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Picnic day of family, food, fun

Senior Airman Tanisha Brown
512th AW Public Affairs

More than 2,000 wing members and their families gathered for festivities at the 512th Airlift Wing biennial picnic Aug. 6 at Eagle's Nest here.

Some of the many attractions included live entertainment, inflatable attractions, water fun, face painting, food and free ice cream.

"This event is a way to thank reservists and their families for their dedication, service and support; we couldn't complete the mission without you," said Col. Randal L. Bright, 512th AW commander.

"The picnic was a great outing to be able to spend time with family, not just biological family, but wing family too," said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Banks, 512th Security Forces Squadron security forces manager. "It was a definite success because there was something here for everyone."

To read the full story and see photos visit <http://www.512aw.afrc.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123267174>.

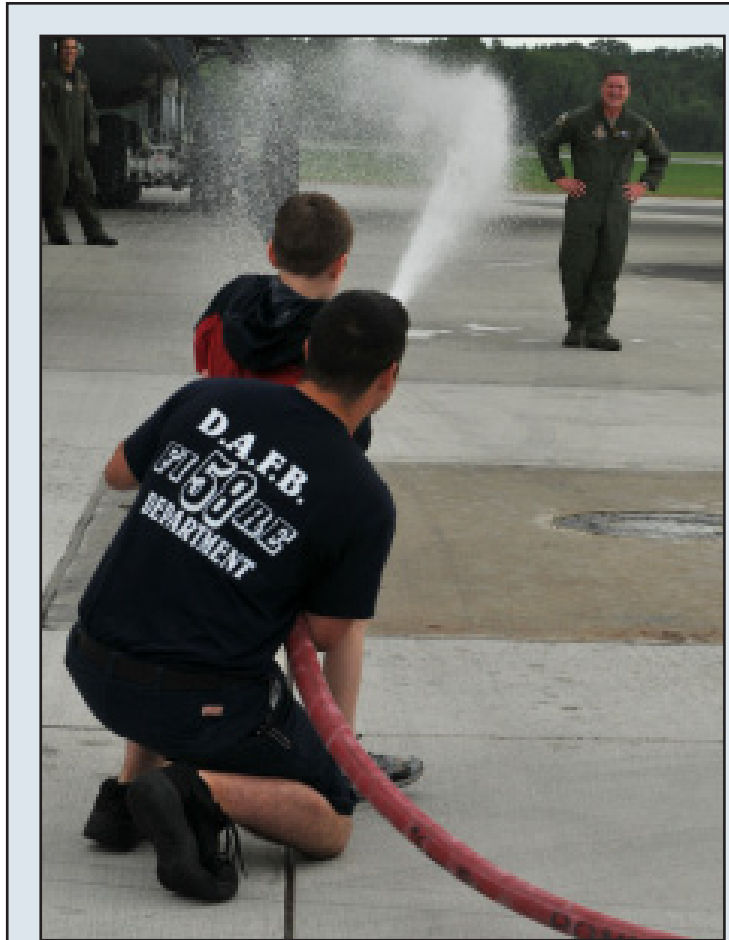
Wing's top fun runners

More than 200 Liberty Wing members and their families participated in the 5K Run, Walk and Crawl, Aug. 6.

Tech. Sgt. Harry White, 512th Operations Support Flight, placed first with a time of 18 minutes, 47 seconds; and, Senior Airman Sirintra Fisher, 512th Memorial Affairs Squadron, was the first female to cross the finish line with a time of 22 minutes, 4 seconds.

The following 512th Airlift Wing members won their age categories.

- **Under 30 Male:** Airman 1st Class David Likens, 512th Maintenance Squadron, 18 minutes, 54 seconds.
- **Under 30 Female:** Staff Sgt. Gwendolyn Blakley, 512th Airlift Wing Equal Opportunity, 25 minutes, 56 seconds.
- **30-39 Male:** Tech. Sgt. Robert Wynn, 512th MXS, 19 minutes, 36 seconds.
- **30-39 Female:** Master Sgt. Corrine Rekrut, 512th Logistics Readiness Squadron, 24 minutes, 33 seconds.
- **40-49 Male:** Senior Master Sgt. James Baker, 512th MXS, 19 minutes, 20 seconds.
- **40-49 Female:** Maj. Kathryn Fiddler, 512th AW/EO, 26 minutes, 35 seconds.
- **50-59 Male:** Master Sgt. Gary Porter, 512th MXS, 25 minutes, 24 seconds.
- **50-59 Female:** Chief Master Sgt. Linda Lynn, 512th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 25 minutes, 7 seconds.



Ready, aim, spray

With the assistance of Dover Air Force Base firefighter Charles Lombard, Kurt Schmitkons, 9, douses his father Col. Karl Schmitkons, Aug. 4, after the colonel's final flight here. Colonel Schmitkons is moving to Pope Field, N.C., to become the 440th Airlift Wing vice commander.

AF Ball tickets on sale until Sept. 1

The Dover Air Force Base Air Force Ball is Sept. 9 at Dover Downs. Social hour starts at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$30 for Airmen and General Schedule 1-4 employees; \$35 for NCOs and GS 5-6; \$40 for senior NCOs, company grade officers and GS 7-11 employees; \$45 for field grade officers and GS 12-15 employees; and, \$50 for chief master sergeants and colonels and above.

To purchase a ticket, contact: Lt. Col. Dawn Crews-Seams, 512th Operations Group, (302) 677-3806; Capt. Marnee Losurdo, 512th Airlift Wing, (302) 677-3487; Ms. Ana Moreno, 512th Mission Support Group, (302) 677-3489; 2nd Lt. Jason Lowery, 512th Maintenance Group, (302) 677-5579; and, Master Sgt. Scott Branson, 512th Aerospace Medicine Squadron, (302) 677-2549.