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Wing personnel become "Pacific Warriors"

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# Right thing to do for the 934th Airlift Wing

Partnering concept reflects spirit, cooperation, sense of family

by Col. Dean Despinoy  
934th Airlift Wing commander

**W**e have just completed the negotiations and signing of the new labor agreement with the American Federation of Government Employees.

I commend the representatives of management and labor for their hard work. I am very pleased with the process that was used to produce this document.

The concept of partnering truly



Despinoy

reflects the spirit, cooperation, and sense of family that I hope we all maintain. I feel it is the right thing to do for the 934th Airlift Wing, whether or not partnering remains a formal federal program.

people you supervise.

If you are not part of management, make sure you are going to your first line supervisor as soon as you have a concern. Work the problem together to find a mutually acceptable resolution.

Neither side should ask for something without a full understanding of the ramifications on the personnel and the mission.

**M**ost of the time, problems arise from poor or no communication. Communication must be a two-way street. It is not fair for management to levy new requirements without talking to the people; likewise it is not fair for labor to immediately run to the union before management has even heard of the problem.

Work the problems as a team and if, after trying your best, you are still unable to come to a solution, then ask for help from the next level.

If there is still no solution to be had, then Mr. Cliff Fox, AFGE President and I will give it our best shot.

We will soon be convening a

**I** truly feel that the senior levels of management and labor will continue to work as a single team to solve problems and address concerns that are certain to arise as we continue to perform our mission for the country's defense.

Partnering, however, must not be limited to the senior leadership positions but used at all levels.

All too often, some people take the easy way out by simply handing a problem to someone else. I challenge everyone not to present a problem unless they have a recommended solution.

Everyone in the Wing is empowered to solve problems.

If you are a first line supervisor, make sure you are consulting the

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Individuals who have a question they feel needs a personal response from the 934th Airlift Wing commander can call his hotline at 713-4685. Questions are re-recorded and individuals may leave their name or remain anonymous. Questions of general interest will be answered in the Viking Flyer.



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### On the cover

Capt. Thomas Zytter and Senior Master Sgt. Daniel Bohnen, 934th Aeromedical Staging Squadron, treat a patient during the Pacific Warrior exercise

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Person on the Street

# What do you like most about UTA weekends?



"I've enjoyed the people. Everyone has made my experience here worthwhile so far, after having been here for only four UTAs."  
Airman 1st Class Rae String, 934th Aeromedical Staging Squadron



"You don't get relationships like this anywhere else. I like the people. People on base have been overwhelmingly open-armed and receptive."  
1st Lt. Garrison Miller, 934th Aeromedical Staging Squadron



"I like having the people around. It's more of a team than the weekday routine."  
Senior Master Sgt. Karen Wilson, 934th Communications Flight



"It keeps me busy on the weekend. Otherwise I'd be sitting at home drinking beer."  
Maj. Mark Vijums, 934th Airfit Wing



"Playing ping-pong on breaks."  
Tech. Sgt. Bob Braesch, 934th Maintenance Squadron



"I like the camaraderie. I think everyone feels this is a family-orientated unit. We have common goals and people feel valued for the job they do."  
Master Sgt. Laurie Konz, 934th Military Personnel Flight



"I like to help people who come into the office. The people I work with are like a second family to me."  
Tech. Sgt. Randy Kline, Joint Services Family Readiness



"The camaraderie of my fellow combat arms instructors at this base has an overall positive affect on my personality. It creates an ebullient effect on the camaraderie and symbiosis of the team dynamics in general."  
Tech. Sgt. Russ Funaro, 934th Security Forces Squadron

# Reserve must recruit, retain best people

by Maj. Gen. James E. Sherrard  
Chief of Air Force Reserve,  
Commander, Air Force Reserve  
Command



Sherrard

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following is the first of a three-part series on the Air Force Reserve's key issues for 2002 - people, readiness and modernization. Part two will run in April and part three in May.

**T**he Air Force Reserve, and the Air Force in general, have led the way in providing responsive reserve forces, available immediately, to meet Service and national needs.

People are our most important asset. We need to take care of them, and they must feel their work is worthwhile and meaningful. They are highly skilled and we must maintain this experience to ensure our contributions to the total force are useful.

We must remain viable in recruiting and retention. The potential active-duty pool for recruitment into Air Force Reserve Command has diminished

because of the force drawdown and longer active-duty service commitments.

We need to reward our people through promotion and give them the opportunity to compete for command opportunities.

Leadership is not limited only to commanders; everyone down to the lowest-ranking airman is a leader. We need to ensure that there is open dialogue among the troops to make sure that we're doing our job the best it can be done.

**V**olunteerism: The Air Force Reserve continues to remain on the leading edge volunteering to participate in peacetime operations.

By using volunteers, we minimize potentially adverse impacts on readiness and training, recruiting, and retention.

