



Return to Dogpatch

Westover gets back to ATSO and attack response training page 9

Airmen train in the JSLIST chemical warfare defense ensemble at the Westover readiness building to prepare for the May mobility exercise. (photo by Staff Sgt. Brian Boynton)

This funded, Air Force newspaper is an authorized publication for members of the U.S. military services. Contents of the **PATRIOT** are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. Government, the Department of Defense, or the Department of the Air Force. The content is edited, prepared and provided by the 439th Airlift Wing Public Affairs Office, Westover Air Reserve Base. All photographs are Air Force photographs unless otherwise indicated.

439Patriot.Editor@
westover.af.mil
(413) 557-3500
www.westover.afrc.af.mil

439TH AIRLIFT WING COMMANDER
Brig. Gen. Wade Farris

CHIEF OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
Maj. Jennifer Christovich

WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICERS
Maj. Wilson Camelo
Capt. Justin Manna

NCOIC
Senior Master Sgt. Sandi Michon

ILLUSTRATOR / PHOTO EDITOR
Master Sgt. W.C. Pope

AIR RESERVE TECHNICIAN / EDITOR
Tech. Sgt. Andrew Biscoe

ASSOCIATE EDITOR
Senior Airman Michael Lanza

STAFF
Staff Sgt. Brian Boynton
Staff Sgt. Hueming Mui
Staff Sgt. Timothy Huffman

ADMINISTRATION
Senior Airman Julie Novak
Evan Powers

Briefs | **pg. 3**

Active-duty arrival | **pg. 4**

Above All | **pg. 5**

Caring at home | **pg. 6**

Mobility exercise | **pg. 9**

Patriot Puns | **pg. 11**

Window seat | **pg. 12**



CONDOR REDOUBT >> Westover reservists, wearing chemical warfare defense ensembles, pre-flight a Patriot Wing C-123 Provider near the Dogpatch training area in August 1981 during Condor Redoubt. This was one of the largest Air Force Reserve exercises held at the base, with some 200 aircraft and 2,000 reservists participating. (Courtesy photo)

EDITORIAL | So ... what's your story?



Chief Skawski

The March Commander's Call announcements recognizing our Airmen were a great start to this year – congratulations to all the recent award winners!

We continue to prove we are the Team of Choice and a culture of excellence.

Recognition is an important part in any career, both in the Air Force and in your civilian jobs. The recent Organizational Safety Assessment highlighted this subject as well.

How do you like to be recognized? What is recognition? Is it someone being recognized for doing something well? There are many answers to that question. Money is probably at the top of your list, but there are many other ways – awards, promotions both in job responsibility and rank, a pat on the back or a thank you – these are all great forms of recognition.

I see or hear about Airmen accomplishing great things almost daily, during this time of high operational tempo and deployments. I had

a chance to hear about what our Airmen were doing throughout the command recently. In March, I joined several other Westover chiefs at the Air Force Reserve Command Outstanding Airman of the Year for 2007 ceremony.

We met this year's nominees and had a chance to hear their stories of accomplishments. These are the best of the best from across the command: Airman, NCO, senior NCO, and first sergeants. The winners announced last month advanced to tell their story at the Air Force level -- what an opportunity to do so. They all had a story to tell, and the Air Force recognized them for that story.

What makes up that story? Things like professional and career education, jobs held, specific accomplishments, deployments, awards and decorations -- that sounds like a career. A lot of your story is your career, how you track it, and whether you know the tools available to find specific information about you and your career.

How would you describe your career – what is your story? Can you provide your supervisor details of your career or recent accomplishments? The greatest challenge for anyone is to tell their story with enough detail to be meaningful.

Why do you need to tell your story? Your career

is something to be proud of, so tell people about it. You may be applying for a new position; you want to tell your story.

Please join me for the second annual Enlisted Careers Workshop in the wing conference center from June 8-10.

Last year's workshop provided information on many facets of the military career. Ask anyone who attended. It was apparent by the feedback received that this was one event everyone should attend. Airmen reviewed their retirement points, learned to write bullets statements – an important skill when writing EPRs, awards and decoration packages. This year is shaping up to provide more direction to you on your career. I look forward to seeing many of you at the workshop. Please come and learn how you can further your career and be recognized for the outstanding contributions you make to the Air Force Reserve.

