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# Strength from within

908th AW Warriors!

We have come a long way in the two short years I have had the privilege of commanding the best C-130 Tactical Airlift Wing in AFRC! The proud men and women of the 908th AW have a long heritage of being the best and I, for one, would not argue that fact. Since I have been here, the dedication to service, the excellence in all you do and your integrity is embodied in every wingman in the 908th AW. It manifests itself in both the concrete and the abstract. From enlisted development to awards banquets, from deployments to Blue Thunder exercises, from aircraft generation to aircraft nose art ... the vision of the 908th AW cannot be contained, nor will it. Let it spill out among the masses ... let it permeate in all endeavors you can muster ... let it be a testament to you, the heart of this great organization ... the 908th Airlift Wing. Because it is your unbridled vision that will ensure your future ... that will ensure the future of the 908th.

As the 908th AW continues to mature and train its younger wingmen, I cannot express my gratitude to all the families whom entrust us with their loved ones. It cannot be overstated that the family make a warrior a warrior! We simply train you, but your family gives you the strength to endure, to excel, to succeed, to grow, to respect ... the family is at the heart of success and it is because of you and your family that the 908th AW will endure ...

As President Franklin Roosevelt, stated many years ago ... "Be sincere, be brief and be seated." I will certainly do that ... I have been sincere ... you are the best! I have been brief...and now I will take my leave.

Stay safe, proud and stay engaged ...



COL. ADAM WILLIS  
Commander, 908 AW



U.S. Air Force Photo

## COVER PHOTO:

Capt. Steven Marinos, 908th Airlift Wing aircraft commander, participates in a heavy drop exercise during Saber Junction 16, April 5, at Aviano Air Base, Italy.



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# Farewell friends and family

To The Greatest Generation:

The Greatest Generation? Oh yes you are! From day one, and for the last 15 years You, the Reservist and your Guard brethren, have carried the load of this war. YOU have deployed several times leaving family and friends behind, YOU continue to volunteer to go into harm's way, YOU return home and do your very best to assimilate back into a society who simply cannot comprehend what you have seen and done and YOU continue to give this old man confidence that our country will be OK ... there will always be rough spots, but YOU will make sure we prevail.

Just the other day, a co-worker asked me when I was retiring. I told him at the end of April. His reply, "You must be looking forward to not having to get up early and do all that stuff anymore." His comment struck me odd and I stared at him for a minute until replying, "Nothing could be further from the truth. I have never HAD to do anything. I wore the uniform because I wanted to, because I was lucky enough to be a member of the bravest, largest, best trained and most feared fraternity on earth, the United States Military!"

I have loved wearing this uniform; it has given me a sense of purpose, a sense of being. Wearing the uniform is a privilege, shared by less than one percent of the population. Civilians feel a sense of safety and a sense of calm when they see someone wearing a U.S. military uniform. However, it is not the uniform that makes us different; it is the person wearing the uniform. Much like the Core Values, they are not woven into the fabric of your uniform. They are woven into you: the Airman. It is you who must eat, sleep and live the Core Values for them to have any meaning. Like a mailbox, your name is on the outside, but it is what lies within that matters.

My father always said, "If you find something you love to do and can get someone to pay you to do it, you ain't working ... you're living the dream!" Well, I lived the dream! We all volunteered to serve in a job we chose. Not to mention, we get free stuff: travel, training, uniforms, and of course, free vaccinations! On the other hand, our family and friends did not sign up for the dream. They are the ones who stay at home and carry the burden of not knowing exactly what we do or where we are; they are the ones who take care of things while we are gone. They are the ones who pray there will not be a knock at the door. Wearing the uniform, living the dream, is easy; being the family member who waits and prays is the tough part! Make sure you let them know you are where you are because it is their support which enables you to serve.

As you grow older, your inner circle of childhood friends will get smaller and smaller. There will be but a handful,

maybe 5 to 10, you will maintain contact with. They are the ones who will remind you of your youth and what it was like to be completely carefree. Hold them close, protect each other, and never forget your roots. Your core group of military friends and family will continue to grow. There will be many, each having a story for the two of you to relive many times. They will remind

you that you are part of something much bigger than yourself, and you will miss this camaraderie more than you can imagine. Think I am joking? I still run into folks I served with in Germany 40 years ago, as well as Baghdad almost 10 years ago. Take care of each other...your paths will cross again.

