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2013 Distinguished Flying Unit



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Wing earns Distinguished Flying Unit ... again

By Tech. Sgt. Emily Alley
190th Public Affairs

The National Guard Bureau recently announced the 190th Air Refueling Wing as the recipient of the 2013 Distinguished Flying Unit Award. Every flying unit in the country is eligible to apply, but this is the third year out of the past five the 190th won.

“The award is based on the culmination of work the wing has done,” said Maj. Brandi Staniec, who wrote the nomination packet.

Staniec compiled examples of work during the award period, January to December of 2012, from around the wing.

For example, she found that, over the past two years, the total deployed days for the wing adds up to about 70 years.

“That deployment schedule was daunting,” said Lt. Col. Chuck Remboldt, a pilot who was tasked to command a detachment during a deployment in the Pacific region in late 2012. He helped supervise the largest presence of bomber and tanker aircraft on Guam in 15 years.

In addition to work in the Pacific, as well as flights supporting operations in the Middle East, aircrews from the 190th accomplished daily flying missions in Kansas.

“I can’t remember since I’ve been here, a time when we’ve had numerous and drastically different flying missions going on at the same time,” said Remboldt, who has been a member of the unit for 29 years. “We just did it. To do that many things- without failure- that’s significant.”

While Remboldt and Staniec, members of the Operations Squadron, reflected on flying missions, they both recognized it took accomplishments from the entire wing to win the award.

“I think putting together an award like this opens your eyes to the work everyone did,” said Staniec. “It’s not just flying airplanes. It’s so much more.”

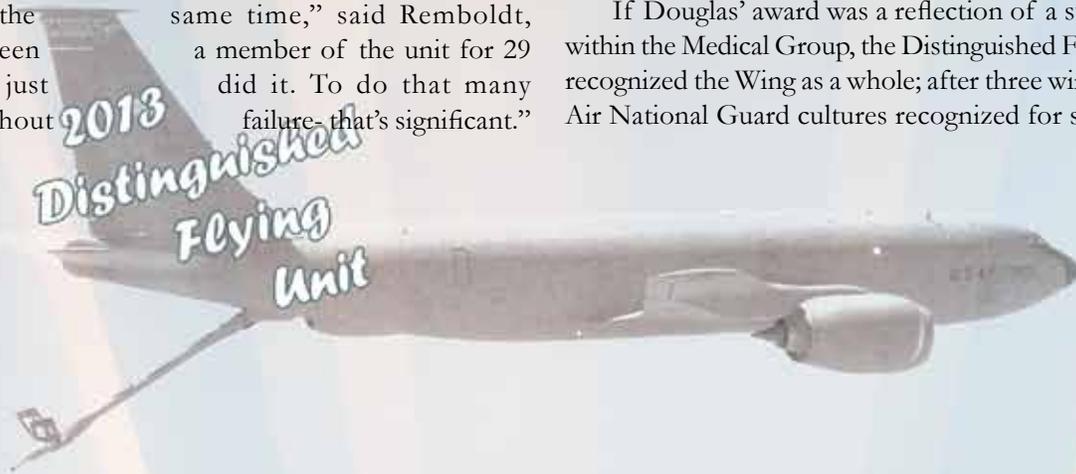
Staniec was impressed with the Medical Group, which scored a 96.6 percent on an inspection in 2012, and the Command Post, which scored an outstanding.

While Staniec emphasized the Distinguished Flying Unit Award represents the hard work of the 2,000 Airmen of the 190th ARW, she did choose to highlight the work of a few individuals in the packet.

Senior Airman Jeni Douglas, who was recognized as the National Guard’s ophthalmic apprentice of the year in 2012, was named in the award. Douglas often managed the Wing’s optometry office when Col. William Hefner, the wing optometrist, was unavailable. While Douglas describes herself as a timid Airman, she said the award was indicative of confidence she gained while in the Wing.

“I’m not nervous anymore. I jump in there and get things done,” said Douglas. “I’ve seen a change in myself and, while the award is an honor, it’s because I’ve had really good mentors.”

If Douglas’ award was a reflection of a successful culture within the Medical Group, the Distinguished Flying Unit Award recognized the Wing as a whole; after three wins, it’s among the Air National Guard cultures recognized for success.



