



COYOTE LOG

A survivor's tale of the Reading tornado

By Master Sgt. Jeffrey Norling
190th Medical Group

The May 21 tornado that hit Reading, Kansas, destroyed the home of 190th Air Refueling Wing member and Kansas state trooper Master Sgt. Jeffrey Norling. A trained storm spotter, Norling and his son were monitoring the storm outside of town when he saw the tornado rip through Reading. His wife and youngest daughter survived the tornado by taking refuge in the home's master bathroom – the only room that remained after the tornado passed. This is his story.

This whole thing has been quite an experience, which I will surely never forget - as much as we all want to.

My son AJ and I were watching the NASCAR showdown race while listening to the NASCAR scanner (Clint Bowyer, of course), as well as the fire/EMS/police scanner in my office since we knew bad weather was possible. My wife Shelly was soaking dishes, and my daughter Rachel was on the computer. I overheard my best friend Scott, the Reading fire chief, spot a funnel cloud, which was a remnant of an EF-1 that hit just north and east of Emporia. He hollered on the radio that he needed any and all available storm spotters to spread out and surround Reading.

AJ and I grabbed the laptop and air card to view radar images, my county radio, and my Kansas Highway Patrol radio. I

asked, begged and pleaded that Rachel and Shelly come with us. Shelly said, "No," and that she would stay, and if they heard we were actually in any way going to have a tornado hit, they would go to the storm shelter in the backyard.

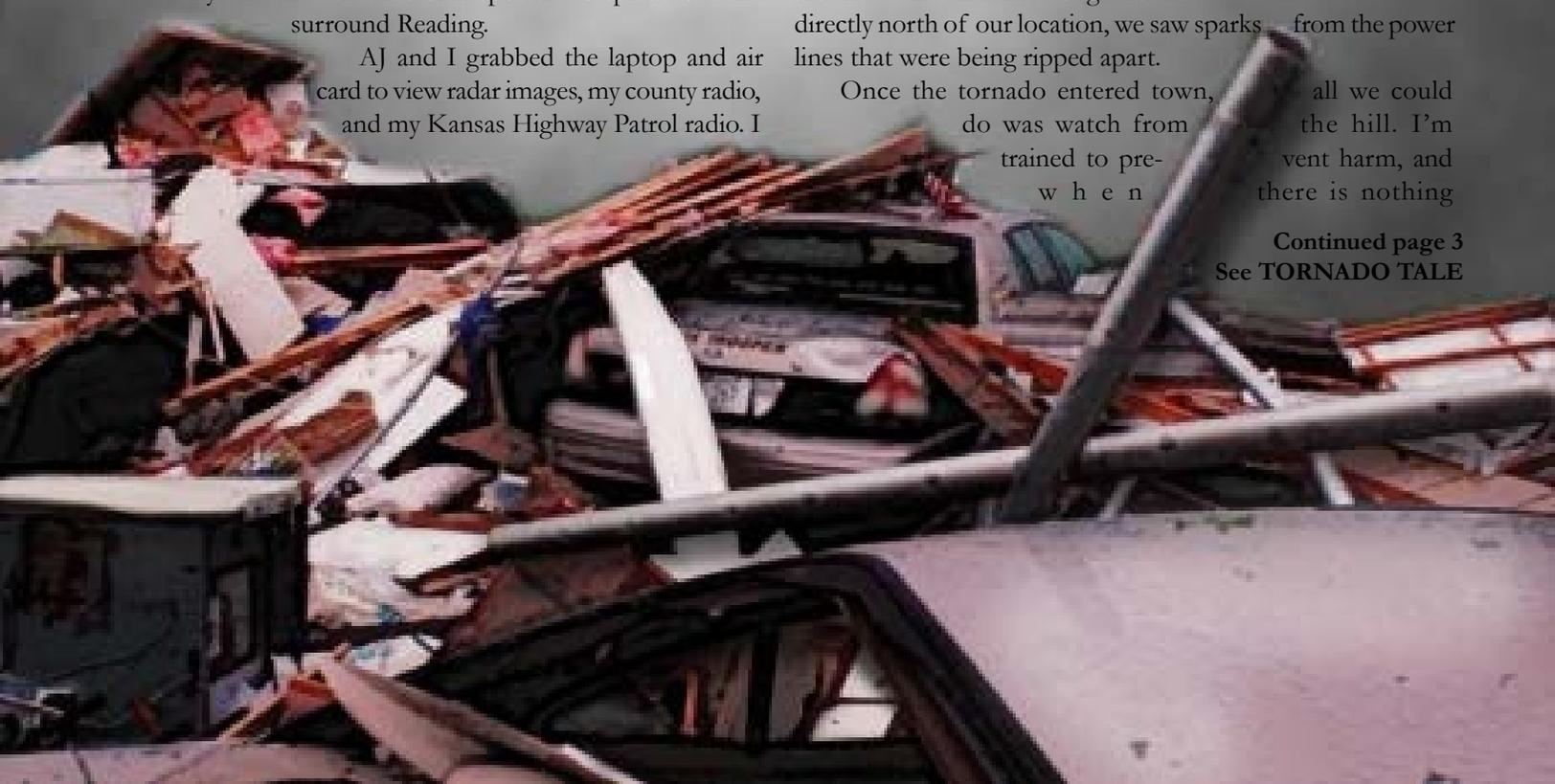
My son and I drove 1 1/2 miles south and west of town to a hill for a full 360-degree view of the area. It was post-sunset, and the sky to the west had a dim glow to it. We watched funnels drop out of the sky several times, with no ground contact or debris.