Since coming to the 908th AW (then the 908th Tactical Airlift Group) in 1994, I have watched young men and women grow from 18-year old high school graduates to great leaders with children of their own; some are now 908th members! My 17 years with Security Forces and two trips to Iraq made me proud to be a team member of the highly disciplined, in your face, looking for the fight, warriors. You are the best! Thank you for allowing me to wear the beret and badge; you are why I am here.

During my five years in this seat, I have tried to learn from everybody. I have laughed or cried with most of you. The laughing has been about crazy stuff that (had to have) happened, because there is no way someone could have made it up. The crying has been about; well, does it really matter? When we hurt, we want someone to share the pain with, someone we trust, someone who will not judge and someone who will just listen. Take time to listen when others are talking; you might be surprised at what you learn.

I tried to impress upon you the importance of learning your job better than anyone else. We fight our country's wars; this is a dangerous business...it isn't for everybody. Train for war and pray, pray, pray, for peace. Fear nothing!

Be safe and take care of each other...

Gone sailing...



COMMAND CHIEF MASTER  
SGT. OWEN DUKE, SR.

## A MOMENT WITH THE HAPLAIN

MASTER SGT. KELVIN KING

Spring time is upon us. With it, there are many fun outdoor activities in which we can engage. We must remember to add safety to minimize the potential for accidents. Risk management comes into play, no pun intended.

Family and friends are a large part of the outdoor activities which we love: swimming, camping, fishing, and all of the outdoor sports. Let's make sure we do these activities in a fun and safe manner. A lot of accidents happen due to not taking the time to plan the event. We need to make sure we have our equipment in good order and have the necessary equipment to do the task safely.

Along with the spring comes some of the not so welcome pollen from flowers and pine trees. The pollen coats our vehicles with the yellow-green film of dust. The rain is welcomed as it helps clean the air for those who have allergies to breathe more easily.

As the seasons change, we should also want to change for the better and try to improve on relationships and apply the golden rule: treating others as you want to be treated. This is something we all can improve upon.

According to your faith background, there are many ways to draw from it to give you inspiration to tackle the rigors of life. There are times when things can become overwhelming, and focusing on your faith is a way to absorb the stress.

Resiliency is what you want to achieve so that you are able to bounce back from any situation. Maintaining balance between our civilian and military work, and family and spiritual facets of our lives, helps us enjoy life and be a positive role model as a Citizen Airman.

# Service dress inspection *Honoring a tradition*

The 908th Force Support Squadron took part in a blues/service dress inspection March 5. Inspections are an important part of the military tradition that the FSS continues to uphold annually.

This importance of an inspection lies in the fact that it provides an opportunity to demonstrate military professionalism through the open ranks exercise, and is an important part of adhering to AFI 36-2903, "Dress and Appearance of Air Force Personnel," as well as maintaining overall readiness.

"I think that this aspect of drill and ceremony helps keep Airmen grounded in the history and discipline that has made the Air Force great for almost 70 years," said Lt. Col. Darris Edge, Commander, 908th Mission Support Group.

"We are tasked to perform duties in various environments, often with little lead time. We must be committed to meeting that challenge whether it requires ABUs, Blues, physical training uniforms or inclement weather gear. The importance of meeting that objective is a unit priority," Edge said.

The 908th FSS will be out again next year as they continue taking part of this proud tradition.

Dress and Appearance Standards change from time-to-time, which is why it is important to perform dress inspections. Recent updates include:

- Clarification on other services' qualification badges and morale patches
- Added wear of the Friday morale undershirt patches and name tags to Friday, Saturday or Sunday for Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard personnel or during special events

- Added authorization to place officially approved organizational emblems on the front and back of the morale undershirt

- Added guidance that morale undershirt can be worn with the PTU/IPTU on Fridays for active duty personnel and on Friday, Saturday and Sunday for Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard personnel.

- Added security forces shield as an optional item to be worn on the mess dress

- Added fire protection and security forces shield as an optional item for sage green fleece

- Added white athletic style tank top undershirt as an option for open collared blue shirts and provided clarity to athletic style undershirt



**908th Airmen take part in a uniform inspection during the Unit Training Assembly March 5.**



## Updating Civilian Employment Information

Every year, there is a request to complete an update to your Civilian Employment Information (CEI) record. This data helps to protect you in times of mobilization.