By Maj. James Wehrli

Commander, 190th Comptroller Flight



It's no secret that Department of Defense is working through some of the most challenging fiscal times ever faced by the military and this country as a whole. With these challenges comes the increased necessity to be conscientious of our actions and decisions.

This brings to mind the importance of management controls. Not only is it crucial for commanders and supervisors to be aware of the scrutiny placed on all activities, but each and every member of our unit needs to know what changes we are facing as budget uncertainty creeps farther and farther into our day-to-day operations.

"Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control to achieve the objectives of effective and efficient operations, reliable financial reporting, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations." (OMB Circular A-123 Policy). But the responsibility falls on each one of us to make internal control a priority and integral part of Air Force, 190th, and day-to-day activities.

At the core of all internal controls is accountability, both personal and professional. "Personal convictions form the most effective basis for moral and ethical behavior," according to Maj. Gen. Jerry E. White.

White further explains in his article, "Personal Ethics versus Professional Ethics," that commanders would prefer every military member be instinctively capable of doing what is right. This sounds a lot like what is at the core of airmanship – integrity. It is important to not only having integrity, but to apply it to the decision-making process, understand the rules to the best of our ability, and function ethically in all aspects – do what is right.

This is achieved through personal accountability. Everyone is familiar with the automated travel pay system, the Defense Travel System. This is one of the many new automated systems required by DoD (and one example where you directly input what you are being paid for). Vir-

tual visibility is at an all-time high, which makes it easy for the Air Force Audit Agency and other agencies to directly access almost everything regarding your pay.

This is why it is critical for us all to analyze every line of our AROWS military pay order, inquire and understand every travel entitlement we select in DTS, and to comprehend every number and statement on our Leave and Earnings Statement. If you don't understand something, by all means ask! By doing this, you will not only best position yourself in this time of heightened audit ability, but you help your supervisors and commanders to be in the best position when approving your pay.

We all need to understand the implications of the decisions we make, not only at a personal level but from a wing perspective. Everything done on this base has a dollar tied to it - from each one of us driving through the front gate to each tanker taking off. It is my job to make sure that each of those dollars is spent legally and within the best interest of every taxpayer across America. I don't take this responsibility lightly, and I challenge you to act in the same manner.

It's not easy to always do the right thing, especially when it's exceptionally hard to understand how your decision to pull annual training next week, buy new furniture for your shop, or advocate for a new building on base could affect our overall annual training plan for the base, our base operating costs budget for the fiscal year, or our authorized square footage for Forbes Field. But simply understanding that there are implications tied to each decision, allowing leadership across base the opportunity to execute the best plan of action for our members, the 190th Air Refueling Wing, the State of Kansas and the United States Air Force, then you are doing your part.

I will leave you with this. According to Chaplain (Col.) Samuel D. Maloney in his article, "Ethics Theory for the Military Professional," the complex ethical pressures upon the military professional are the rules, goals and situations that provide the context and criteria for determining what is right and wrong, good and bad. Each individual is responsible for juggling the moral claims from these sources and for determining which sig-

nals merit priority.

Understand that we as commanders and supervisors know you are juggling a lot. We all are. Let's support each other. Focus on doing what is right and executing our mission as Kansas Guardsmen. By doing this, we will make it easier for our base to move through these challenging fiscal times.

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A 190th Air Refueling Wing KC-135R Stratotanker (*photo illustration by Tech. Sgt.*

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Camping for stronger kids and families

By Adrienne Dickey

190th Airman & Family Readiness Manager

Purple on the Prairie: Military Family Camp

August 16-18

Ages: Parents with youth (K-12)

Location: Rock Springs 4-H Camp

Activities: Swimming, horseback riding, canoeing, yoga, art, games, natural science projects and more.

All designed to increase family bonds and strengthen family communication.

Kansas State University counselors will oversee the camp. For more information, or to register, contact Elaine Johannes at 785-532-7720, 785-532-5773, ejohanne@ksu.edu.



Military Youth Residential Camp

August 8-10

Ages 13-17

Location: Rock Springs 4-H Camp

Activities: Photography, arts, improvisation, science, swimming, canoeing, horseback riding and nature projects.

