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The warrior spirit

By Chief Master Sgt. Shawn Drinkard
509th Bomb Wing command chief

On June 25, 1996, I was a "one striper" Airman, only 14 months removed from leaving Bossier City, Louisiana for basic training. On that day, I found myself landing in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, to begin my very first deployment in support of Operation Southern Watch.

Today marks my one-year anniversary as the command chief of the mighty 509th Bomb Wing and for over a month now, Team Whiteman has showcased highly responsive and dominant air power as our Airmen put their warrior spirit into action. Team Whiteman flexed its muscle during Neptune Falcon and followed that up by acing Constant Vigilance and Combat Hammer.

Team Whiteman continues to sharpen a combat edge that serves as a reminder to our adversaries ... we are ready to fight tonight and every night! This type of commitment to mission precision requires every Airman to tap into their warrior spirit by internalizing and putting into action our warrior ethos.

Air Force Doctrine Document 1-1, "Leadership and Force Development", explains we can operationalize warrior ethos by "exhibiting a hardiness of spirit despite physical and mental hardships; continuously honing our skills to support the employment of military capabilities; and displaying military bearing, self-discipline, and self-control." All of us can find strength in a warrior spirit once we embrace our mission and trust our very best personal effort contributes to team success.

I found myself having to find my warrior spirit that day in June 1996. Just four hours prior to me landing in Saudi Arabia, 19 fellow Airmen were killed when an



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8,000-pound truck bomb exploded near the Khobar Towers dormitory in Dhahran. Young, inexperienced and worried I would not be able to contribute, it was then that I immediately discovered my sense of purpose and a pride to duty I feel today and every day. On that day, I knew exactly what being an Airman demanded of me ... give the airmen next to me my very best, on or off duty, at home station or deployed. Teams comprised of Airmen with a warrior spirit work together and are poised to achieve overall team victory. Early in my career, I learned to embrace an obligation to inspire teammates to commit to the betterment of the team and remain faithful to an oath of service. Having a warrior spirit means believing in our heart that we represent something far greater than personal goals or aspirations.

The next time you say the Airman's Creed at the conclusion of a ceremony, do more than recite it-- reflect on it, feel it, then go live it! The Airman's Creed should reinvigorate our warrior spirit by reminding us of the fundamental beliefs that capture the essence of warrior Airmen. Airmen with a warrior spirit are not just a conglomeration of diverse specialties, skill sets, or jobs, but brothers and sisters in the profession of arms. We are inspired Airmen who are "innovators" and "trailblazers" committed to fundamental warfighting beliefs.

An Airman's warrior spirit is like a furnace pilot light. It is always there, always burning, and when needed, the warrior spirit can crank up the heat on our enemies with little or no notice. There is no adversary on the planet that can withstand the heat produced by the collective warrior spirit of 300,000 plus American Airmen.

My fellow Airmen, always remember what called to us, what brought us to this place and why we wear the cloth of the U.S. Air Force. Each day be an Airman, stay true to integrity, service and excellence.

Every Airman, from the flightline to the medical clinic -- put your warrior spirit into action every second of every day and when your moment comes, you will be poised to unleash unrivaled determination to push through, persevere and succeed when faced with stress or adversity.

Warrior Airmen can make mistakes, but warrior Airmen do not do half way, they do not quit on fellow Airmen. I look forward to serving another year with Airmen who possess a warrior spirit, warrior Airmen who execute strategic deterrence, global power and combat support all the way every day. This I know, Whiteman is standing tall and serving proud ... We are American Airmen!

Small office provides big buying power for Whiteman

By Leslie Walling
509th Contracting Squadron

Do you ever wonder how the office supplies you are using magically appeared? Or the toner for your printers? Who bought the furniture you are using? Or the fitness equipment at the gym? Enter the Government Purchase Card (GPC) program.

The GPC is a credit card program that units utilize to make small dollar purchases for the units. A small, but mighty office of just four people manages the base's \$10 million GPC program, overseeing more than 15,000 transactions per year.

The program is comprised of three key components: cardholders (CHs), approving officials (AOs), and the agency/organization program coordinator's (A/OPCs). CHs are responsible individuals within units that are issued the purchase



card and are the only individuals authorized to make GPC purchases. AOs are within each unit as well, and they approve the spending for the CHs. The GPC office is responsible for the management, oversight and training of more than 300 CHs and AOs. They also oversee all purchases to ensure spending is within regulations outlined by Air Force instructions and by federal law. Through a series of audits and database queries, the GPC office constantly checks for misuse and abuse.

