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131ST AIRMEN TRAIN FOR EXCELLENCE AT CAMP CLARK

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Weekly commander's message

Greetings, Team Whiteman!

We are just over one week away from our 2017 Wings Over Whiteman air show, which is scheduled for June 10-11!

This year's air show, which is free to attend and open to the public, features an incredible lineup that includes seven decades of American airpower! For example, Wings Over Whiteman proudly features legacy aircraft such as a B-29, a B-17, a B-25, and a P-40 right alongside a B-2, a B-1, a B-52, an F-15, an F-16 and many others!

Furthermore, we have over a dozen aerial performances scheduled, including the legendary U.S. Army Golden Knights, Air Combat Command's F-16 Demonstration Team, and the KC Flight Formation Team just to name a few!

Gates open at 9 a.m. and the first act is scheduled to begin around 11 a.m. Spectators without a Depart-

ment of Defense (DOD) ID card may enter the base through the Arnold or LeMay Gates, as the Spirit Gate will be reserved for DoD ID card holders only. For the safety of all our guests, please leave your coolers and large bags at home or in your vehicles, but don't forget your sunscreen because we've ordered beautiful weather for the weekend!

In addition to being a great family-friendly event for our team, Wings Over Whiteman is an excellent opportunity for us to display to tens of thousands of Americans what missions we perform, what equipment and facilities we have, and what our role is in supporting national security objectives. Doing so highlights our tremendous airpower capabilities and exposes future generations of American Airmen to Whiteman's unique bomber mission!

Events like this are also a great opportunity to say thanks to every-

one in our surrounding area. We get a lot of support from our neighboring communities throughout the year, ranging from free military appreciation events to individual community members simply thanking us for our service. Small, simple gestures like that go a long way in my book and it is nice that we can give back to our local partners who do so much for us!

In the end, the air show will be a win-win for us and our community partners, so please encourage your family and friends to come enjoy the show ... I hope to see you there!

Have a great weekend, spend some time with a Wingman, and watch out for one another.

Defend ... Avenge!

Nuke

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



U.S. Air Force photo/Tech. Sgt. Brigitte Brantley

The U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team will return to Whiteman on June 10-11 for our 2017 air show.

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On the cover

U.S. Air National Guard photo/
Staff Sgt. Colton Elliott

U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Kyle Miller, a sheet metal technician assigned to the 131st Maintenance Squadron, rappels down a wall as part of an obstacle course at Camp Crowder in Neosho, Mo., May 23, 2017. Guardsmen also exercised their skills with self-aid and buddy care, Humvee rollover, and a simulated state emergency training at Camp Clark in Nevada, Mo.



The free Whiteman Air Force Base app is available to read the latest base news, find pictures of promotion ceremonies, locate needed phone numbers and even get information about various base events.

At this time, the app is only available to iOS users and can be found on the app store. For android users, the app will be available in the very near future, so please stay tuned.



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Stealth Lounge

If you are a young Airman, let the Stealth Lounge make your time at Whiteman more enjoyable. 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 Thursday at 5:30 p.m., with an optional discussion on spiritual resilience to follow at 6:30 p.m. There are also free premium snacks and Wi-Fi. Come for the free stuff, stay for the fun and friends.

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

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.

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.

WEATHER

Today	Saturday
Mostly Sunny Hi 86 Lo 64	Chance of Storms Hi 84 Lo 66
Sunday	Monday
Mostly Sunny Hi 86 Lo 66	Mostly Sunny Hi 80 Lo 62

Trinity Tavern: a testament to Team Whiteman

The sophisticated radiation measurement and protection shown here only came about after the end of World War II.



Courtesy photo

Orville F. Hill, a nuclear chemist and the grandfather of U.S. Air Force Col. Aeneas Gooding, conducts radiation measurements at a research facility in New Mexico.

By Col. Aeneas Gooding

509th Mission Support Group commander

This week we will be renaming one of the lounges at the Mission's End club the "Trinity Tavern." After much consideration of the many suggestions you have provided over the past few weeks, base leadership decided on the name "Trinity," which was submitted by Tech. Sgt. Joshua White, as it is a perfect reflection of the roots of our nuclear mission. I hope you will have the opportunity to visit in the coming weeks, and you will see that our team has worked hard to turn this lounge into something that not only reflects the rich heritage of the 509th Bomb Wing, but also the many diverse units that make up this incredible installation. We will continue to personalize it while making it a place where we can focus on our heritage.

