

Red Tail Review

May 21-22, 2011



Arctic Reservists—

I had every intention of taking up a 2-page spread to let you know a little bit more about me and my goals for the 477FG. But, as you can see below, our very own Chaplain (Maj.) Travers has received a very prestigious award and I want you to take the time to read it and appreciate the contributions of this faithful servant to both our military and the Church.

I also had the good fortune of attending the PACAF Airmen of the Year recognition ceremony with our own Tech. Sgt. Joe McQueen (477 FSS) and his beautiful bride.

We have a few nice pictures from the trip, including Joe getting close and personal with a dolphin... right in front of his wife! Good times for sure. I am as proud of both of these gentlemen as I am this organization and each of you.

There are many issues facing our Group from funding to flying to readiness and reporting. Rest assured we are working each of them diligently and are establishing a series of process reviews to take a look at how we do business and ways to improve.

With the stand down, I ask that you take this time to catch up on all training and readiness requirements which need attention. We are adjusting our training plans to prepare for both short and long term periods of not flying.

I am putting the final touches on our Mission, Vision, Goals and ways to measure how we do what we do so well. Expect to see them in the next Red Tail Review. For now, keep on keepin' on. You, your families and employers are my collective number one priority, for without you there is no way to accomplish our mission.

-Colonel Bryan Radliff

Chaplain awarded AFRC's Individual Award for Excellence

By Capt. Ashley Conner

Chaplain (Maj.) Patrick Travers has been awarded Air Force Reserve Command's Chaplain Individual Award for Excellence.

The accomplishments that led to him winning this award were volunteering for a third unsolicited seven month deployment, constructing the chapel service program for the newly activated 477th Fighter Group from scratch and completing 12 hours of legal education classes to maintain is attorney license.

When Travers is not holding church services for the members of the 477th Fighter Group in Anchorage during unit training assembly weekends, he is in Juneau serving as the Pastor of Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church and as vicar general and judicial vicar of the Catholic Diocese of Juneau.



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2011 Aimpoints

100% manning with outstanding Airmen

Develop and care for Airmen

Improve Traditional Reserve Processes

Formalize unit compliance programs

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Finance

AROWS ORDERS AND TRAVEL VOUCHER NOTIFICATIONS: Want to be contacted when your orders are ready and when your travel vouchers have been paid? AROWS-R provides capability for you to input email addresses, more than one if you prefer. Any email accounts will do: work, home, or other. Multiple email addresses ensure you will receive notice of published orders and paid travel vouchers. To update or add email addresses, sign into AROWS-R, click "My Account", and add or change the addresses in "Email Address" and "Travel Voucher Distribution List". Note that if you add multiple addresses, you must separate them with a semicolon (;).

MIXING ACTIVE AND INACTIVE DUTY: Active duty tours (ADSW, ADT, AT, School, MPA, etc.) and inactive duty tours (UTA, AFTP, and RMP) cannot be performed on the same day. On a given day you can be paid for active duty or inactive duty, but not both. If your active duty tour is away from Elmendorf, you will receive military pay for the travel days. For pay purposes those travel days are considered active duty days, therefore you cannot be paid for inactive duty on the travel days. And if you perform a Readiness Management Period (RMP), you cannot be paid for any other duty types that day.

LEAVE START DATE ADJUSTMENTS: If a military leave form has been given a leave authorization number, and the member will depart before or after the first day of leave indicated on the form, cancel the original leave request by completing appropriate blocks on Part III and submitting it to the RPO. Prepare a new leave request with corrected first day and get a new leave number. Process Part III of the new leave authorization as normal.

Backpacks for Japan



The 477th is collecting comfort backpacks for the children of Japan who were affected by the recent earthquake and tsunami. These items will be sent to the Misawa Air Base Girl Scouts in Japan for distribution.

If you are interested in donating, drop off a children's backpack with small comfort items to the designated box in front of the 477 FG Public Affairs Office by Saturday, 21 May. Questions? contact Lt. Maggie Kuntz at mar-gret.kuntz.1@elemendorf.af.mil.