This is accomplished to ensure taxpayer dollars are spent legally.

As an additional measure to ensure compliance, training is conducted by the GPC program office. Prior to being delegated as an AO or CH, an individual must complete eight CBTs as well as a four-hour "in-house" training session. The individual must be appointed by the unit's squadron commander as well. A constantly changing program brings about new processes and procedures regularly, so strict oversight of the program and continual guidance is imperative to ensure products and services being procured by CHs are allowable and allocable.

GPC cardholders are charged with spending taxpayer's money and great care is taken to provide proper oversight of that spending. It's a massive program managed by a few members, ensuring Whiteman receives the supplies and services needed to be mission ready.

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Rene' Peterson, an Army veteran, races to the finish line of the Striker Life half marathon May 30, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. The event is held annually and participants have the opportunity to run a 5K, 10K or half marathon.

NEWS BRIEFS



The Beat the Boss program is a monthly PT test competition between 509th units that will recognize outstanding teamwork and devotion to fitness at the Squadron level. Active duty 509th Airmen who score the same or higher than the commander's score of 98.5% will earn a one-day pass and those who score a 100% win a one-day pass and one of the commander's coins.

Here are the Beat the Boss results for 11-13 May:

- **1st Lt. Jon Rosson**
509th Comptroller Squadron
- 99.7%
- **Master Sgt. Julia Cheney**
20th Reconnaissance Squadron
- 99.5%
- **Capt. Nicholas Polczynski**
509th Medical Operation Squadron
- 99.3%
- **Airman 1st Class Kathleen Bopha**
509th Logistics Readiness Squadron
- 98.6%
- **Airman 1st Class Joron Radebaugh**
509th Maintenance Squadron
- 99.7%
- **Maj. Paul Johnson**
13th Bomb Squadron
- 99.3%
- **Maj. Jordan Knaub**
509th Operations Support Squadron
- 98.6%

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Sunday	Monday
Chance of Storms	Chance of Storms
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Lo 69	Lo 68

French Air Force visit strengthens partnership

By Airman Jazmin Smith
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Since its standup in 2009, Air Force Global Strike Command has worked to build and maintain a strong relationship with its allies in the French air forces.

A regular series of exchange visits between leadership, participation in joint exercises, and attendance at major events have served to develop mutual understanding and partnering opportunities between the two nations' strategic air forces.

In continuing that partnership, Lt. Gen. Philippe Steinger, commander of the French Air Force's Strategic Air Forces Command, along with a contingent of FAS members, visited Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri, May 26-27, where they got an up-close look at B-2 mission and met with U.S. Air Force Lt. Gen. Stephen Wilson, AFGSC commander.

This was Steinger's first visit to an AFGSC base since taking command of the FAS. At Whiteman, Steinger had the chance to fly in a B-2 Spirit stealth bomber, an opportunity only approximately 600 people have had.

"First of all, being authorized to fly in the B-2 is quite unusual, so I very much appreciate this honor," said Steinger. "The people here at Whiteman have written a part of modern military history. The B-2 brought spirit to many operations in the past few years ... over the Balkans, over the Middle East, over Afghanistan, also over North Africa. The longest bombing mission ever has been flown here out of Whiteman. As a pilot, I'm very happy to have this tremendous experience on a very impressive jet, and as an officer, I'm also very proud to have met the people of Whiteman Air Force Base."

While visiting, Steinger and Wilson had an opportunity to discuss some of the differences and similarities in their operating procedures.

"Our weapons are different, our systems are different, our format obviously is different, but our challenges are exactly the same," said Steinger. "After all, our business is to be ready any time, be highly professional, be absolutely safe, and that's very true for Air Force Global Strike Command. That's also very true for my command, so we have a lot to learn from each other."



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Alexandra M. Longfellow
Lt. Gen. Philippe Steinger, commander of the French Air Force's Strategic Air Forces Command, prepares for an orientation flight in a B-2A Spirit bomber at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., May 27, 2015. Steinger's visit is the most recent event in a regular series of exchanges between his command and Air Force Global Strike Command to develop mutual understanding between the United States and France's strategic air forces.

The United States and France are long-time allies, having joined forces on many occasions throughout history. With exchange visits between both countries, there are ample opportunities to continue strengthening those valuable connections.

"We want to continue to build upon an already great relationship and that's why these exchanges are really important," said Wilson. "We have a lot to learn from each other and I hope to continue to build and grow the relationship between us and the French strategic forces."



