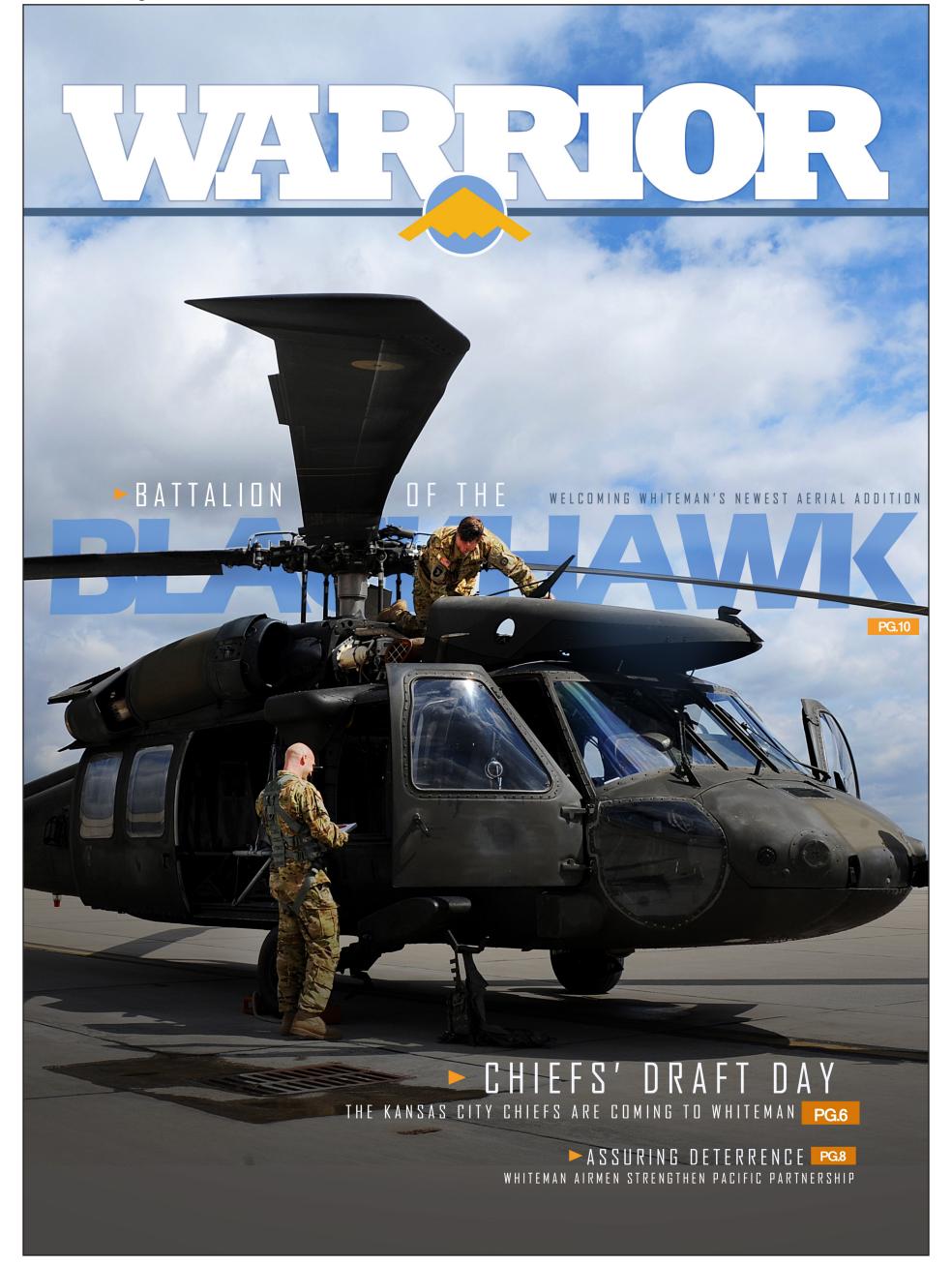
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Whiteman Airmen perform Royals' flag details