The wall cloud rotated and dropped lower as it approached. To our northwest, we saw two tails drop down - just over a mile away. AJ and I stared at it for a second, before I said, "This is going to be bad - that is a double. Oh, (expletive) - it's on the ground!" I hollered on the county and KHP radios that the tornado was entering town.

Within a second it had hit a barn and some trees, darkening the funnels and growing in width. The two twisters swirled around each other like dough hooks on a blender. As it went directly north of our location, we saw sparks from the power lines that were being ripped apart.

Once the tornado entered town, all we could do was watch from the hill. I'm trained to prevent harm, and when there is nothing

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Assessing the health of the 190th

By Lt. Col. Jay Selanders

Vice Commander, 190th Air Refueling Wing



I am excited! Getting to serve as your Vice Commander is truly a humbling opportunity. Humbling because our previous commanders have done such a great job and left us with an excellent organization—big shoes to fill. Opportunity because there is so much to do and there is always room for additional improvement. Rest assured that Col. Krueger and I will do everything in our power to allow you to succeed and excel.

Our four-day June UTA was filled with opportunities. Commanders and chiefs spent a day together honing our visions and goals so that we will remain and grow as, “A World-Class Organization recognized as The Standard of Excellence by those we serve”.

More than 300 of us received diversity and “Four Lenses” training—valuable tools we can use when dealing with each other and the issues that arise on a daily basis. Most importantly, we had a chance to focus on looking ahead and thinking about how we can utilize and maximize the diversity that we enjoy.

I hope you also had a chance to

see and hear Col. Berry from NGB as he was able to show and tell us what a positive impact diversity can have on our organization and our lives. Keep diversity in your mind as we train, deploy, and go about accomplishing our mission.

One of the ways to see how we are doing is having you participate in surveys. I just got through looking at survey results and one of the comments that stood out was that you didn’t always learn the results of the surveys or what actions were being taken as a result.

Without getting into details and numbers, I can report that most of you are very satisfied with the mission, your job, your supervisor, and the Wing generally. That is good news! There were many positive comments and the outlook overall was extremely optimistic.

On the other hand, there were also some negative comments, including too much ancillary training, too many CBTs, a lack of available computers on drill weekend, lack of enlisted promotion opportunities, and not enough hands-on training for traditional guardsmen during drill. These are being addressed.

At the last Top Three Council meeting there was a discussion about more hands-on training for traditional members. Just hours later, a jet arriving from CENTCOM was met and parked by traditional crew chiefs who stayed late on a Sunday afternoon. Great job!

We don’t control ancillary training or CBT training, but we will continue to raise the issues. Computers we can work on. Enlisted promotions have clearly been impacted by recent force shaping requirements, but supervisors will be encouraged to maximize the promotion opportunities we have - fairly and competitively.

Be ready when the opportunity arises. PME, schools, evaluations and

appraisals are all important.

Let’s make something good even better. Take advantage of our diversity. Offer and listen to new ideas. Help others succeed. Do the right thing. Remember our Core Values: Integrity, Service and Excellence.