According to the CEI site, "The collection of civilian employer information facilitates open communications between the Department of Defense and the civilian employers of Guard and Reserve service members to inform service members and employers of their rights, benefits, and obligations.

Reporting your CEI not only influences your chances of being called to active duty, it is used to determine whether your unit or unit members should be mobilized, as well as to ensure that you aren't on active duty beyond the time the Department of Defense needs you to serve. It also provides NGB Employer Support with information that can make helping you through employment issues much easier..."

Life in the Air Force Reserve can get busy, but you must remember

that this is a mandatory requirement for all of us to do each year. Please update your information each year during your birthday month to ensure your CEI data is updated on an annual basis.

Meeting this requirement enables you to remain current on this vital readiness task.

MPS Customer Service is the POC for this program. If you would like more information on this subject, please stop by or call at 334-953-5522.

## Take charge and manage financial stress

Are you concerned about debt or your financial future? If so, make a plan to take charge of your finances.

You can manage financial stress by identifying its causes and coming up with a plan to manage your money.

•**Pay down debt:** List all of your debts, the minimum monthly payments, the total balances and annual percentage rates. Decide if you want to pay the smaller balances first or focus on the higher interest debts.

•**Start an emergency fund:** Even if it's only \$10 a month, get in the habit of saving money for unexpected expenses. Knowing it's there will give you peace of mind.

•**Prioritize spending:** Top your list with your needs: housing, groceries, transportation, savings. The wants come last. Decide which expenses to eliminate or cut back.

•**Set long-term goals:** Do you want to buy a home, save for college or retirement? Set aside a percentage

of your income. Consider having the money taken directly out of your pay.

Take a moment to look at your finances and know that you have a support system dedicated to helping you with many of your financial situations. If you are eligible for the Military OneSource program, you have year-round access to no-cost financial counseling. Please call Military OneSource for more information.



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# Staying 'flexible' with Exercise Saber Junction

*By Airman 1st Class Cary Smith, 31st Fighter Wing Public Affairs*

**AVIANO AIR BASE, Italy** -- U.S. armed forces and 17 other NATO and European partner nations joined for Exercise Saber Junction 16, March 31 - April 24, 2016, at Hohenfels Training Area, Germany.

The exercise provided more than 5,000 participants the opportunity to conduct land operations in a joint, combined environment and to promote interoperability with participating allied and partner nations.

"Saber Junction 16 is a huge endeavor and a chance for all participating nations to be involved in one of the largest jump exchange exercises ever," said U.S. Army Maj. Andrew Garcia, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion support operations officer. "This is a very impressive group of nations we've formed."

The U.S. Army's 173rd Airborne Brigade hosted the exercise which focused on large, multi-national airborne jumps and heavy equipment drops on multiple landing zones. Each coordinated effort allows the partners to connect -- personally, professionally, technically and tactically -- to build stronger, more capable forces.

"Saber Junction 16 allows us to work on our international coordination and communication so we can have a greater presence in the air and on the ground," said Garcia.

NATO and European partners decided to stage their strategic presence in the largest concentration of U.S. allies and partners in the world.

"Once everyone arrived here we jumped into the heart of the exercise," said U.S. Army 173rd BSB Command Sgt. Maj. Todd Burke. "We got to work closely with our allies and identify one another's capabilities in order to find any holes in our plans."

No nation can confront today's challenges alone; Saber Junction 16 demonstrates the United States' resolve to stand side-by-side its NATO and European partner nations. Like any real-world contingency, U.S. Army paratroopers depend on a solid partnership with the U.S. Air Force to provide precise movement in the air.

"Mobility Air Forces are fully capable of conducting joint, combined operations across the full spectrum of conven-



**NATO service members prepare for a jump exchange prior to Saber Junction 16 at Aviano Air Base, Italy, April 5. The exercise involved the 173rd Airborne Brigade and 16 allied and European nations conducting land operations in a joint, combined environment and to promote interoperability with participating nations. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Areca T. Bell)**



**A C-130 Hercules from the 908th Airlift Wing drops paratroopers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade, Italian Folgore Brigade and U.K.'s 16th Air Assault Brigade to conduct airborne operations on the Maneuver Rights Area near Hohenfels, Germany during exercise Saber Junction 16. (U.S. Army photo by Gertrud Zach)**

tional, unconventional and hybrid warfare,” said Col. Stephen Hodge, 317th Airlift Group commander. “Exercises such as Saber Junction are great opportunities for our mobility team – from planners to aerial porters to aircrews -- to demonstrate this capability.”