Who knows? Maybe some day you could tell your story and be the next Air Force Outstanding Airman of the Year.

**Chief Master Sgt.
Zigmund D. Skawski
439th Airlift Wing Command Chief**

BRIEFS |

Family health plan

The US Family Health Plan is a TRICARE Prime option available to families of active-duty military—including families of National Guard and Reserves activated for more than 30 days. For more information, call retired Senior Master Sgt. Frank Ludwig, health plan field representative, at (781) 771-4866.

The health plan's web site is www.usfamilyhealthplan.org.

History catalog

The 439th Airlift Wing Historian's Office has a catalog of historical Air Force information available for Reservists.

The office is in Bldg. 1850 (wing headquarters).

For more information, call Ext. 2075.

Enlisted Workshop planned for June

The second annual enlisted workshop is scheduled for June 8-10 at the Westover Conference Center. It will begin at 1 p.m. on the Sunday of the June A UTA and wraps up at the end of the duty day June 10.

"As with last year, our theme is 'I am an Airman,' and our sub-theme is 'Here's My Story,'" said Chief Master Sgt. Kathy Wood. "Our goal is to help you make the most out of your career as an enlisted Airman." Topics covered in the workshop will include writing, understanding their training records, their financial credit, and much more." This is a Human Resource Development Council (HRDC) initiative.

Airmen interested in attending should sign up through their first sergeants. For more information, call Chief Wood at Ext. 2876.

ESGR Bosslift planned for May 9

An Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Bosslift swap will take place May 9 at Westover and in Bangor, Maine. Massachusetts ESGR members and bosses with travel to Maine aboard a C-5, while Maine ESGR representatives and bosses fly to Westover on an Air National Guard KC-135.

"Bosslift is an opportunity to garner support from high-level chief executive officers, presidents, public relations directors -- that's the level of employer we target," said ESGR representative Joseph Ryan. Reservists interested in nominating their employers can contact Mr. Ryan at (508) 233-7249 or e-mail, joseph.ryan@us.army.mil

ARTS in uniform

Uniforms are mandatory for air reserve technicians as of May 1, although they should begin to wear them as of April 1.

All ARTs should wear their uniforms for the Staff Assistance Visit taking place March 31 to April 7.

Quarterly awards

Fiscal 2008 second quarter winners from the wing are:

Airman: Senior Airman Christopher Cardella, 439th Security Forces Squadron

NCO: Tech. Sgt. Steven Bryant, 337th Airlift Squadron

Senior NCO: Master Sgt. Paul Cyr, 439th SFS

Company Grade Officer: Capt. Corey Aiken, 337th AS

Civilian: Christopher Pandolfi, 439th SFS



WING WORKER >> Tech. Sgt. Christopher W. Davis, 439th Maintenance Squadron, works on the wing of a C-5 parked inside the isochronal (ISO) dock. Ten active-duty Airmen began arriving at Westover in February and March, where they work alongside the reservists. Eventually, about 30 of the new Airmen will staff the ISO dock with the reservists. (photo by Master Sgt. W.C. Pope)

Active-duty maintenance Airmen join ISO Reservists

by Tech. Sgt. Andrew Biscoe

About 10 active-duty Airmen began arriving at Westover in February and March to join the isochronal inspection staff in the 439th Maintenance Squadron.

The Airmen, most of who volunteered to come to Westover and work in the ISO area, are coming from active-duty bases such as Pope Air Force Base, N.C., and Travis AFB, Calif. The ISO area is where all in-depth maintenance takes place on the C-5s.

In all, 30 active-duty Airmen will work in the ISO dock. They settled into Westover with a series of briefings explaining the base and its organizational structure. Similar to the newcomers' briefings held on the UTAs, the briefings included base housing, services, TRICARE, finance, and public affairs.

Staff Sgt. James Klemmer, a 12-year Air Force veteran, said he already feels welcome in an environment he said is "completely different" than at his previous active-duty bases.