Trinity was the code name of the first detonation of a nuclear weapon on July 16, 1945, in the deserts of New Mexico. This first detonation was actually conducted by the U.S. Army, prior to the Air Force becoming a separate service, as part of the Manhattan Project, it laid the foundation for what would become one of the most important airpower missions and one which remains a cornerstone of our National Security Strategy and our strategic deterrence mission to this day. It was not only the first detonation of a nuclear bomb, it was proof that the efforts of the team of nuclear physicists were successful. Less than a month after the tests at Trinity, the only two nuclear bombs used in combat were dropped on Japan.

Trinity is also significant to me personally not only because of its tie with Air Force heritage but also because of its significance for my family. My grandfather, Orville Hill, was a nuclear chemist working at Los Alamos National Labs during this critical period in our nation's history. Nuclear chemistry is the science that deals with the study and analysis of radioactivity, nuclear processes, and nuclear properties.

My grandfather was part of the Los Alamos National Labs' efforts to understand the chemical effects resulting from the absorption of radiation within animals, plants, and other materials. As a child, I had no idea what a nuclear chemist was, or frankly, what happened at Trinity in 1945. Even as I learned about World War II, "Fat Man," and "Little Boy," I didn't understand the connection. I knew my mother was born in Los Alamos in 1947, but it wasn't until much later that I put the pieces together.

My grandfather spent many years in New Mexico, but he also traveled to Bikini Atoll, one of the islands in the Pacific Ocean used as targets to measure radiation to further understand impacts of the detonation of nuclear weapons. He would never talk specifically about the things he did, or the projects he supported, likely because he thought I wouldn't have understood, or perhaps due to classification, but growing up, I knew he was one of the smartest men I knew. After leaving Los Alamos National Labs, he worked at the Hanford Nuclear Power Plant in Washington state working on efficient methods to separate plutonium from irradiated uranium. In an interview, he stated, "We were on the frontiers. We were doing things that I hadn't dreamed of doing even a year before."

Our United States Air Force is filled with traditions and heritage. Some are clear, and we talk about them regularly. We look at our heroes and those that made a difference before us. As you have heard many times, "we stand on the shoulders of giants!" When you take the opportunity to celebrate the many great things about our Air Force, the Trinity Tavern will be one of those places that strives to remind us where we came from. I know it will remind me of my grandfather, and the work he and the other giants did to develop our nation's nuclear capabilities and lay the foundation of our nation's most important mission – strategic nuclear deterrence – but also it will be a place we can all gather to celebrate the greatness of our Air Force, both present and past.

Reel Time Theaters

We're saving a seat for you.

FRIDAY, JUNE 2 • 7 p.m.

Pirates of The Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (PG-13)
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SATURDAY, JUNE 3 • 7 p.m.

Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13)
Adults - \$6.25, children - \$4.00

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 • 3 p.m.

Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13)
Adults - \$6.25, children - \$4.00

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Join us for the 2017 Wings Over Whiteman!



The gates open at 9 a.m. and the first act will begin around 11 a.m. The last act should conclude flying around 5 p.m.

Spectators may enter through the North/ Knob Noster/Arnold Gate, or the South/Le-May Gate. The Spirit/Main Gate will ONLY be available to individuals with current military ID cards.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

****Are Saturday and Sunday the same show?**

There will be minor differences, but the majority of the show will be similar.

****Will there be handicapped parking?**

Yes. Additionally, there will be shuttles from the parking area to the show area.

****What can I bring?**

To ensure our top priority of safety and security, this question has a lengthy answer. Please heed the following carefully:

- Knives, explosives, weapons of any kind are strictly forbidden.

- Firearms, stun-guns, mace and/or OC spray, and ammunition are also forbidden. Law-enforcement officers may carry if on official duty.

***Additionally, the following items will not be allowed in the spectator area:**

- Backpacks, gym bags, hydration packs

- Coolers, glass bottles, alcoholic beverages
- Non-prescription medication, illegal drugs, any drug-related paraphernalia
- Walkie-talkies, GPS units
- Bicycles, skateboards, roller blades/skates, scooters
- Pets
- Canopy and pop-up tents
- Radio Scanners

****What can I bring inside the spectator area?**

- Folding lawn chairs
- Strollers and pull-along wagons
- Purses and fanny packs (medium or smaller in size)
- Medical, diaper, and camera bags (medium or smaller in size)
- Clear beverages in clear, see-through containers
- Cameras, camcorders, cell phones
- Wheelchairs

Above all else, please remember **SAFETY FIRST!**

Bring sunscreen, drink lots of water, and be careful driving to and from the air show.

