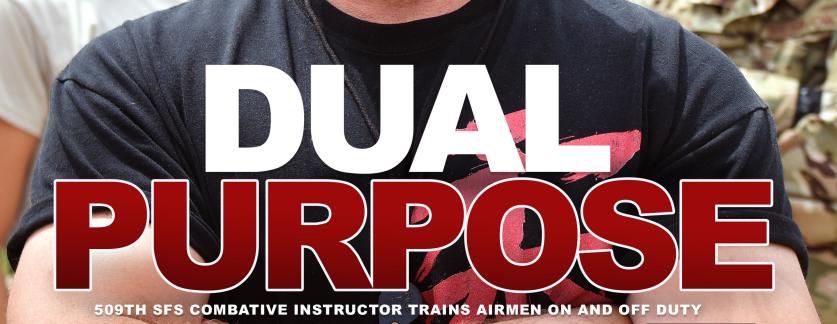
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# Salute for service concert in honor of Memorial Day

By Catherine Smith Lexington Tourism Bureau

The United States Air Force Band of Mid-America presents Hot Brass, a free concert in Lexington, Missouri, on Friday, May 25th at 5 p.m. on the lawn of the Historic Courthouse.

Hot Brass is known throughout the Midwest for its engaging and unique music selections, delighting audiences of all ages. The ensemble's distinctive blend of music will include patriotic selections in honor of Memorial Day.

Get your feet moving to the beat! Hot Brass delivers a lively and diverse musical gumbo of genres to showcase each musician's musical background. This 10-piece group utilizes vocals, drums and guitar to energize its audience. A heavy emphasis on horns and brass makes for a powerful experience

Hot Brass represents the pride and professionalism found every day throughout the United States Air Force in a fun and energizing musical performance. Its performances



Courtesy photo

are always in high demand, so don't miss the opportunity to experience these tunes.

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

Billy Matheny, the senior combative instructor assigned to the 509th Security Forces Squadron, poses with members of the SFS, May 15, 2018 at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Matheny has been inducted into the United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame and he is the only civilian SFS combative instructor in the Air Force.

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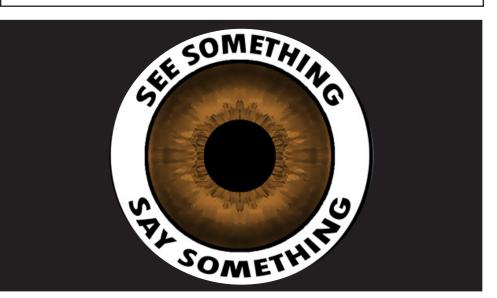
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**WASHINGTON, D.C.** (**AFNS**) -- Air Force leaders announced the service will move to a single combat utility uniform, adopting the Operational Camouflage Pattern, or OCP, already in use by the Army and Airmen in combat zones and in certain jobs across the Air Force.

Starting Oct. 1, 2018, Airmen who have serviceable OCPs may wear the uniform, and Airmen can purchase OCPs at Army and Air Force Exchange Services at the following locations: Aviano Air Base, Italy; Charleston Air Force Base, South Carolina; Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina; and MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. These initial locations will allow uniform manufacturers to produce additional stocks for other locations, eventually outfitting the total force in the coming months.

The service will fully transition to OCPs by April 1, 2021.



# AIR FORCE TRANSITIONS TO A SINGLE COMBAT UNIFORM

By Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

Feedback from the force indicated Airmen find the OCP more functional—from the slanted, Velcro chest pockets to the easily-accessible shoulder pockets. Female Airmen have made it clear that this uniform is a better fit, as well.

"The Army has done considerable work to make the OCPs a better fitting uniform for female service members," said Maj. Gen. Bob LaBrutta, director of military force management policy, deputy chief of staff for manpower, personnel and services. "The uniform comes in 20 female sizes and 37 unisex sizes. Female Airmen, currently issued the unisex uniform in U.S. Air Forces Central Command, report a better fit and higher morale as a result."

Enlisted Airmen should start to see an increase to their annual clothing allowances starting Oct. 1, 2018.

"Many of our Airmen already have this uniform from their numerous deployments, so they will be able to make the transition easily," said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Kaleth O. Wright. "For other Airmen, we must provide enough time for their clothing allowance to fund the items to avoid out-of-pocket expenses."

Effective April 1, 2019, Airmen can purchase the uniform at any AAFES store that carries them and AAFES online services will open purchases to Airmen around October 2019. The schedule will be updated monthly on the AAFES and Air Force's Personnel Center websites.