"The people that sponsored me here are the best sponsors I have had in my career," Sergeant Klemmer said. Originally from West Branch, Mich., he is used to the colder climate in Massachusetts.

"I love this area, and especially the history," he said.

Administratively, Sergeant Klemmer and the other active-duty Airmen report to the 436th Airlift Wing assigned to Dover AFB, Del. The Airmen are part of a geographically-separated unit with the Dover wing.

The arrival of the Airmen signals a new era for Westover C-5 maintenance operations.

Air Force officials announced in December 2006 Westover's selection as one-of-three (active-duty, guard, and Reserve) new centers for in-depth maintenance on all Air Force C-5s. The Air Force is consolidating the eight existing C-5 isochronal inspection facilities into three in order to increase aircraft availability while cutting support costs, Air Mobility Command officials said.

Isochronal inspections are thorough examinations of the entire aircraft. During these ISO inspections, aircraft maintainers look for and repair problems in every system, from nose-to-tail and wingtip-to-wingtip.

Sergeant Klemmer and his wife and daughter live in base housing just outside the James Street gate.

"I can't wait to start out and learn some new challenges," he said.

Air Force brings in new 'Above All'

**by Staff Sgt. J.G. Buzanowski
Secretary of the Air Force Public
Affairs**

WASHINGTON (AFPN) -- The Air Force has a new advertising campaign to recruit the next generation of Airmen as well as better inform people about the Air Force mission:

"Above All."

"The new slogan is admittedly a bold one," said Col. Michael Caldwell, deputy director of Air Force public affairs, "but so are Airmen." This campaign accurately portrays Airmen and how they're executing the Air Force mission to ensure the security and safety of America now and in the future.

"Above All' is about what we do and how we do it," Colonel Caldwell said. "The job of the Air Force is to defend America and we do that by dominating air, space and cyberspace. The new campaign and slogan captures our roots, but also illustrates where we're going as a service as the Air Force prepares to contend with future threats."

The purpose of the campaign is to create a dialogue with potential recruits, their parents and those most likely to influence young people to join the military about the critical role the Air Force plays in defending America's future, said Colonel Caldwell.

The "Above All" campaign kicks off this month and will be prominent on television, in print and, of course, in cyberspace. In addition to being shown at several sporting events, "Above All" ads will be seen in magazines and during commercial breaks on many top-rated commercial and television news and entertainment programs, Colonel Caldwell said.

The campaign will feature real Airmen performing their missions, like Staff Sgt. Lee Jones from Barksdale Air Force Base, La. He's featured prominently in the cam-

paigned as a warrior on the front lines of the Air Force's newest warfighting domain, cyberspace.

"I'm excited to be a part of this and to represent the Air Force this way," said Sergeant Jones, a computer systems operator and cyberwarrior. "Above All' is a great slogan because it says how we shine in what we do to defend our nation and accomplish our mission."

The Above All slogan was chosen over several other phrases as the best description of the Air Force mission, Colonel Caldwell said.

"From all the research we did about how people feel about the Air Force - including civilians, Airmen and representatives from other services - this was the phrase that stood out the most," said Colonel Caldwell. "This campaign captures the professionalism of our Airmen, our technological edge and our ability to meet today's threats while at the same time prepare for future challenges."

"When anyone in our Air Force family sees an 'Above All' ad, we hope it reminds them that their role is important to America," Colonel Caldwell said. "This campaign makes it clear the Air Force's mission 'Above All' is national defense and protecting the American people."

You can view the latest "Above All" ad on airforce.com.

Airmen can find more information about the "Above All" ad campaign by logging on to the Air Force Portal, a restricted site for Airmen. Featured there is a special video that tells more about the campaign. Westover reservists interested in seeing the video while at the base can click on the local base Y drive.

For more information, call the 439th Airlift Wing Public Affairs Office at Ext. 2020.

Fitness tip corner

Some reservists may not know that just one push-up can make the difference when it comes to passing or failing the Air Force fitness tests.