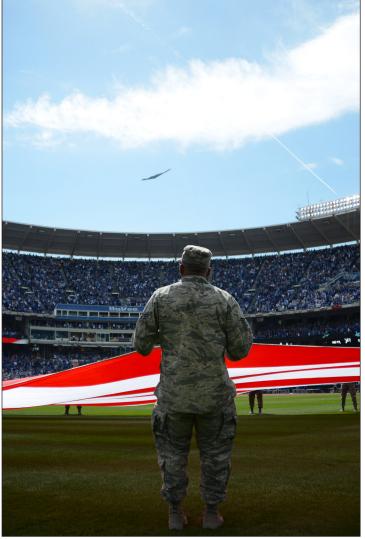
Airmen from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., wait to perform a flag detail during the Kansas City Royals opening-day game at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., April 3, 2016. More than 100 Airmen and soldiers participated in the detail, which was accompanied by the singing of the National Anthem.



U.S. Air Force photo/Airman 1st Class Keenan Berry Airmen and soldiers from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., perform a flag detail as part of the Kansas City Royals opening day game at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., April 3, 2016. The large U.S. flag is made up of 14 sections and is 150 feet long by 300 feet wide.



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Joel Pfiester A B-2 Spirit from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., flies over Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., before the start of the Kansas City Royals game April 5, 2016. More than 30 Airmen from Whiteman performed a flag detail that accompanied the flyover.



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Tyler Alexander Airmen from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., hold the U.S. flag as a B-2 Spirit flies overhead at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., April 5, 2016. More than 30 Airmen from Whiteman performed the flag detail that accompanied the flyover.

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Airman 1st Class Michaela Slanchik Missouri Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Brandon Isabell, a crew chief, left, Chief Warrant Officer 4 Marcus Moore, a standardization instructor pilot, middle, both assigned to the 1-135th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion Army Aviation Support Facility #1, perform pre-takeoff inspections on a UH-60 Black Hawk at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. The Black Hawk is a utility helicopter capable of performing search and rescue operations and medical evacuations, and carrying external loads, cargo and passengers.

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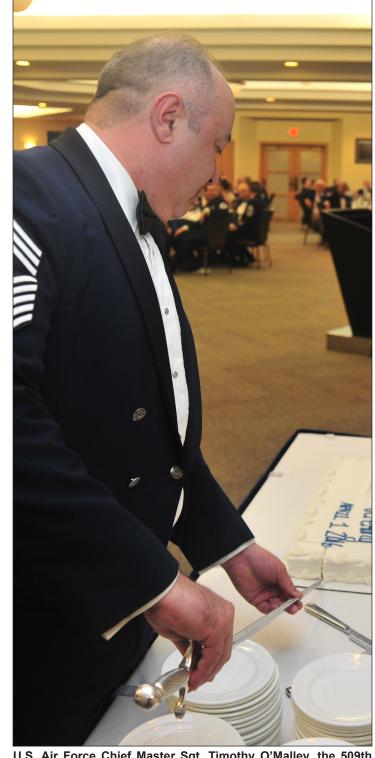
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Chiefs' Recognition Ceremony



U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Timothy O'Malley, the 509th Maintenance Squadron superintendent, cuts the Chiefs' Recognition ceremony cake with a saber at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. Chief O'Malley shared the honors of cutting the cake with an airman basic, continuing the Air Force tradition.



A candle arrangement is set up to represent each rank leading to the rank of chief master sergeant for the candle lighting portion of the Chiefs' Recognition Ceremony at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. Nine Airmen were selected to light their respective rank during the ceremony.



Retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James McCoy and Brig. Gen. Paul Tibetts IV, the 509th Bomb Wing commander, speak prior to the opening of the Chiefs' Recognition Ceremony at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. McCoy was the 6th Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force and guest speaker for the event.



U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sgt. James Lyda, the 509th Operation Support Squadron superintendent, leads members of Team Whiteman in a toast to honor the chief master sergeant selects at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. Five senior master sergeants from Whiteman were selected for promotion to chief master sergeant.



Members of Team Whiteman gather for a group photo with Retired Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force James McCoy to commemorate the promotion of the new chief master sergeants at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. Only one percent of the enlisted force is selected for promotion to chief master sergeant.

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Great futures start here: Exceptional WAFB teen wins Youth of the Year honor

Malina Colburn, a youth from Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri, will compete in Jefferson City, Mo., in April 2016 for the title of Missouri Military Youth of the Year. Youth of the Year is a scholarship competition through Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA).