A large part of the flying force came from U.S. Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard units. The flightline was lined with C-130 Hercules and C-17 Globemaster III, filled with paratroopers and cargo.

“This is what we train for, to see everything come into place on a scale this big,” said U.S. Air Force Capt. Steven Marinos, 908th Airlift Wing aircraft commander. “Saber Junction 16 is an affirmation of what we do as pilots. To coordinate with other units and international partners makes every action more important and critical.”

Marinos added that each jump and drop has its own unique set of challenges and requires every participant to do their part to the best of their ability.

“The key to this whole exercise has been to stay flexible,” said Marinos. “We have an idea of what we intend to accomplish and how to carry that intent through. At the end of the day, sometimes you just have to be able to roll with the changes, adapt and figure out the best solution.”



**Senior Airman Kyle Nagamatsu, load master, 357th Airlift Squadron, 908th Airlift Wing, participates in a heavy drop exercise during Saber Junction 16. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Cary Smith)**

## Celebrating our Guardians of Freedom

On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army, Navy and Air Force Days. The single-day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under one department – the Department of Defense.

In a speech announcing the formation of the day, President Harry Truman “praised the work of the military services at home and across the seas” and said, “it is vital to the security of the nation and to the establishment of a desirable peace.”

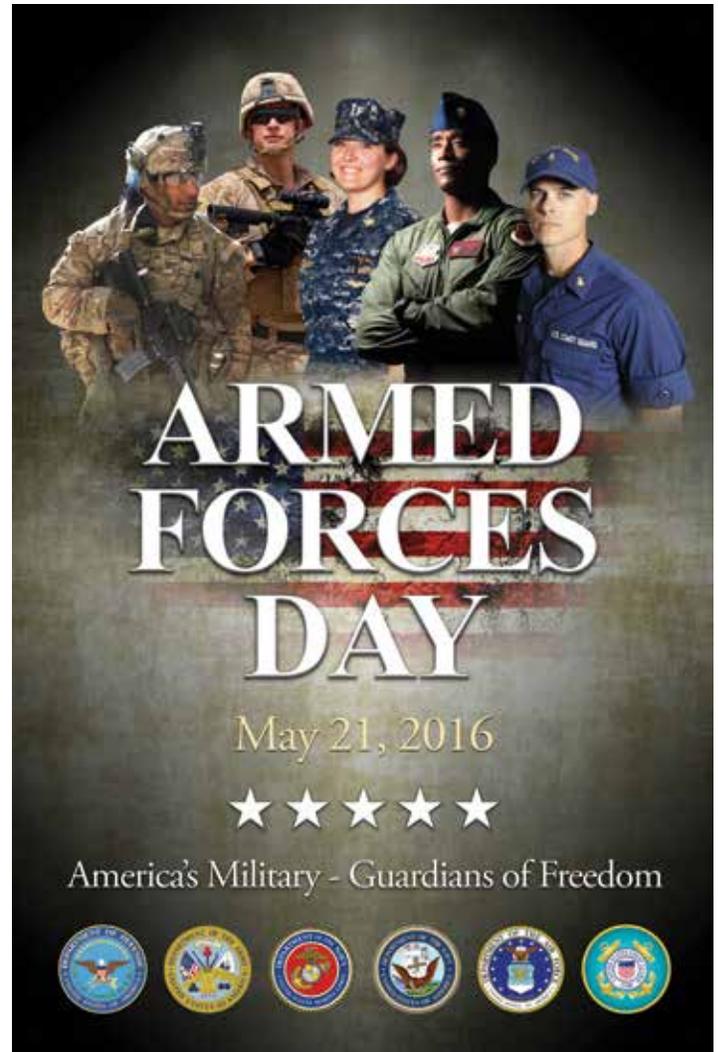
In an excerpt from the Presidential Proclamation of Feb. 27, 1950, Truman stated: “Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 20, 1950, marks the first combined demonstration by America’s defense team of its progress, under the National Security Act, towards the goal of readiness for any eventuality. It is the first parade of preparedness by the unified forces of our land, sea, and air defense”.