I am proud to serve with each of you.

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On the cover:

The remains of Master Sgt. Jeffrey Norling’s house, which now sits on his KHP patrol car.

(photo by Lt. Richard Maboney - KHP)

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Tornado tale cont.



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you can do to change or stop it – it’s a crippling feeling. I had to tell AJ that Mom and Rachel may not be there when we got back, and that it was a real possibility they could be hurt, dead or missing. He and I said several one-word outbursts as we drove north on the road toward town.

Softball-sized hail was raining down on us, as well as shredded leaves, grass and dirt - we had to stop. I pulled under a large row of hedge trees to slow down the hail and prevent damage to my windshield. It passed after about a minute.

We came across one of our friends, a local farmer, who had his 30-year-old son with him. They were headed off their property to spot storms too, but their SUV was now upside-down in the ditch, and they were crawling out. They

It was eerie as by now darkness had fallen and the stars were out, and the moon was peeking through the edge of the storm as lightning flashed on the eastern sky.

I drove to some fallen walnut trees on Front Street, about 50 yards from my house. I spotted Shelly waving her arms at me. A huge sense of relief overcame AJ and me, to include some tears. I asked her if she and Rachel were okay. I then asked about the house, and she said simply, “It’s gone. The whole thing – it’s gone.”

I walked around the large fallen trees and could barely see the remnants of my home in the glow of a flashlight. I radioed the KHP dispatcher that my house took a direct hit, and that my patrol car was somewhere under part of my house.

Things after that moved quickly as we

waved us on to town to check on Reading.

I crossed the tracks on the west side of the west side of Reading, turned east on Front Street, and immediately knew Reading took a direct hit. The southwest corner of town is where the tornados came in.

started to look for our pets and survey the damage. I asked Shelly if she was safe in the shelter. She explained that one of Rachel’s friends from the west side (a block away) of town and her boyfriend were so scared that they ran across the field between our homes, and met Shelly at the back door of our house. They started to make a run for the shelter, about 45 feet away, when debris and hail started to pound down. So, Shelly told everyone to get into the shower stall in our bathroom.

I looked at the location she had taken the kids and was in awe - it was one of the only pieces of the house still standing with any integrity at all. She had wrapped all of them in a heavy comforter, stayed low to the floor, and watched as the roof was ripped off and the walls around her shook. The house had lifted and twisted a bit when everything just simply blew up.

Now, it is cleanup time, prayer time, and the fact that I still have my wife and youngest child still alive on this Earth is due to one thing - Him above! Stuff is stuff – it can, and will be, replaced. There have been so many different blessings since we lost our home.

There are pieces of our lives that changed forever that night. It still wakes me up at night. There are pieces of our lives we will never recover, but with all of your support and prayers, and simple understanding of how truly blessed we are, we will succeed!

Norling receives free car from Cars 4 Heroes

Cars 4 Heroes, a not-for-profit organization that provides free basic transportation to disadvantaged individuals and veterans, provided Master Sgt. Jeffery Norling with a 2004 Suzuki sedan after his family lost their house and two of their three vehicles in the tornado that struck Reading, Kansas, on May 21.

“It’s very humbling,” said Norling about his selection to receive a donated car. “I didn’t think it applied to me; I never thought I was more deserving than anyone else. The outpouring of support from friends, family and neighbors has been tremendous,” he continued.

Terry Franz, founder of Cars 4 Heroes, presented Norling with the vehicle during a ceremony on June 8. Cars 4 Heroes is currently focusing on helping veterans replace vehicles destroyed in the Joplin tornado.



190th Air Refueling Wing
Nickell Armory at 2722 SW Topeka Blvd. Topeka, KS

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Complete Welcome

190TH ARW AIRMEN & FAMILY READINESS

Greetings to the men and women of the 190th

By Mrs. Adrienne Dickey
190th Airmen & Family Readiness



My name is Adrienne Dickey and I am excited to follow Denise Winton as the new 190th Airman and Family Readiness Program Manager. I am looking forward to meeting all of the faces of the 190th as I dive head first into family activities, events, and meetings.

