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512th  
Airlift Wing!*

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## Commander extends holiday wishes

**Col. Ronald A. Rutland**

512th AW commander

**T**he holidays are a special time of year. It's a time when many of us celebrate our religious traditions with friends and families. It's a time in which we reflect on seasons past, the present and our wishes for the future. It's a time to reflect on our many blessings: our loved ones, this great nation and the freedoms we hold dear.

This year, there are many Americans who are not able to celebrate the holidays in the safety of their own home with those who love them most. These men and women are in harm's way fighting the Global War on Terrorism.

These warriors are selflessly serving their country, ensuring our safety and preserving our freedoms so we can spend time with our families and rejoice in the meaning of this season.

For many families, this holiday season may not be as joyous, because it will be their first one celebrated without their beloved son, daughter,

father, mother or spouse. More than 2,000 Americans have given the ultimate sacrifice for their country since the war in Iraq began. We as Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines understand their sacrifice and will never forget that we are the vanguard at the door for our country.

It's with great pride I have witnessed those who wear the uniform, stand up and do their duty, day in and day out and do it well. It's been a busy year for the 512th Airlift Wing. In addition to supporting GWOT, we stepped up to assist many



due to the families who support us all year long. So, this holiday season, step back, take a deep breath and savor the time you have with your family, and thank them for everything they do.

As your commander, I thank each and every one of you for everything you do.

Tanya and I are truly blessed and thrilled to be a part of the 512th family. There's no better job in the Air Force or Air Force Reserve than to be the commander of this wing.

During this joyous time of year, please have a safe and happy holiday and return to the 512th ready to take on the challenges of the New Year.

*"Much of this wing's success is due to the families who support us all year long."*

**Col. Ronald A. Rutland**

people from around the world who suffered from deadly natural disasters such as the Indonesian tsunami, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and the earthquake in Pakistan.

It isn't just the Airmen in this wing who helped accomplish those missions. Much of this wing's success is



Photo by Jason Minto

### Bring it on

About 40 Dover Team commanders received an orientation to the base's snow removal plan and equipment Nov. 21. For inclement weather reporting conditions, 512th Airlift Wing members can call 677-BASE or 677-3007.



# Financial managers, firefighter graded on deployed operations during exercise

**1st. Lt. Marnee A. C. Losurdo**

Chief, 512th Public Affairs

The masked man burst through the door and pointed his gun at her. He screamed, "Get down!" He ran over to the 115-pound safe, picked it up and ran out the door. The robbery took less than a minute.

It had been a hectic week for Senior Master Sgt. Dee Priar, 512th Airlift Wing Financial Management superintendent. Her office was robbed, her building caught on fire, her base was bombed and chemically attacked, and she received a third degree burn and a compound fracture.

Sergeant Priar's financial management and military skills were put to the test during the Air Mobility Command's Inspector General Exercise Oct. 31 to Nov. 6 at Alpena Air National Guard Base, Mich.

Sergeant Priar was accompanied by Tech. Sgt. Joy Clifford and Senior Airman Arkeya Langston, 512th FM technicians, and Senior Master Sgt. Michael Baize, 512th Civil Engineer Squadron firefighter. They, along with active duty, Guard and Reserve members from 11 units across the United States participated in the exercise, a simulated deployment to Naju Air Base, Korea.

The exercise evaluated unit members' ability to prepare, deploy and operate in a combat environment, said Sergeant Priar.

"When we deploy, our job is to provide military pay, travel pay and manage the budget and vendor pay services," said Sergeant Priar. "If we are going to a bare base, we need to know what we have to set up to be operational and what situations we might encounter in a deployed environment."

Sergeant Priar served 21 years on active duty and joined the Liberty Wing in September. She has undergone 15 inspections and exercises, but this was her first time as the team chief. This was the first exercise that 512th FM reservists have participated in since

reservists were assigned to the 512th FM Office in 2000.

"We got experience in different fields of finance," said Sergeant Priar, who was the dispersing agent responsible for unit funds and reported to the commander.