For reservists wanting to know exactly how fast they need to run the Base Ellipse, or squeeze out that last crunch or push-up, the scores -- arranged by age groups -- are available on line through the Air Force Portal. The web site for the portal is:

www.my.af.mil/gcss-af

Most Patriot Wing fitness tests will begin on the April A UTA, said Lt. Col. Patrick S. Ryan, 439th Mission Support Group deputy commander and wing fitness program coordinator. Keeping New England's warm summer weather in mind, units hold most of the tests in May and June and September and October, he said.

Colonel Ryan oversees Operation Finish Line, held each A UTA, which helps reservists pass their PT tests. As for those reservists who may doubt themselves when it comes time for the PT tests, the colonel cited "mind over matter."

"Always remember the mental part of physical fitness," he said. "Think about maximizing your points in the areas that you can easily improve." As an example, for those people who have relative ease with push-ups and sit-ups, practicing a few more of each can help push your score that much closer to passing. "A lot of times I think people experience mental failure, not a physical failure," he said.

Reservists with questions should contact their unit fitness monitors or first sergeants.



"Having both my husband and son deployed at the same time... taking care of my son's hyper-puppy."

**Sherry Page,
wife of
Master Sgt. David
Page**



"Doing okay... having total control of the remote and get a break from the military and History Channel..."

**Elizabeth McCauslin,
wife of Master Sgt.
Steven McCauslin**



"Hardest part is sleeping alone... I worry about her and check for new e-mails at 3 a.m."

**Master Sgt. David
Steiner, husband of
Master Sgt.
Georgiana Steiner**

TROOP TALK | What is the biggest challenge during a deployment?



We are family

58th APS admin NCO takes care of her own

PERSONAL TOUR

Tech. Sgt. Donna J. Miranda, 58th Aerial Port Squadron administration superintendent, shows off an impressive piece of the aerial port squadron equipment to the children of recently deployed Tech. Sgt. Charles Allen. (photo by Maj. Jennifer Christovich)



by Senior Master Sgt.
Sandi Michon

Even though Tech. Sgt. Donna J. Miranda has only two kids, she would have to rent a banquet facility to have a family dinner.

As 58th Aerial Port administration superintendent, her “family” includes almost 130 unit members and their families – especially the families of the 60 or so reservists currently deployed to Afghanistan.

“I’ve been there, done that – and know how hard it can be,” said Sergeant Miranda. Shortly after 9/11, she found herself juggling her military job and two young children when her husband was deployed. During that time, she worked on base, lived close by, and had unit members to help with the many issues that crop up during deployments.

“Many families don’t have that kind of support.”

“It’s payback time,” said the 21-year Air Force veteran, “but I’m also having a lot of fun.”

What she calls fun includes weekly family e-mails with deployment details, photos, and information on resources they might find helpful. She is the “go-to gal” for answers on dependent care, medical issues, finances, orders, and even resources to get driveways plowed.

In February, she spent part of a weekend in New Hampshire and another in New York meeting with families of deployed Reservists, giving them a chance to meet each other to exchange stories and ideas. They met for dinner at an area restaurant.

FEATURE



REMOTE CONNECTION >> Master Sgt. Georgiana Steiner flips through some family photos while deployed to Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan. Sergeant Steiner is a air transportation craftsman with the 58th Aerial Port Squadron. Her husband and fellow 58th aerial porter, Master Sgt. David Steiner, is doubling as Mr. Mom until she returns. (photo by Master Sgt. Demetrius Lester)

Conversations showed the deployment challenges are as different as the families themselves. One spouse is coping with a newborn while her husband is away and the outing gave her a chance to talk to adults for a change.

At the New York gathering, Master Sgt David Steiner offered a unique perspective. He has deployed frequently, but this time his wife is deployed, and he is home with their three daughters.

"I've now been on both sides of deployment. I think it helped to talk with the other families," said the 19-year veteran with the 58th. He says the hardest part for him right now is sleeping at night. He worries about his wife and is up during the night checking for new e-mails.

"It's a comfort that the same people that he was struggling..." Emerging from the memory, she said, "I'm happy to return the favor."

While challenges abound, so does laughter. "We had planned a movie after the dinner, but we were having so much fun, we

ditched the movie," said the family-friendly sergeant.

"I had a great time! It was definitely good to meet other wives in the area," said Karin Overly, and added that another spouse was going to show her a military exchange closer to home.