The theme of the first Armed Forces Day was “Teamed for Defense.” It was chosen as a means of expressing the unification of all the military forces under a single department of the government. There were several other purposes for holding Armed Forces Day. It was a type of “educational program for civilians,” one in which there would be an increased awareness of the Armed Forces. It was designed to expand public understanding of what type of job is performed and the role of the military in civilian life. It was a day for the military to show “state-of-the-art” equipment to the civilian population they were protecting. And it was a day to honor and acknowledge the people of the Armed Forces of the United States.

According to a New York Times article published on May 17, 1952: “This is the day on which we have the welcome opportunity to pay special tribute to the men and women of the Armed Forces ... to all the individuals who are in the service of their country all over the world. Armed Forces Day won’t be a matter of parades and receptions for a good many of them. They will all be in line of duty and some of them may give their lives in that duty.

“It is our most earnest hope that those who are in positions of peril, that those who have made exceptional sacrifices, yes, and those who are afflicted with plain drudgery and boredom, may somehow know that we hold them in exceptional esteem. Perhaps if we are a little more conscious of our debt of honored affection they may be a little more aware of how much we think of them.”

Armed Forces Day is celebrated annually on the third Saturday of May. Armed Forces Week begins on the second Saturday of May and ends on the third Sunday of May.



## Memorial Day

Memorial Day commemorates the men and women who died while in military service, and is held on the last Monday in May, which will be May 30. A national moment of remembrance takes place at 3 p.m. local time.



*The muffled drum's sad roll has beat  
The soldier's last tattoo;  
No more on Life's parade shall meet  
That brave and fallen few.  
On fame's eternal camping ground  
Their silent tents to spread,  
And glory guards, with solemn round  
The bivouac of the dead.*

Excerpt from *Bivouac of the Dead* by Theodore O'Hara

# STEM Camp builds confidence

STEM, or Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, is all the rage. So much so that the Air Force's Child and Youth Programs has created STEM Camp, one of which is sponsored by Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., this summer in order to teach children how to create technology.

The week-long program from June 27 to July 1 will be held at 4-H Camp Timpoochee, Niceville, Fla., will introduce youth entering 7th to 11th grades programs related to propulsion (airplanes, rockets, and engines), robotics, and water dynamics.

The program teaches the value of "Design Thinking" building confidence with technology through problem solving and hands-on learning.

Applications are due by May 24 for dependents of Active Duty military (assigned to working or living on an Airforce Led / Joint Installation), Air Force retired military, Air Force civilian employees, Air National Guard, or Air Force Reserve.

Youth commuting from the local area are asked to arrive at camp on June 26 prior to 5 p.m., while those traveling from the outside area by plane need to arrive at the airport by 3 p.m. Unaccompanied minors will be met by an Eglin Youth Programs representative at the airport.

For the week-long camp, youth will stay in climate controlled bunk houses which include showers and restrooms that will be monitored by Youth Programs staff. Attendees, however, will need to provide their own pillows, sheets, towels, and blankets.

Students should bring ID cards (and carried at all times), and toiletries, such as deodorant, shampoo, and sunscreen. Temperatures in Florida will be hot and humid in late June, so appropriate dress includes shorts and t-shirts, and partici-

pants should bring sufficient clothes for five-plus days of activities, to include a swimsuit.

Additional suggested items include a camera, sunglasses, athletic shoes, rain jacket, and Chap Stick.

Lodging and meal costs are centrally funded beginning with dinner on June 26. Spending money during travel and miscellaneous expenses are the responsibility of the participant. It is recommended that at least \$35 is brought. There will be off-site excursions to the Air Force Museum, Air Force Research Lab and Flight Simulator.

Airfare and other travel costs are the responsibility of the attendee. If possible, parents should pay baggage fees in advance for airline return trips.

Applications are due by May 24, and notifications of selection will be made by June 2.

There are six other STEM camps this summer at Joint Base Andrews, Md., San Antonio, Texas, Hill Air Force Base, Utah, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., and Ramstein Air Base, Germany. Each camp will have a different focus.