"We also learned where our strengths and weaknesses were and where we needed to adapt our training," said Sergeant Clifford, who, in civilian life, is a budget analyst for the 436th Financial Management Office.

During the exercise, Sergeant Clifford was the paying agent, and Airman Langston, an activated reservist who processes travel vouchers for 436th FM, worked in the cashier's office cashing

checks and exchanging foreign currency.

The reservists also had to react to situations that occur in a combat environment. They wore chemical warfare gear, responded to base attacks, conducted unexploded ordnance sweeps, looked for signs of contamination and conducted self aid and buddy care on their wounded counterparts.

The wing's sole firefighter who participated in the exercise recalled the chemical warfare training being the most challenging.

"I don't like

(Mission Oriented Protective Posture) gear, but after being in it for an extended period of time I learned to accept it and deal with it," said Sergeant Baize. "It became the norm, so it really wasn't that bad."

For Sergeant Clifford, the exercise hit home as she is deploying next year.

"It was very realistic training," she said. "I felt like I was in a hostile environment, and it opened my eyes to what we would see if we were deployed to a hostile area such as Iraq."

As of Nov. 22, the exercise results had not yet been released; however, Sergeant Priar said they received positive feedback from their evaluators.



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Veronica A. Aceveda

**Jessica Jacobs, 512th Financial Management office automation clerk, helps prepare mobility bag equipment for three members of the 512th Financial Management team who were selected to participate in a graded exercise in Alpena, Mich., the first week of November. A Liberty Wing firefighter also attended the graded inspection.**

## *Tuskegee Airmen visit Liberty Wing*

**1st. Lt. Marnee A. C. Losurdo**  
Chief, 512th Public Affairs

**I**t's not every day someone gets to meet an American legend, let alone get sworn into the Air Force Reserve by a Tuskegee Airman.

Nov. 1 was that day for Gerry LaChance, a recent Air Force retiree.

"To meet history face-to-face doesn't happen all the time; it's an honor," said Mr. LaChance who signed up for a term with the Air Force Reserve under the active-duty retiree program implemented in 2001.

Tuskegee Airman Col. (Ret.) Richard Toliver administered the oath of enlistment to the newest member of the 512th Airlift Wing.

Colonel Toliver was one of five Tuskegee Airmen who returned Oct. 31 after a 10-day trip where they visited troops in Germany, Kuwait and Iraq. They participated in the Dover enlistment ceremony, attended by more than 100 base personnel, before continuing their travels.

Prior to administering the oath of enlistment, the colonel spoke about their trip and the importance of diversity.

"It's important to realize that no matter what side of the ocean you're on, we're all in this together," said Colonel Toliver, 67. "It's a different kind of war, a different kind of enemy; and, the challenges today are different. It's the great American men and women standing side-by-side who are getting

**Tuskegee Airman Col. Richard Toliver (right) administered the oath of enlistment to Gerry LaChance, a recent retiree from the active-duty Air Force who enlisted to become an Air Reserve Technician with the 512th Airlift Wing.**



*Photos by Tech. Sgt. Veronica A. Aceveda*

**Five Tuskegee Airmen who returned Oct. 31 from a troop visit to Iraq, participated in a 512th Airlift Wing enlistment ceremony before continuing their travels. Each of the Tuskegee Airmen who attended the event also retired with 20 or more years of service. Tuskegee Airmen from left to right are: Tech. Sgt. (Ret.) George Watson Sr., Master Sgt. (Ret.) James Sheppard, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Robert Ashby, Lt. Col. Lee A. Archer Jr., and Col. (Ret.) Richard Toliver.**

the job done."

Looking to the four retired Tuskegee Airmen standing beside him, Lt. Col. Lee A. Archer Jr., Lt. Col. Robert Ashby, Master Sgt. James A. Sheppard and Tech. Sgt. George Watson Sr., the colonel explained how the Tuskegee Airmen of today's Air Force have a different face than those men who served 60 years ago.

Today's Tuskegee faces are women, African-American, Caribbean, Filipino, Asian, Pacific Islanders, Latin American

and from every ethnicity all over the world, he said.