U.S. Air Force photo/Staff Sgt. Alexandra M. Longfellow
U.S. Air Force Lt. Gen. Stephen Wilson, Air Force Global Strike Command commander, explains the wing's mission to Lt. Gen. Philippe Steinger, commander of the French Air Force's Strategic Air Forces Command, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., May 26, 2015. Since its standup in 2009, AFGSC has worked to build and maintain a strong relationship with its allies in the French air forces.

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March 2015 courts-martial, article 15s and discharges



Below is a summary of the more serious disciplinary actions that have occurred on base in March of this year.

NON-JUDICIAL PUNISHMENT

A technical sergeant from the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron received an Article 15 for violations of Article 93, cruelty and maltreatment, Article 128, assault consummated by a battery, and Article 134, disorderly conduct. For these offenses the member received a reduction to staff sergeant, forfeiture for \$250 pay per month for two months, forfeiture of \$500 pay per month for two months (suspended), 45 days extra duty and a reprimand.

A technical sergeant from the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron received an Article 15 for violations of Article 92, dereliction of duty, for bringing a cell phone into a secure area. For these offenses the member received a reduction to staff sergeant, forfeiture of \$500 pay per month for two months (suspended), 15 days extra duty and a reprimand.

A staff sergeant from the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron received an Article 15 for violations of Article 128, simple assault and assault consummated by a battery. For these offenses the member received a reduction to senior airman, forfeiture of \$350 pay per month for two months (suspended), 20 days extra duty and a reprimand.

A staff sergeant from the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron received an Article 15 for violations of Article 92, dereliction of duty and failure to obey a lawful order, and Article 107, making a false official statement. For these offenses the member received a reduction to senior airman, forfeiture of \$500 pay per month for two months, 15 days of extra duty, 30 days of extra duty (suspended) and a reprimand.

A staff sergeant from the 20th Reconnaissance Squadron received an Article 15 for a violation of Article 86, unauthorized absence. For this offense the member received a reduction to senior airman, forfeiture of \$300 pay per month for two months, 21 days extra duty and a reprimand.

A senior airman from the 509th Com-

munications Squadron received an Article 15 for violation of Article 111, drunk driving. For this offense the member received a reduction to airman first class, forfeiture of \$300 pay per month for two months (suspended) and a reprimand.

An airman first class from the Security Forces Squadron received an Article 15 for violation of Article 86, unauthorized absence. For this offense the member received a reduction to airman, forfeiture of \$391 pay (suspended), restriction to base for 14 days, 14 days extra duty and a reprimand.

An airman first class from the Security Forces Squadron received an Article 15 for violation of Article 86, absent without leave, Article 92, dereliction of duty and failure to obey lawful order, and Article 107, making a false official statement. For these offenses the member received a reduction to airman, forfeiture of \$391 pay (suspended), restriction to base for 14 days, 14 days extra duty and a reprimand.

DISCHARGES

A senior airman received an involuntary administrative discharge for fitness failures with an honorable service characterization.

Two airmen first class received involuntary administrative discharges for minor disciplinary infractions and failure to progress in military training. The characterizations of the discharges were general.

An airman received an involuntary administrative discharge for having minor disciplinary infractions with a general service characterization.

An airman basic received an involuntary administrative discharge for minor disciplinary infractions with a general service characterization.

COURTS-MARTIAL

A senior airman from the 509th Security Forces Squadron pleaded guilty in a Summary Court-Martial to five violations of Article 92, dereliction of duty, for violations of the base Integrated Defense Plan firearms regulations. For these offenses, he received a reduction to airman first class, five days of confinement and 16 days of hard labor without confinement.



Whiteman celebrates Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month



Volunteer dancers perform "He Mele No Lilo," a hula dance originating in Hawaii, as part of the Asian American and Pacific Islander annual observance May 21, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Hula is Hawaii's native way of telling a story with the use of chants, melodies, hand motions and foot movements.



Members of Whiteman make their way to the buffet line serving Asian-Pacific cuisine May 21, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Following the food tasting, entertainment was provided by volunteer performers and speakers.



Crystal Vergara, wife of Tech. Sgt. Jaime Vergara, 509th Medical Support Squadron NCO in charge of resource management, reads "A Carp for Kimino" May 20, 2015, as part of the reading and crafts event at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Following the book readings, children had the opportunity to make carp kites, which were used as center pieces at the observance the following day.



Members of team Whiteman gather around tables making carp kites May 20, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. The craft project was inspired by the book "A Carp for Kimino."



