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### Chow Hall

McConnell's dining facility will open an 6:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Dining Assembly starting this month.

### March Madness

A single elimination half-court basketball tournament is scheduled for March after the Saturday OPA from 4-6 p.m.

### UTA Reschedule

The June OPA has been rescheduled for June 7-8.

### Hungarian Home

Staff Sgt. Verle Palmeran, Equipment Operator with the 931st CES as TDY to Hungary for 20 days from the 18 Jan to 20 May. Letters and packages may be sent to:

4400 OS (P)CES

Operation Joint Endeavor, APO AFB 09794

### Tax center open

The base tax center is open in Bldg 328 Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information or to make an appointment call 652-4732.

## New law benefits retirement-eligible Reserve members

DENVER -- Surviving spouses and dependents of reservists eligible for retirement pay who died before reaching age 60, are reminded they may now receive medical treatment at military hospitals and civilian facilities under certain conditions.

The Fiscal Year 1996 Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 106) was signed Feb. 10, 1996, provides for surviving dependents of retirement-eligible National Guard and Air Force Reserve members who did not participate in the Reserve Component Survivor Benefit Plan, to receive medical care when the reservists would have reached age 60.

Before this law, surviving dependents of retirement-eligible members of the reserve components who did not elect RCSBP were already authorized access to base exchanges and services facilities, according to Daryl

Gruneisen, chief of the entitlements branch at the Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver.

One important point is, if a surviving spouse remarries, all entitlements to include their identification card, are forfeited according to ARPC officials.

Also officials emphasize surviving dependents are not entitled to military medical care, CHAMPUS or TRICARE until the date the member would have reached age 60.

They also stressed CHAMPUS and TRICARE eligibility stops when surviving spouses reach age 65 and become eligible for benefits under Social Security Medicare.

The 1996 law also caused the Defense Commissary Agency to expand commissary privileges to surviving spouses of retirement-eligible reserve component members

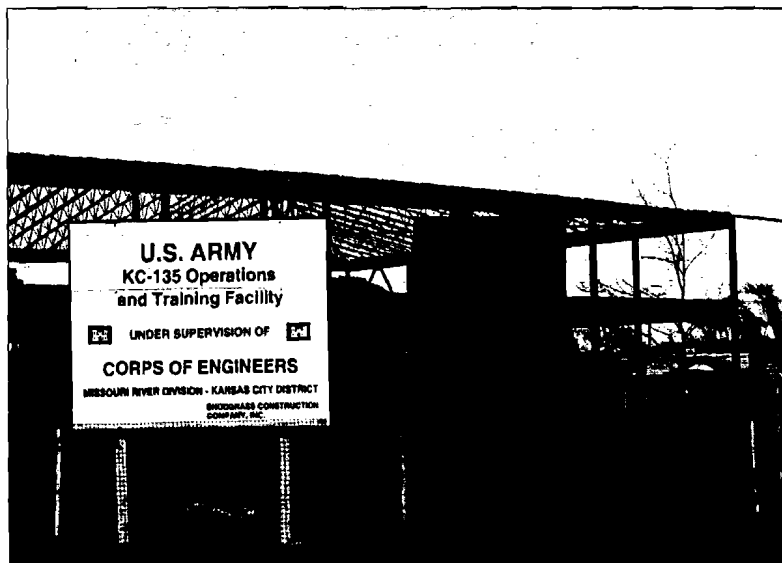
who did not elect RCSBP and before reaching age 60.

The policy now allows surviving spouse to be issued a commissary card giving them 12 visits to the commissary annually until the deceased sponsor would have turned age 60. Thereafter, the spouse is eligible for unlimited trips.

Surviving spouses with questions on CHAMPUS or TRICARE should contact the health benefits advisor at their nearest military medical treatment facility.

Direct questions on expanded medical benefits to the ARPC entitlements branch at 1-800-525-0102, Ext. 228 or (303) 676-6438.

Inquiries may be directed to ARPC's member assistance branch at (303) 676-6730 or 1-800-525-0102, Ext. 388.



Construction continues on the new 931st headquarters building. With the structural steel in place, construction workers hope to enclose the facility which will allow them to speed up their inside work. The new facility is scheduled to be completed in July 1997.