Air Force Reserve volunteers have consistently provided trained and ready forces to the gaining commands. These forces are available for short-notice contingency operations as well as for longer term mobilizations.

With ever-increasing OPTEMPO and PERSTEMPO, the Air Force Reserve is aggressively pursuing ways to better leverage the time of Air Force Reservists and to apply training credit

for civilian skills.

**H**elp for employers: Employers are an integral part of the Reserve triad (reservists, their families and their employers).

We have vigorously pursued feedback from employers, and they have expressed an interest in monetary relief. The Air Force Reserve supports Congressional recognition of the invaluable contribution of employers of guardsmen and reservists in support of national defense.

**C**ompensation for reservists and families: People are the Air Force Reserve's most important resource.

To maintain our history of success, we must be able to recruit and retain the best and brightest young people.

Quality of life issues are a big key to doing that.

Our focus is on the following areas: pay, entitlements, improved quarters, family services, reducing personnel turbulence and parity of benefits that make sense to the taxpayer and do not reduce the benefits of active-duty personnel. (AFRC News Service)

## Management, labor relationship one of the best

### 934th Airlift Wing a special team, requires care, nurturing at all levels

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resolve any questions that may come

Contract Interpretation Team (CIT) to make sure that all levels of management and labor fully understand the new contract. It is the job of the CIT to

up regarding the intent of the wording of our contract.

**O**ver my career I have been assigned to many locations and interfaced with many unions. I can say that we here in Minneapolis have one of the best relationships I have seen.

This relationship is maintained through trust and communication. The team that has been created here is

special and should be recognized as such.

**L**ike anything else worthwhile, this relationship requires care and nurturing at all levels. I challenge everyone to do their part to reduce or eliminate rumor, maintain mutual respect, and make sure the communication is open and flowing.

Keep up the great work!!

The command chief master sergeant of Air Mobility Command will be visiting the Twin Cities Saturday, Mar. 17

Command Chief Master Sgt. Ken Van Holbeck is scheduled to visit with enlisted members of the 934th and 133rd Airlift Wings during an enlisted call at 9:30

a.m. in the Guard's civil engineering Squadron conference room (Bldg. 614.)

Besides tours of both units, the command master chief will have lunch in the 133rd dining hall.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the enlisted call.

### Civil engineer earns 22nd AF, AFRC kudos

by SSgt Suzanne Runtsch  
Staff Writer

Leadership, management, technical competence, initiative and resourcefulness—one individual exemplifies these qualities.

Captain David Ordahl, 934<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineering Officer, was lauded as a superior performer during the 22<sup>nd</sup> Air Force Staff Assistance Visit (SAV).

Ordahl has also been named the Air Force Reserve Command Maj. Gen. Eugene A. Lupia Civil Engineer award winner. He will travel to AFRC at Robins Air Force Base, Georgia in May for an award presentation.

Ordahl was commended for redesigning the squadron management database. He implemented an Access program to track Total Quality Management (TQM).

"The TQM program is now a server-based program so multiple users can input data," Ordahl said. "This system significantly speeds up data retrieval."

Continuous development is underway to automate all training elements.

"It was almost impossible to stay on top of recurring training requirements without a computerized database tracking system," Ordahl said. Copies of the Access system

## Viking Victor

NAME: Senior Master Sgt Clark Johnson

POSITION: First Sergeant

UNIT: 934<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Flight

EDUCATION: B.S. Business Administration, Metropolitan State University; Associates Degree in Disaster Preparedness, Community College of the Air Force; Associates Degree in Information Systems, Community College of the Air Force

CIVILIAN OCCUPATION: Transportation Program Coordinator, Federal Highway Administration

FAMILY: Wife, Shelly; son, Kyle; daughter, Rachel; and expecting in March

HOBBIES: Fishing, Camping, and other various activities with family and friends

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: Air Force Sergeants Association, American Legion

GOALS: To work hard for all the members and promote a positive Reserve experience for everyone.

COMMENTS: I am genuinely excited about the opportunities and challenges of this position. It is an honor and a privilege to serve in the Air Force with the 934<sup>th</sup> and with such great people.



have been made available to 22<sup>nd</sup> AF SAV for other units to utilize.

### Cops earn AFRC honors

Two 934<sup>th</sup> Security Forces Squadron members are Air Force Reserve Command's top cops in their respective categories.

Senior Airman Daniel R. Mellesmoen and Capt. Chris Simpson are the command's airman and company grade officer of the year, respectively.

Mellesmoen and Simpson will compete against Air National Guardsmen and major command individual mobilization augmentees for unit-level awards.

The Air Force will announce its winners May 1 during the annual SF Worldwide Symposium held this year at Robins AFB. (AFRC News Service)

### Pair capture AMC honors

A noncommissioned officer assigned to the 934<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing

has been named the Air Mobility Command Outstanding Air Reserve Component Intelligence Senior NCO of the Year.