Some of you may recognize my name from different activities stemming

from the State Family Program Office. I have worked in Family Programs since 2002 serving as a Family Assistance Center Specialist, State Youth Coordinator, and Regional Youth Coordinator. I have been camp director of Operation Kids Camp, Teen Camp, and Junior Jamboree. Prior to working I volunteered countless hours at the unit and state level. These hours have culminated into a plethora of knowledge and resources aimed at assisting servicemembers and their families through all levels of deployment.

I live with a house full of men that is

divided not only by collegiate preferences but military preferences as well. My husband is a member of the Army Guard serving with Bravo Battery of the 1/161 FA and my eldest son is enlisting in the 190th ARW. I have two more sons at home but we have to wait on their career paths as they are still young teenagers.

I look forward to sharing my passion for serving military families with the 190th ARW. Feel free to stop by my office to introduce yourself or get assistance for any questions or issues on your plate.

400 backpacks with school supplies available

The 190th Family Readiness Group, in conjunction with the Kansas Family Programs Office, will be hosting a back-to-school giveaway on August 6-7 at the Nickell Armory in Topeka from 7:00 – 4:30 each day.

Thanks to the generosity of the Prairie Band Pottawatomie Nation, Operation Homefront and the Topeka

Dollar Trees, the FRG has been able to purchase more than 400 backpacks. Each backpack will be stuffed full of school supplies and will be available to military families on a first come, first serve basis during the case lot sale.

Don't miss this opportunity to get the majority of your children's back-to-school supplies with just one stop.

AAFES joins Commissary for case lot sale

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) and the Defense Commissary Agency (DECA) have joined forces to bring the largest case lot sale to the Topeka area on August 6-7, 2011. Although the sale is being hosted by the 190th Air Refueling Wing Family Readiness Group, the event will be held at the Nickell Armory at 2722 SW Topeka Boulevard in Topeka. The sale will run from 7:00 – 4:30 each day.

Most of the items DECA will be bringing will be similar to items offered at previous sales, including canned foods, paper products, detergent, baking supplies and pet food. They will also have limited amounts of meats and frozen goods. Most of the items will be offered in "club pack" sizes,

similar to the sizes of items offered at warehouse stores.

It has been several years since AAFES has brought extra merchandise for a sale to the 190th, and the first time they have teamed up with DECA at a 190th case lot sale. AAFES is focusing their merchandise on special buys and close-out items in order to offer Topeka military members special savings. Items they expect to bring include electronics, outdoor living merchandise, furniture, luggage, sporting goods, linens, health and beauty supplies, music and DVDs. They are also working with local concessionaires who are interested in selling their goods at the sale.

Be sure to take advantage of the opportunity to receive special AAFES and DECA pricing all under one roof.

Upcoming Family Readiness Group events

SEPTEMBER

6th - FRG meeting - Dining Facility
16th - Golf Tourney - Western Hills
27th - FRG meeting - Dining Facility

OCTOBER

2nd - KUDOS - Dining Facility

NOVEMBER

1st - FRG meeting - Dining Facility
29th - FRG meeting - Dining Facility

DECEMBER

3rd - Holiday Party - Forbes Field

2011 Coyote Open

Date: 08/14/2011 7:45 Registration Release Date: 08/09/2011

This program available at Western Hills Golf Course is a fund-raiser to support healthy activities in providing assistance to military members, all proceeds go to enhance the quality of life for our members, their families, and the communities in which they live.

PRIZES

Longest Drive

Longest Putt

Closest to the Pin

900 prizes or \$2000 worth of prizes (2 per player). Lots of prizes given away, and every player also gets 2 drink tickets good for 100¢ items, or 20¢ drinks.

Multi-guns can be purchased at the closest to the pin hole for \$1 for \$1 or a dollar per shot.

A 100% guarantee will be provided after the tournament has concluded.

Application deadline is 1 September 2011.

Player		Team	
Name	Registration	Team	Registration
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'Tough' Coyotes raise money for wounded warriors

By MSgt. Allen Pickert
190th Public Affairs

How tough are you? Are you "sit on the black auto upholstery in August" tough? Or, are you Special Forces tough?

A small, tough group of 10 Coyotes joined other Kansas National Guard members and traveled to Beaver Creek, Colorado, this June to test themselves against the Tough Mudder, a race designed to test participants' toughness and determination.

