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# Educating & informing: FPW finale at Whiteman



Members of the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron drive fire safety vehicles as part of a fire prevention parade at Members of Team Whiteman gather for a group photo prior to the start of the fire prevention finale Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 15, 2016. The parade passed through base housing and concluded at the base commissary.



parade at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 15, 2016. Fire prevention week is an annual event recognizing fire safety hazards and ways to prevent them from happening.



A firefighter assigned to the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron assists a Whiteman youth in using a fireman's hose to demonstrate firefighting techniques. The fire prevention week finale gave participants an opportunity to see firsthand techniques used by Whiteman firefighters

#### U.S. Air Force photos/Senior Airman Jovan Banks







Members of Team Whiteman pass out candy to base housing residents during a Fire Prevention parade at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 15, 2016. The fire prevention parade was the finale to Whiteman's annual fire prevention week.



Smokey the Bear, a fire prevention mascot, awaits a high fives from a Team Whiteman youth at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 15, 2016. Smokey along with two other fire prevention mascots participated in the parade.



Brig. Gen. Paul W. Tibbets IV passes out candy to members of Team Whiteman during a Fire Prevention Week parade at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 15, 2016. The parade passed through base housing and concluded at the base commissary.



Spark the Dog, a fire prevention mascot, hugs a Whiteman youth and awaits another to join for a group photo at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 15, 2016. Members of Team Whiteman along with the fire prevention mascots met with families and passed candy to youth as part of the parade finale.

#### 2 The Warrior Oct. 21, 2016 News How I fit into the mission

**By Airman 1st Class Timothy Nelson** 509th Civil Engineer Squadron HVAC technician

After I graduated basic training and started tech school, I began to question the importance of my job in the Air Force. When thinking of Whiteman's specific mission to Execute Strategic Deterrence, Global Strike and Combat Support... anytime, anywhere, I asked myself "how does working on heaters and air conditioners have anything to do with ensuring the safety of our nation and deterring our adversaries?" Plenty of instructors and many motivating people have told me what my role in the mission is and that what I do is important, but I just didn't see it. I couldn't hear "thank you for your service," from a civilian and think I've made an impact in comparison to the other career fields in the Air Force.

However, not too long ago I went to work just like any other day and my outlook toward the Air Force and my role in our base's mission changed.

We got a call to one of the dorms on



Airman 1st Class Timothy Nelson

base. A security forces Airman, working the night shift, called in a work order on an air conditioning unit which wasn't working properly. As soon as I walked into his room it was miserably hot, the air was stale and I couldn't imagine trying to sleep in those conditions. Seeing a great opportunity, an NCO opened up the vent and immediately started teaching me about the unit. It only took him two guesses to pinpoint what the issue was, which was a filter that needed cleaned.

As we started to clean up and leave, the Airman could feel the cool air starting to flow and he got up and shook my hand and said "thank you."

My job gives all those who perform our mission the ability to sleep and live in comfort and relaxation in extreme hot and cold conditions. So while they are worrying about keeping this base safe with security or sending a message to the pilots flying the B-2 Spirit, the Airmen on base can go home and decompress from what they do for our mission. I know how I fit into Whiteman's mission now and the Air Force as a whole and I have made my own priorities within our mission: to learn my job in its entirety, never run into a problem I can't fix or figure out and to do my job the best I can so everyone else on this base can do their job to the best of their ability. Enabling everyone to do their part and helping to ensure the mission as a whole gets accomplished every day is how I fit in to our unique mission here at Whiteman.

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# On the cover

U.S. Air Force photo/ Senior Airman Jovan Banks

Smokey the Bear, a fire prevention mascot, stands with members of Team Whiteman for a photo at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 15, 2016. Members of Team Whiteman along with the fire prevention mascots met with families and passed candy to youth as part of the parade finale.

# Weekly commander's message

Greetings, Team Whiteman!

As you may have seen in last week's Whiteman Warrior, we are in the process of refurbishing the Helicopter Memorial originally located at Peace Park. To begin the refurbishments, our heavy equipment operators successfully removed the static display by crane. Next, we towed the helicopter to a secure location where our maintenance teammates will be able to repair and repaint the static. Once the restoration process is complete, the helicopter will be moved, likely in December, to a new pad being constructed near Oscar-1, where it will be prominently displayed.

On Saturday we wrapped-up Fire Prevention Week, which was focused this year on ensuring everyone replaces their smoke alarms at least every ten years. The week culminated with a terrific parade through base housing. It was great to see so many of you during the parade, and thanks to everyone who came out to the fire prevention expo immediately afterwards. We had a great turnout and thanks to our Fire Department who led the charge throughout the week ... well done!