"That is the face of Tuskegee Airmen today, and they are doing a super job," Colonel Toliver said.

The Tuskegee Airmen, the first African-American pilot group, formed in 1941 when the Army Air Corps began a program to train African-American military pilots at the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama.

The group flew escorts for bombers during World War II and is credited with not losing a single bomber to enemy fire in more than 200 combat missions and earning more than 850 medals. From 1940 to 1946, almost 1,000 pilots were trained at Tuskegee. About 450 deployed overseas and 150 lost their lives in training or combat.

For reservists such as Tech. Sgt. LaChance and the 1,900 Airmen of the 512th AW who continue to take on the challenges of the ever-changing military, the legend continues.





# New gates provide added security

## Multi-gate construction project nears completion

2nd Lt. Nicole Langley

436th Public Affairs

After years of planning and a construction project in the works since June 2004, a special ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on Oct. 25 to signify the official opening of Dover Air Force Base's Main Gate.

"This culminates years of planning," said Lt. Col. Mark Ruse, 436th Civil Engineer Squadron commander. "It brings Dover Air Force Base up to date."

Adding to the significance of the event was the attendance of Col. Jim Brackett, Air Mobility Command assistant director of installations and mission support, and a Humvee used to cut the ribbon.

According to Colonel Brackett, the majority of bases in AMC are undergoing construction and remodeling of their gates.

"After 9-11, we realized we didn't have an adequate level of protection at our bases," he said.

Colonel Ruse



Photo by Staff Sgt. James Wilkinson

**A Humvee drives through a ribbon tied across the base's Main Gate, signifying the official opening Oct. 25. After Sept. 11, 2001, Air Mobility Command began remodeling base gates, which included various deterrents such as pop-up barrier systems. The Visitor's Center, near the Main Gate, is now open 24 hours a day, seven days a week to issue passes. Registration and IDs are only issued Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

explained that the Main Gate, along with the other renovated gates, has several new

features, including new technology and layers of deterrents. A few of those deterrents

include pop-up spikes on both sides of the road, an automatic pop-up barrier system and

an overwatch building. Combined, the layers work to prevent unwanted vehicles from getting onto the base.

The new off-base access to the Visitor's Center adds another layer of protection, ensuring that nobody gets through the gates without the proper authority.

In addition to the protection the new gates offer the base, they also provide adequate protection from the elements for the security forces troops working at the gate. In particular, with winter on its way, the troops will now be protected from the harsh weather.

Colonel Brackett explained that in order for security forces members working at the gates to be at their peak and able to spot potential threats and suspicious activities, they need to be protected from the weather so they aren't distracted by their own discomfort.

According to Colonel Ruse, all of the gates on base are scheduled to be opened within the next few weeks, and with that, he said everyone can be more comfortable and confident in the security that is provided.





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## Liberty Line: What will you remember most about 2005?



What stands out in my mind are the natural disasters. The humanitarian efforts we did, they just kept coming one after another.

Lt. Col. Harlan Nelson  
326th Airlift Squadron operations officer



The constant operations tempo and trying to keep money in the right place at the right time to keep people on the road.

Pamela Jackson  
512th Airlift Wing financial analysis officer



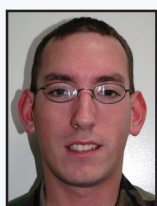
My wife returned from her deployment to Balad Air Base, Iraq, in September.

Tech. Sgt. Jeff Crouser  
512th Security Forces Squadron  
combat arms instructor



Giving Iraqi people their freedom and their ability to vote for themselves.

Staff Sgt. Steven Rose  
512th Equipment Maintenance Squadron  
structural maintenance



Being activated with the 436th Maintenance Squadron, meeting new people and going TDY to Fort Hood, Texas.

Staff Sgt. Phillip Donaway  
512th Equipment Maintenance Squadron  
Aero Repair Shop technician



I got married Sept. 24.