Master Sgt. Jason M. Velasquez will now compete for similar at the Air Force level.

Another member of the wing, Maj. Mark J. Montee, was the runner-up for AMC's Outstanding Field Grade Intelligence Officer of the Year.

### Recruiters earn honors

Master Sgt. Douglas Vaughan was awarded the Top In-Service/Line Recruiter Award for being the top producing In-Service/Line Recruiter in Air Force Reserve Command for fiscal year 2000.

Master Sgt. Mark Jones received the AFRC Superior Achievement award for being one of the Top 35 Line Recruiters in AFRC for FY 00.

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# Units transform Hawaii into exercise "war zone"

Cool island breezes, warm ocean waters, and picturesque beaches are how some would describe a two-week vacation in the Hawaiian Islands.

But for some 80 people from several 934<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing units, their two-week stay in the island paradise was anything but sandy beaches. As they descended on Hawaii, their island paradise began to slowly transform into an imaginary war zone during their two-week stay.

They were among the 1,700 Air Force and Army reservists, along with their active duty counterparts participating in Operation Pacific Warrior 2001.

"This exercise tested

our ability to care for and evacuate patients," said Lt. Col. John Starzyk, from Headquarters 4<sup>th</sup> Air Force and site manager at Hickam.

"We're doing that with a traditional evacuation system-C-130s equipped with specific elements for war- and a newly developed expeditionary medical deployment system."

This system, using critical-care aeromedical transport teams, or CCATTs, allows medical people to perform surgery in a nontraditional setting. These teams of physicians, nurses and technicians provide intensive care during aeromedical transportation, Continued on Page 7



Majs. Phyllis Lawver (right foreground) and Marianne Kwiatkowski (right background), 934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Staging Squadron, along with two unidentified litter bearers, carry a patient from an ambulance.



Staff Sgt. Stephanie Belle-Isle, 934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Staging Squadron, and Lt. Col. Bohdan Makarewycz, 349<sup>th</sup> ASTS, attend to the status of a "patient" in the aeromedical staging facility



Maj. Marianne Kwiatkowski, 934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Staging Squadron, and Master Sgt. Lastenita Schuster, 349<sup>th</sup> ASTS, follow Maj. Dennis Smith, 934<sup>th</sup> ASTS, with a container of supplies



Lt. Col. (Dr.) Jorge Llambes and Maj. Nina Gilbert, 934th Aeromedical Staging Squadron, along with 1st Lt. Nancy Torres, 349th ASTS, treat a patient in the aeromedical staging facility. An evaluator keeps a watchful eye over them during the Pacific Warrior exercise

## Pacific Warrior 2001

934th ASTS command leader in new medical concept; skills tested during EORI

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such as that provided by C-130s. CCAAT teams take care of very critical patients.

They pick them up at an insertion point and stay with them until they get to a major medical facility.

And a Twin Cities unit is one of the leaders within Air Force Reserve Command of this new

concept. The squadron's leadership role was tested when they underwent an Expeditionary Operational Readiness Inspection during the exercise.

"We're one of the leaders when it comes to CCATTs within the command," said Col. Mary K. Hanson, 934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Staging Squadron commander. "It was a very good exercise, testing the 'hospital of the future.'"

The 96<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron provided transport to and from the Islands for those people deploying.

While there, members of the Flying Viking wing stayed in a tent city. They were supported during their EORI by the 934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, 934<sup>th</sup> Services Squadron, people from transportation and the chaplain's staff.



Staff Sgt. Angela Kibin (left) and Maj. Nina Gilbert, 934th Aeromedical Staging Squadron, treat a patient in the aeromedical staging facility.

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## Local

Both Master Sgts. Jones and Vaughan received the coveted Century Club award for having over 100 accession points in FY 00.

### Tax bill in state legislature

A bill currently in the Minnesota state senate will offer some state income tax relief to members of the 934th Airlift Wing if passed by that legislative body.

The bill, H.F. 294, which has already passed the Minnesota house, provides a \$5,000 tax deduction from Minnesota income tax for service performed on active or reserve duty, or both. An additional \$3,000 for duty

### 934th earns CFC Gold Award

The Combined Federal Campaign Gold Award was presented recently to the 934th Airlift Wing.

The award, presented by the Twin Cities Area Combine Federal Campaign is for everyone's outstanding contribution and pledges, according to Mr. Roger Hanson, wing CFC coordinator. This special award is given to federal organizations that contribute or pledge \$65.00 or more per capita.

According to Hanson this could not have been

possible without the excellent support from everyone who help make this an outstanding year. He also stated with big reduction in the federal work force within the twin city area their was a 2.3 percent increase in pledges and contributions to the Twin Cities Combine Federal Campaign from last year.

He offered a big thank you to everyone, and said this will help make our community, our country and our world a better place.