Suggested items include: paper, pen, crayons, coloring books, flashlights, stuffed animals, playing cards, comics, tissue, hats,

Base Access-DBIDS

In order to maintain smooth base access after **1 Oct. 2011**, all members (and family members) must be registered in the DBIDS program.

There are 2 locations to register: 1) Visitors Center at the Boniface Gate (Main Gate)— Please note, this is always very busy and will usually be a wait; 2) Peoples Center at the Pass and ID office (line badge office). We are working with the Pass and ID office to schedule each squadron a time to get this accomplished.

Pass and ID is open this Sunday between 1400-1600 for walk-ins—Just for us Reserve component types! Isn't that nice?!

Yellow Ribbon for returning deployers

Members of the 477 FG attended their first Western regional Yellow Ribbon event in Tempe, AZ, May 13-15. Attendees included two 477 MXS personnel and one 477 AMXS attending their 30-Day Post Deployment event and one AMDF member attending her Pre-Deployment event. In addition, one leadership representative from Maintenance helped staff the event as well as three FSS members who helped with registration and child-care. The Yellow Ribbon staff welcomed 141 attendees to the Tempe Mission Palms Hotel in the heart of Tempe.

The event consisted of an information fair with 22 organizations, a keynote speaker, briefings and multiple breakout sessions covering subjects ranging from Marriage Enrichment and Single Member Deployments to Parenting and Financial Counseling classes.

Eligible participants are those that have recently returned from a 90-day deployment and those who are within 90 days of leaving for a deployment in which they will be separated from their families for 90 days or more. All travel expenses, hotel and meals will be provided at no cost to eligible participants and their approved family members.

The next events will be held June 10-12 in Bellevue, Wash.; July 15-17 in Palm Springs, Calif.; and August 26-28 in San Diego, Calif. All eligible members interested in attending future events should contact the 477 FG Yellow Ribbon Manager, Capt. Erin Floersch at 551-3023.



If you are interested in representing the 477th Fighter Group during the Hero Games competition during the Summer Solstice celebration June 18, please get in touch with the team captain Senior Master Sgt. Neal Therrien, 477 FSS.

— Announcements —

Promotions—Check out who's flashing new rank!



Airman 1st Class to Senior Airman

Soo Xiong, CES
Marren Clay, MXS



Staff to Tech. Sgt.

Brent Sisson, CES
David Trim, MXS
Timothy Tuttle, AMXS
Donna Marshall, AMXS



Tech. to Master Sgt.

Jonathon Orzechowski, CES
Hiram, Gunter, FSS



Master to Senior Master Sgt.

Shawn Payne, OSF

New arrivals in 477 CES!

Tech. Sgt. Ross had a healthy little girl April 26 at 7:12 p.m.
Zoe Alison weighed 7 lbs, 10 oz.!

Senior Airmen Paden had a healthy little girl April 27 at 11:16 p.m.
Abigail Leann weighed 7 lbs, 15oz.



Congrats PACAF winner!

Tech. Sgt. Joe McQueen and his wife just returned from a trip to Hawaii where he was recognized as PACAF Airmen of the Year!!

Congratulate Joe when you see him! Don't look for him in the training shop, though. He has moved to our new security forces unit located in the old 477th headquarters building on Kuter Ave.



New rewards for recruiting!!



www.get1now.us—check it out!!

Gate information

Visitor Control Center

Seven days a week 24 hours

Boniface Gate

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Muldoon Gate

Monday-Friday 5 a.m.-6 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Gov't Hill Gate

Sunday-Thursday 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Friday-Saturday 6 a.m.-4 a.m.

Post Road Gate

Seven days a week 6 a.m.-7 p.m.

Fort Richardson/ Elmendorf Common Gate

Seven days a week 24 hours

For more information, call the Visitor Control Center at 907-552-5420. For after hours assistance, call the Boniface Gate at 552-1449.

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Breakfast 5:30-8 a.m.

Lunch 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Dinner 4:30-7 p.m.

Midnight Meal 11 p.m.-1 a.m.

For more information, call the DFAC at 552-3114.

Fitness center hours

Monday-Friday 4:30 a.m.-11 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Holidays & family days 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

For more information, call 552-3504.