Airman Laquita Wilson  
512th Mission Support Squadron  
customer service



**Aug. 6:** Colton Mooers, 2, son of Tech. Sgt. Seth Mooers, 512th Mission Support Squadron, reaches for a children's video courtesy of the USO Delaware during the 512th Airlift Wing picnic Aug. 6. at the Eagles Nest picnic area. Hundreds of Liberty Wing members spent the day together enjoying food, games, give aways and entertainment.



**Oct. 1:** More than 50 employers of 512th Airlift Wing reservists participated in Employer Appreciation Day here.

**Oct. 13:** The base received a mission in support of earthquake relief efforts in Pakistan. The Reserve and active-duty aircrew departed Dover for Robert Grey Army Air Field, Texas, where they picked up two CH-47 Chinooks to deliver to the devastated region.

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Squadron, Chief Master Sgt.  
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**Sept.:** 512th Airlift Wing loadmasters unload air conditioning units from a Dover C-5 Galaxy at New Orleans International Airport Sept. 4. Reserve and active-duty aircrews supported Hurricanes Katrina and Rita relief efforts in September.



**Nov. 16-18:** Tech. Sgt. David Guenther, 512th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight, and several other Liberty Wing members participated in the 436th Airlift Wing Major Accident Response Exercise.



## NSPS implementation date moves to Feb. 1

The Department of Defense will delay implementing the new National Security Personnel System until Feb. 1, acting Deputy Defense Secretary Gordon England said in a Capitol Hill hearing Nov. 17.

Several unions recently filed a lawsuit challenging some aspects of NSPS regulations, Mr. England said. However, DOD, Office of Personnel Management, the Justice Department and the unions involved in the lawsuit announced an agreement Nov. 16.

"While the lawsuit is in process, we have all agreed that DOD will continue the training on NSPS and will continue collaboration with them on implementation details," Mr. England said.

He said the final NSPS regulations were published in the Federal Register on Nov. 1. That publication, he said, had triggered a 30-day period for congressional review of the regulations prior to their implementation.

NSPS is part of Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld's program to transform the way DOD does business to better meet the challenges of the 21st century. The new program, in development since 2003, will replace the current general-schedule personnel ranking system with broad pay bands.

Employees are evaluated for performance in duties directly tied to departmental missions. Under NSPS, that pay-for-performance system replaces old civil service rules that rewarded employees for length

of service rather than performance.

DOD and OPM are partnering to establish the NSPS, which eventually will affect 180,000 Department of Homeland Security employees as well as DOD's more than 650,000-person civilian work force.

"Our collaboration with the department has been a joint effort, and I do thank Secretary England and his staff for his leadership during this undertaking," OPM Director Linda Springer told the Senate panel. She said OPM's role in assisting to craft new NSPS regulations was to ensure there is a proper balance between accomplishing missions and the needs of the work force.

"After all, it's the people in government who make the government work. We also

recognize that the government's human resources system must protect and promote fairness and transparency, and guarantee equal access for all," Ms. Springer said.

NSPS guards against prohibited personnel practices, protects whistleblowers from recriminations and maintains all safeguards against discrimination, she said.

She said NSPS achieves the balance of employees' rights to representation and collective bargaining with DOD's mission requirements.

"Finally, the NSPS honors and promotes veterans' preference, a privilege that has been dearly earned through personal sacrifice by our men and women in uniform," Ms. Springer said. *(Courtesy AFPN)*

## AF Portal better information gateway

Users who sign on to the Air Force Portal will find an improved system that not only looks better, but is more user-friendly and effective. The redesign is the first in two years.

The portal got a new color scheme and the upgraded search engine is more effective. The goal was to make the portal similar to commercial Internet search sites, but still maintain the Air Force feel, said Maj. David Gindhart, one of the program overseers.

One of the portal's most popular features is the Air Force instant messenger system. It allows for real-time chat between people who are collaborating on a project or just keeping

in touch. The program is especially useful for deployed troops, Major Gindhart said.

"Anyone with an AF Portal account can designate up to five people to be able to log into the instant messaging system," he said. "It's a great way for family and friends to chat with the servicemember."