Photo by Staff Sgt. David Brumley

## Do your actions stand up to public scrutiny

Much of this month's comments are borrowed from Brig. Gen. Ernest Webster, Wing Commander of the 403rd Wing at Keesler Air Force Base. There's been a lot of talk in the media about ethics lately. People in the public arena seem to be placed under closer scrutiny than ever before, answering questions and charges regarding alleged ethical violations or abuse of power.

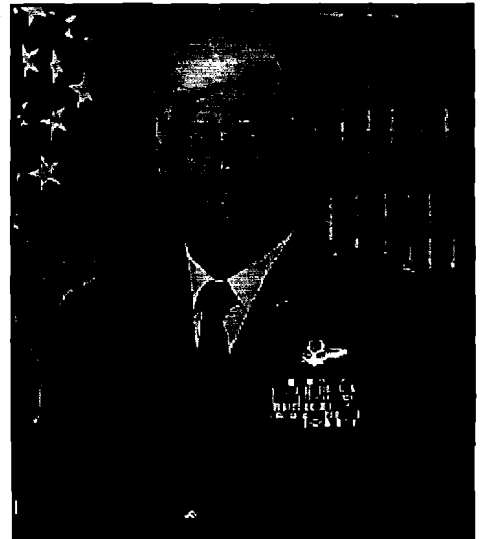
Some would say it goes with the territory of public office. As members of the Reserve, we are very much in the public eye and run the risk of being held accountable for our actions. Therefore, do we accept the responsibility of integrity as the absolute essence of leadership? Or do we place ourselves before service, knowing that second best is not a viable option in combat?

In the 931st, ethics begin with me. I have to ask myself, am I fully committed to integrity and can the troops see it in my

actions? Do I hold myself accountable for unit performance? Do I view my job as just my personal career or as a calling of something grandeur for the Air Force Reserves?

The three core values of the Air Force -- Integrity first, Service before Self, and Excellence in all we do -- must be woven throughout our organization like a silver thread, strengthening our readiness as a unit. The fabric of our unit relies on these values and will make the difference both in peacetime and in combat.

It's important to remember that we are all here because we are airmen, and that our nation is turning more and more to the Reserve component to carry out its military objectives. That's why readiness of the 931st is so critically important so that we can provide mission ready reservists to fly, maintain and support Global Reach for



Col. Vik Malling

America.

Hopefully, our unit core values of professionalism, customer focus, team work, respect, integrity, and patriotism will make the difference when our nation calls.

## SECAF denounces sexual harassment, states policy

WASHINGTON (AFNS)— Revelations of extensive sexual harassment in the Army's training environment have reinforced the need for Air Force people to understand the importance of professional relationships, according to Air Force Secretary Shelia E. Widnall.

The Army situation also highlighted that "the very, very special relationship between trainers and trainees... has special responsibilities that go beyond the norm a supervisory-subordinate relationships," Widnall said during a Pentagon interview.

But overall, the developments have shown that the Air Force is "right on track" in emphasizing command responsibility as the "key to our human dimension--our treatment of one another," Widnall said.

"The fundamental responsibility of a commander is to take care of the people," Widnall said. "Any climate, any misconduct that causes people to treat one another badly--will not be tolerated." Widnall said 31 of the 314 calls received by the Air Force hotline by years end were "current active-duty issues." The 31 calls were referred to various Air Force agencies, from Pentagon to base level. The other calls largely were people "letting us know about things that used to happen," Widnall said.

"I welcome complaints because it says to me that people believe the system will respond," she said. "I would be very worried



Secretary of the Air Force Shelia E. Widnall

with a system that had a lot of complaints and no 'substantiated' cases because that's not realistic, and it certainly would create a system that people didn't trust."

During the last two fiscal years, sexual harassment complaints--and those substantiated--have decreased in the Air Force, according to the service's statistics.

In fiscal 1995, among Air Force active-duty and civilians, there were 240 formal sexual harassment complaints substantiated among the 478 received. In fiscal 1996, the numbers were 179 and 419, respectively.

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# RTAP offers additional assistance to eligible reservists

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. — Air Force reservists who lose their reserve slot because of force reductions can turn to the Reserve Transition Assistance Program for help.

When possible, unit military personnel flights will assist affected reservists in finding other positions through priority placement. Placement includes serving in one's current or previously awarded Air Force specialty or retraining into another position within a reasonable commuting distance—usually one-way travel from home to duty that is within or three hours drive by auto.