Sergeant Miranda coordinated help for another wife struggling with the challenges of keeping a sheep farm running smoothly while her husband is deployed. Another woman needed help as she navigated through Tricare to try to get a broken dental crown repaired. Sergeant Miranda has hand-carried military orders to families, and recently had to contact the family of a deployed reservist who was flown to Germany with a knee injury.

Massachusetts and Connecticut families are on the agenda for March. One of the deployed reservist's spouse works at a Connecticut zoo and Sergeant Miranda is opening the event to all families. They also created care packages for the troops with the Airmen and Family Readiness section.

Sergeant Miranda's commander, Lt. Col. Richard M. Cockley is also deployed and sees her efforts firsthand.

"The fact that our Airmen know their loved ones are being cared for is a huge motivator. It allows them to focus 100 percent on the challenging job of supporting the war effort at Bagram," he said. "We appreciate her efforts."

"I have never seen anyone go above and beyond as Donna has," said Kim Farris, wife of Brig. Gen Wade Farris, and chairperson of the Key Family Member Program founded at Westover four years ago.

"It's awesome. She's connecting families with each other to help them solve each other's problems," said Mrs. Farris.

Although the 58th administrator coordinates and attends events on her own time and dime, she thinks she is the one that benefits most.

Knowing Sergeant Miranda, she just might coordinate a family dinner – once all the "kids" are home.

Patriot Wing returns to Dogpatch for readiness exercise

by Tech. Sgt. Andrew Biscoe

About 180 reservists will take part in a mobility exercise on the May A UTA at the Dogpatch training area at Westover to hone their readiness skills.

Technicians will log nearly 200 more Airmen into the wing logistics system as part of the two-day exercise, which comes almost two years after the August 2006 Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI). The ORI involved about 400 Patriot Wing members who deployed to the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center in northern Michigan for a week.

"The Air Force requires these exercises once every 20 months within the Air Expeditionary Force cycle," said Senior Master Sgt. Ronald G. Chevalier, plans superintendent with the 439th Logistics Readiness Squadron. Westover's AEF involvement begins in September, when Patriot Wing units are in the "bucket" of availability to support active-duty Air Force units' commitments across the world.

To bring some of the skills necessary to pass the ORI back into focus, May's exercise will center on the Reservists' attack response using ability to survive and operate (ATSO) skills. The exercise will span four days. Most of the training will take place on the weekend itself. "We'll kick it off Thursday and cargo will get marshaled Friday onto a C-5," Sergeant Chevalier said.

Mobility exercises such as this help Airmen like Staff Sgt. Anthony D. Marlak better prepare for deployments. A ramp services specialist with the 42nd Aerial Port Squadron, Sergeant Marlak has deployed to Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan during his seven years at Westover.

"It's hands-on training," he said. "This training is a definite positive thing – it's good preparation."

Staff Sgt. Richard Ohrenberger is another 42nd APS veteran of deployments. He said less experienced Airmen can learn quickly about the importance of attention to detail. "You need to pay attention to things," he said. "Newer troops need to understand the importance of this training. We've had less experienced folks who haven't spun up as fast. They had to catch up, and they did."

The exercise is scheduled to end by noon on Sunday, May 4.