### EAT makes for an exciting weekend

by Senior Amn. Nicholas Olson  
Staff writer

Imagine being part of the maintenance crew on a C-130 and noticing from the cockpit someone approaching the plane wearing a ski mask, civilian clothes and no line badge.

This scenerio was tested during the February UTA when the Exercise Assistance Team (EAT) conducted an anti-terrorist exercise.

During the exercise an individual attempted to hijack one of the wing's C-130 aircraft.

A maintenance crew aboard the aircraft, along with security forces, thwarted the mock terrorist.

The EAT conducts seven of this type of scenario annually to keep the base population aware of potential threatening events. The anti-terrorist exercises evaluate the response of everything from main gate security to

aircraft reaction.

The evaluated personnel were able to complete their objectives with flying colors. "There was an excellent response by the cops and the flight crew," said Capt. Bonnie Tremblett, the Alternate Team Chief for the EAT.

Such a scenario is more complex than just having someone go to an aircraft.

A usual scenario begins with the Wing Commander being notified of a possible threat to the base population.

"There is an artificial inject sent to the commander the day before," said Tremblett. At this point a threat condition Alpha is issued.

The Air Force Handbook considers this a general threat of possible terrorist activity against personnel and facilities exist, but nature and extent unpredictable. The base was then alerted and measures were taken.

During such a scenario the base was brought to threat condition Delta, defined as a terrorist act having occurred or intelligence indicated that a terrorist action against a specific location or person was likely.

All facilities were locked down and security was at a maximum. However, through the rapid response of the security forces and the vigilance of the maintenance crew aboard, the terrorist was unsuccessful.

"The crew was already thinking through their

plan, doing what needed to be done," said Tremblett. "They did a great job."

Although there were some areas that needed improvement. Captain Tremblett believes there was value in what she observed.

"It gave us a chance to see strengths and weaknesses so we could learn from them," added Tremblett.

The EAT is an additional duty that consists of 30 members from around the installation.

"Each member is an expert in their field and brings a huge element of trust," said Maj. Mike Laughton, EAT Team Chief.

Tremblett credits 934th Mission Support Flight Commander, Lt. Col. LeBlanc with being a tremendous asset to the team.

In 1998 LeBlanc and Tremblett received the 22<sup>nd</sup> Air Force Certificate of Superior Performance through EAT member education, training and contemporary management tools to create a well-integrated and confident program participants.

### Photo Lab moves, closed till June

The base photo lab has moved locations and is now located in Building 865.

Both photo technicians are away in school so there will be no service until the June UTA.

Some very limited photo support for official photos and awards

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**Local**

presentations may be available from the 133rd Airlift Wing. They can be reached at Ext. 2408.

Individuals with questions should contact either Senior Master Sgt. Sonja

Fisher at Ext. 1026 or Master Sgt. Sally Sahr at Ext. 1030.

**Awareness campaign underway**

The Air Force Information Assurance Awareness Campaign for 2001 is currently underway.

For more information on Global Vigilance, Reach and Power: Information Assurance in the 21st Century, check out the website at: [www.afca.scott.af.mil/ip/iaac2001/indxpage.htm](http://www.afca.scott.af.mil/ip/iaac2001/indxpage.htm)

The local contact, the 934th Airlift Wing Information Assurance Officer at Ext. 1244, has more information.

**Lodging staff receives award**

North Country Inn lodging staff recently received the Silver Pineapple Award for successful implementation of the Educational Institute Performance Plus Training Program.

The Minneapolis lodging staff is the only AFRC lodging staff to have achieved this level of training and recognition. Congratulations!



Tech. Sgt. Mike Gullickson, 934th Security Forces Squadron, shows a pair of night vision goggles to a young visitor at Government of Display. The squadron was just one of numerous military units who had displays at the annual event held at Mall of America.

**Reserve**

**AFRC announces senior officer promotions**

Five Air Force Reserve brigadier generals and 14 colonels have been

nominated by the president for promotion to the next higher rank.

The major general nominees are:

- James D. Bankers, 22nd Air Force commander;
- Marvin J. Barry, MA to the commander of Air Education and Training Command;
- John D. Dorris, MA to the commander of Air Force Special Operations Command;
- Patrick J. Gallagher, MA to the commander in chief of U.S. Strategic Command;
- Ronald M. Sega, MA to the commander of Air Force Space Command.