"Our goal is to retain as many people as possible," said Col. Gary L. Shoemaker, director of personnel at Headquarters AFRES. "In some cases, units are able to retain reservists temporarily as overages or in overgrade positions. These exceptions are handled on a case-by-case basis."

If a valid position cannot be found for reservists, the Reserve will transfer them to the Standby

Reserve and offer them other transition assistance benefits.

Transition assistance is available until Sept. 30, 1999. Other benefits include:

\*Reserve involuntary separation pay — Reservists who are involuntarily separated from the Selected Reserve with at least six but less than 15 years of service may qualify to receive a one-time separation payment.

Any period of service used to determine previously received separation or severance pay cannot be used to calculate reservists' years of service. If reservists later re-affiliate with any pay-gaining unit, they will see their pay or compensation reduced by 75 percent until the total separation pay is repaid.

\*Early qualification for retired pay at age 60 — To be eligible for this benefit, reservists must be involuntarily separated from

the Selected Reserve with at least 15 qualifying years of service toward retired pay at age 60 with the last six years of qualifying service in the Selected Reserve. Members will become eligible for retired pay at age 60,

contingent upon their transfer to the Retired Reserve.

\*Reserve special separation pay — This benefit applies to enlisted reservists who are not age 60 if they are involuntarily separated from the Selected Reserve with 20 or more years of satisfac-

tory service with the last six years of qualifying service in the Selected Reserve.

Reservists who are separated because of base closure or force structure changes may receive one but not more than five years of annual special payments up to age 60. Those forced to leave because of high year of tenure will receive only one payment.

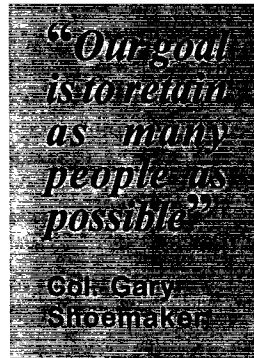
Reservists in both categories cannot be eligible for an immediate annuity under any purely military retirement plan and must be eligible for non-regular retired pay when they reach age 60.

\*Continuation of Reserve Montgomery GI Bill education assistance for 10 years beginning on the date of initial eligibility.

\*Commissary, exchange, and morale, welfare and recreation benefits until two years after transfer from the Selected Reserve. Reservists forfeit RTAP assistance if they turn down a position or retraining offer not requiring a demotion that is within a reasonable commuting distance.

Officer and enlisted reservists in sanctuary status — 18 but less than 20 years satisfactory service — can stay in the unit program so they can complete 20 years satisfactory service.

For more information, contact your military personnel flight for specific information about the Reserve Transition Assistance Program.



## Do you know your military history?

by Tech Sgt. Randy Brown  
Unit Historian

Usually when people turn 50 years old they like to hide that fact and sometimes resent having a big unforgiving party thrown for them. But in the case of the Air Force and the Air Force Reserve, it appears that they plan to celebrate their age and existence and plan to hold a year long festivity.

Throughout the next year the Air Force and the Air Force Reserve will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of both services. The Air Force began operating as a separate service on September 18, 1947, and the Reserve followed suit on April 14, 1948.

Weekly editions of the *Contrails* will list events with historical significance. There is even a trivial game with prizes offered to the correct answer in the *Contrails* quiz. Many events are planned to commemorate these two events here at McConnell, and at most of the Air Force's global locations.

While the Air Force remembers its history, let us not forget our own unit history. One year from now the 931st will celebrate

35 years of existence and its first activation at Bakalar AFB, Indiana.

The 931st began flying operations under the designation as a Troop Carrier Group, flying the C-119 "Flying Boxcar." A photo resembling this aircraft and other that were flown by our unit hangs in the second floor of Bldg. 1218, near the command section.

Unique to our 931st legacy is the unit designations and missions. Throughout our 35 year history, our people have flown, maintained and supported numerous operational roles to include flying airlift, air support, special operations, fighter, and air refueling aircraft.

For more information on unit history or to know how you can get involved in preserving our 931st legacy, contact the unit historian office at 652-6935 or 3616.