Focused on improving communication and life skills so teens can creatively express themselves.

For more information contact Elaine Johannes at 785-532-7720, 785-532-5773, ejohanne@ksu.edu.



Oldest jet in the Air Force returns home

By Tech. Sgt. Mandy Johnson

190th Public Affairs

The oldest jet in the Air Force has returned home to the 190 Air Refueling Wing after being on loan to the active duty Air Force in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

The KC-135 Stratotanker, 57-1419, was located in Southwest Asia on a 60-day deployment. Technical Sgt. Michael Tremblay, the assistant crew chief, brought 57-1419 home June 3.

Although not always deployed with their aircraft, when at home the 57-1419 head crew chief is Master Sgt. Bradley Roberts. Regularly scheduled maintenance is key to keeping the seasoned aircraft airborne, he said.

“Although the KC-135 came off the assembly line in 1957, it receives a complete overhaul every five years, which is similar to a 1957 Chevy frame restoration.

It is stripped both inside and out, repainted, and the engines are replaced if needed. It is also thoroughly inspected and x-rayed as well,” he said.

57-1419 is the oldest in the Air Force, but it doesn’t have too many years ahead of its flight mates. “That 57-1419 is not much older than the rest of the KC-135s

we have, Roberts said.

The number on the tanker actually tells the tale of its journey off the assembly line. The 57 means it was built in 1957. The other numbers indicate its order in the assembly line.



When Roberts started his career as a crew chief in 1991, he was assigned to 57-1460 but the 190th had several 56 models assigned to it at that time.

Not surprisingly, the team assigned to the plane during its most recent deployment was not as seasoned as the tanker itself. During an interview about her time flying the oldest jet in the inventory, pilot Capt. Emma House said, “It’s really a source of pride for me. So many genera-

tions of other KC-135 pilots have flown her.

I can’t even begin to imagine all the places she’s been and the fact I get to fly her on an OEF mission in 2013 is really something special,” she said.

When you buy a car, you check how many miles it has on it. With aircraft, you look at how many cumulative flying hours it has. 57-1419 may be the oldest jet in the Air Force, but it only has 22,300 flight hours, which is much less than most commercial planes. However, if you think about its cruising speed of 460 mph then she has 10,120,000 miles on her (give or take 100,000).

Its age, however, hasn’t hindered its usefulness, nor has it dampened its crew’s eagerness to throttle up and take to the sky.

For Roberts, lending 57-1419 to his active duty counterparts didn’t come without hesitation.

“It’s like lending out your child. You don’t like to, but it is necessary to support the mission,” he said.

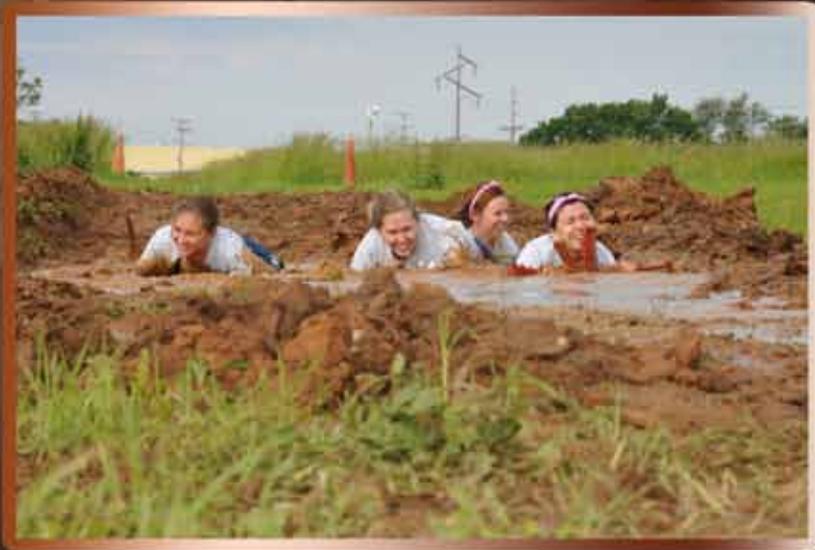
For now, 57-1419 is being granted a little break before being placed back on duty, after which it will be refreshed and ready to fly again.

