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Bomber Airmen: working for the future



By Col. Timothy Molnar
509th MXG commander

One of the priorities of the 509th Bomb Wing's strategic plan is a deliberate focus on our rich heritage. Our wing commander often reminds us history makes us smarter and our heritage makes us prouder. My family's heritage is a profound source of pride for me as it traces back to the early days of the Eighth Air Force and World War II. My grandfather, Tony Morbeto, was a bomber Airman, one of the many who came before us and it's truly an honor to follow in his footsteps. He served as a bombardier on a B-17G Flying Fortress, flying nine combat missions against Nazi Germany. As part of the "Mighty Eighth," he was assigned to the 452d Bomb Group, whose motto was, "Labor ad Futurum" (work for the future); and work these Airmen did. Operating out of Royal Air Force Deopham Green airfield in the United Kingdom, the 452d flew 250 combat missions from February 1944 to April 1945. The specific work they performed was high-altitude, precision and daylight bombing against strategic targets to defeat the German war machine. They poured themselves into their missions, flying long sorties while battling inclement weather, frigid temperatures inside the aircraft, enemy fighters and flak. This ultimately paved the way for the global strike operations we perform today with our current bombers. Their aircrews, maintainers, mission planners, intelligence and support personnel stepped up, regularly delivering a maximum effort. It truly took everyone working together to achieve mission success.

As bomber Airmen, I often wonder how we are working for the future as we execute our mission for Eighth Air Force. What are we doing in our shops, hangars, offices and workcenters to make processes better for the Airmen who will follow in our footsteps? Are we developing better tools, techniques and procedures (TTPs) to make our Air Force more effective in executing our mission? I'd urge you

to keep this thought in your daily crosscheck as you lead and perform your key roles.

Within the 509th Maintenance Group, we absolutely have the future in mind with the work we're performing today. Together, we're actively working to increase aircraft availability and posture ourselves to execute the mission both now and for the future. For example, we've created a production machine for Low Observable maintenance on the B-2 Spirit to create more predictable and standardized work to improve our fleet's readiness. We've also invested in our munitions infrastructure to facilitate bedding down additional GBU-57 Massive Ordnance Penetrator munitions to enhance our global strike capabilities. Lastly, since the nuclear mission underpins all that we do, our nuclear maintenance experts are proficient at maintaining nuclear weapons to ensure America's nuclear stockpile remains safe, secure, effective, and ready to deter adversaries and assure allies. As you can see, we absolutely have the future in mind. Additionally, the work the Airmen in the 452d performed carried over into civilian life as well.

Ultimately, my grandfather's final combat mission was cut short when his B-17 was shot down by enemy fighters on Dec. 31, 1944. With the B-17 on fire and descending fast, his crew was forced to bailout over Germany. After experiencing a rough parachute landing, he injured both legs, was captured, and held as a prisoner of war in a German prisoner-of-war camp until the end of the war. Upon liberation of the camp, he returned home, with millions of other returning service men and women, and continued to work for the future on the homefront in post-war America. These veterans returned home to their sweethearts, married and began life anew. For my grandfather, he married his sweetheart on Aug. 3, 1946, and started a family. He moved from a small coal-mining town in Pennsylvania to the suburbs of Cleveland, Ohio, and continued a life of hard work by punching a clock each day in a printing shop, raising a large family and

trying to provide a better life than what he had growing up during the Great Depression. Hard work, sacrifice and never complaining -- these are some of the attributes of his generation. As a boy, I noticed this and was inspired by the simple and honest approach to life. As bomber Airmen, we too can learn from the men like Tony. We have the ability and responsibility to work for the future on the homefront as well, in our professional and off-duty lives and with our families.

So, how are you working for the future by developing yourself professionally and improving personally? What sort of goals have you written down? Are you holding yourself accountable to them? Maybe your goals center on testing for the next promotion or knocking out your Community College of the Air Force degree. Perhaps they include improving your physical fitness; providing better feedback to your Airmen that you supervise; registering for classes toward a bachelor's degree; or applying for Officer Training School. Working hard for the future extends beyond our professional lives to creating a better future for our families. Maybe you have aspirations of college for your children, building up a robust retirement savings, living in a safer community, or creating a more prosperous and secure nation for them.

Regardless, I firmly believe that we can only be successful in our mission, in our professional development and with our families if we are mindful of the work we are doing today and how it will affect those following us in the future.

To close, as I write this article, I'm home on leave in Ohio. I'm with my grandparents, Tony and Sally, helping them celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary. As a couple of bomber Airmen, my grandfather and I spent some time swapping war stories about B-17s and B-2s, what it takes to make them fly and how important our bomber mission is. He likes to tell me, "bombers win wars." I assure him today's Eighth Air Force bomber Airmen are continuing to work for the future.