Designed by British Special Forces, Tough Mudder is billed as "probably the toughest event on the planet" and challenges all-around strength, stamina, mental grit, and camaraderie.

At 10 miles long, with elevation changes of several thousand feet, and challenges that are painful, difficult and even dangerous, Tough Mudder is tough enough to challenge anyone.

There are 24 course obstacles; two of the tougher ones require swimming underneath floating obstacles in 33-degree water and running through live electrical wires, trying to stay on your feet while taking their shocking jolts.

Simply completing a Tough Mudder is an accomplishment. Not everyone completed the course, but all the Coyotes did. Competitors that finished were welcomed with a beer, fruit and power bars.

The race series, which is held at several locations across the country, promotes and contributes to the Wounded Warrior Project, an organization that supports injured service men and women. Last year Mudders raised \$650,000. This year their goal is more than \$1,000,000.



Col. Derek Rogers (above) catches his breath after finishing an obstacle while Master Sgt. Patrick Sampson (right) celebrates completing the challenge with a cold beer. Chief Master Sgt. Chris Noe (above right) slides down a snowy obstacle on his way to the finish line.

(photos by Master Sgt. Allen Pickert)



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Family Day 2011

The 190th Air Refueling Wing 2011 Family Day will be held on Saturday, August 6, from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Topeka Zoo. In addition to the fun and learning the zoo provides, the event will include food and snacks, informative vendors ready to answer questions about your benefits and some outdoor fun for the kids, and the kids at heart.

Discounted admission to the zoo for current and former 190th members, as well as their friends and families, are available through the 190th Wing and Family Programs office. They will also be sold at the zoo the day of the event.

Admission is \$5.25 for adults, \$3.75 for children 3 to 12 and \$4.25 for seniors above 65. Children two and under are free. Friends of the Zoo members are also free.

Wristbands will be provided and will be needed to access 190th events at the zoo. They will also provide your access to the zoo. Friends of the Zoo members must also have wristbands even though their admission is free.

Family Day event locations:

Vendor displays in the Gary Clarke Education Center - Representatives from TriCare, United Concordia and Military One Source will be on hand to answer questions about your benefits. Local universities and nonprofit organizations will also be available to discuss their programs and initiatives.

Food provided in the Pavilion - Hotdogs, sodas, chips, slushies and cotton candy will be provided free to current and former 190th members, their families and friends. You must be wearing a wristband to gain access to the Pavilion.

Inflatable obstacle course - The 190th recruiters will have an inflatable obstacle course that will provide hours of fun for the kids. It will be located between the Gage Shelter House and the Kansas Carnivores exhibit. You must be wearing a wristband to gain access to the obstacle course.

Summer safety is not an afterthought

By SMSgt. Gary Holliday
190th Safety Office

The 2011 fatality statistics reported by the Air Force Safety Center already include a significant number of recreational, motorcycle, and motor vehicle fatalities. Each of the Airmen in these accidents have family members and friends whose lives have been permanently altered.

In 2011, only one 190th member has been involved in a motorcycle mishap, and fortunately expects to make a full recovery from broken bones and serious road-rash. Even one of this type of statistic is one too many. We encourage all riders to be especially alert and cautious, use defensive driving practices on the road, and to take advantage of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) courses offered here at Forbes. The MSF certification is required for driving a motorcycle on any DoD facility.

While the 190th has not experienced an on or off duty fatality since 2008, an unacceptable trend is a rise in

both on-duty and off-duty mishaps. We all may have heard reoccurring topics of discussion including: escalated deployment tempo, doing more with less, never enough time, or, find a way to get it done; all which may ultimately be distracting us from safe practices.

Injuries reported to the 190th Safety Office during the last year included 7 slips, trips and falls, including strains, sprains, or breaks; 2 injuries while moving large objects; 2 lacerations while using hand or power tools; and 9 injuries while performing physical training. These mishaps totaled over 100 days of restricted duty for our members, which can potentially lead to a reduction in mission effectiveness. Recently, and largely attributed to foot, knee, and shoulder injuries, 15 members are on medical profile and not releasable for full duty.

Another dangerous pattern is the increasing number of DUIs in the 190th. Since 2008, DUIs have doubled to 8 DUIs reported in 2010. While there are fewer DUIs reported thus far in 2011, we must all take responsibility to protect the lives of our members and others on the road and bring this number to zero! Remember to plan ahead, have a designated driver, phone 861-HOME for a cab ride, and just plain drink responsibly. Practice defensive driving at all times. Vehicle mishaps are often as close as right outside the main gate. And remember, texting while driving is against the law!