Colonels nominated for their first star are:

- Fred F. Castle, MA to

the deputy assistant secretary for management, policy and program integration, Headquarters Air Force, Pentagon;

- Thomas A. Dyches, 301st Fighter Wing commander;
- John H. Gruesser, MA to the commander of the Tanker Airlift Control Center;
- Bruce E. Hawley, MA to the staff judge advocate, Headquarters Air Combat Command;
- Christopher M. Joniec, 434th Air Refueling Wing commander;
- William P. Kane, 94th Airlift Wing commander;
- Michael K. Lynch, MA to the director of operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Forces Europe;
- Carlos E. Martinez, MA to the commander of the Electronic Systems Center;
- Charles W. Neeley, MA to the director of strategic planning and policy (J-5), U.S. Pacific Command;
- Mark A. Pillar, MA to the commander of 21st Air Force;
- William M. Rajczak, MA to the director of plans and programs, Headquarters AFRC;
- Thomas M. Stogsdill, 919th Special Operations Wing commander;
- Dale Timothy White, MA to the commander of Air Force

Recruiting Service;  
• Floyd C. Williams, 419th FW commander.

These promotions take effect upon U.S. Senate confirmation and by direction of the chief of Air Force Reserve. (AFRC News Service)

**AFA Reserve Council needs members**

Air Force Reserve members in any Air Force specialty and pay grade have until April 9 to apply for membership on the Air Force Association Reserve Council.

Council members serve for two years and develop AFA policy recommendations on quality of life, equipment modernization and military construction issues affecting Air Force Reserve Command and reservists.

The council meets about four times a year, usually in February, May, September and December, often in conjunction with AFA Symposium events.

Reservists attend these meetings on orders, and the unit or agency of assignment is responsible for paying for the temporary duty trips.

Interested people may apply through their wing commander, or equivalent, with a letter of endorsement indicating the applicant is available to perform duties.

Senior Master Sgt. Troy McIntosh of the Office of Air Force Reserve's Policy Integration Directorate in the Pentagon has more information at DSN 223-2452. (AFRC News Service)

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## Reserve

### Reserve seeks applicants for Capitol Hill Fellowship

Air Force Reserve majors and major selectees have until April 6 to apply for a 14-month tour of active duty through the Capitol Hill Fellowship Program.

Program participants wear civilian business attire while serving on the staff of a member of Congress.

The 14-month tour of duty earns in-residence intermediate service school credit.

For more information about the program people can go to the REI web site at [www.re.hq.af.mil](http://www.re.hq.af.mil) and click on "REI" and then "Information." They can also access the site through the Air Force Reserve Command public web page at [www.afrc.af.mil](http://www.afrc.af.mil) and then click on "Office of Air Force Reserve." The telephone number is DSN 227-2452 or 703-693-.2452.

### Reserve looks for reservists to fill more recruiting slots

Air Force Reserve Command received 50 additional authorizations for recruiters and is seeking applicants to fill the four-year tours of active duty.

Maj. Gen. James E. Sherrard III, chief of Air Force Reserve and AFRC commander, pushed for the additional authorizations last

year when he spoke with a House Armed Services subcommittee about beefing up the recruiting ranks.

The additional authorizations boost the Reserve recruiting ranks to 398 recruiters nationwide.

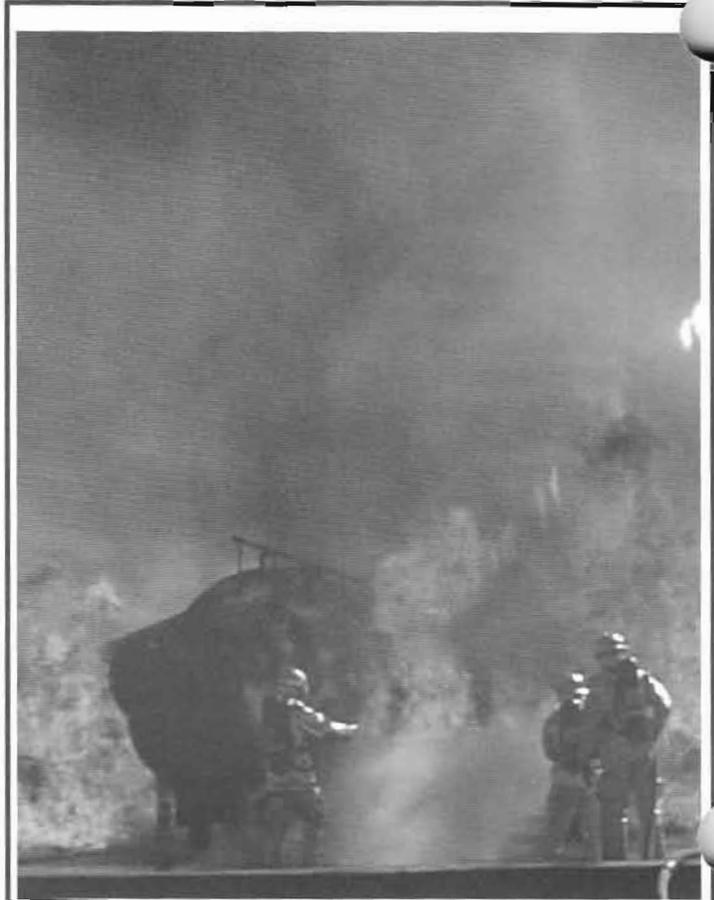
With those additional authorizations approved, AFRC is looking for reservists who want to be recruiters, said Lt. Col. Scott Ostrow, chief of the AFRC recruiting training branch here. There are only a few requirements for people interested in filling the jobs.