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Col. Timothy Molnar, left, Tony Morbeto, right/Courtesy photo

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U.S. Air Force photo/
Senior Airman Joel Pfiester
U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. William Sines, a weapons team chief from the 509th Munitions Squadron, moves to cover during shoot, move and communicate training at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 18, 2016. The training scenarios provided the Airmen with the basics of how to react during denial and recapture operations in real-world situations.

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

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WEATHER

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Chance of Storms	Chance of Storms
Hi 82	Hi 84
Lo 66	Lo 68
Sunday	Monday
Chance of Storms	Chance of Storms
Hi 85	Hi 85
Lo 69	Lo 68

Aim to maintain: 509th, 131st Airmen ensure B-2 operations



U.S. Air Force B-2 Spirit aircraft undergo pre-flight inspections prior to take off at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 11, 2016. More than 200 Airmen and three B-2s deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., to conduct local sorties and regional training and integrate with regional allies in support of Bomber Assurance and Deterrence missions.



U.S. Air Force photo/Senior Airman Jovan Banks
U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Matthew Helms, a dedicated crew chief assigned to the 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron deployed from Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., marshals a B-2 Spirit to its parking location at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 22, 2016. With its high-subsonic speeds and its nearly 7,000 mile un-refueled range, the B-2 Spirit is capable of bringing massive firepower, in a short time, anywhere on the globe through the most challenging defenses.

By Senior Airman Jovan Banks
509th Base Wing Public Affairs

ANDERSEN AIR FORCE BASE, Guam -- Members of the 509th Maintenance Squadron and the 131st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron are both working to ensure Whiteman Air Force Base's [Missouri] bomber presence is felt during operations in the Indo-Asia-Pacific region.

These bomber assurance and deterrence missions mark the first time integrated bomber operations are being done with all three U.S. Air Force Global Strike Command strategic bombers simultaneously in the Indo-Asia-Pacific, creating unique challenges for maintainers.

"The biggest challenge is just watching and making sure to be

clear of taxiing aircraft," said Senior Airman Jeremy Furusho, a 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron weapons load crew team member. "Whether it be Aerospace Ground Equipment, vehicles, people or bomb trailers, all one needs to do is ensure that with the increased volume of aircraft traffic, one stays cognizant of what is going on around him."

Along with the challenges that arise with additional crew and aircraft to the airfield, environmental changes can also take effect on the daily operations.

"The weather affects how slick the top of the aircraft is," said Staff Sgt. Justin Aeckerle, from the 131st Maintenance Squadron.

"Therefore, any work that is to be accomplished up there needs

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Congratulations to Whiteman's newest staff sergeant selects!

Staff sergeant selects assigned to Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., gather for a photo at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, Aug. 25, 2016. There were 260 senior airmen from Whiteman were selected for promotion.



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Miguel Lara III

AF to reduce additional duties

By Mike Martin
Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- Airmen need more time to focus on their core missions.

Air Force senior leaders said that's the message they received from Airmen and it's the reason they made the decision to reduce additional duties.

In a memorandum to Airmen released Aug. 19, Secretary of the Air Force Deborah Lee James and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Dave Goldfein announced the service has established a task force titled "Airmen's Time," charged with streamlining, and in some cases eliminating, additional duties.

"We have heard your concern and frustration," James and Goldfein said in the memo. "In meeting with Airmen at installations around the globe, we have heard consistently that additional duties assigned at the unit level affect our ability to focus on core missions, which in turn impacts our readiness."

After conducting a review of the duties under the direct control of the Air Force, the task force was able to eliminate, reassign or reduce 29 of 61 specific duties identified under Air Force Instruction 38-206, "Additional Duty Management."

Reassigned duties will be carried out by commander support staff (CSS), which are being re-established over time as a central part of Air Force squadrons, or through other means that do not require Airmen to be pulled away from their core missions.

Over the last several years, the Air Force began adding support manpower to squadrons to help relieve some administrative burdens, but it will take time before most units are able to begin absorbing some of the reassigned additional duties.

For additional duties being transferred to the CSS work center, further action is required to document the workload requirement in manning standards, fund sufficient manpower resources, and accomplish required training to execute these duties.

"Until the new CSS decisions are implemented and CSS manning is healthy, commanders are empowered at all levels to consolidate CSS-assigned duties as appropriate, and discontinue non-critical duties beyond their ability to resource," they said.

Those duties being reduced will no longer universally apply to all units, giving commanders much more flexibility in determining what duties are necessary for their type of unit, thereby reducing the need to train Airmen on functions that aren't needed in a particular unit.