There is no simple or quick on/off switch for a safe mindset. If you practice unsafe habits off-base there is an increased risk that this mindset will take place on-base as well, and that is a culture that does not promote mission readiness.

A safety mindset should always be at the forefront of your planning and activities. Simple do's and don'ts include:

- Do identify and resolve safety discrepancies at the earliest possible stage

- Don't overlook what you know is unsafe; speaking up may save a life
- Don't use the wrong tool for the job
- Don't disregard personal protective equipment or tech data just to get the job done quicker
- Do stretch and warm-up before PT
- Don't overexert yourself during PT
- Don't be overaggressive during group sports.

As we progress through the 2011 101 Critical Days of Summer (Memorial Day through Labor Day holidays) let's focus on how we can apply safety to the Air Force core values. Integrity First – do the right thing all the time, not just when someone is watching. Service Before Self - let's make sure we are all mission ready, not only for the 190th, but also for our family and friends. Excellence In All We Do – lead correctly by example, no risky shortcuts.

Don't let shortsighted judgment or poor planning lead to an avoidable mishap. Let's all make safety a way of life and remember: **Safety is not an afterthought.**

Bruce Whaley Spirit Ride

The 16th annual Bruce Whaley Spirit Ride will take place on Sept 10, 2011, at 8 a.m. at Lake Shawnee, Shelter House #2 in Topeka.

Bruce Whaley worked as a 190th crew chief from 1989 until his untimely death in March 1995 from leukemia.

The ride is 6.5, 25 or 50 miles. All proceeds go to the Leukemia Society for patient financial aid in our area. The cost of the ride is \$25 plus \$5 for a t-shirt if wanted. Lunch is included in the cost. There will also be many giveaways from area merchants and a silent auction.

Please contact Tech. Sgt. (ret) Darrell Whaley for more information or to register for the ride at 785-379-0534 or www.kvbc.org.

Caught on film



Clergy take flight

Area clergy got a special treat during their flight June 4 - watching the in-flight refueling of a 158,000 pound B-2 Spirit. And, not just any B-2, but one being flown by Lt. Gen. Harry "Bud" Wyatt, director-Air National Guard.



Deployment homecoming



Family and friends gather near the flightline during one of many gatherings to welcome their loved ones from deployments this summer. More than 200 Coyotes have deployed since April.



Portrait of an Airman

Staff Sergeant Glenn King



Organization: 190th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Job Title: Stock Control/Document Control

Main Responsibilities: Respond to customers' logistic concerns and proactively anticipate problems that could stand in the way of the Wing's units fulfilling mission requirements.

Education: Kansas State University - Bachelor of Science.

Military Experience: Enlisted as a crew chief in 2002. Deployed as a maintainer. Joined LRS in 2010.

Hobbies/Activities: Reading and "roll bouncing."

Goals/Ambitions: Not to celebrate mediocrity and to excel in all facets of my life.

Achievements: Distinguished graduate at Supply Tech School. It was awesome!

Ten rules to live your life by

By Lt. Col. Brian Riniker
190th Inspector General

Sometimes, a few lessons learned in life can really help a person cope with stress and become successful with what they do. Here are 10 of the rules and expressions that I live by. Most of these I've heard from others. Only a couple are my originally my own.

1. Always learn something new. Your brain is like a muscle, use it or lose it.
2. If your not leading by example, your not leading.
3. When you're in charge, try to not act on emotion. Your actions affect more than just you.
4. Criticize in private, praise in public.
5. Criticism (like everything else) can be both positive and negative. When appraising people, let them know where they excel and where they need to improve.
6. We all need to improve. When one

improves, you change to the positive; when you refuse to improve, you will change anyway, just not for the positive.

7. Smile, it scares people. Actually I'd rather be optimistic and happy, rather than pessimistic and miserable.

8. If you mess up, admit it, fix the problem (or improve so that it doesn't happen again), apologize if needed, forgive yourself and others. Then move on. We all make mistakes. Do not dwell on them, learn from them.