Senior Airman David Ciaramella, left, 495th Fighter Group integrated avionics journeyman, receives a basic ankle lock from Senior Airman Irvin Bryant, 509 Munitions Squadron commander support staff, May 21, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Bryant combined his background in mixed martial arts with Filipino martial arts during the display.

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Airman Jazmin Smith*

Top III MVP



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman Jazmin Smith
 Airman 1st Class Bryan Nixon, third from right, 509th Operations Support Squadron geospatial intelligence analyst, receives the Top III MVP award May 28, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Nixon diffused a potential domestic violence situation, completed rigorous battle damage assessment and collateral damage estimation courses, and led the 509th OSS Ronald McDonald House initiative.

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Runners participate in Striker Life run



Participants of the Striker Life 10K set their timers as they take off running May 30, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. The event was open to base members as well as non-military competitors.



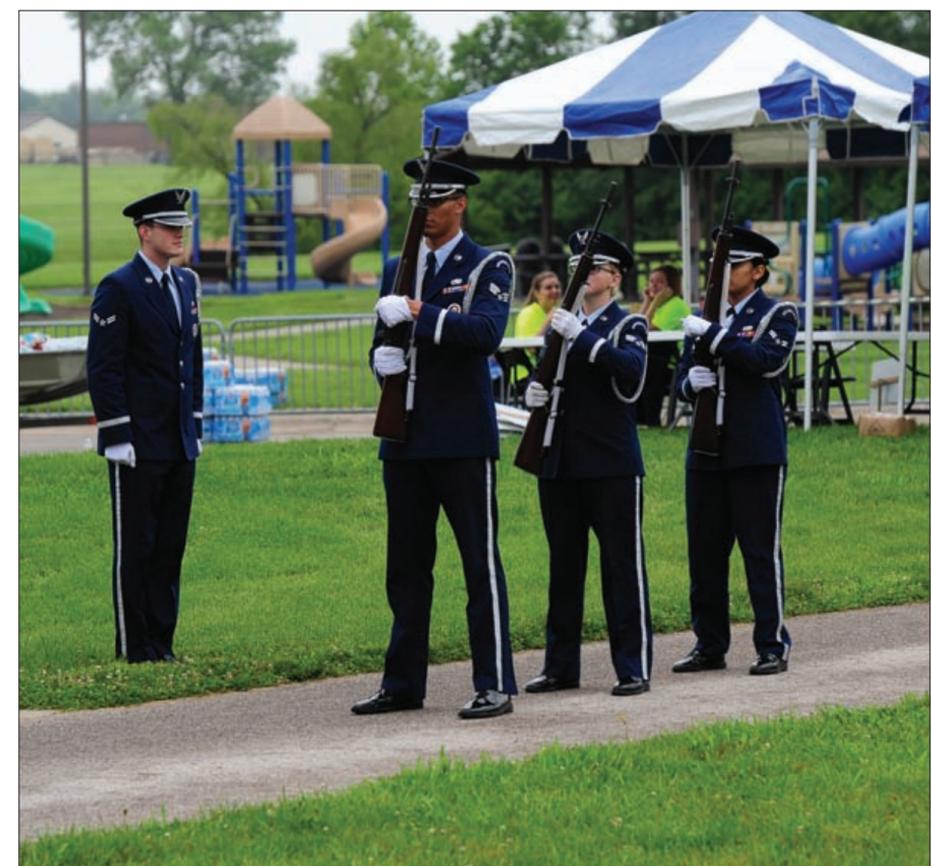
Rene' Peterson, an Army veteran, races to the finish line of the Striker Life half marathon May 30, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. The event is held annually and participants have the opportunity to run a 5K, 10K or half marathon.



LEFT: The 2015 Striker Life medals are organized by varying sizes May 30, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Each runner earned this unique medal featuring the B-2 Spirit with the medal's size based on the distance the participant ran.

RIGHT: Participants of the Striker Life 5K make their way to the finish line May 30, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Runners took off from Ike Skelton Park, made their way across the flightline and ended at the park.

**U.S. Air Force photos/
Airman Jazmin Smith**



Honor Guard members signal the start of each race by firing once May 30, 2015, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. The race times were staggered, so the Honor Guard fired a total of three times.

New program prepares Airmen, families to bounce back after deployments

By Master Sgt. Christian Michael
Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND, Texas (AFNS) -- Air Force services recently added a new tool to encourage service members and their families who are affected by deployments to participate in morale, welfare, and recreation programs and activities. The "Recharge for Resiliency" (R4R) initiative was designed to help Airmen readjust to life at home and also include families in their reintegration.