Simultaneous to the revision of the instructions, the inspector general will begin to make updates to inspection checklists to reflect modifications to the AFL. Additionally, beginning this fall, the Air Force will establish a new screening process to review new policies and identify areas creating additional duties for Airmen with the goal of preventing unchecked growth of these functions in the future.

James understands there is more work to be done.

"This, I want to emphasize, will be a first step," James said. "And it's going to be followed up by a review of computer-based training and other ancillary requirements that take up a lot of our Airmen's time."

According to the memo, the service will focus on duties originating in law and Defense Department policy, and emphasize areas where the Air Force can eliminate, consolidate or streamline training requirements that have increased in recent years.

"Our squadron commanders, civilian leaders, superintendents, first sergeants, and Airmen feel firsthand the challenges associated with increased mandatory recurring training, a growing list of additional duties, and the challenge of a "(do-it-yourself world,)" Goldfein said. "It is time to revitalize the squadron as the warfighting core of our Air Force."

The full list of additional duties impacted is available on the "Reducing the Burden on our Airmen" fact sheet found on www.af.mil.

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Ice Age (PG-13)

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**See Something...
Say Something**

Striving for Five Star Service: Whiteman Family Homes Launches 2016 Housing Survey

By Maureen Omrod
Whiteman Family Homes



At Whiteman Family Homes, our primary goal is to provide quality housing and outstanding customer service so that our residents have a positive and enjoyable experience living with us. Housing residents are currently being asked to give feedback on Whiteman Family Homes operations through the Resident Satisfaction Survey. The annual survey is an important part of our continuous improvement program that helps us analyze performance and make any necessary changes and enhancements, ensuring we consistently deliver quality service across all aspects of our community operations.

Our commitment to provide consistent and exceptional customer service is an objective that our team strives for every day. It is our goal to provide top-notch, five-star service in every aspect

of the resident housing experience.

Topics covered in the survey include resident experience with leasing, community management, maintenance and quality of the homes. All surveys are completely confidential and anonymous and residents are encouraged to provide open and honest insights.

“The Resident Satisfaction Survey allows us to see where we are excelling operationally and where there is room for improvement,” said Lynn Melin, the community manager for Whiteman

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Top III MVP award



U.S. Air Force photo/ Senior Airman Danielle Quilla
U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Kevin Elkins, assistant NCO in charge of geobase with the 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, receives a Whiteman Top III MVP award at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 19, 2016. Elkins was selected for his direct contribution in correcting his Air Force Specialty Code's new five-volume Career Development Course material, which affected approximately 930 Airmen in his career field.

THINK SAFETY

509th MUNS, SFS participate in shoot, move and communicate training



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Joseph Buelt, a weapons team member from the 509th Munitions Squadron, moves to cover during shoot, move and communicate training at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 16, 2016. The 509th Security Forces Squadron provided the training which gave insight on how to react to an enemy gaining entry into the weapons storage area.



Airmen from the 509th Munitions Squadron practice rapid reloading, before participating in shoot, move and communicate training at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 18, 2016. The training consisted of basic shooting stances, reaction to fire, providing cover, and advancing positions all while engaging a simulated target.



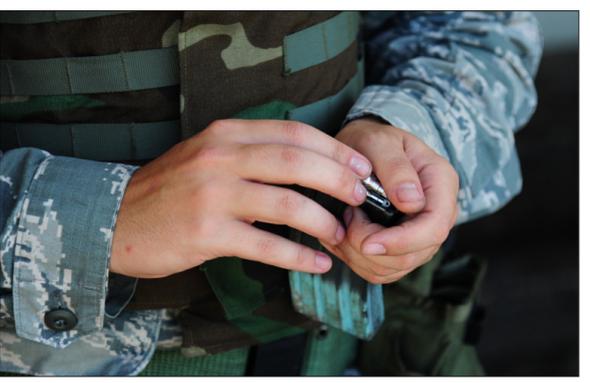
Tommy Hutfles, a 509th Security Forces Squadron instructor, watches as Airmen from the 509th Munitions Squadron (MUNS) participate in shoot, move and communicate training at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 18, 2016. During the training, members of the 509th MUNS would pair up in teams of two, while providing cover fire and advance or fall back from their positions while firing their weapon at a target, suppressing a simulated enemy.



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Grayson Brown, a 509th Security Forces Squadron (SFS) instructor, teaches Airmen from the 509th Munitions Squadron (MUNS) basic shooting stances and maneuvers at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 18, 2016. Airmen from the 509th MUNS participated in shoot, move and communicate training conducted by the 509th SFS to become familiar with denial and recapture support during contingency operations.