Anyone interested in supporting McConnell's "50th Anniversary of the Air Force" activities should contact Capt. Scott Borchers at 652-3612 or the 22nd Air Refueling Wing public affairs office at 652-3141. 931st volunteer participation is desired.



Photo by Staff Sgt. David Brumley

Tech Sgt. Thelma Herrera, 931st ARG chief of customer service, demonstrates the proper placement of vehicle decals. Her office can now register your car Mondays through Fridays, 8-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m., and on UTA's, 1-3 p.m. For the decal, bring in your drivers license, registration, insurance, and appropriate government ID card, according to Herrera.



# Officer receives confinement for misuse of internet

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill (AFNS) — An Air Force officer using his government computer to download pornographic images has learned a lesson he'll never forget and wants others to avoid the same temptation.

On Aug. 24, Capt. William D. Hopkins Jr., 88th Communications Group, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, was sentenced to nine months confinement, a \$10,000 fine and a reprimand for conduct unbecoming an officer consisting of wrongfully and dishonorably using Air Force computer and telecommunications equipment to locate, download and store computer graphics, including pornographic images.

Hopkins plead guilty to the charge and was sentenced by a military judge sitting alone at his request.

In an open letter written while in confinement, the 23-year veteran admitted he violated the rules by using government equipment for personal purposes, and hopes his story will convince others tempted to misuse government computers to think twice.

Looking back, Hopkins wrote, he now realizes that he was falsely justifying his ac-

tions at the time of misuse.

"I told myself it (using the computer) was okay because I'm only using it after working hours; I'm not causing a loss to the government — the computer won't be used up because the hard drive can be erased and used again and again; I'm not making any money by what I'm doing; and besides, I know other people in my work center who are doing it," Hopkins wrote.

Over time, while using the computer to access large archives of information for work, Hopkins stated that he became aware of the multitude of nonofficial information that exists on the internet and began using his computer to download erotic pictures.

Hopkins' illegal web surfing began as a brief diversion from a hectic work load, but eventually began downloading erotic pictures more frequently.

"In a sense, I was using my government computer as a screen for my electronic 'men's' magazine. It was like having the magazine hidden in my desk and, when no one else was around, taking it out to look at the pictures, and then putting it away,"

Hopkins wrote.

According to Hopkins, his "terrible mistake" has cost him much more than a simple monetary loss. The loss of trust and respect that now scars his lifetime achievements in the Air Force convinced him to try to sway others from making the same mistake.

"Essentially, I can't be trusted to continue my career in the Air Force. I doubt (anyone) can imagine the embarrassment I feel," wrote Hopkins.

In January, the Air Force distributed Air Force Instruction 33-129, Transmission of Information via the Internet and will soon publish AFI 33-119, Electronic Mail Management and Use. The AFIs contain specific guidance regarding use of the Internet and e-mail as a government resource and as such should be for official business or authorized use only.

Every member is responsible for complying with these publications, according to Air Force Communications Agency officials. (Courtesy <http://www.afmc.wpafb.af.mil/> "Air Force Materiel Command and Air Force Communications Agency")

# Breaking the HIV/AIDS cycle topic at International Conference

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFNS) - The opening speaker at the 11th International Conference on AIDS was a 63-year-old grandmother living with Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, who asked, "How did I get infected?" Thunderous applause greeted her simple answer: "It just doesn't matter."

Believing AIDS "only happens to certain types of people" or "will never have an effect on my life" are still common misconceptions. HIV, which causes AIDS, doesn't care what kind of person it lives in. Right now it is happy to live in one of every 250 Americans and affects one in every 10 businesses in some way.

Military organizations are not exempt. HIV is devastating certain foreign militaries through the loss of manpower (trained soldiers, leaders, lower recruit pool) and associated economic burdens.

HIV infection begins when the virus enters the body. This most commonly happens through unprotected sexual intercourse with an infected partner. Other means of transmission are sharing infected needles and syringes, infected mothers passing the virus to their unborn child; and infected blood entering a healthcare/emergency responder's body.

HIV/AIDS is not spread by hugging, holding hands, coughing, sneezing or by mosquitoes. Once inside the body, HIV slowly cripples the immune system, allowing infections and cancers to take over. This is called AIDS.

AIDS is now the third leading cause of death of American women ages 25 to 44, and the leading cause of death among African-American women in the

United States. It is the leading cause of death among American males ages 25 to 44.

