premature separation, and upon return, those Airmen will bring greater experience,

education, knowledge, commitment and passion to their career."

While participating in CIPP, members will be required to maintain all Air Force standards, including health and fitness, and be ready to fully resume their duties.

Participants won't be able to compete for promotion while in the program, and those selected for promotion who enter CIPP before their promotion date will have to wait until they complete CIPP to be promoted. Upon return to active duty, participants will have their date of rank adjusted to remain competitive with those of similar time-in-grade.

Those who receive career field or skill level bonuses will not receive those while in CIPP, and they won't be eligible for tuition assistance. They will, however, be able to use any veteran's benefits they have accrued – like their Post-9/11 GI Bill benefits – and they will also be able to retain up to 60 days of earned leave.

While all eligible Airmen – regardless of rank or career field – are welcome to apply, some Airmen are not eligible. Those who cannot complete the associated service commitment prior to reaching high year tenure or mandatory retirement/separation for age and years of service cannot be considered for CIPP. Airmen who are currently receiving a critical skills retention or fulfilling the associated service commitment for that bonus are ineligible for participation. In addition, any Airman who does not meet physical fitness standards may not apply.

Detailed application procedures, points-of-contact, and eligibility requirements will be outlined in the Air Force Personnel Center Career Intermission Pilot Program Personnel Services Delivery Memorandum and will be provided to Airmen in the coming days.



Group, during his visit to Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 7, 2014. Wilson's visit coincided with the fifth anniversary of the U.S. Air Force Global Strike Command. AFGSC is responsible for the nation's three intercontinental ballistic missile

the only B-2 wing.

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MONDAY, AUG 11

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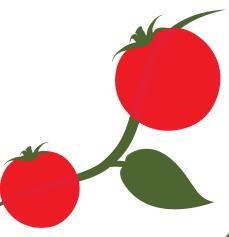
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A job 'weld' done

Photos and story by Airman 1st Class Keenan Berry 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Sparks fly, metal grinds and heat radiates from heavy machinery as Airmen from the 442nd Maintenance Squadron metals technology shop prepare their products for the Warthogs.

In addition to welding metals for the A-10s the shop prepares a wide variety of metals for different base agencies.

"We make and repair aerospace ground equipment," said Staff Sgt. Erik Lof, 442nd MXS machinist and welder. "Special parts, stuff for the bomb dump, the loaders, the flightline, other back shops, etc. We even make plaques for the retirements of some of our members."

Welding and machining can be manual or set to programmed automated processes. The process chosen depends on the customer's request

"It's a hands-on-job," said Tech. Sgt. Cameron McWilliams, 442nd MXS machinist and welder. "Every day, we are doing something different. One day, you could be welding, another day you could be manufacturing a part from a detailed drawing. There are so many different things you can do in this career field."

Welding and machining technology has advanced over the years, making it possible to complete tasks in a timely and efficient manner.

"Our career field is constantly changing," Lof said. "The machining industry changes drastically every year, and we have to stay on top of those advances, so we are constantly learning new things."

Along with learning new technology, maintaining focus and attention to detail while working is important when dealing with precious metals.

"There is no tolerance for error when dealing with tens of thousandths of an inch measurements," Lof said. "A human hair is approximately three-thousandths of an inch, and those are the types of measurements we deal with on a daily basis. Attention to detail is crucial."

With the unpredictable work schedule and attention detail, the 442nd MXS metal technology shop enjoys doing their job.

"It's a great job," Lof said. We are constantly changing what we do every single day from making trailers for the bomb dump to making parts and measuring for inspection on the aircraft. It's an excellent career field."



Senior Airman Mitchell Jones, 442nd Maintenance Squadron welder, welds a piece of metal July 16. The metal inert gas welder is used to weld pieces of metal, making them reusable.



Jones picks up a piece of angle iron at. After the piece of angle iron is used on aerospace ground equipment, it must be reclaimed to be used in metal storage units.

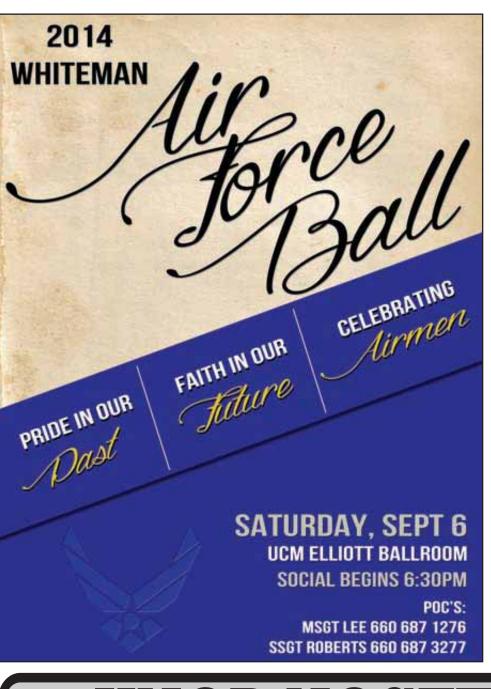


Staff Sgt. Erik Lof, 442nd Maintenance Squadron welder, programs the water jet machining center. This process cuts panels for the A-10 Thunderbolt II.



Jones examines a chart on a welding machine. The chart displays proper welding settings for all metal used for welding purpose.