Training available online to help prepare

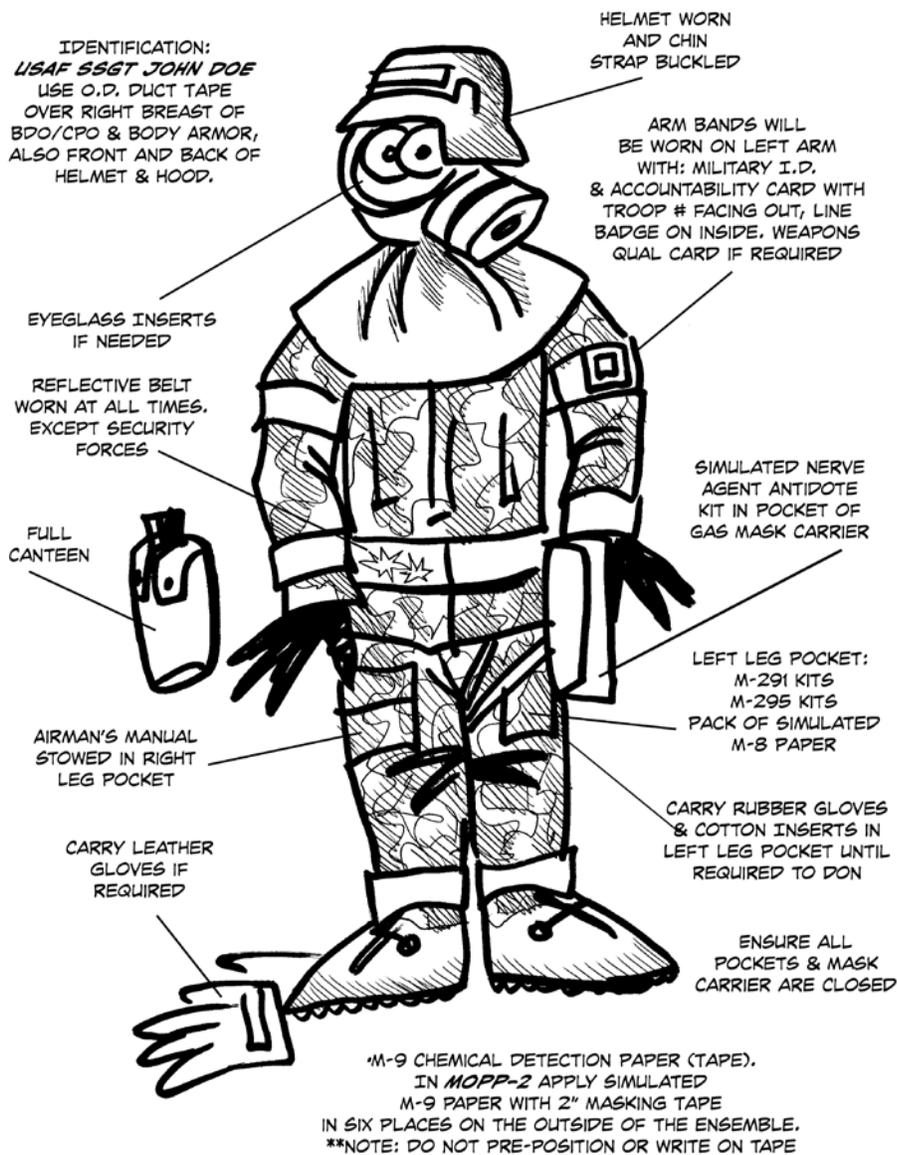
Self-aid and buddy care is available through the Air Force Portal. Log onto www.my.af.mil for the portal or click on <https://golearn.csd.disa.mil>