U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Michael Landley, a weapons team member from the 509th Munitions Squadron (MUNS), provides cover fire for Senior Airman Simon Joh, a weapons team member from the 509th MUNS, during shoot, move and communicate training at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 18, 2016. During the training, Airmen used simulation rounds to engage targets.



U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Joseph Buelt, a weapons team member from the 509th Munitions Squadron (MUNS), loads simulation rounds into a magazine before participating in shoot, move and communicate training at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., Aug. 18, 2016. Airmen from the 509th MUNS participated in shoot, move and communicate training conducted by the 509th Security Forces Squadron to become familiar with denial and recapture support during contingency operations.

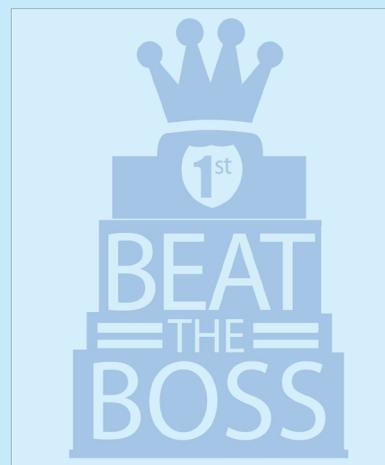
U.S. Air Force photos/Senior Airman Joel Pfiester

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Beat the Boss

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

Here are the latest Beat the Boss results:



Airman 1st Class Jacob Waller, 509th CS • 99.3%

Airman 1st Class Derek Foiles, 509th OSS • 99%

Senior Master Sgt. Loren Ingalls, 509th CES • 97.5%

2nd Lt. Matthew Webster, 20th ATKS • 97.3%

Airman 1st Class Christopher Oliverio, 509th SFS • 97.1%

Chief Master Sgt. David Southall II, 509th CS • 97.1%

Airman 1st Class Christian Ward, 509th MXS • 96.6%

Staff Sgt. Phillip Williams, 509th CES • 96.6%

Airman 1st Class Andrew Ackerman, 509th MXS • 95.7%

Airman 1st Class Jared Gerlach, 509th AMXS • 95.6%



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Survey

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Family Homes. "We encourage all residents to complete the survey so that we may better meet their needs as well as those of our future residents."

Throughout the month of September, there will be a variety of ways for residents to complete the survey. E-mail updates detailing survey events and deadlines will be sent to the all available e-mail addresses on a regular basis. Survey updates will also be posted on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/WhitemanHomes. The final day for residents to complete their Resident Satisfaction Survey is September 30, 2016.

Thanks in advance to all housing residents for their participation in the survey process—we look forward to receiving your feedback.

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UPHOLD THE LEGACY

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to be slowed down for safety reasons. Also, there is a constant battle with keeping tools and supplies dry and out of the fury of the surprise rain storms.”

With each AFGSC bomber bringing a different role to Indo-Asia-Pacific operations, the Whiteman maintainers must work together to help maintain the B-2’s vital role.

“The maintainers here at Guam have a multitude of different responsibilities,” Furusho said. “Crew chiefs, Avionics, Environmental and Electrical, Weapons and all the other maintenance sections help to keep all of the different aspects of the aircraft working.”

Without the use of aircraft hangars, maintainers must endure elements of the weather with long hours dedicated to repairing and inspecting aircraft before and after flights.

“The quantity of hours that go into maintenance after a sortie mostly depends

upon the situation and what may have broken during that specific flight,” Furusho said.

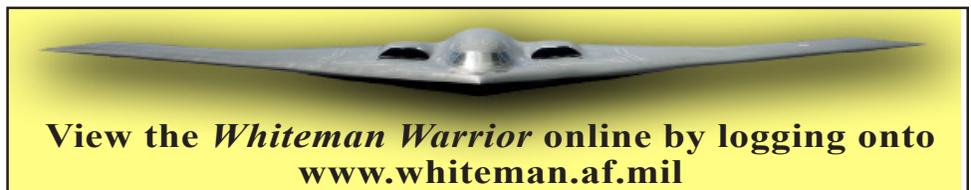
With so many tasks that go into the maintenance of a B-2, the Airmen rely on each other to ensure the aircraft is mission ready.

“The whole operation requires a tremendous amount of teamwork and communication to carry out successfully,” Furusho said. “The people we have working here embody these principles which make us an effective team.”

That teamwork helps the maintainers continue the mission.

With the B-2 operations coming to an end at Andersen, the maintainers look to leave a quality impression.

“We exhibit excellence in all we do, because the responsibility of the Nation’s premier bomber is in our hands, and that’s not a responsibility we take lightly,” Aekerle said.



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