For more information, please refer to the Whiteman Air Force Base Facebook page, under the events tab.

Faces of the 131st

Name: Andrew Davis

Rank: Airman 1st Class

Hometown: Lee's Summit, Missouri

What is your military specialty?

1PX51 aircrew flight equipment specialist.

What is your civilian occupation?

I am in my second semester as a full-time student at the University of Central Missouri working on my degree in marketing. I plan on graduating in 2020. I am also in the process of getting all my pilot ratings on the side, because I plan to be a pilot someday.

Why did you join the Missouri Air National Guard (ANG)?

I have wanted to be in the military since I was a little kid, it has always been a dream of mine. I decided to choose the Missouri ANG because it's hard to beat the educational benefits that we receive while having the opportunity to pursue a civilian career. A goal of mine is to get my college degree and become an ANG pilot.

What do you like best about your job?

I think it is really awesome that I get the opportunity to work on all of the pilots' gear on a daily basis. I've wanted to be a military pilot my whole life so every aspect of this job really interests me. I look up to the pilots I get to meet and I'm always asking them about their flight stories when I get the chance. The aircrew flight equipment shop has a really cool environment.

What do you enjoy most about being in the military?

It may sound cliché, but I take pride in getting to serve our great country while being in the Missouri ANG. I love putting on my uniform and knowing I am a part of something bigger than myself. While pursuing a military career your opportunities are limitless. I have made so many great connections that could help me down the road. It's also nice to have a second family that's there to help you out when you need it.

What are your favorite ways to spend your free time?

I always try to be active. I spend a lot of time mountain biking, riding motorcycles and boating in the summers. No matter the time of year, I love to work out five to six times a week, and stay as healthy as possible. I love to try new things and get my "feet wet" in a lot of different activities. I also love watching sporting events as much as I can.

Where do you hope to see yourself in five years? 10 years?

In five years, I hopefully see myself having secured a pilot slot in a guard unit. That is my main goal post-college graduation. I would like to commission as fast as I can and get the opportunity to fly in the ANG as it has been a long time goal of mine. Maybe a little further than 10 years down the road, I hope to find myself flying for the airlines. My dad and his brothers are all airline pilots, they are the ones who have fueled my passion for flying.

What is something that is on your bucket list?

I love cars and anything that goes fast, so someday I hope to get the opportunity to drive a sports car along the autobahn.

Do you have any interesting talents or skills?

I would like to think I am able to pick up new things

fairly quickly. This may not be considered "interesting," but I think it's more important that I have good people skills. I love to meet with new people as often as I can. You never know who you can help or who can help you down the road.

Tell us about a favorite military memory.

On my first full day of boot camp, my flight was about to take our evening showers, we were all shuffling around very quickly because everything was still so new and confusing.

"In the chaos, I managed to bump the fire alarm switch and set off the alarms for my whole building. My entire flight wrapped themselves in their bed sheets and evacuated the building just as we were safety briefed that day. I'm pretty confident that the military training instructors were laughing at us in the office when they saw all the new trainees running out of the doors with no clothes on. That wasn't how I imagined my first experience at boot camp was going to be!



U.S. Air National Guard photo/Staff Sgt. Colton Elliott
U.S. Air Force Airman 1st Class Andrew Davis, an aircrew flight equipment specialist assigned to the 131st Operations Support Flight, takes apart aircrew equipment to ensure all components are correctly functioning at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., April 2, 2017.

SERVICE BEFORE SELF

Stronger Together: Team Whiteman celebrates LGBT Pride Month



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

U.S. Air Force Brig. Gen. Paul W. Tibbets IV, far right, the 509th Bomb Wing commander, and Chief Master Sgt. Melvina Smith, far left, the 509th Bomb Wing command chief, stand with members of Team Whiteman after signing the 2017 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month proclamation at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., June 1, 2017. During the month of June, members of Team Whiteman will have the opportunity to celebrate the lineage of the LGBT community, while working together to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists and celebrate the great diversity of the American people.



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by logging onto www.whiteman.af.mil

AAPI heritage month concludes with capstone event



The Asian Pacific American Heritage Association hosted a capstone event to close out the Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., May 25, 2017. The event included various food tastings, jiu-jitsu and dance demonstrations, and a static cultural display.