For chemical, biological, radiological/

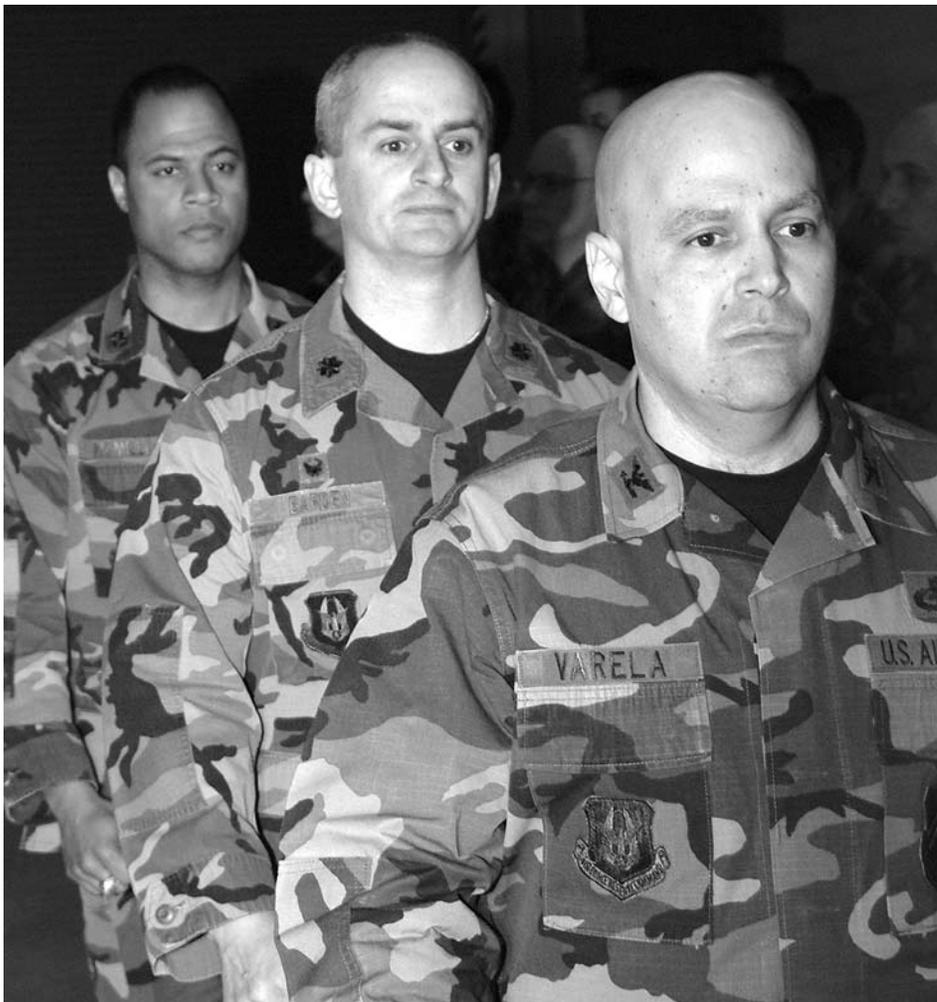
nuclear and explosive (CBRNE) training, Reservists can go onto the base Y drive, and click on the readiness folder.

More information is available through unit training managers.

WESTOVER SUPER TROOP



WESTOVER SUPER TROOP >> The always-ready super troop has the Airman's Manual in hand and is prepared for any of the mission-oriented protection postures (MOPPs). Evaluators will watch these ability to survive and operate (ATSO) skills closely during the May exercise, which will be held in the Dogpatch training area at Westover. (art by Master Sgt. W.C. Pope)



BEGINNING OF MARCH >> Col. Oreste Varela, commander of the 439th Maintenance Group, leads Lt. Col. Michael J. Barden, 439th Maintenance Squadron commander, and incoming MXS commander Maj. Andre A. McMillian, as they march into the change of command ceremony held in Hangar 7 on the March A UTA. (photo by Master Sgt. W.C. Pope)

New Commander's Action Line available

Westover reservists can voice their concerns and comments on a new Action Line to Brig. Gen. Wade Farris, 439th Airlift Wing commander.

The Action Line will give Airmen a venue for bringing issues to the commander's attention. Callers may remain anonymous, but need to leave enough information so that proper responses may be made.

People may dial Ext. 3774 to reach the Action Line.

Beginning in May, General Farris and his staff will publish a base-wide e-mail before each A UTA that will list the topics called into the Action Line.



Family center to add online services

by Senior Airman
Michael Lanza

The Westover Airmen and Family Readiness Center staff plans a significant expansion of its personal computer services.

More than quadruple the amount of computers are planned for base employees and their families in the coming months, bringing the total to 25.

Terry Jarrell, readiness center director, hopes that the new computer center will open by early summer. The staff will advertise a 'name the Cyber Cafe' contest in the *May Patriot*.

The center staff provided six computers where people can do everything from checking their personal e-mail accounts to searching for new jobs, or just surfing the web.

For squadrons and tenant units with limited numbers of computers, the readiness center will also provide .mil networked stations to work on computer based training courses.

"Instead of tying up computers at the squadrons we want commanders to know they have a resource available in us," Mr. Jarrell said. "We want to make sure our Reservists have access to computers whenever possible."

The computers will come loaded with standard office and word processing software packages. The readiness center will also have networked printers and copiers available. Web sites will include .mil and .com sites, computer-based training sites, and resume writing information.