The delay in availability allows the supply chain to produce and field enough uniforms, boots and other associated uniform items to meet both Army and Air Force requirements. Enlisted Guard and Reserve Airmen will receive the new uniform through their unit's clothing replacement procedures.

The Air Force will also outfit Basic Military Training, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, and Officer Training School, starting October 1, 2019.

"This celebrates joint warfighting excellence as OCPs will become the joint combat uniform for Airmen and Soldiers, while patches and nametapes will identify our respective services," Goldfein said. "We'll maintain our distinctive Air Force uniforms in blues, service dress, mess dress and PT gear."



As with the Battle Dress Uniform, or BDU, worn by all services until about 10 years ago, the OCP Airmen wear will have distinctive Air Force features. The name tape and Air Force lettering will be a spice-brown color, and T-shirts and belts will be tan. Most rank will also be in spice-brown thread.

Squadron patches will also be worn on the OCP, said Goldfein. Bringing back squadron patches was among the recommendations made by Airmen as part of the ongoing effort to revitalize squadrons.

"Unit patches express squadron identity and heritage – something our Airmen are incredibly proud of and want to cel-

ebrate," he said.

Unit patches and special functional identifiers (Security Forces, Fire, Explosive Ordnance Disposal, Tactical Air Control Party, Combat Controller, etc.) will be attached to Velcro fabric on the sleeves. All patches will be in subdued colors; headquarters patches and the U.S. flag will be worn on the right shoulder, and unit patches and authorized duty identifiers will be worn on the left shoulder.

Airmen can find guidance for proper wear of the uniform in the coming months via an Air Force Guidance Memorandum, followed by updates published in AFI 36-2903.

## 2018

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Serviceable OCPs may be worn

Airmen can purchase OCPs at the following AAFES locations: Aviano AB, Charleston AFB, Shaw AFB and MacDill AFB 2019

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Expansion of in-store AAFES sales locations continues

Tan T-shirt must be worn (Desert Sand is authorized until this date)

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Coyote Brown boots must be worn (Tan is authorized until this date)

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OCP Mandatory Wear Date

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### **Commentary**

# Should we really 'pin them where they win them'?

**By Major Tyler Duncan**Secretary of the Air Force Public Affairs

WASHINGTON (AFNS) -- Active duty Air Force members who have changed stations in the recent past (approximately the last 10 years or so) are likely to have experienced a push to get their PCS decoration written and awarded before PCSing so that their shop, or even their commander, can present the medal prior to the member's departure to the next assignment. The preference to do so indicates a service-wide consensus that it is more valuable for a member to receive a medal at the unit they are departing from than to be awarded the medal at their new unit.

The logic of this approach seems to be that "pin it where they win it" is a final token of gratitude for a job well done from the losing unit; a capstone event to honor a tour of duty well-spent. This is obviously a worth-while sentiment, and dragging out the medal process for months (as sometimes happens) is not good for anyone. But, it is also worth asking what opportunities we might be missing by not awarding the medal at the gaining unit.

Having worked in the maintenance career field (usually in very large squadrons) for over 10 years now, I have attended hundreds of medal presentations. The ones that have been most memorable to me are not necessarily the medals that I have written for departing members, but the medals I heard presented to incoming members from other units. Why does this happen? A medal presentation very similar to those we as leaders have written or heard dozens of times dilutes the impact on the audience member through repetition. It is boring to listen to someone receiving a medal for achievements that are day-in-day-

out familiar to everyone in the room. This doesn't diminish the importance and meaning for the recipient by any means, but part of the honor we bestow to someone is acknowledging the distinctive quality of their success. In a unit of 600 maintainers, you hear the same medals over and over, and even though we try to avoid it, there can be a sense of just going through the motions, only changing the body the medal is being placed upon.

Perhaps knowing that a medal citation will serve as an introduction of the member to his or her new unit would challenge us to write better citations (and give us more exposure to others' best practices in writing them). Hearing the awesome achievements of someone in their previous unit (doing a mission you might be unfamiliar with) can be an eye-opening experience. It is a great way to see the breadth and previous achievements of a member who is new to the family, and a great way to have a topic of conversation, establish rapport and build connections.