9. Communication is more than a memo. The message I send may not be understood by others in the same way I understand it. Tailor your message to the audience. Different people sense their environment differently than you. This is where the Four Lenses training can become very handy as it gives you an excellent tool to understand others.

10. Having a sense of humor is one of

the most important gifts God gave you. However humor is a form of communication. Thus see rule #9. If you do not obey rule #9 you will need to see rule #8 again.

Human Resource Advisor opening

The 190th Air Refueling Wing has an opening for a traditional Wing Human Resource Advisor.

The position is open to all Senior Master Sergeants and promotable Master Sergeants.

Resumes and cover letters must be submitted to Command Chief Master Sgt. Brian Saunders and will be accepted through the close of business on September 11, 2011.

Eligible applicants will be boarded during the December UTA.

For Your Information

Promotions

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Jeffery B. Warrender, 117 ARS



COLONEL

Kenneth C. Folger, JFHQ



BRIGADIER GENERAL

Keith I. Lang, JFHQ



Dining Facility Schedule

The following list is the Dining Facility meal schedule for units assigned to the 190th ARW & JFHQ:

- 1030 - Wing HQ, SFS, MSG
- 1100 - MXG(A), JFHQ
- 1130 - LRS, OG
- 1200 - CE, CF, WF
- 1230 - MXG(B), MDG

Retirements

TSgt Phillip E. Cockrell
Retirement Date: June 22, 2011

TSgt Thomas D. Hopper
Retirement Date: June 9, 2011

MSgt Eldon Jackson
Retirement Date: June 30, 2011

SMSGT Thomas J. Doviak
Retirement Date: June 21, 2011



There will be a commander's call and ribbon cutting ceremony at the newly opened 190th Fire Station on Saturday, 6 August at 1300. Families and former members are invited to attend. Members will be released for Family Day following the ceremony.

RUTA Deadline Aug. 19

The deadline to perform RUTAs for this fiscal year, other than scheduled August and September UTAs, is Aug. 19, 2011.

RUTAs for the August UTA may be performed at any time in the month of August or before. RUTAs for the September UTA may be performed at any time in the fiscal year before Oct. 1.

All NGB 105s (Authorization for Individual Inactive Duty Training forms) must be submitted by Aug. 19, 2011.

Appointments/Enlistments

A1C Erica E. Davis, MXS
Enlistment/Assignment Date: 12 May 2011

A1C Bridget I. Cooney, MXS
Enlistment/Assignment Date: 16 June 2011

A1C Joshua D. Hobbs, MXS
Enlistment/Assignment Date: 16 June 2011

A1C Nicholas S. Sester, MXS
Enlistment/Assignment Date: 16 June 2011

A1C Clare E. Cooney, MXS
Enlistment/Assignment Date: 16 June 2011

2LT Robert L. Lenhart, MDG
Enlistment/Assignment Date: 11 May 2011

Capt. Gary T. Bodony, 117 ARS
Enlistment/Assignment Date: 10 May 2011

Have News to Share?

Unit members are encouraged to submit ideas or stories to the Public Affairs office. Please contact us at (785) 861-4197 or via email at 190arw.pa@ang.af.mil.



Coyote Grill August UTA Menu

Saturday, August 6

Spaghetti, chicken parmesan, cheesy broccoli, corn, red potatoes, breadsticks, yellow cake, apple crisp, hamburgers, hotdogs, pizza, salad bar

Sunday, August 7

Turkey, pulled pork, baked beans, cheesy potatoes, rolls, hamburgers, hotdogs, pizza, salad bar

Coyote Heritage



Maj. Keith Lang (right) stands next to a supposed British officer during the 190th's deployment to Scampton Royal Air Force Base in September 1993. Perhaps the sheepish look on his face can be explained by the fact that the British officer is none other than the 190th's own Lt. Col. Mike Happe (left), sometimes known as Slap.

It seems that Happe, the assistant detachment commander, decided to greet the jets of the second rotation dressed as a British officer, saluting the off-loading Coyotes with the traditional British palm forward salute. It was a great start to a great deployment.

Perhaps Lang was wondering just how these associations might affect his future prospects with the 190th. As we all know, they mattered not at all, for some 18 years later, he left the 190th for bigger and better things, having served the last two years as its commander. Lang was promoted to brigadier general in May and is now attached to Joint Force Headquarters.



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