**Judges ask children to explain how their projects can help keep a simulated oil spill contained during a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Camp at Buckley Air Force Base, Colo., March 31. (U.S. Air Force photo by Airman 1st Class Luke W. Nowakowski)**

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## New to the 908th

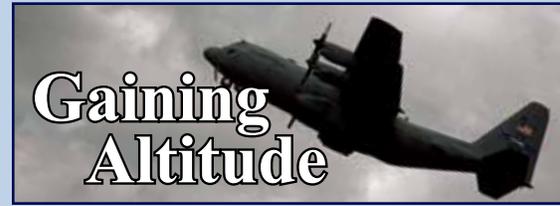
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## Preparing to Disembark

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## Gaining Altitude



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### 2016 NCO Induction Ceremony

Date: June 4  
 Time: 2 p.m.  
 Location: TBA



*For 2016 newly promoted staff sergeants.*

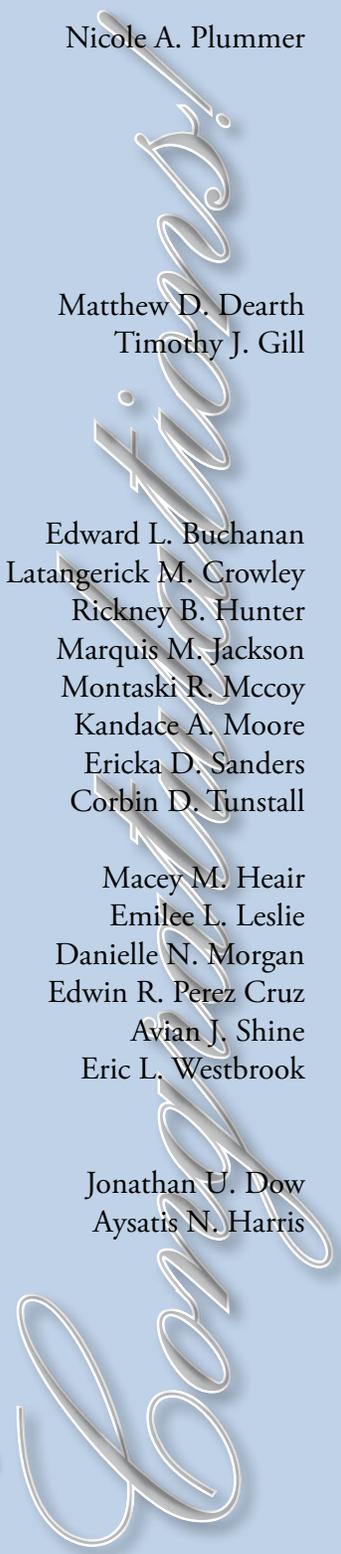
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- \* Make reservations, cancellations or changes at least **48 hours** prior to your arrival.
- \* Maxwell Toll-Free **1 (800) 673-9356**  
Direct **(334) 953-8557/8558**
- \* Input your unit authorization code  
(Given by unit's First Sergeant)
- \* Dial **953-8557 or 953-8558**
- \* Upon request, input USER ID
- \* Upon request, input PIN number, then "#."  
PIN is assigned during Newcomers. **If not known, contact 908th Services.**
- \* Make, change, cancel, check reservation  
Reservation: input arrival date followed by departure date, then type [ADT, IDT, or both (ADT: Annual Tour, Mandays, Special Tour) (IDT: UTA, AFTP, RMP, Make-up UTA). UTA is IDT.]  
> ADT only? Call Lodging: **(334) 953-6133**
- \* If a scheduled UTA weekend, system will tell you where you will be staying

## Questions?

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(334) 953-1690, option 1

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## Checkout time:

No time to go to the front desk, or phone charge? Drop the keys in the drop box in Bldg 682 (Main Lodging) for your convenience.

DO NOT USE this box if you have charges on your bill.