As leaders, we tend to fall into patterns of behavior. All of us have heard (and many of us have probably repeated) "plagiarism is the sincerest form of flattery," or "don't re-invent the wheel." So as we challenge ourselves to innovate and to rebuild the squadron, maybe one small thing we can do is to reconsider the wisdom of the "pin them where they win them" idea. As a leader, the final thing I can do for Airmen I am sending to a new assignment is to set them up for success by showcasing their talent and achievements to their new leadership, helping to instill confidence in their new team that they are getting quality Airmen worthy of recognition. Perhaps repeating shopworn award citations to an audience that is extremely familiar with the content is not the best way to accomplish this.

# Cultivating a culture of discipline

By Senior Airman Jovan Banks

509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Combative training is something that every Air Force member learns during basic military training. As a security forces member, it is a training requirement. So, who better to learn from than an instructor who has been inducted into the United States Martial Arts

Billy Matheny holds that title and is also the only civilian Security Forces Squadron (SFS) combative instructor in the Air Force.

Matheny was inducted into the United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame in 2016 after being nominated by his Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) students and then evaluated on the contributions, accomplishments and achievements he has made in the world of martial arts.

With the skills Matheny has learned over years of dedicated training, he became the senior combative training instructor for the 509th SFS at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mis-

"Normally, civilians aren't selected to attend the basic instructor course of the senior SF instructor course," said Matheny, who described being chosen as an honor.

Matheny is primarily responsible for instructing security forces members in self-defense techniques that could save the lives of Airmen in a real-life scenario.

"The combative course consists of learning the basic strikes with fists, elbow, knees and feet, and defending strike attacks," said Matheny. "We also spend a great deal of time on basic submissions and escapes, as well as weapon retention while fighting."

For security forces members, combative training is just a very small part of the overall

training they receive

"They gets 10 to 20 hours of combative training a year and then move on to the next training subject," Matheny said. "That is the big difference in this type of training - the

Matheny knows the true meaning of dedication. On top of spending 40 hours a week with SFS, he devotes about 13 hours a week in the base fitness center to teach advanced techniques to people looking to further their martial arts skills.

"Eventually, my students wanted – and required – more training than the fitness center could accommodate, so I opened a training studio in Warrensburg in 2007," said Matheny. "Security Forces members are required to be trained annually, and with the large number of SF members we have, the training never really stops."

About half of his students are military members and many of them come from different career fields. One of his newest students, Airman 1st Class Richard Elizalde-Barrios, an individual protective equipment apprentice assigned to the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, has quickly taken to the teachings of Matheny.

"I've learned patience," said Elizalde-Barrios. "I tend to want to move on to the next thing, but Matheny focuses on repetition instead of learning too much at one time."

It takes courage to fight against another trained individual and this is something that Matheny believes carries over into other aspects of life.

"In today's modern military, we're not going to win a war because we're great handto-hand combat fighters," said Matheny. "However, we will win wars because of those same traits it takes to be a great Airman or soldier: courage, honor, discipline, respect and



SFS Airmen learn these techniques to use in day-to-day operations while at their structor in the Air Force.



Billy Matheny, the senior combative instructor assigned to the 509th Security Forces Forces Squadron, oversees a security forces team as they practice subduing Squadron, blows the whistle to end a training session May 18, 2018, at Whiteman Air and handcuffing a perpetrator May 15, 2018, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. Force Base, Mo. Matheny is the only civilian to hold the position of senior combative in-



Billy Matheny, the senior combative instructor assigned to the 509th Security Forces Squadron, demonstrates the proper way to position the body for an arm bar May 1, 2018.



Billy Matheny, the senior combative instructor assigned to the 509th Security Forces Squadron, demonstrates a baton restraint technique to security forces Airmen May 15, 2018, at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo. During training, Matheny shows Airmen the techniques used to subdue perpetrators during an arrest.



Billy Matheny, the senior combative instructor assigned to the 509th Security Forces Squadron, demonstrates a standing baton restraint technique during SFS training at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., May 15, 2018. The SFS members receive about 10 to 20 hours of combative training a year.



The trophy case highlights the accomplishments of Billy Matheny's students at his mixed martial arts studio in Warrensburg, Mo. May 1, 2018. Matheny trains many different forms of martial arts and was accepted into the United States Mixed Martial Arts Hall of Fame due to his contributions to the sport.

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

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# Airmen make the Spirit Gate static display shine







Members of Team Whiteman wash the Boeing B-29 Superfortress static display at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo., May 11, 2018. The static display was painted to honor the memory of The Great Artiste, which was the only aircraft to fly on both atomic bomb missions. The original aircraft was lost during a crash landing at Labrador in 1949. In the next three to four weeks, the display will undergo refurbishing.

U.S. Air Force photos by Staff Sgt. Danielle Quilla

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