"Not only does R4R create new opportunities for Airmen to spend time with families in a decompressed environment, but it also exposes them to numerous programs already available to them through the morale, welfare and recreation programs at Air Force installations," said Linda Weston, the special programs manager at Air Force Services Activity.

At Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland Youth Programs and Joint Base San Antonio-Fort Sam Houston mobilization and deployment, R4R recently funded a campout with multiple military families, which offered families the chance to experience recreational camping in a group environment.

"Military families are looking to do things together as a family," said Jared Moore, the teen director at Lackland youth programs. "Camping is one of those activities that some families are not willing to do alone, so we provided an inexpensive family recreation environment that people are willing to participate in because other military families will be present."

With lots of positive feedback from the campout participants, Moore said that the R4R program was great for military families and had a lot of potential if given the chance to grow, especially given R4R's versatility and ability to connect people to a real decompression outlet.

"The advantage that the R4R program provides is it

creates a nonthreatening environment where people can recharge themselves," Moore said. "I can only hope that people take advantage of the opportunities that are to come."

Still other units are using R4R for AFSVA's Golf Player Development program. Hurlburt Field, Florida; Dover Air Force Base, Delaware; Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson, Alaska; Aviano Air Base, Italy; and Osan AB, South Korea, are just some of the bases scheduled to host this exciting new program. The Golf Player Development program consists of four, 1.5-hour clinics conducted with the assistance of former Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour professionals, who play alongside participants.

Because R4R uses existing programs, AFSVA is able to focus on making programs highly customizable to each location based on local resources, facilities and demographics. Also, to reduce impact on current programs and workload, the initiative can be implemented as best suits each unit, ranging from ready-to-launch program schedules to custom events created on-site.

"Services programs are critical parts of the Air Force readiness and retention equation," Weston said. "These programs contribute to readiness and productivity by promoting fitness, esprit de corps and quality of life. To support Airmen and the mission requires organizing, training and equipping properly to ensure success."

The \$1.5 million initiative is voluntary for units. Currently, 38 Air Force installations participate in R4R, and any remaining units interested in participating must execute funds allotted for their populations by Sept. 30. Air Force Reserve Command doesn't offer R4R, as it already operates the Yellow Ribbon Program for reservists en route to and from deployment.

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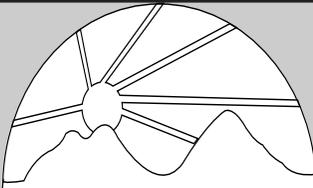


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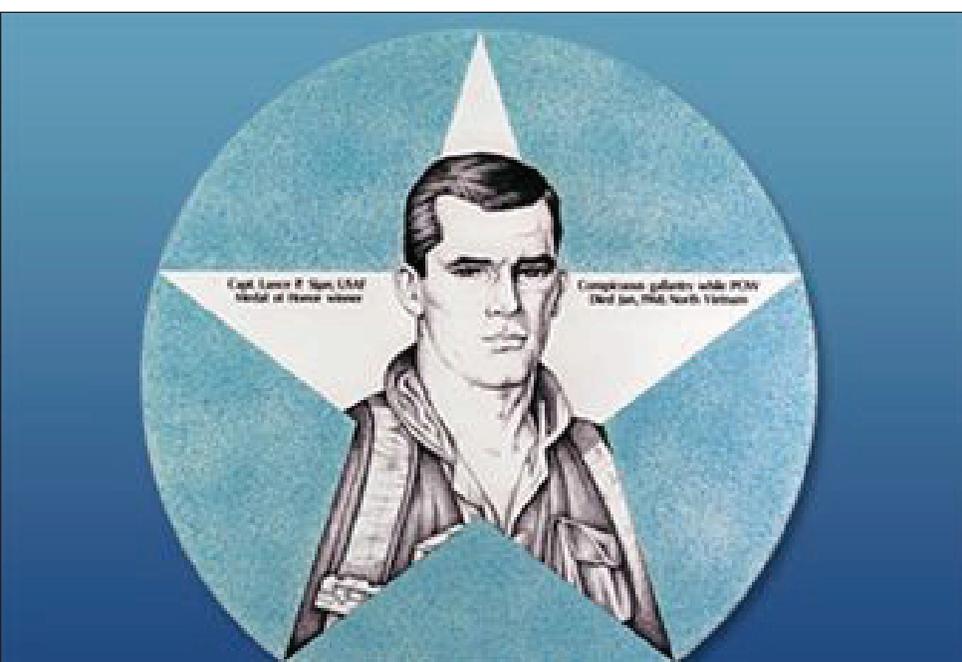
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Whiteman Airman receives Lance P. Sijan award



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Lt. Gen. Stephen Wilson, Air Force Global Strike Command commander, left, shares some words during a recognition ceremony at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., May 27, 2015. During the ceremony, Capt. John Sullivan, 509th Security Forces Squadron operations officer, was presented the Lance P. Sijan Award for the company grade officer category at the Air Force level.