*U.S. Air Force photos/
Airman Michaela R. Slanchik*



MO Air National Guard Airmen participate in annual training exercise

Approximately 400 131st Missouri Air National Guard members participate in an annual training week at Camp Clark in Nevada, Mo., May 15-24, 2017. Guardsmen exercised their skills with self-aid and buddy care, Humvee rollover training, and a simulated state emergency exercise. Training also included land navigation and an obstacle course at Camp Crowder in Neosho, Mo.

U.S. Air National Guard photos/Staff Sgt. Colton Elliott and Airman 1st Class Halley Burgess





Whiteman Family Homes residents awarded academic scholarship by Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation

Whiteman Family Homes is proud to announce that two of its residents, Rebekah Applonie and Austin Day, have been awarded academic scholarships for the 2017/2018 school year through Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation. Austin Day plans to pursue a degree in Political Science this fall, and Rebekah Applonie will work toward a degree in Electrical Engineering at Utah State University.

The Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation scholarship program awards academic scholarships to high school seniors, undergraduate and graduate student residents of a Balfour Beatty Communities property who are attending, or plan to attend, an accredited higher education or technical institution. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of high academic achievement, demonstrated leadership qualities and a commitment to community involvement. Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation has awarded a total of 49 academic scholarships for the upcoming 2017/2018 year.

“On behalf of the foundation, I would like to congratulate all of this year’s scholarship winners,” said Chris Williams, president of Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation. “This year’s winners have impressed us with their enthusiasm and commitment to their communities. We are honored to help support their academic endeavors with these awards, and look forward to their future achievements.”

Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation is a non-profit organization which principally focuses on supporting the post-secondary education goals of residents who live in communities owned and managed by Balfour Beatty Communities, LLC. Since the scholarship program’s inception in 2009, Balfour Beatty Communities Foundation has awarded more than 300 academic scholarships. The foundation is also committed to honoring military personnel – active, wounded and fallen – by supporting organizations that assist military service members and/or their families. For more information, visit bbcommunitiesfoundation.org.



Balfour Beatty

Communities Foundation

Hails and farewells: Team Whiteman hosts deployment party



Members of Team Whiteman attend a deployment party at Ike Skelton Park at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., May 25, 2017, as part of the Air Force Global Strike Command Year of the Family initiative. The party celebrated Airmen who have recently returned, as well as those leaving soon with prizes, games, face painting and more.

U.S. Air Force photos/ Airman Michaela R. Slanchik

Team Whiteman supports local community

Members of Team Whiteman celebrate with local community members and players from the Knob Noster School's Panther Baseball Team during a block party in Knob Noster, Mo., May 30, 2017. The Mardi Gras-style event celebrated the Panthers heading to the Missouri State Championship.

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



May 2017 Courts-Martial, Article 15s, and Discharges

In May 2017, four members were punished under Article 15; Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ), six members were administratively separated from the Air Force, and there were no courts-martial completed during this month.

ARTICLE 15S (4)

- A major from the 20th Attack Squadron received an Article 15 for willful dereliction of duty, and failure to go. For these offenses, the member received a forfeiture of \$763.20 pay per month for two months and a reprimand.

- An airman first class from the 509th Medical Operations Squadron received an Article 15 for willful dereliction of duty and false official statement. The member intentionally failed the fitness assessment and made a false statement to the unit. For these offenses, the member received a reduction to the grade of airman basic, with reduction below airman suspended, 20 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

- An airman first class from the 509th Munitions Squadron received an Article 15 for willful dereliction of duty. The member was to receive a letter of reprimand for dress and appearance infractions and arrived at the commander's office again not within standards. For this offense, the member received a reduction to the grade of airman, forfeiture of \$896 pay per month for two months, suspended, 30 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

- A senior airman from the 509th Security

Forces Squadron received an Article 15 for simple assault. For this offense, the member received a reduction to the grade of airman first class, forfeiture of \$1,062 pay per month for two months, 30 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

DISCHARGES (6)

- A senior airman received an involuntary administrative discharge for mental health reasons, for which the member received an Honorable characterization.

- An airman first class received an involuntary administrative discharge for larceny, multiple driving infractions, failure to pay debts, and failure to appear in civilian court, for which the member received a General characterization.

- An airman first class received an involuntary administrative discharge for mental health reasons, for which the member received an Honorable characterization.

- An airman received an involuntary administrative discharge for government travel card misuse and larceny, for which the member received a General characterization.

- An airman received an involuntary administrative discharge for fitness failure, for which the member received an Honorable characterization.

- An airman basic received an involuntary administrative discharge for drug abuse (marijuana), for which the member received an Under Other Than Honorable Conditions characterization.

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