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—Portrait of an Airman

Staff Sergeant Nels A. Anderson V

Organization: Medical Group

Job Title: Biomedical Equipment Technician

Main Responsibilities: Perform inspections, preventative maintenance and calibrations on medical equipment

Education: Bachelors and working toward a Masters of Business Administration at Baker University

Civilian Career: Full-time technician at Forbes

Military Experience: EMEDS exercises in Guam, Armenia, Montana and Wisconsin

Hobbies/Activities: Crossfit, board games, movies and playing with my dogs

Achievements: Married my best friend, Jennifer Anderson, Eagle Scout award '04

Goals/Ambitions: Finishing my MBA and finding my career niche

Most Memorable 190th Moment: Dan Fox allowing me to participate in Kids Camp 2012



—What We Do: Planes don't fly without supply

By Tech. Sgt. Emily F. Alley

190th Public Affairs

Paperwork isn't glamorous, but it's how Staff Sgt. Kathy Adams, document control and stock control technician, accounts for \$500,000 to \$2 million every month.

Adams, along with the members of her supply office, account for orders ranging from paperclips to aircraft parts.

"We could order a whole plane, if we needed to," said Tech. Sgt. Wendy Taylor, Adams' supervisor. "Without Logistics Readiness, there would be no base."

Technical Sgt. Glenn King, another member of the office, described the most rewarding part of his job as seeing the impact of his work every day across the base.

"Our jobs affect everything," he said.



Staff Sgt. Kathy Adams, a document control and stock control technician, examines packages to make sure orders are delivered correctly. Adams is responsible for about \$500,000 to \$2 million worth of orders each month. (Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Emily F. Alley)

For Your Information

Promotions

Airman First Class

Jessica Glenn, LRS
 Briell Howbert, LRS
 Tannisha Hunt, LRS
 Tyler Johnson, LRS
 Riley Ogle, LRS



Senior Airman

Nathan Dahlgren, ARW
 Travis Fulghum, MXS
 Kelsey Otter, CF
 Myra Maldonado, ARW
 Aaron Cuadra, AMXS



Staff Sergeant

Zachary Kinsey, 127 WF
 Rebecca Zillinger, OSF
 Shana Sanders, CF
 Dylan Swearingen, CE



Technical Sergeant

Tod Scott, LRS
 Max Ellis, MOF
 Joseph Weber, MSG



Master Sergeant

Jeffrey Christen, MXS
 Joshua Gorski, MXS
 Carolyn Kolbek, MXG
 David Mabery, LRS



Senior Master Sergeant

Sherry Willard, MDG



First Lieutenant

Robert Lenhart, MDG



Major

Joseph Blubaugh, ARW
 Joshua Buford, ARW



190 MDG Officer Vacancies

The 190th Medical Group has two traditional officer positions open to O-1 through O-4 and enlisted members eligible for commissioning. Maximum age for officer appointment is less than 47 years old. If you are interested, submit your package to Lt. Col Tim Stevens by COB Aug. 4, 2013.

Medical Services Corps Officer

Applicants must have one of the following degrees: Health Administration, Healthcare Administration, Healthcare Management, Health Management and Policy, Health Services Administration Hospital Administration, Accounting, Business Administration, Business Management, Economics, Finance, Marketing, Statistics, Information Systems Management, or other closely-related degree.

Packet must include a copy of GMAT or GRE scores taken within the last five years and a one page essay answering these two questions:

1. Why do I desire to become a Medical Service Corps Officer?
2. What do I have to offer the U.S. Air Force and the ANG Medical Service?

Public Health Officer

Applicants must meet the following education requirements: Master's Degree in Public Health or Epidemiology, and a bachelor's degree in a biological science; Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine, Public Health, or Epidemiology; Bachelor's degree in a biological science, and a Community College of the Air Force degree in public health/environmental medicine technology.