"The most important thing I want people to know is not to self-eliminate themselves because they think they are not a salesman," Ostrow said. "All we're asking is that people believe in the Air Force Reserve - that they like what they are doing and want to share that experience with others."

If selected for the special duty, there are several benefits associated with becoming a recruiter, said Lt. Col. Kevin Reinert, AFRC recruiting deputy director.

"It's an opportunity for a reservist to go active duty with an Active Guard and Reserve job," Reinert said. "People on an AGR tour get the same benefits as active duty, including Title 10 retirement, but promotions are still based on the Reserve methods."

The new recruiting slots are listed as technical sergeant positions, but anyone who is qualified can apply and may be approved, said Reinert. That means an airman first class could get the job, meet requirements



Firefighters from the 934th Civil Engineering Squadron extinguish a blaze during training in California recently.

and be promoted to technical sergeant in an accelerated manner.

Or, someone who's a 50-year-old traditional reservist master sergeant could get the job, give up a stripe and serve on active duty with his or her retirement still based on highest rank achieved during his or her career.

"It's highly probable for a new recruiter who voluntarily takes off a master sergeant stripe to earn that stripe back within two to three years of joining our recruiting team," Reinert said.

The recruiter will also receive world-class

sales training and special-duty pay of \$375 a month.

People applying for the jobs have a possibility of staying at their unit if an opening exists, but Reinert asks that applicants stay flexible to the needs of AFRC in the placement of new recruiters.

For more information about applying for a recruiting position, reservists can contact Senior Master Sgt. Larry Giles, the 934th Airlift Wing senior recruiter or Master Sgt. Lane Whitlow, AFRC recruiting training, at DSN 497-0145 or commercial (478) 327-0145. (AFRC News Service)

## Newcomers

Newcomers  
Senior Amn.  
Roongrote Bennett,  
934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical  
Staging Squadron  
Senior Amn.  
Chad D. Dauwalter,  
934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance  
Squadron  
Airman Basic  
Tory J. Wagner, 934<sup>th</sup>  
Security Forces  
Squadron  
Lt. Col.  
Reinhard L. Schmidt,  
96<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron  
Tech.

Sgt. Diane P.  
Bouchee, 96<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron  
Master Sgt. Suzanne V.  
Grant, 934<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Flight  
Staff Sgt. David M.  
Anaya, 27<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron

## Awards

Meritorious Service  
Medal  
Lt. Col. John C.  
Rudin, 96<sup>th</sup> Airlift  
Squadron, first oak leaf  
cluster  
Maj.

Christopher J. Lewis,  
934<sup>th</sup> Logistics Group  
Master Sgt.

Scott P. Larsen, 27<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port  
Squadron  
Tech. Sgt. Mark C.  
Quinlan, 27<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron

Air Force Commendation  
Medal

Master Sgt. Curtis J.  
Nelson, 934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance

Squadron, second oak leaf cluster  
Tech. Sgt. Steven J.  
Lerbakken, 934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance  
Squadron, first oak leaf cluster  
Tech. Sgt. Michael L.  
Bouchard, 934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical  
Evacuation Squadron

Air Force Achievement Medal  
Master Sgt. Timothy S.  
McCullum, 934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance  
Squadron, first oak leaf cluster  
Lt. Col. Cam J. LaBlanc,  
934<sup>th</sup> Logistics Squadron  
Capt. Timothy W.  
Wollmuth, 96<sup>th</sup> Airlift Squadron  
Master Sgt. Roger H.  
Smith, 934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance  
Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Earl J. Dodge,  
934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron  
Tech. Sgt. Roy A. Goins,  
934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Squadron  
Tech. Sgt. Alvin L.  
Greener, 934<sup>th</sup> Services Squadron  
Tech. Sgt. Donald W.

Macelroy, 934<sup>th</sup> maintenance  
Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Jay C.  
Redfield, 934<sup>th</sup> Maintenance  
Squadron

Staff Sgt. Max B.  
Sornoza, 934<sup>th</sup> Aeromedical  
Staging Squadron

## Births

Tech. Sgt. Micheal and  
Diane Vosen are the proud  
parents of an 8-pound, 8-oz son,  
Vaughn Joseph, born Jan. 3.

Tech. Sgt. Eric and  
Laurie Sund, 27<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port  
Squadron, are the proud parents

of a 6-pound, 14 Oz son, Kaiser  
James, born Jan. 21.