The chat program is one of the areas Major Gindhart hopes to improve.

"We're working on adding voice capability, so people who are deployed can even talk to their loved ones back home," Major Gindhart said.

To find out more about the improvements, there are instruction files and even a video on the main page. *(Courtesy Air Force Print News)*

## TRICARE extends Reserve benefits

The TRICARE Reserve Family Demonstration Benefit, which was supposed to end Oct. 31, has been extended through Oct. 31, 2007. The Department of Defense extended the benefit for an additional two years to ensure continuity of care for family members of approximately 170,000 Reserve and National Guard

members called to active duty for more than 30 days in support of Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Information is available at [www.tricare.osd.mil/yellowpages](http://www.tricare.osd.mil/yellowpages) or at [www.tricare.osd.mil/reserve](http://www.tricare.osd.mil/reserve). *(Courtesy Air Force Reserve Command)*

## Troops in Turkey will no longer receive tax exclusion

Beginning Dec. 31, U.S. military members in Turkey will no longer be exempt from paying federal taxes.

The Pentagon approved the termination of Turkey's certification as an area in direct support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, U.S. military officials in Europe said. This ends the benefit known as combat-zone tax exclusion.

This decision does not affect the imminent danger pay benefit, which gives troops serving in Turkey \$225 more a month. *(Courtesy Air Force Print News)*



## Air Force sets PT uniform wear date



Photo by Kemberly Groue

**Senior Airman Lizeth Abreu, Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., demonstrates the proper wear of headphones while stretching in PT gear. Headphones are authorized during personal PT time and other off-duty activities, but not while in formation or during organized unit PT sessions.**

The Air Force Uniform Board established an Oct. 1, 2006, mandatory wear date of the physical training uniform, or PTU, for unit fitness activities.

The board also released additional guidance for Airmen wearing the uniform for personal workouts.

Airmen may wear the PTU during personal workouts given the following conditions:

- T-shirts may be worn out or tucked in.
- Jackets may be zipped, unzipped and worn with civilian clothes.
- Black or navy blue leggings or stretch shorts may be worn under the shorts.
- White socks of any length and small conservative trademarks are authorized.
- Any athletic shoes may be worn.
- Safety items such as reflective belts, camelbacks and fanny packs are authorized.
- Hats or knit caps are authorized provided they meet military image requirements.
- Headphones are still authorized.
- Bandanas and other similar head scarves are not authorized unless Airmen have a medical waiver.
- Saluting is not required.

All Airmen must comply with tattoo and jewelry standards as stated in Air Force Instruction 36-2903, Dress and Personal Appearance of Air Force Personnel.

Female Airmen exercising in the PTU may wear their hair free of pins or other accessories normally required to meet uniform standards. Also, there is no mandated maternity uniform while participating in formations or unit activities.

The Air Force created the PTU to support unit cohesion and present a professional, standardized image.

Commanders will determine what uniform items, which consist of a jacket, pants, shorts and T-shirt, Airmen will wear during unit fitness events.

The uniform board is working on optional items including a long-sleeve shirt, sweatshirt and another style of running shorts.

There's a funding shortage in the Air Force Reserve Command for the purchase of PT uniforms. At this time, only members who are required to have the PT uniforms for deployments are authorized to purchase them. (Courtesy AFRC)

## — Around the 512th —

### Commander's call in December

The wing-wide commander's call is Dec. 4 at the base theater. All members are expected to be seated by 7 a.m.

Individuals being recognized on stage are to report to the theater by 6:45 a.m.

### 24-hour hotline available for sexual assault victims

The Dover Team's sexual assault response coordinators can help victims of sexual assault receive medical assistance and make a

confidential report without initiating a military investigation.

The base's SARCs are Beverly Fletcher at 363-SARC or Angie Colpitts at 363-1520.

### 3AOs needed

The wing's command staff is looking for two sharp information managers between the ranks of senior airman and staff sergeant. Requests for these positions must be coordinated through current supervisors and squadron commanders. Interviews will be conducted.

For more information, call Maj. Dawn Crews-Seams at 677-5124.