Just knowing the facts about HIV does not prevent people from taking risks. A recent study of Air Force military recruits revealed 45 percent had engaged in casual sexual encounters and 63 percent did not always use condoms.

It isn't enough to tell young people to "just say no." It is critically important to build skills, nurture and heal self-esteem and generate support from a community of connected individuals. Young people need to learn how to say "no" through peer-based programs.

Over and over, they need to practice: "What do you say when your partner wants to have

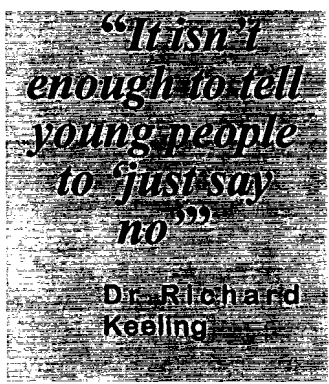
sex and you don't?" Young people need internal standards of behavior, to know who they are, what they want for themselves and how to find paths in the right direction if they are to make responsible decisions concerning HIV transmission. Nurturing the greatest sense of self and health is the most important responsibility shared by parents and teachers.

HIV/AIDS is truly a global problem, but can be acted upon locally. By developing young people to be peer educators themselves, we can build a strong atmosphere of support for healthier behaviors.

The information for this article comes from the ideas of Dr. Richard Keeling, Health Advocate, Madison, Wis.

Additional information on HIV/AIDS is available from local military public health or on the Internet at <http://www.amaassn.org>.

(Courtesy of Air Education and Training NewsService)



# Postal Service unveils stamp honoring Air Force

WASHINGTON — Air Force Thunderbirds will launch first-class mail throughout the nation by late next year.

The U. S. Postal Service made that official Dec. 5 in a Pentagon ceremony to unveil the design of a commemorative postage stamp. It recognizes the Air Force's first 50 years as the world's premier air and space force.

The stamp is the image of the Thunderbirds flying the F-16 Fighting Falcon. The Thunderbirds perform precision aerial maneuvers at air shows throughout the world to demonstrate the capabilities of Air Force high-performance aircraft.

Larry Speakes, U.S. Postal Service senior vice president for

corporate and legislative affairs, presented a framed rendering of the stamp design to Secretary of the Air Force Sheila E. Widnall during the ceremony.

"This stamp pays tribute not only to the dazzling technology and strategic importance of this aerial department," said Speakes, "but it honors the men and women who dedicated their careers and sometimes gave their lives to protect our country and preserve our freedom."

This year, the Postal Service, the Air Force and the nation are celebrating the Air Force's golden anniversary with local, regional, and national ceremonies throughout the country.

This is the first commemorative stamp the Postal Service has



designed highlighting the Air Force. In 1957, the Postal Service issued a six-cent airmail stamp featuring the B-52 bomber to honor 50 years of airpower be-

ginning when the Air Force was a part of the Army Air Corps.

The Postal Service will issue and start selling the new stamp Sept. 18, 1997.

# New insurance program benefits retired reservists

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Thousands of Retired Reserve policyholder who carry Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance will be affected by a program merger early next year, according to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Legislation signed into law Oct. 9 eliminated the Retired Reserve SGLI program.

Effective Jan. 6, all of these policies will be automatically exchanged for policies under the Veterans' Group Life Insurance (VGLI) program. In addition, for the first time, VGLI will be extended generally to Reservists and National Guard members who decide to separate prior to reaching 20-year retirement.

VA supported these changes to provide Reservists parity with active-duty members, recognizing their important role in national defense.

The eligibility of Reservists for VGLI coverage will benefit the entire VGLI program by expanding the pool of insureds, thus providing downward pressure on premiums.

"We believe these changes to our insurance program are beneficial to both current and future veterans seeking affordable and comprehensive life insurance," said Acting Under Secretary for Benefits Dr. Stephen Lemons.

The expansion of VGLI eligibility is among several insurance program changes under the Veterans Benefits Improvements

Act. It authorizes conversion of VGLI policies to commercial life insurance at any time instead of awaiting the end of every 5-year coverage period, and it allows retired reservists to retain lifetime coverage under VGLI instead of being cut off from coverage at age 61 or when receiving retired pay as was the case with Retired Reserve SGLI.