Colburn recently won the Whiteman AFB Youth of the Year competition and will receive a \$300 college scholarship from Whiteman AFB Youth Programs. At 16 years old, she is a true example of an extraordinary young woman with sound character, leadership skills and a willingness to give back to the community.

Being named Youth of the Year is the highest honor a Whiteman AFB Teen Programs member can receive. As BGCA's premier youth recognition program, Youth of the Year recognizes outstanding contributions to a member's family, school, community and teen center, as well as success overcoming personal challenges and obstacles. The Youth of the Year competition encourages teens to reach their full potential by achieving academic success, leading healthy lifestyles and contributing to their communities. Honorees are shining examples and living proof that great futures can start at Whiteman AFB Youth Programs.

"We are very proud of Malina," said Kimberly O'Brien, the Whiteman AFB teen coordinator. "She is dedicated to academics and completed over 250 hours of volunteer service this past summer."

Colburn hopes to use her success as a stepping stone to her goals.

"This gets me one step closer to my dream of attending the University of Wisconsin, Madison," she said.



Malina Colburn

Colburn is active in the CLIMB High program with Big Brothers Big Sisters, while also participating in the debate team and is in several honors classes in high school.

If she wins the state title, Colburn will then compete for the title of Midwest Region Military Youth of the Year and an additional \$10,000 scholarship. Six regional winners will then advance to Washington, D.C., to compete for the title of BGCA's National Military Youth of the Year. The National Youth of the Year will receive an additional scholarship of up to \$50,000 and have the opportunity to meet with the president of the United States in the White House.

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As part of the event, which is open to all DOD ID card holders and their families, Team Whiteman members will announce the Chiefs' draft selections live on television, there will be free food, and there will be numerous activities for all ages to enjoy.

In addition, the Chiefs have invited current and former players to hold autograph sessions for those in attendance. The Chiefs cheerleaders also will be at the event to perform and sign autographs.

Other highlights include free giveaways, NFL Play 60 events, football themed bouncy houses, dance competitions, and a live stage show.

Last, but not least, a B-2 flyover is currently scheduled for noon.

Please mark your calendars and be sure to come out to enjoy this tremendous event occurring inside both the 5 Bay Hangar and Hangar 52; doors open at 11 a.m. and the event concludes at 3 p.m.



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Tier II Scholarship Award winners



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Vanessa Rutherford, a 509th Maintenance Squadron metals technology journeyman, center, receives a scholarship award from Tech. Sgt. Amanda Pechin, the 509th Operations Group NCO in charge of intel systems and security, left, and Staff Sgt. Ryan Waterfield, the Whiteman Tier II vice president, right, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., March 23, 2016. Any E-1 through E-4 attending college part or full-time who maintains at least a 3.0 GPA may submit an application for the scholarship. Rutherford is currently pursuing her bachelor's degree and maintains a 4.0 GPA. She plans to continue her education with a master's degree.

U.S. Air Force photos/Airman 1st Class Michaela R. Slanchik



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Trevor Lynn, a 509th Maintenance Squadron B-2 Spirit repair and reclamation journeyman, center, receives a scholarship award from Tech. Sgt. Amanda Pechin, the 509th Operations Group NCO in charge of intel systems and security, left, and Staff Sgt. Ryan Waterfield, the Whiteman Tier II vice president, right, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., March 23, 2016. Any E-1 through E-4 attending college part or full-time who maintains at least a 3.0 GPA may submit an application for the scholarship. Lynn is currently pursuing his master's degree in education, is a volunteer volleyball coach and mentors students at a local high school.

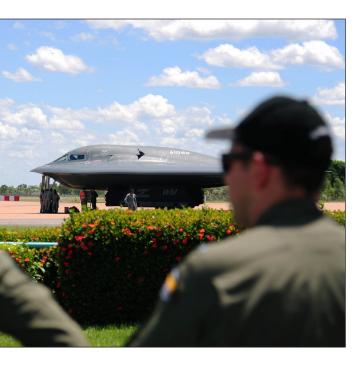
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Whiteman Airmen strengthen Pacific partnership













BOTTOM RIGHT A U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit bomber, deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., takes off, March 27, 2016, in the U.S. Pacific Command area of operations. Bomber operations provide a visible demonstration of the U.S. Air Force's ability to project power globally and respond to any potential crisis or challenge.