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## The lighter side...

### Baby talk .....

Congratulations to  
**Senior Airman Hiecee  
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Desi who is  
a corporal  
in the U.S.  
Marine  
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Demi LeiLani Desillarico  
into the world Sept. 23.

When asked about her  
experiences as a first-

time mother, Airman  
Desillarico said a quote  
from singer Martina

McBride  
describes it  
best. "And,  
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around my  
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it puts a  
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heart.

Everything  
becomes a little clearer. I  
realize what life is all  
about ... in my  
daughter's eyes."



### Baby talk 2 .....

Congratulations to  
**Tech. Sgt. Tommy  
Gaul**, 512th Security  
Forces Squadron, and his

wife Master Sgt. Michelle  
Gaul, 436th SFS. They  
welcomed Isabella Nicole  
into the world on Nov. 16.

## Scholarships available for military children

The Scholarships for Military Children  
program begins its sixth year of rewarding  
academic excellence.

Applications for the 2006 scholarship  
program is available beginning Nov. 1 at  
any commissary worldwide or online at  
[www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com). Eligibility and  
other information is also available through  
a link on the site.

Applications, which must include an  
essay on why the applicant admires a  
great military leader (past or present), have  
to be turned in at a commissary by Feb. 22,  
2006. At least one \$1,500 scholarship will  
be awarded at every commissary location  
with qualified applicants.

The program is open to unmarried  
children under the age of 21 (23 if enrolled

in school) of active-duty personnel,  
Reserve, Guard and retired military.  
Eligibility will be determined using the  
Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting  
System database.

The applicant must be planning to  
attend, or already attending, an  
accredited college or university full-time  
in the fall term of 2006, or enrolled in a  
program of studies designed to transfer  
directly into a four-year program.

(Courtesy DeCA)

## Meet with wing spouses

More people are attending the wing  
spouses' club get-togethers. Future  
meetings include Dec. 13, Jan. 10, Feb.  
13, Mar. 14, April 11 and May 9. To  
receive meeting times and locations,  
spouses are invited to send their e-mail  
address to Tanya Rutland at  
[TRutland512@aol.com](mailto:TRutland512@aol.com).



*Submitted photo*

## Thank you

Department of Transportation Secretary Norman Y.  
Mineta (left) thanks Master Sgt. Marlowe Barnes,  
709th Airlift Squadron loadmaster, for his service in  
the Air Force Reserve. Sergeant Barnes participated  
in a Nov. 17 ceremony in Washington D.C., where  
Secretary Mineta publicly signed a statement of  
support. The Department of Transportation has  
nearly 3,000 employees who serve in the Guard and  
Reserve forces, including Sergeant Barnes who  
works for the Federal Aviation Administration.

## Dates to remember

### Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony

Dec. 1, 5 p.m.

Intersection near Main Gate

### 512th CGOC Coat Drive

Dec. 3, 4, 10, 11

Donate coats for all sizes and ages,  
new or used, in Building 202.

### 512th MSG Bowl-a-thon

Dec. 9, 11 a.m.

Eagle Lanes

### Operation Cookie Drop

Dec. 17 to 19

Volunteers and bakers are needed.  
For more information, Call Chief  
Master Sgt. Charles Yerkes at  
677-4607 or 399-7921.



## Scouts honor

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Groth welcomes about 40 boy scouts from Troop 92 in Parkton, Md., who toured the Liberty Wing and visited Dover Air Force Base Nov.

5. Chaplain Groth is the 512th Airlift Wing's head chaplain and an Eagle Scout. "We would like to express our thanks for all that you do to help support and protect our country," said Timothy Hoy, Troop 92 senior patrol leader.