The new law also changed the name of SGLI from Servicemen's Group Life Insurance to the gender-neutral, Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance.

The upcoming program merger affects an estimated 14,000 retired reservists with \$1 billion in insurance coverage who, in converting to VGLI, will join 350,000 veterans in that program holding about \$29 billion in insurance coverage.

Because VGLI is available only in increments of \$10,000, amounts of insurance may change for those in the Retired Reserve SGLI program whose insured amount is not evenly divisible by \$10,000. They will be notified that their coverage will be automatically rounded up to the next \$10,000 increment unless they contact the Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance to request their coverage be reduced to a lower, evenly divisible amount. Premiums will change correspondingly.

Those members with Retired Reserve SGLI policies that expired because they began receiving retired pay or reached the age

of 61 prior to Oct. 9, 1996, will not be eligible for VGLI.

For those whose policies are converted, in addition to lifetime coverage, benefits will include a longer reinstatement period of five years after a policy has lapsed instead of three, as well as several new premium payment options, notably the use of automatic payments by deductions from VA benefits or retirement checks and an option to take a one-month discount for annual payments.

Reservists with full-time SGLI coverage who will be separating soon and wish to maintain coverage under VGLI may also receive information and application forms from the Office of Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance at (800) 419-1473.

Those in other situations with questions about how they may be affected by the program changes also may call that number for information on SGLI and VGLI policies. The SGLI program primarily is aimed at active-duty servicemembers, who upon discharge may convert to VGLI if they wish to ensure coverage under federal programs is uninterrupted in their new veteran status.

Unaffected by the changes are the 2.6 million veterans covered by VA's National Service Life Insurance and other programs administered by VA.

Questions pertaining to those programs may be directed to (800) 669-8477.



## American Express card can ruin credit and careers

by Cecilia Hagen  
Military Pay Technician

The American Express card is to be used for official TDY expenditures. Only official TDY expenditures claimed on your travel voucher such as food, lodging, and transportation will be reimbursed.

Members on TDY longer than 30 days should file an interim travel voucher for expenses incurred to that point.

This reimbursement would then be used to pay that month's AMEX bill which will continue

to be generated on the normal billing cycle.

The member is responsible for keeping their account current at all times.

American Express accounts that become 60 days delinquent will automatically be suspended.

The cards will remain in a suspended status until the entire account balance is paid, not just the delinquent amount.

Accounts that become 60 days delinquent twice in a 12 month period will be automatically canceled.

If a card is canceled under this process we can request a reinstatement, however AMEX reserves the right to deny reinstatement of the account.

American Express card abuse and delinquency have consequences. AMEX abuse and delinquency may result in a Letter of Counseling, a Letter or Reprimand, administrative demotion, administrative discharge, or an Article 15.

AMEX delinquency will result in non-eligibility for re-enlistment, awards, and promo-



tions.

It is of the utmost importance all 931st members use their AMEX card properly and pay their card obligations in a timely manner. Not doing so will adversely affect your credit rating and your military career.

## Family Care -- Ready to go when you are not

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. - Ready to go anywhere in the world? What about out of this world?

"A phone call to your military personnel flight to check on your personal affairs documents is a must for reservists, whether they are deploying somewhere or reporting for duty in their unit," said Technical Sgt. Kevin Cook, NCO in charge of MPF customer requirements at Headquarters Air Force Reserve.

"That phone call or a trip to your MPF is well worth making. It ensures your family is cared while you're away or if something happens to you."

The Air Force requires two key personal affairs documents - Department of Defense Form 93, Record of Emergency Data, and

Servicemember's Group Life Insurance-SGLV Form 8286, SGLI Election and Certification.

A third form is required for single parents and dual military couples - Air Force Form 357, Family Care Certification.

"DD Form 93 is the main source for identifying and locating your next of kin," explained Cook. "The form also designates who receives your death gratuity and any unpaid pay and allowances. It should be updated immediately if there are changes such as a change in address for next of kin.

You can also use the form to indicate if you do not want someone notified in the event of your death, for example, if your parents are in ill health."

The SGLV Form 8286 specifies

the amount of life insurance and the beneficiaries.

"Most people don't realize that even if you designate another beneficiary in your will, the person listed on the 8286 receives your veteran's insurance benefit.