TOP LEFT U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Tyler Dudley, a security forces response member with the 509th Security Forces Squadron, guards a U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit bomber, March 22, 2016, Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal, Australia. Strategic Command bomber missions provide valuable opportunities for bomber crews to integrate and train with our allies and partners within the U.S. Pacific Command area of operations.

CENTER Airmen from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., and the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) perform a foreign objects and debris (FOD) walk, Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal, Australia, March 22, 2016. Training and theater security cooperation engagements with U.S. allies and partners demonstrate a shared commitment to promoting security and stability in the Indo-Asia Pacific region.

TOP CENTER Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) pilots watch as U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit bomber crews, deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., perform a crew swap, March 22, 2016, Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal, Australia. While in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region, the B-2s integrated and conducted training with ally and partner air forces demonstrating the ability to provide an always-ready global strike capability.

BOTTOM LEFT A U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit bomber deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., lands, March 22, 2016, at Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal, Australia. While in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region, the B-2s integrated and conducted training with ally and partner air forces demonstrating the ability to provide an always-ready global strike capability.

BOTTOM RIGHT A U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit bomber, deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., takes off, March 22, 2016, from Royal Australian Air Force Base Tindal, Australia. U.S. Strategic Command forces operate 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week providing an always-ready, credible bomber force which enhances security and stability within U.S. Pacific Command's area of operations.

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

UH-60 Black Hawks touch down at Whiteman



A Missouri Army National Guard UH-60 Black Hawk utility helicopter, left, sits next to an AH-64 Apache attack helicopter on the flightline at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. Black Hawk helicopters began arriving at the 1-135th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion in September of 2015 as part of the Department of the Army's Aviation Reconstruction Initiative. There are now 13 Apaches and 10 Black Hawks assigned to the unit.



Missouri Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Keith Neiman, a crew chief assigned to the 1-135th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion Army Aviation Support Facility #1, performs routine maintenance on a UH-60 Black Hawk utility helicopter at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. More than 90 enlisted aircraft maintainers, who previously only worked on the AH-64 Apache, are in the process of certifying to perform maintenance on Black Hawks following the helicopter's recent arrival.



Missouri Army National Guard Chief Warrant Officer 4 Marcus Moore, a standardized instructor pilot, left, and Staff Sgt. Brandon Isabell, a crew chief, both assigned to the 1-135th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion (ARB) Army Aviation Support Facility #1, perform pre-takeoff inspections on a UH-60 Black Hawk at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. Due to the Department of the Army's Aviation Reconstruction Initiative, nine AH-64 Apaches from the 1-135th ARB were moved to active-duty Army units across the country, and the 1-135th ARB received 10 Black Hawk helicopters.

U.S. Air Force photos/Airman 1st Class Michaela R. Slanchik



U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Ki Seung Nam, a 509th Security Forces Squadron military working dog (MWD) handler, runs toward a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter with MWD Buda for an orientation flight at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 1, 2016. The 1-135th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion trains with the 509th Security Forces Squadron's MWDs and their handlers for search and rescue or other operations that would require the MWDs to be air lifted.

By Airman 1st Class Michaela R. Slanchik 509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Many may know the Black Hawk helicopter from their favorite military movie. As it prepares to land, the rotors swirl dust, dirt and debris around brave men and women who are geared-up and carrying weapons as they sprint toward the helicopter to take on the day's mission. Maybe you've seen the Black Hawk sport its ability to carry a Humvee across a field, or put out a wildfire with a 600-gallon bucket of water. Now these remarkable assets are here at Whiteman Air Force Base, Missouri.

The Missouri National Guard's helicopter fleet at Whiteman formerly consisted of 24 AH-64 Apaches. Now only eight remain after many were sent to active-duty units in Hawaii, Kansas and Utah. This made space for the arrival of 10 UH-60 Black Hawks.

The change was part of the Department of the Army's Aviation Reconstruction Initiative, which involves the movement of the OH-58 Kiowa Warrior, AH-64 Apache and UH-60 Black Hawk due to sequestration budget cuts, as announced in 2015.