Photo by 1st Lt. Marnee A.C. Losurdo

## Promotions

CMSgt Donald Cunningham  
CMSgt Clinton Foster  
CMSgt George E. Mosley Jr  
SMSgt Kelly Devine  
SMSgt James Dowd  
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SMSgt Dennis Moore  
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MSgt Enoch Coverdale  
MSgt Mark Daum  
MSgt Gary Greenwald  
MSgt Vincent Holt  
MSgt David Kuntzi  
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MSgt Tia Moore  
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SSgt Anna Rice  
SSgt Thomas W. Rice Jr  
SSgt Arthur Santos  
SSgt Kirkham Smith  
SSgt Derek White  
SSgt Tiffany Williams  
SrA Joshua Beverly  
SrA Irvine Hastings  
SrA Marquita Hill  
SrA Patricia Kerrigan  
SrA Khalid Robinson  
A1C Kimberly Stackhouse

## Medals

### Meritorious Service

SMSgt John Scharmach  
MSgt Michael Brown

### AF Commendation

MSgt Christine Shields  
TSgt William J. Clark Jr  
TSgt John Garratt  
TSgt Annette Joynes  
TSgt Brad Stemrich  
TSgt Andres Velasquez-Puentes  
TSgt Falishia White  
SSgt Maurice Johnson

### AF Achievement

SrA Kimeka Fields

## Newcomers

MSgt John Losurdo  
TSgt James Dunaway  
TSgt Gerry LaChance  
SSgt Bernardo Brown  
SSgt Chad Harrison  
SSgt Brett Hencley  
SSgt Valerie McFadden  
SSgt Robert Rogers  
SSgt Troy Wallace  
SSgt Shana Williams  
SrA David Brown  
SrA Gregory Hughes  
SrA Rayshard Jones  
A1C Jason Andrade  
A1C Roselle Cruz  
A1C Alfred Hill  
A1C Stephan Kaufman  
A1C Jeffrey Lopez  
A1C Vincent Papion  
A1C Scott Wilgis  
A1C Christopher Wilson  
AB William Elias

## Retirements

Lt Col Michael Kelley  
MSgt Michael Brown  
MSgt Gary Chew  
MSgt Donna Christopher  
MSgt Larry Mitchell  
MSgt John Ramsay  
TSgt Melvin Brown  
TSgt Joseph Dougalas

## Reenlistments

SMSgt Dale Cotten  
MSgt Clifford Bailey  
MSgt Stanley Beckham  
MSgt Mark Daum  
MSgt Richard Shipley  
TSgt Robert Callis  
TSgt William Felts  
TSgt Arthur Gauani  
TSgt Bryan Kahler  
TSgt Gerry LaChance  
TSgt Robert Millis  
TSgt Joseph Moore  
TSgt Matthew Proffitt  
TSgt Douglas Roberts  
TSgt Dawn Scott  
SSgt Carmel Brooks  
SSgt Cyrenia Johnson  
SSgt Jessica MacGregor  
SSgt Felix Tercero III  
SrA Virginia Samuel

## PME Graduates

### Senior NCO Academy

MSgt Brenda Shriver  
MSgt Bernard London

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## New and improved

Brig. Gen. Harold Mitchell (left), Mobilization Assistant to the 18th Air Force commander, asks Maj. Erik Sant, 709th Airlift Squadron, about the C-5's new liquid crystal displays during his visit to Dover Air Force Base Nov. 9. The upgrades are part of the Air Mobility Command's C-5 Avionics Modernization Program, which calls for new guidance, navigation and communications systems, an all-weather autopilot and new liquid crystal displays for the flight deck. Another part of the 1998 plan to upgrade C-5s involves a comprehensive re-engining and reliability improvement program.



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**December** A-Team pays Dec. 13  
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**Unit:** 512th MSS  
**Duty position:** FSC director  
**Hometown:** Buffalo, N.Y.  
**Previous assignment:** 914th Airlift Wing, Niagara Falls, N.Y.  
**Personal goal:** To help Dover families understand they have a place here that supports them all throughout the year, especially during deployments.

## UTA Schedule

Fiscal year 2006:

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NOV	5-6	19-20
DEC	3-4	10-11
JAN	7-8	21-22
FEB	4-5	25-26
MAR	11-12	25-26
APR	1-2	22-23
MAY	6-7	20-21
JUN	10-11	24-25
JUL	8-9	22-23
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