We kicked off this week in grand fashion by conducting a spectacular B-2 flyover of the NASCAR Sprint Cup Race at Kansas Speedway on Sunday. We also had 1000 members of Team Whiteman and their families in the grandstands that day to enjoy the race free of charge thanks to our community partners at the speedway!

Flying continued throughout the week as we executed B-2 and T-38 initial qualification and currency training. Our flying operations included three sorties at the Utah Test and Training Range, during which we dropped 500-pound inert munitions. In addition, we supported six Weapons School training missions. Weapons School missions such as these are how we grow the next generation of elite tactical experts and how our most-talented B-2 instructor pilots become Weapons Officers.

As a reminder, our Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) is in full swing! Over the years, our Total Force team has proven its generosity by contributing over \$1.3 million in support of CFC. This year, we all once again have the opportunity to open our hearts with the real possibility of helping others satisfy even the most basic of needs. Simply put, contributions, no matter how big or how small, truly matter and



will help us reach our goal of \$100,000 for this CFC season. Each unit has a designated CFC representative if you are interested in participating, so speak with your supervisor to find out who your respective representative is if you do not know already.

Finally, we have an exciting week ahead of us that will clearly demonstrate how we safely and successfully assure our allies and deter potential adversaries. Thanks in advance for all your hard work, and for all the sacrifices you and your loved ones continue to make for our great nation.

Watch out for one another this weekend, and if you see something unsafe...say something!

Defend ... Avenge!

Nuke PAUL W. TIBBETS IV Brigadier General, USAF Commander, 509th Bomb Wing

#### NEWS BRIEFS Disposition of Personal Effects

1st Lt. James T. Godar is authorized to make disposition of the personal effects of SSgt. Darryl J. Smith, deceased, 509th Medical Support Squadron as stated in AFI 34-511. Any person having claims for or against the deceased please contact 1st Lt. James T. Godar/ DSN: 975-1838, Comm: (660) 687-1838, Cell (217) 622-4303.



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3. Choose USA then Federal Agency then select AFOSI

4. Create a passport, select New Tip and fill out the form with as much information as possible.

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Text "AFOSI" plus your tip information to 274637 (CRIMES)

#### Air Force Housing website

Visit www.housing.af.mil to find your new home with the Air Force. This website 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.

#### Stealth Lounge

If you are a young Airman, let the Stealth Lounge make your time at Whiteman more fun. Stop by after work to play some pool, darts, foosball, or the newest games on Xbox One or Playstation 4. The lounge opens at 4 p.m. during the week and noon on weekends. There is free dinner every Friday at 4:30 p.m. There are also free premium snacks and Wi-Fi. Come for the free stuff, stay for the fun and friends.

Please like the Stealth Lounge on Facebook to stay up to date on special events and tournaments.

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| Sunny   | Sunny    |
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| Lo 52   | Lo 52    |

### 509th SFS crowned flag football champs





Above: U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Arlando Budd, a site security controller from the 509th Security Forces Squadron (SFS), runs past defenders during the intramural flag-football championship game at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct 17, 2016. The 509th SFS won the championship game with a final score of 30-16.

Below: Members of the 509th Security Forces Squadron (SFS) hold up the intramural flag-football championship trophy at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 17, 2016. The 509th SFS won the championship game by defeating the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron with a final score of 30-16.



WHITEMAN AFB

Above: Members of the 509th Security Forces Squadron pose with the intramural flag-football championship trophy at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 17, 2016. U.S. Air Force Brig. Gen. Paul W. Tibbets IV, the 509th Bomb Wing (BW) commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Melvina Smith, the 509th BW command chief, presented the team with the trophy.

Below: U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Isaac Moore, a weapons load crew member from the 509th Maintenance Group, throws a pass during the intramural flag-football championship game at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 17, 2016. At halftime, the SFS was leading with a score of 16-0.



U.S. Air Force photos/Senior Airman Joel Pfiester

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# **Beat the Boss**

The Beat the Boss program is a monthly PT test competition between 509th Bomb Wing units that recognizes outstanding teamwork and devotion to fitness at the Squadron level. Active duty Whiteman Airmen who score the same or higher than the commander's score of 95.4% will earn a one-day pass, and those who score a 100% receive a one-day pass and one of the commander's coins.