Since September of 2015, 10 Black Hawks now call Whiteman home. They are assigned to the 1-135th Attack Reconnaissance Battalion (ARB), Army Aviation Support Facility #1 (AASF #1). The National Guard's mission includes humanitarian and natural disaster relief, large-scale transportation of supplies, and drug interdiction operations.

Col. Thomas Burson, the 35th Combat Aviation Brigade (CAB) and AASF #1 commander, elaborated on how the new helicopter has affected operations.

"The Guard has a federal and a state mission," Burson said. "The Black Hawk serves more of a state mission since it is a cargo and troop-carrying helicopter. The switch makes active duty, Reserve and Guard units more lethal and agile."

With a proven history that dates back to the early 1970s, the Black Hawk provides the ability to carry cargo, external loads, military working dogs (MWD) and passengers. The helicopter is also capable of performing medical evacuations.

Before the Black Hawks' arrival at Whiteman, the Apache would participate in combat search and rescue (CSAR) exercises with the 442nd Fighter Wing two to four times a month.

Chief Warrant Officer 4 Marcus Moore, an AASF #1 Air Crew Training Program standardization instructor pilot, said the arrival of the new helicopters has added another element to the scenarios.

"Now that we have Black Hawks and Apaches, when we are doing combat search and rescue (CSAR) missions, we have A-10s [Thunderbolt II] guiding in Apaches and Black Hawks and it makes for a more effective training," Moore said.

The AASF #1 also performs joint operations with the U.S. Air Force weapons school at Whiteman twice a year. In the winter of 2015, the Black Hawk participated in exercise SMOKEX along with ground Army personnel, Apaches and A-10s.

"The goal is to train and fight as a joint force," said Burson. "Between CSAR and other training missions, we've been doing that on base for the past eight to 10 years."

For the soldiers of the 1-135th ARB AASF #1, flying and maintaining the UH-60 is new and requires specialized training.

Earlier this year, Moore returned from four months of training and became a certified Black Hawk pilot. More than 50 aviators and 90 enlisted maintainers from AASF #1 are required to attend qualification training at one of three Army aviation training sites. The soldiers have three years to become combat-mission ready with the Black Hawk.

"I've been born and raised in an attack battalion," said Burson. "But overall, the best thing for the Missouri Army National Guard and the United States Army is for us to transition from the Apache to the UH-60. I believe it in my heart."

The 1-135th ARB is scheduled to convert to the 1-135th Assault Helicopter Battalion on May 1, 2016.

AFGSC Maintenance Award winners

These Whiteman Airmen have been named AFGSC-level 2015 Maintenance Award winners! Their outstanding accomplishments throughout 2015 have highlighted how great of an asset they are to the command.

Whiteman AFB's 2015 AFGSC Air Force Maintenance Award winners:

Maintenance Professional of the Year: CGO - Capt. Anthony J. Polizzi, 509th AMXS

Maintenance Management Systems Professional of the Year: Manager - Master Sgt. Deborah A. Inovejas, 509th MXG

Munitions Systems Technician of the Year: Manager - Master Sgt. Brian M. Clark, 509th MUNS



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UCM Military Appreciation Game



U.S. Air Force photo/Jennifer Greene

Members of the Whiteman Honor Guard post the colors at the 2016 University of Central Missouri (UCM) Military Appreciation baseball game at Crane Stadium - Tompkins Field, on the UCM campus in Warrensburg, Mo., March 30, 2016. The annual game is part of the Command Pass program offered by UCM for Team Whiteman, which allows active duty, Guard and Reserve members and their families to watch all home UCM sporting events for free. The UCM Mules outscored the Lindenwood Lions 5-1.

Tier II Mentorship Award



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

Master Sgt. Teronda Hunter, 509th Bomb Wing protocol, receives the first-ever Tier II Mentorship Award from Tier II members at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., March 24, 2016. Hunter was nominated as the Tier II Mentor of the Quarter because of her consistent willingness to assist where a helping hand is needed. She constantly finds opportunities to impart her words of wisdom and knowledge to Airmen and is truly an inspiration and mentor to many.



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