Staff Sgt. David and  
Laura Stevenson, 934<sup>th</sup> Security  
Forces Squadron, are the proud  
parents of a 7-pound, 4-oz girl,  
Gracie Anee, born Jan. 22.

## Wing roundup

934<sup>th</sup> Security Forces  
Squadron

Tech. Sgt. August  
Funaro  
Unit Public Affairs  
Representative

The squadron  
has challenged  
communications to a full  
contact volleyball match.  
The losing commander  
will have to accept the  
other unit's white  
elephant trophy and  
keep it displayed until  
the next match event.  
Several members of the

squadron were participants in the  
base honor guard which posted  
the colors at Government on  
Display Expo at Mall of America  
recently. Participants included  
Staff Sgt. Aaron Groskreutz,  
Senior Amn. Daniel Mellesmoen  
and Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Andrew  
Halldin.

The unit is gearing up  
for the upcoming RAV deployment  
to Volk Field, WI.

Master Sgt. David Hardy  
was the first member of the 934<sup>th</sup>  
SFS to pass the quality control  
exam with a score of 90 percent.

934<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineering  
Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Randy Matthews  
Unit Public Affairs Representative  
Squadron tempo is high  
as it prepares to deploy to Saudi  
Arabia for their annual tour and  
ORI. An advance team left Feb. 4.  
CE Team One leaves Mar. 2, while  
CE Team 2 leaves Mar. 15.

Squadron was busy the  
last UTA sanding streets and  
sidewalks. Electrical and  
structural shops were busy  
building desktop training work  
stations.

934<sup>th</sup> Communications Flight

Senior Amn. Christian Krug  
Unit Public Affairs Representative  
Six members of the  
squadron participated in the  
Government on Display Expo at  
Mall of America in February.

27<sup>th</sup> Aerial Port Squadron  
Tech. Sgt. Mark Pierson

Unit Public Affairs Representative

The squadron raised  
\$2,900 during their annual  
holidays auction. The proceeds  
went to a number of needy  
families, local charities and to  
Family readiness.

Capt. Erik Sutcliffe  
received a 95 percent academic  
excellence at air terminal manag-  
ers school.

## Fun & Leisure

### Officers Club

Lunch: Tuesday-  
Saturday from 11  
a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Dinner: Tuesday -  
Thursday  
from 5:30 to 8:30  
p.m.  
Friday-Saturday  
from 6 to 9 p.m.  
Lounge:  
Tuesday-  
Thursday  
from 11 a.m. to 11  
p.m.

Friday-  
Saturday from 11  
a.m. to 11 p.m.  
Sundays: Closed  
(except Mar. 4 for 4-  
Star buffet)  
Mondays: Dining  
room closed.

Lounge opens at 5 p.m.  
Tuesdays: Fresh catch of the day  
special in the dining room

Wednesdays: Daily special in the  
dining room

Thursdays: Daily special in the  
dining room

Friday: Prime rib for two \$20.95 in  
the dining room

Saturday: Prime rib or lobster  
special in the dining room

Mar. 4: Four-star brunch from 11  
a.m.-2 p.m. Cost is \$10.95 for  
adults, and \$5.95 for children

Mar. 5: Flower and Garden club  
chili contest.

St. Patrick's Day

The Officers Club is  
celebrating St. Patrick's Day  
Friday, Mar. 17 from 7:30-11 p.m..

The celebration begins  
with a green clover salad, choice  
of roast sirloin or baked Irish stuff  
flounder, poundie potatoes and  
braised carrots. CK's Four Piece

Band will be performing on the  
ballroom stage.

The cost for dinner and  
music is \$19.95 per person. For  
those wishing to listen to the band  
or dance only, a \$5 per person  
cover is being charged.

All club members are  
invited to attend. For reservations,  
call (612) 713-3670.

### NCO Club

Breakfast: Monday-  
Friday from 6:30-9:30  
a.m.

Lunch:  
Monday-Saturday  
from 11 a.m. to 12:30  
p.m.

Dinner:  
Friday-Saturday from  
5:30-7:30 p.m.

Lounge: Monday,  
Tuesday and  
Thursday from 3-10

p.m.

Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 10  
p.m.

Friday-Saturday from 3 p.m. to  
midnight

Sunday: Closed

Monday: Chefs special for lunch  
in the dining room

Tuesday: Different specials for  
lunch in the dining room

Wednesday: Different specials  
for lunch in the dining room

Thursday: Potluck buffet for  
lunch in the dining room

Friday: Different specials for  
lunch in the dining room

Saturdays: Chef's choice for  
lunch in the dining room (except  
Mar. 17 which is reuben corned  
beef and cabbage

Mar. 3- The Drifters provide  
entertainment from 8 p.m. to  
midnight.

# UTA news in brief

## Personnel

MPF has moved

The Military Personnel Flight has moved to Bldg 852. Identification cards are done on the first floor and they now have handicap accessibility for those in need of it.