Here are the Beat the Boss results:



Senior Airman Jeffrey Ebbert, 509th CES, 100% Maj. Lance Orr, 303rd FS, 100%
Airman 1st Class Dakota Ralle, 358th FS, 99.5%
Master Sgt. Jeremiah Carley, 509th MXS, 99.3%
Staff Sgt. Darren Roberts, 509th LRS, 99.3%
Airman 1st Class Timothy Obrien, 509th MUNS, 99.2%
Maj. Sean Fitzpatrick, 509th MDOS, 99%
Senior Master Sgt. John Burns, 509th MXS, 98.3%
Senior Airman Daniel Peters, 509th MUNS, 98.2%
1st Lt. Gerald Hayes, 509th OSS, 97.3%
Tech. Sgt. Austin Ecker, 509th LRS, 97.1%
Airman 1st Class John Barickman, 509th AMXS, 96.6%
Staff Sgt. Joseph Brown, 509th SFS, 95.7%

BOO BASH

#### Boo Bash will take place on Oct. 21, 2016 starting at 5 p.m.

It's the Force Support Squadron's biggest Halloween event of the year, and once again this year's Boo Bash is one that you do not want to miss!

We are bringing back all of your favorites including games for all ages,the Tents of Terror, and our Bubble Soccer Ball Experience; but you will also get a chance to take a ride on the Trackless Train, be thrilled by the Tubs of Fun, or save Whiteman from the zombie invasion at our Paintball Area. The fun lasts from 5 - 7 p.m. at the Youth Center and don't forget to swing by the BBC Trunk or Treat event in the Chapel parking lot or Whiteman Shoppette Boofest on your way over.

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## Upholding the Legacy of Excellence -- your legacy!

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Submissions must be 250-1200 words in length and will be reviewed for content, grammar and style before publication by the Public Affairs staff. Once approved, one commentary will be posted in the Whiteman Warrior base newspaper weekly.



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Photos are accepted! Please ensure that they are either official military photos or scans/digital copies of personal photos.

We look forward to publishing your story!



# News Strategic Deterrence: Behind the fences of the Weapon Storage Area

By: Maj. Timothy M. Liebold 509th Munitions Squadron

As the majority of the nation wakes every morning to start their daily grind, many don't realize there is a segment of the population lacing up their boots to defend their freedom. The men and women of the 509th Bomb Wing and more specifically, the 509th Munitions Squadron are those "Silent Giants." The Airmen behind the Weapons Storage Area fence provide the firepower for the B-2 Spirit Bomber. Half of the bomber strategic deterrence mission for the United States Strategic Command and the conventional firepower for the Combatant Commanders rest on their shoulders. Our country and our allies expect us to be professional Airman, accomplishing the Bomb Wing's mission to Execute strategic deterrence, global strike and combat support...ANYTIME. ANYWHERE! To do this the mission of the Munitions Squadron is simple:

- Deter and Annihilate Global Threats
- Develop, Train and Equip our Airman

• Deliver Safe, Secure, Reliable Conventional and Strategic Capabilities.

Behind every mission there is vision: Uphold Our Elite Legacy! Superior professional technicians building, testing and maintaining the most diverse weapons arsenal on earth. Assuring our Allies, Deterring our Enemies...Ready for War!

It takes a unique skill set to work within the fences of the Weapon Storage Area. The Squadron is authorized 323 personnel with nine different Air Force Specialty Codes. The 509th Munitions Squadron (MUNS) "Silent Giants" work to maintain all authorized conventional munitions for the Bomb Wing and some of the tenant organizations, provide the combat power behind the nuclear deterrence mission and maintain the majority of the Bomb Wing's Munitions Maintenance Handling Equipment. Behind the scenes we train all of our Airmen to a near perfect standard because in our business we cannot afford mistakes.

In true Whiteman AFB fashion, we are a total force squadron. On a daily basis we have 16 full-time 131st Bomb Wing technicians working within the squadron. Technicians report to the 131st Maintenance Squadron for all administrative functions but operationally work for the 509th MUNS. The technicians are an important part of the squadron, they are in charge of key programs and provide continuity for various work centers throughout the squadron.

The B-2 Spirit is the world's most capable, lethal and feared strategic asset, with rapid response capabilities to those who would do us harm and threaten freedom anywhere on the planet. However, all its combat capability and sustainment goes to one purpose...delivering the 509th Munitions Squadron's products to the enemy.

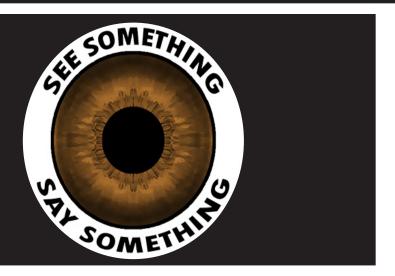


# USAF NASCAR driver visits Team Whiteman



Aric Almirola, U.S. Air Force NASCAR driver, poses with members of Team Whiteman after signing autographs at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Oct. 14, 2016. Almirola stopped at Whiteman for a meet and greet prior to a NASCAR race held at the Kansas Speedway Oct. 16, 2016.

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