Officer Package consists of:

- Resume with cover letter
- College transcripts
- AFOQT scores
- Last five OPRs/EPRs
- Current passing fitness assessment
- Current RIP

Appointments/Enlistments

2nd Lt Jacob Landis, 117th ARS
 Appointment Date: May 10, 2013

A1C Brandon Martino, LRS
 Enlistment Date: May 4, 2013

A1C Adam Dillon, AMXS
 Enlistment Date: May 8, 2013

A1C David Glassman, LRS
 Enlistment Date: May 9, 2013

A1C McKenna Reed, MDG
 Enlistment Date: May 11, 2013

A1C Grant Dalrymple, MXS
 Enlistment Date: May 12, 2013

A1C Joseph Ramsey, LRS
 Enlistment Date: May 12, 2013

A1C Earl Werth, MXS
 Enlistment Date: May 17, 2013

A1C Megan Lovvorn, FSS
 Enlistment Date: May 12, 2013

A1C Logan Means, OSF
 Enlistment Date: May 18, 2013

A1C Keelan Barger, MDG
 Enlistment Date: May 19, 2013

A1C Hunter Radcliff, MXS
 Enlistment Date: May 19, 2013

A1C Ryan Ramshaw, LRS
 Enlistment Date: May 19, 2013

A1C Blaine Tharman, LRS
 Enlistment Date: May 19, 2013

Amn Bas Savannah Bomstad, MDG
 Enlistment Date: April 30, 2013

WANTED 1st Sergeant

For E-7s and promotable E-6s. Candidates must be traditionals or technicians. Please submit your Report on Individual Person, resume and fit score (passing within 90 days of board meeting) to Command Chief Patrick Moore, by July 31, 2013.

The selection board will be held on Sunday of the August drill.

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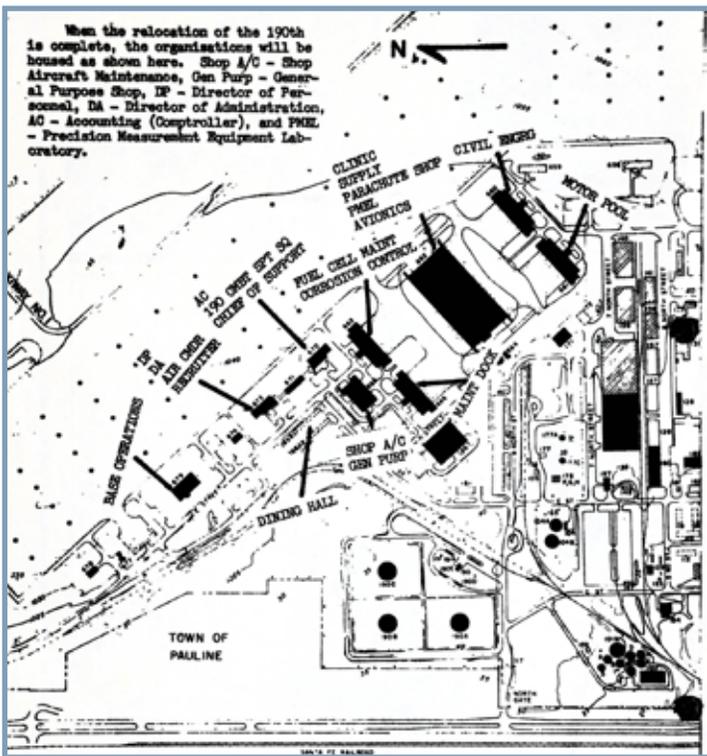
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To The Coyote Family of:



Coyote Heritage



This base map is from the February 1976 Canberra Log, showing how the base would look following the relocation of the 190th from the south end of Forbes to its present location. The Air Guard came to Forbes during the summer of 1967, and had been located across the southern end of Forbes on both sides of what is now Million Air and the air passenger terminal.

Topeka Army Air Field, later known as Forbes Air Air Force Base, was closed by the Department of Defense in 1973, a surprise to both the city of Topeka and the Air National Guard. Suddenly the 190th found itself as the only military unit left on the sprawling former Air Force base.

The Metropolitan Topeka Airport Authority was created to manage the transition, while the 190th was to move to the north end of the base and consolidate their operation there. Buildings to house Civil Engineering, the Fire station and motor pool had not yet been built. The dining hall was still on the drawing board, and many other changes would occur over the coming years. Look closely and notice the fuel Tank farm, now only a memory, was once one of the largest in the United States Air Force.



Please record your story and send it to the historian's office at: 190th Historian, 5920 SE Coyote Dr., Topeka, KS 66619-5370.