A will or power of attorney cannot override the 8286," Cook said. "If you are divorced and your ex-spouse is still listed by name on the 8286, your benefits will go to your ex."

The Air Force requires all single parents or dual-military parents to make sure their dependents are cared for during short-term and long-term mobility or training deployments.

"Completing an AF Form 357 includes obtaining a power of attorney, which grants a temporary

caregiver the authority to ensure your dependents' medical, educational and financial welfare," Cook said.

"You should also have a family care plan if your spouse is a civilian with a unique situation, as determined by your commander, which might interfere with the care of your children."

With the ever-increasing Air Force Reserve mission, a complete family care plan is not a good subject for procrastination.

"Wanting to, meaning to, won't mean anything but pain and trial for your family once you're gone," Cook said.

Military personnel flights have more details about updating personal affairs documents. (AFRES News Service)

### REFER A FRIEND !!

There are positions available within the 931st ARG. Help your unit recruit by providing them a name of a friend or have them contact one of their area recruiters listed below.

#### MCCONNELL AFB, KS

MSgt Terry Gosh (316) 652-4350

MSgt Lester Shaw, Jr. (316) 652-3766

#### TINKER AFB, OK

MSgt Al Garza (405) 734-5331

ALYSSA AFB, OK - Lawton, OK

MSgt Larry Giles (405) 357-2784

#### SNEPPARD AFB, TX

MSgt Bob Wright (817) 676-3382

#### MIDWEST CITY, OK

MSgt Linda Smith

TSgt Erick Glick

(405) 733-9483

### 931st changes testing location

Due to a lack of adequate testing facilities, the 931st will no longer provide military testing at Bldg. 1218. However, temporary arrangements have been made.

According to Master Sgt. Pamela Summers, 931st Chief of Education and Training, two locations have been identified on McConnell as test centers.

The two choices 931st personnel have to choose from are: Base Education Office, Bldg. 312, 1st floor, Rm. 100, no later than 8:00 a.m., Mon., Wed., and Friday, or the 22nd Military Personnel Flight test room, Bldg. 795, no later than 1:30 p.m. on Thursday's.

In order for you to take your test at one of these facilities, it is recommended that you contact Master Sgt. Summers at 652-3673 so she can schedule your test and contact the test centers.



## UNIT GET - ONE - PROGRAM

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# FACT SHEET

# United States Air Force

Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, AL 36112-6613

## Degree Programs

- CCAF offers 67 Associate in Applied Science degree programs in five areas.
  - Aircraft and Missile Maintenance (8).
  - Electronics and Telecommunications (8).
  - Allied Health (18).
  - Logistics and Resources (9).
  - Public and Support Services (24).
- Enlisted Personnel:
  - Are admitted upon assignment of an AFSC during basic military training;
  - Are registered in the degree program designed for their career field; and
  - Must complete degree prior to separation, commissioning, or retirement.
- Degree programs require a minimum of 64 semester hours (SH).
  - Physical Education -- 4 SH (satisfied by completion of basic military training).
  - Technical Education -- 24 SH.
    - Satisfied by completion of entry-level and advanced technical courses and skill-level upgrade.
    - May be satisfied with applicable civilian college course work, credit by examination, or certification/licensure
  - General Education -- 15 SH.
    - Satisfied by application of the following course work accepted in transfer from regionally accredited institutions or through testing.
    - Oral Communication -- 3 SH.
    - Written Communication -- 3 SH.
    - Mathematics -- 3 SH.
    - Social Science -- 3 SH.
    - Humanities -- 3 SH.
  - Leadership, Management, and Military Studies -- 6 SH.
    - Preferred method of completion is through attendance at Airman Leadership School, NCO Academy, or the Air Force Senior NCO Academy.
    - Civilian courses that emphasize fundamentals of managing human or materiel resources may also be applicable.
  - Program Elective -- 15 SH (Satisfied by credit from either General Education, LMMS, or Technical Education).
- To graduate, students must hold the five skill level at the time of program completion and have a minimum of 16 semester hours of CCAF credit applied to their degree program.
- A maximum of 30 semester hours of degree-applicable examination credit may be used to satisfy degree requirements.
- Students have six years from date of program admission to complete their degree, or they will be moved to the degree program for their primary AFSC in the most current CCAF catalog.

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