**In accordance with AFI 34-246 smoking is prohibited in lodging rooms. You may be charged a minimum of \$50 for cleaning for violating this AFI.**

## UTAs FY16

May 14-15  
June 4-5  
July 9-10

Aug. 6-7  
Sept. 10-11

## UTAs FY17

Oct. 1-2  
Nov. 5-6  
Dec. 3-4  
Jan. 7-8  
Feb. 11-12  
March 4-5

April 1-2  
May 6-7  
June 3-4  
July 8-9  
Aug. 5-6  
Sept. 9-10

## 908TH UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLY

# May

Start	End	Event	Location/OPR
<b>Friday, May 13, 2016</b>			
1500	TBD	Commander's Staff Meeting	Bldg 1056/Wing Conf Rm
1700	TBD	First Sergeants' Meeting	Holiday Inn Express, Prattville
<b>Saturday, May 14, 2016</b>			
0600	TBD	Fit to Fight Testing Session One	HAWC
0730	0800	** Sign In **	Orderly Room
0900	TBD	Fit To Fight Testing Session Two	HAWC
0800	1030	Newcomer's MPS Inprocessing	Bldg 1056/Classroom
0800	1100	Lab work/DNA/HIV/Blood testing	Bldg 760/Lab
0800	1530	Physicals	Bldg 760/Floor 1
0830	1530	Immunizations	Bldg 760/Floor 1
0900	1000	Chief Duke Retirement	Boyd Auditorium/OTS
0900	1000	UDM Meeting	Bldg 848/CF Classroom
0900	1000	Fitness for duty (DD 689 & Fitness Letter)	Bldg 760/Floor 1
0900	1000	First Duty Station Briefing	Bldg 1056/Classroom
0900	1000	SAPM Training	Bldg 1056/CC Conf Room
0930	1000	TDY/PCS Outprocessing	Bldg 1056/Rm 111/DPMSA
1230	1530	CDC Testing	Bldg 903/FSDE
1330	1400	Fitness for Duty (DD 689 & Fitness Letter)	Bldg 760/Floor 1
<b>Sunday, May 15, 2016</b>			
0600	TBD	Fit To Fight Testing Session One	HAWC
0630	0700	Sign In	Orderly Room
0900	TBD	Fit To Fight Testing Session Two	HAWC
1300	1400	3S2 Training/Wing Training	Bldg 903
1300	1500	3D Comm Element Training	Bldg 848
1300	1400	3D0X1 Knowledge Operation Training	Bldg 1056
1600	-	Sign Out	Orderly Room

## Support functions' schedule

Activity	Dates & hours of operation	Location/Ext.
Newcomers' Trg FLT	Sat 0730-1700	Bldg 1056/Rm 101
MPS Customer Svc	Sat 1300-1700 / Sun 0700-1300 M-F 0900-1600 (Closed 1300-1600 every Wed except drill week)	Bldg 1056/3-5522
Reserve Pay	MTTFH 0800-1600 / Wed 0800-1200 Sat 0900-1600 / Sun 1230-1500	Bldg 1056/3-6722
Fitness For Duty	Sat 0900-1000 ** Bring DD Form 689 & Fitness Letter **	Bldg 760 2nd Floor/ 3-5714
Medical Records	Sat 0800-1500 / Closed Sun	Bldg 760 2nd Floor/ 3-5714
Individual Equipment		Bldg 1154/3-6020
Clothing Sales	Sat 0900-1500	Bldg 851/3-7505
Restricted Area Badge	M-F 0730-1600	Bldg 502/3-4283
Geneva Conv Cards	M-F 0730-1600	Bldg 502/3-4283
Dining Hall	Breakfast: 0600-0800 Brunch: 1030-1300 Dinner: 1600-1800	Bldg 668/3-5127
Lodging Office		Bldg 682 /240-5600
Photo Lab	M-F 0730-1630 / Sun 1300-1500	Bldg 926/3-7981
Comm Help Desk	Sat 0800-1600 / Sun 1300-1500	

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**908th Airlift Wing bowling team received first place for having the most participants during the 9th Annual STRIKE OUT Sexual Assault Bowl-a-thon at the Maxwell Bowling Center, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. A total of 39,751 pins were knocked down over the event, hosted by the 42d Force Support Squadron on April 12.**



**Mark Herndon, former drummer for the band Alabama, talks to Master Sgt. Tom Duke, crew chief, 908th Air Maintenance Squadron, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. Herndon, who flies commercial jets out of Birmingham, Ala., talks to Duke about the C-130's flight capabilities while sitting in the aircraft commander's seat in the aircraft's flight deck (U.S. Air Force photo by Andrew Stamer)**



**Col. Adam Willis, commander, 908th Airlift Wing, talks with Congresswoman Martha Roby during a recent trip to Washington, D.C. (U.S. Air Force photo by Lt. Col. Jerry Lobb)**