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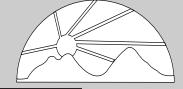




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Chapter 11: In the Line of Fire

Air Force Summer Grilling Losses: (Jun-Sep) 2009-2013

- 9 mishaps
- Lost work days: 67
- Total cost: \$86,000

Civilian population risk data:

- 2011 16, 600 injuries involving grills. Approximately half were burn injuries.
- 2011 One quarter of these injuries involved children under 5 years of age.
- 2011 Almost one-third of these injuries occurred when lighting the grill.
- Between 2007-2011, 1,200 home fires were caused by charcoal or solid-fueled grills.

Excellence in all we do applies as much in our off-duty time as it does on-duty. While it's easy to follow guidance provided on the job – technical orders, AFIs, etc. – it's not always that simple in our leisure time. However, mishap prevention requires the same excellence off-duty.

It's a sure sign that warm weather is here when you begin to smell steaks grilling. Whatever your grilling preference, food or method (charcoal or gas), there are safety precautions that must be taken as well as risk management principles and tools available.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, flammable or combustible gas or liquid was the item first ignited in half of home outdoor grill fires. The Consumer Product Safety Commission also reminds everyone that liquid petroleum – gas or propane – used in gas grills, is extremely flammable. The NFPA (http://www.nfpa.org/safety-information/forconsumers/outdoors/grilling) reports that "in 2007-2011, U.S. fire departments responded to an average of 8,800 home and outside fires. These 8,800 fires caused an annual average of 10 civilian deaths, 140 civilian injuries and \$96 million in direct property damage." Many of these fires and explosions occur when consumers first use a grill that has been left idle for a period of time or just after refilling and reattaching the grill's gas container.

Gas Grill Safety Tips

Before using your gas grill for the first time:

- Check the tubes that lead into the burner for any blockage from insects, spiders, or food ease.
- Use a pipe cleaner or wire to clear blockage and push it through to the main part of the burner.
- Check grill hoses for cracking, brittleness, holes, and leaks. Make sure there are no sharp bends in the hose or tubing.
- Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles.
- When you have your cylinder refilled, have your supplier check for dents, damage, rust r leaks.
- Never attempt to repair the tank valve or the appliance yourself. See an LP gas dealer or a qualified appliance repair person.
- After filling, take your cylinder home immediately. Keep your vehicle ventilated with the cylinder valve closed and plugged or capped. Do not leave the cylinder in your car.

Each time you use your grill:

- Move gas hoses as far away as possible from hot surfaces and dripping hot grease. If you can't move the hoses, install a heat shield to protect them.
 - Replace scratched or nicked connectors, which can eventually leak gas.
- If you detect a gas leak, immediately turn off the gas at the tank and don't attempt to light until the leak is fixed.
 - Keep lighted cigarettes, matches, or open flames away from a leaking grill.
- Never use a grill indoors. Use the grill at least 10 feet away from any building. Do not use the grill in a garage, carport, porch, or under a surface that can catch fire.
- When lighting the grill, keep the top open. If the grill does not light in first several attempts, wait 5 minutes to allow gas to dissipate.
 - Consumers should use caution when storing gas containers:
 - Always keep containers upright.
 - Never store a spare gas container under or near the grill.
 - Never store a full container indoors.
 - Never store or use flammable liquids, like gasoline, near the grill.
- To avoid incidents while transporting gas containers, consumers should transport the container in a secure, upright position.
- Never keep a filled container in a hot car or car trunk. Heat will cause the gas pressure to increase, causing the relief valve to open and allowing gas to escape.

Charcoal Grill Safety Tips

- Never use gasoline to start a fire it is much too dangerous to use on grills.
- Use charcoal lighter fluid only before the fire is lit. If you try to make a fire bigger by adding more fluid, the heat from the coals may ignite the stream of fuel and burn back into the can, causing it to explode in your hands.
 - Try using a U.L. approved electrical starter in place of lighter fluid.
- Never use a grill on apartment or condominium balconies. This practice is one of the biggest dangers with grills. It is unsafe and against the law.
 - Place grills away from structures so they will not tip over or ignite objects above them.
 - Keep a garden hose or a portable fire extinguisher handy in case the fire gets out of
- Never bring a grill into the home. The carbon monoxide produced by burning charcoal can be dangerous, even deadly, in an enclosed space.
- Keep children and pets away from fires and grills. It only takes a second for curiosity to cause a serious burn.
- Though coals may appear to be cool, always soak them with water. Coals retain enough heat to reignite for days after the fire.
- If your bag of charcoal gets wet, leave it in a well-ventilated area away from the house. During the drying process spontaneous ignition can occur in confined areas.

Here are some other sources of information for grilling safety:

http://www.c3softworks.com/games/fire_summer_safety_challenge/play.html

http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr/educate/cookouts.htm

http://www.nachi.org/barbeque-safety.htm

http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2012/07/04/bbq-safety-5-ways-to-avoid-a-backyard-catastrophe/

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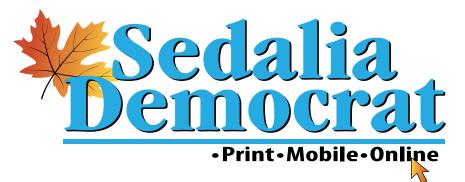
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