The MPF Training and Personnel Systems sections are on the second floor.

Newcomer's Orientation

Newcomer's Orientation is held every Saturday of the Unit Training Activity at 8 a.m. in the NCO Club. Units should ensure that their newcomers have a sponsor to take them to the club, return them to the unit, familiarize them with the base and especially make them feel welcome!

Education and training

G.I. Bill Kicker AFSCs for FY 2001-Kicker AFSCs for FY 2001 will remain the same as when the program came online in June 2000. They are: 1N, 1T, 2A, 2F, 2T, 2W, 3E, 8D, 1A, & 4N.

### Hours of operation

Military Personnel Flight

UTA Saturday- 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

UTA Sunday- 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

UTA ID cards- 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat. & Sun

Immunization Clinic

Saturday: 8:45-11:30 a.m.; 12:30-3 p.m.

1-2 p.m. (yellow fever)

Sunday: closed

Pass and ID

UTA Saturday-8-11 am and 12-3:30 p.m

UTA Sunday- Closed

Fitness Center

UTA Saturday- 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

UTA Sunday- 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Officers Club

UTA Saturday lunch- 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

UTA Saturday lounge- 11a.m. to 11 p.m.

UTA Saturday dinner-6-9 p.m.

NCO Club

UTA Saturday breakfast- 6:30.-9:30 a.m.

UTA Saturday lunch- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

UTA Saturday lounge- 3 p.m. to 1 a.m.

UTA Saturday dinner-5:30-8:30 p.m.

Mar. 3 (UTA) "The Drifters" and dance

Chapel services

Catholic Confession- 7:30 a.m.

Catholic Mass- 8 a.m.

Protestant Service- 9 a.m.

All services in Bldg. 865

Reservists who are in good standing, eligible for either the active duty or selected reserve G.I. Bill, and have six years retainability on their current enlistment are eligible for this supplemental benefit of up to \$350 per month in educational assistance.

Career Enhancement

Bonus AFSCs have been approved. Enlisted Incentive Program Bonus AFSC Listing from Jan. 1 though June 30, 2001:

AFSC	AFSC TITLE
X1AX1C	Loadmaster
1C0X2	Operations Resource Management
1N0X1	Intelligence Applications
2A1X7	Electronic Warfare Systems
2A551J	Aircraft Maintenance (2A531B)
2A6X1B	Aerospace Propulsion
2A6X4	Aircraft Fuel Systems
2A6X6	Aircraft Electrical and Environmental Systems
2F0X1	Fuels
2T0X1	Traffic Management
2T1X1	Vehicle Operations
2T2X1	Air Cargo
2T3X5	Vehicle Body Maintenance
2W0X1	Munitions Systems
3M0XX	Services
4A1X1	Medical Material
4F0X1	Aeromedical
4N0X1	Medical Services
X4N0X1	Flying Medical Services

Officer, enlisted duty titles

Duty titles for officer and enlisted personnel should reflect what the individual actually does, and not the career field description. If a duty title needs to be changed, orderly room staff can make the change through the PC III System.

Readiness

This year will be extremely busy year for the 934th Airlift Wing, with personnel fulfilling many Aerospace Expeditionary Force and other deployment commitments overseas.

It is critical that reservists ensure their military personnel records are always current and accurate. Reservists play a very important role by assisting

their unit deployment manager by ensuring their personnel items are always up-to-date. The following items should be reviewed at least quarterly prior to deploying anywhere, and should be promptly updated when changes occur:

DD Form 93 - Record of Emergency Data

Personal ID Tag - Full-name, SSN, Blood type and Religious Preference

Military Green ID Card - Mandatory. Update if within 90 days of ETS

SGLI - Serviceman's Group Life Insurance Coverage for Dependents

Line badges, if applicable  
Force Protection, SATE - Security Awareness Training

## Meetings

Stand-up- Saturday at 9 a.m. in building 760 (conference room).

Enlisted Advisory Council- Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Building 760 (conference room).

Career Advisor- Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Building 760 (room 194).

First sergeants meeting- Saturday at 2 p.m. in Building 760 (conference room)

Chiefs Breakfast- Sunday at 6:30 a.m. in the NCO Club.

NCO Club Advisory Council- Sunday at 10 a.m. in the NCO Club.

Honor guard- Sunday at 10 a.m. in Building 760 (conference room)

## Services

Videos available in lodging

Video rental is now available for lodging guests in Bldg 711. Videos may be rented for \$1.50/day. Additional daily rental fees will apply if video(s) are not returned on time. There will be a \$20.00 fee for videos not returned or returned damaged. Guests must have a credit card on file to rent a video.

Microwaves are available in all guest rooms in Bldg 711.

Racquetball reservations

Racquetball court reservations are now made on an hourly basis.

For more information, contact the Fitness Center at Ext. 1GYM.