"We're trying to make this the one-stop shop for computers on the base," Mr. Jarrell said.

The readiness center, located at 100 Walker Drive by the Base Ellipse, is open during normal duty hours Monday through Friday and on UTA weekends and is located in Bldg. 1100.

For more information call Ext. 3024, or call toll-free 1-866-690-2161.

PATRIOT PEOPLE |



Senior Airman Ryan Palmer

NAME : Senior Airman Ryan Palmer
 AGE : 21
 HOMETOWN : Windsor, Vt.
 UNIT : 439th Civil Engineering Squadron
 POSITION : Emergency manager
 CIVILIAN JOB: Police officer
 FAVORITE FOOD : Steak
 YEARS OF SERVICE : Three
 FAVORITE SPORT : Dallas Cowboys
 FAVORITE HOBBY : Target shooting
 IDEAL VACATION : Vegas
 BEST WAY TO RELAX : Snowboarding
 PREFERRED ENTERTAINMENT : Going out with friends
 FAVORITE HERO : Tech. Sgt. Jeff Sickler
 FAVORITE MUSIC STYLE : Everything
 FAVORITE MOVIE : Terminator 2
 FAVORITE AIRCRAFT : F-15
 PET PEEVE : Smoking
 WHAT WOULD I DO IF I WON \$1 MILLION : Open up my own bar

PATRIOT PUNS |



AT THE CLUB >> Moose and the High Tops are scheduled to perform at 8 p.m. April 5. For more information, call (413) 593-5531. Local bands interested in performing at the club should call Christina Udas at Ext. 3015.

AT THE FITNESS CENTER >> Reservists interested in making appointments with physical fitness trainers should call Ext. 3990.

AT THE BOWLING CENTER >> The center is open for lunch Monday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch orders may be called in ahead of time by calling Ext. 3990.

AT LODGING >> Premium blend coffee is available in the lobby of lodging. Guests may choose from a variety of flavors including French vanilla, hazelnut, coffee latte, coffee mocha and more. Each 12-ounce cup is 50 cents. Information: Ext. 2700

AT THE RENTAL CENTER >> Spring cleaning equipment is available at the center. For more information, call Ext. 2039.

APRIL SERVICES CALENDER | www.westoverservices.com

PATRIOT PRAISES |

Senior master sergeant

Wayne T. Allen
 Robert S. Rodrigue
 Robert P. Morin
 Sabine Prather
 Paul M. Foley
 Lee D. Hareld
 Christopher J. Maille
 Michael E. Hamlet

Technical sergeant

Kevin L. Gathers
 Aaron M. Falardeau
 Danielle M. Doyon
 David M. McCardle
 James F. Lowe
 Daryl D. Dejordy
 Epifanio Lopez II
 Meghan J. Thiel

Peter J. Lucier
 Melissa M. Berry
 Michael J. Broadhurst
 Julie M. Berube
 Robert Teixeira
 Terry A. Wint
 Tawny L. Boulanger
 Erwin O. Greene
 Michael P. Kraus

Shawn A. Cameron
 Danielle L. Bartlett

Airman Garrett C. Guthrie

Airman 1st Class Gregory A. Harper

Master sergeant

Patrick J. Burke
 Sirita L. Williams

Staff sergeant

Stephen Pinkerton
 Eric J. Blair
 Bradley C. Davis

Senior airman

Magnolia S. Solis
 Matthew S. Egan
 Isac J. Ramos



SNOW SHOW >> Mid-winter snow from a February storm frames this view of the Westover flight line from the control tower. The tower, built in 2002, stands 123 feet high and is nine stories tall. (photo by Staff Sgt. Brian Boynton)

PATRIOTS |

www.westover.afrc.af.mil

A UTA | APR. 5-6 | B UTA | APR. 19-20



439th Airlift Wing
100 Lloyd St., Suite 103
Westover ARB
Chicopee, Mass. 01022

PRSRT STD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
STRATEGIC
MAIL

Published monthly for Patriots like Tech. Sgt. Cynthia J. Harris, Boston, Mass., and 3,053 reservists and civilians of the 439th AW and the wing's geographically separated unit at Hanscom AFB, Mass.