By Senior Airman Joel Pfiester
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

A Whiteman Airman was recently named the 2014 Lance P. Sijan award recipient in the company grade officer (CGO) category.

Capt. John Sullivan, 509th Security Forces Squadron operations officer was recognized May 28 during a ceremony hosted by Air Force Global Strike Command commander Lt. Gen. Stephen Wilson.

The award, first presented in 1981, was established in honor of the first U.S. Air Force Academy graduate to receive the Medal of Honor. Capt. Lance P. Sijan was a fighter pilot who was shot down over Vietnam Nov. 9, 1967, and was later killed while a prisoner of war.

The Sijan award recognizes the accomplishments of officers and enlisted members who have demonstrated the highest quality of leadership in the performance of their duties and their personal lives.

This is Sullivan's first time winning the Lance P. Sijan award at the Air Force level. However, he received the wing-level Sijan award in 2010 while assigned to the 87th Air Base Wing at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey.

A humbled Sullivan credits his success to the team work that goes into the mission at Whiteman.

"The mission of the 509th BW is tremendous," said Sullivan. "I am just lucky enough to be the operations officer for the 509th SFS and that I get to be a part of this fantastic team."

Sullivan is responsible for the one of the Air Force's largest nuclear deterrence security forces squadrons, overseeing more than 550 personnel who protect Whiteman's greatest resources.

Sullivan orchestrated the security plan during two major exercises, and manages the physical security for more than \$45 billion worth of aircraft and munitions on a daily basis. He was named the 8th Air Force 2013 Company Grade Officer of the Year (CGOY) as well the AFGSC Security Forces CGOY in 2013.

Sullivan's consistent demonstration of leadership led to him receiving the award.

"I don't know if people realize what a big deal that is," said Wilson. "First of all, he's an outstanding leader. To be recognized amongst Whiteman's best would be phenomenal but to be recognized as the Air Force's best CGO (in the leadership area) is spectacular. It is indicative of the talent we have here at Whiteman. He is a rock star. He is one of those role models leaders who will go on to do great things for our Air Force."

Team Whiteman members earn degrees

On May 18, 2015, Airmen from Whiteman AFB, along with many community leaders and members gathered to honor and celebrate with more than graduates. These proud and esteemed individuals received their honors from the community College of the Air Force, State Fair Community College, Park University and Webster University. Be sure to congratulate the recent graduates. *Indicates honors in which graduate received.

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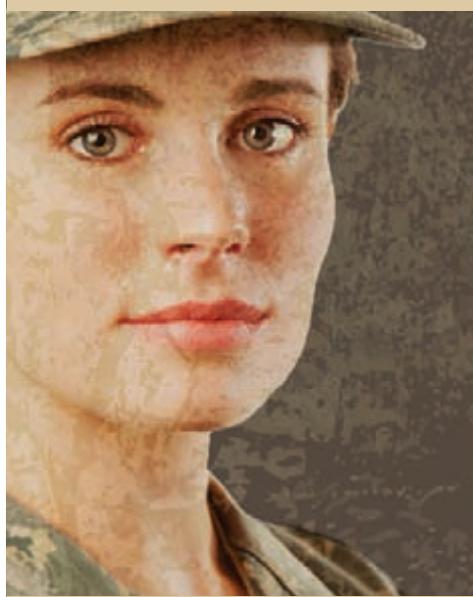
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AF seeks scholarship, fellowship applicants for 2016 programs

By Shelly Petruska

Air Force Personnel Center Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas (AFNS) -- Active-duty Airmen interested in unique developmental opportunities may be eligible for the Olmsted Scholar, White House Fellows and Mansfield Fellowship Exchange programs.

The programs offer unique professional career developmental experience for Air Force leaders, according to Kris Hunter, the Air Force Personnel Center officer of developmental education. Applicants for all programs must be released by their career field team before submitting applications.

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