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Photo by Senior Master Sgt. James McGarvey

Air Force ties

Senior Airman Moses Ross, 512th Mission Support Squadron knowledge operations manager, poses with Philadelphia Eagles' wide receiver and U.S. Air Force Academy graduate, Chad Hall at the Eagles' training camp, Aug. 3. The Eagle's organization, and the USO, hold this event once a year, where the team's staff members and players honor servicemembers from the Philadelphia area.

Liberty Wing members attend LULAC

Tech. Sgt. Christin Michaud
512th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Three Airmen from the 512th Airlift Wing attended the 81st League of United Latin American Citizens Convention and Exposition July 12-16, 2010, in Albuquerque, N.M.

The Airmen were among 70 reservists who attended the convention for the largest Latino civil rights and advocacy group in the United States.

Read the full story at:
<http://www.512aw.afrc.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123217538>

Reservist awarded Bronze Star

Capt. Marnee A.C. Losurdo
512th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

A 512th Airlift Wing reservist received the Bronze Star and Air Force Combat Action Medal during a ceremony Aug. 7, 2010, at the base theater.

Tech. Sgt. Stephen J. Kaufman, a 512th Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight team leader, earned these medals while serving with the 755th Bravo EOD Flight at Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, supporting Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom.

The Bronze Star Medal, the fourth-highest U.S. Armed Forces combat award, is awarded to servicemembers for acts of bravery or meritorious service. The Air Force Combat Action Medal is awarded to Airmen involved in direct fighting situations, risking their lives in an enemy engagement. Sergeant Kaufman is only the second 512th AW member to earn this honor.

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EOD: 'This job's a blast!'

Master Sgt. Jake Chappelle
512th Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Some jobs in the Air Force require the ability to diffuse a potentially "explosive" situation. Team Dover's Explosive Ordnance Disposal technicians take this skill quite literally.

Master Sgt. David Guenther, 512th Civil Engineer Squadron EOD Flight program manager, is one of seven reservists, along with 16 active-duty technicians, who protect the base from potential explosives. This team also recovers and neutralizes ordnance off base; defuses improvised explosive devices in the theater; protects the president from explosive ordnance threats; and, scans human remains for ordnance threats.

In spite of these occupational hazards, Sergeant Guenther said he enjoys his job.

"I like the diversity of the mission," he said. "Whether you're ordering publications or working on a nuclear weapon, you're presented with a task, you take it on and complete it."

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